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# 544 Wins Sweeping Victory in Book Suit; All Major Demands of Finks are Rejected

#### Central Labor Union Asks City Council to Record Itself For Repeal of Slave Labor Law

The September 25th meeting of the Minneapolis Central Labor Union adopted a resolution introduced by the Teamsters Joint Council, memorializing the city council to place itself on record for the repeal of the Stassen Slave Labor Law.

The full text of the resolution follows:

WHEREAS, there was enacted in the last session of the Minnesota state legislature, a law known as the Minnesota Labor Relations Act, which law is now a part of the general statutes

"WHEREAS, this law has proved over a period of two years that it has stripped from labor organiations rights and privileges won by labor during the past fifty years, which rights had been enacted into federal and state laws, and

"WHEREAS, the application of the labor relations law has seriously hampered the effective functioning of the Policy Committee of the Central Labor Union, a super-advisory body of labor's own choosing, and has resulted in destroying friendly relations between employer and employee brought about by organized labor's Policy Committee, and

"WHEREAS, large sections of the voting population of Minneapolis, through their organizations, again and again have gone on record for the outright repeal of this act.

"THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Minneapolis Central Labor Union, in meeting assembled this 25th day of September, 1940, memorialize the Minneapolis City Council and ask that body to place itself on record for the repeal of the Minnesota Labor Relations Law."

Attorneys

Last Wednesday attorneys Gil-

the Minneapolis Citizens Alliance

years in the Minneapolis labor

movement, passed away Tuesday

of a heart attack. He had been a

member of the Minneapolis fire

department for 22 years and act-

ive in the Fireman's Relief associ-

ation and the Police & Firemen's

Commenting on the death, Bill

Sinnott of the Milk Drivers Union.

longtime friend of the deceased.

loval and devoted union member

He was the moving spirit behind

Brother Simcoe for years was

the Labor Temple association."

business agent of his union.

Notice to All

359 Members!

meeting held Tuesday, Septem-ber 24, a motion carried that

all future membership meetings will be held on the second Tues.

day of each month. All members

are requested to take note of this change, and plan to attend

the next meeting on October 8, 8 p. m., in the third floor hall at 257 Plymouth avenue north.

said: "John Simcoe was always a

Benevolent association.

File Brief

### Slave Law Put up to City Council In Fink Suit

the Minneapolis Central Labor bert Carlson and John Goldie pre-Union voted to memorialize the sented arguments before Judge city council asking that body to Levi Hall on behalf of the Minneplace itself on record for repeal apolis union movement involved in of the state Labor Relations Law. the fink suit. The unions' attor-The Minneapolis Teamsters Joint neys on Monday filed a brief sug-Council introduced the resolution. gesting that certain of the charges

The Glen Lake visiting commit- made by the "Associated Indepentee will meet at the CLU head- dent Unions" be stricken and that quarters October 9, 7 p. m., Dele- other charges be made more defiate Jurisch reported.

All loop bowling alleys have | nite.

Sam Levy, who for years has gate Jurisch reported.

signed with the Pinsetters Union, been identified as the attorney for it was reported.

After a talk by Donald Davis of in all its various guises, is repre-General Mills asking labor to send senting the "Associated Indepenfive members to a Community dent Unions." Fund pre-campaign luncheon, a motion by Walter Frank carried, 70 to 52, instructing the Central Labor Shocked Labor Union NOT to send representatives. Many delegates opposed the Community Fund, pointing out that bosses had always John Simcoe used coercion to force their employees to contribute, and that workers were seldom given credit for their contributions, the boss taking all the credit.

President John Boscoe was authorized to serve as vice-chairman of a Roosevelt All-Party commit-

State Report Next Meeting A report of the State Federation of Labor convention will be presented at 9 o'clock, October 9th, as a special order of business.

### Tom Pierce On Radio at CLU Dance

A large throng of unionists was on hand at the regular Wednesday Night Dance sponsored by the Central Labor Union at the Marigold ballroom. Guest labor speaker over "The Voice of Labor" radio hour was Thomas Pierce of the Building Service Employees Union.

Free tickets for these popular dances each Wednesday evening at the Marigold may be obtained by unionists from their union officers.

# **Burlington Strike** Strengthened by Dahlin-Davis Pact

Company Union Finks Throw Acid at Union Pickets, Blind Company Watchman Temporarily - Get Jail Sentences — Strikers Greatly Encouraged by Union of the decision, certain important ments up to the time of the de Victory at Dahlin-Davis - Workers at Leopold Desk Organize - Iowa Driver Leaders Address Strike Meeting - Spirit of Strikers Is High

Burlington, Iowa-Spurred onward by the union illegal acts against the Union. The agreement signed with Dahlin-Davis, naming the AFL as findings of the Court were to the sole bargaining agent, strikers at the Northwestern Cab- contrary. The Court found that These comparatively minor sums inet company entered the second week of their struggle the defendants had not used the were not charged back by the more determined than ever to plant the union banner funds of the Union dishonestly. Court because of dishonesty or firmly in this concern.

The strike has been orderly, save for some vicious clearly states that elections were acid-throwing by thugs belonging to the company union. held and fairly held and that there Thursday night the finks drove by

the struck plant and squirted acid over the windshield of a picket 977 Baseball car. Coming to the plant they directed a stream of acid into the face of Orval Woolridge, watchman. Temporarily blinded, Woolridge was rushed to a physician.

Finks Found Guilty The finks were recognized and were found guilty of disorderly conduct in police court; four were Rody and Bob Burroughs. A fifth, the handsome trophy. Robert Siverly, 17, will face charges in juvenile court.

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# Champs Get Fine Trophy

Last Sunday at the Parade arrested. Saturday morning they Grounds the Park Board officials two main demands of the plainsentenced to serve five days each champions. On behalf of the Fill- remove the defendant-officers and close refused to serve five days each champions. in the county jail. They are Robert and Richard Miller (company ball team, champions of the Fed- or to hold a special election. foreman and his son); Richard eral division, Kelly Roth accepted

Officials of the fake company player imposed on an ivory base. Skoglund, he was removed as an at Atlantic City, according to a the union's records and files, tak- to fill the office. The annual elecunion set-up, frantically seeking to It may be seen in Local 977's of- officer because he has failed to call sent out to affiliates last last

# Defendents' Statement On Court's Findings

The defendants in the accounting suit against them as officers of Local 544 have not had a full and complete opportunity to analyze in detail the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Memorandum of the Court thereto attached, because of its voluminous nature consisting of approximately 54 pages.

However, upon a first reading

points stand out. Funds Used Honestly

The plaintiffs have accused defendants of various wrongful and charged back by the order of the The decision of the Court also wrongdonig by the defendant-offiwere honestly kept and indicate in them. no way that the officers have used

The Court specifically denied the presented trophies to all the league tiffs; that is, the Court refused to

The officers that were made party-defendants to this action ex-

Funds Charged to Officers Certain expenditures were

cers. These funds were used for was no usurpation of office by Union and other organizational these defendants or intimidation of work, but the Court felt that the the members in electing officers. Constitutional Provisions were not The financial records of the Union sufficiently broad to authorize

A more complete statement will the Union funds for their personal be made by the defendant-officers at an early date after they have alyze the full import of the de-

# Convenes Nov. 18

The third annual convention of The trophy, inscribed with 977's cept those now deceased remain the Congress of Industrial Organ- 2nd, for almost nine solid months, sig until the next general election. complete his citizenship require- week by John L. Lewis.

# Court Decision is Win for all Labor

# **Boss Press Outdoes Itself** In Distorting 544 Triumph

"Counsel for plaintiffs have constantly felt that there was something wrong about this original joining of (Locals) 574 and 500. It does not seem to me that there

"There is no evidence in this case that the elections were not fairly held . . .

"The defendants, particularly in connection with strikes and labor disputes, spent a good deal of money. They paid lawyers for legal defense. They paid bonding companies to get the men out of jail. Counsel for plaintiffs seem to feel that this is an acquiescence and approval of crime. I don't think it is at all . . ."

"It seems to me that the purposes of these organizations (the North Central District Drivers Council) could be considered well within the purposes of the particular

"It seems to me that it is entirely within the purposes of this union to have an interest and support this Federal Workers Section . . .

"Considered as a whole, the officers have not allowed had more of an opportunity to anthemselves unreasonable salaries and allowances . . . So did District Judge Paul S.+

Carroll dispose of the major claims way to other unions, etc. The of the finks and their attorneys in union officials are directed to furthe famous Local 544 book suit. nish quarterly financial statements

At 5 p. m. Tuesday evening to the membership; but this has Local 544 officials and attorneys been followed out for years. Carl were notified to be in court at 9 Skoglund is to be removed and the court's decision. Since January over by vice-president George Froied by the court.

weeping vindication of the Gen- so. eral Drivers Union Local 544, its officers, and a victory for organized labor everywhere.

#### 54-Page Decision

In a 54-page decision and memorandum Judge Carroll has found The fact is, that the sudden endthat the evidence bears out the ing of this three-year suit is a

The finks have charged the elections were crooked. The court has sort. As one attorney said Wedfound the elections were fairly nesday, "This is the most cleancut held.

The finks have charged the officers were dishonest, and demanded they all be removed and a receiver appointed. The court has found these cries of "dishonesty" not based in fact, and has refused to remove the officers. Carl Skoglund, union president, has been ordered to step down from the presidency within forty days. But not for any dishonest act. Despite all the finks' efforts, Skoglund's record of integrity and devotion to the union emerges spotless. Skoglund is to be removed for a technical reason only, that he is not yet a citizen.

The finks had charged that union officials wasted union funds and led riotous lives. The court has found the officers' salaries are reasonable.

The finks complained about Lo cal 544's donations and aid to the Farmer-Labor Party, the North Central District Drivers Council, the Federal Workers Section. The court found these expenditures reasonable and appropriate.

Among the conclusions of law reached by the court were that some of the defendants had made legal donations in an improper

a. m. Wednesday to receive the office of president is to be taken name, consists of a gold baseball intact. As to the defendant, Carl izations will open November 18th the court had been poring over No special election is to be held ing testimony from the union, its tion of Local 544 in December is friends and its enemies. Every as- to be held under the direction of pect of the union had been scru- a member of a union affiliated tinized. Thousands of checks, hun- with the AFL, said member to be dreds of documents had been stud- appointed by the court. And if the membership votes to continue the And Wednesday's decision is a present board in office, it may do Boss Press Distorts Case As throughout the fink suit, the daily papers of Minneapolis gross-

ly and sensationally distorted the court's findings in the fink suit. union's contentions all the way resounding triumph for Local 544 and its officials, a victory almost without precedent in cases of this victory won by labor in many years."

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#### Skoglund Has Stainless Union Record

The boss papers have pre-sented a wholly dishonest pic-ture of the court's findings as they apply to Carl Skoglund, president of Local 544.

For the information of our readers, not the slightest stain has been found on Brother Skoglund's spotless and shining trade union record. For over a score of years this man has had a magnificent record of service and devotion to the cause of the

working men and women of this city and country.

The court has ordered that the union remove Carl Skog-lund from office on the lone technical ground that Brother Skoglund is not yet a citizen of this country.

Members of Local 544 and all

unionists may rest assured that Brother Skoglund's loyalty, knowledge and devotion to labor's cause will still be available to Local 544 and the broad labor movement.

# In 544 Suit

# Excerpts From Court's Memorandum

From the lengthy memorandum on the Local 544 book suit compiled by Judge Carroll, we quote the following excerpts:

. . . Council for plaintiffs have constantly felt that there was something wrong about this original joining of 574 and 500. It does not seem to me that there was; and even if there were, the establishment of 544 was approved, without protest, by the individual members of the two organizations."

"Council for plaintiffs here seem to feel that the Teamsters Joint Council is nothing but an agency of 544. It does not seem to the Court John W. Simcoe, active for that such is a fact."

> "Finding VIII is a statement of the officers of the union at various times, including appointments in cases of vacancy, and the special election with reference to Skoglund. Whether legal or illegal, all these things were well known and approved by the membership at large."

"In finding IX the Court refers to the system of elections. There is no evidence in this case that the elections were not fairly held. Counsel for plaintiffs contend that the two days given for voting was unnecessary and simply made for an opportunity to tamper with the ballots. There is no proof that would justify any such an inference."

"I do not believe the opposition of the defendants to the inspection of the books should be held against them, or taken as an admission against them."

"The defendants, particularly in connection with strikes and labor disputes, spent a good deal of money. They paid lawyers for legal defense. They paid bonding companies to get the men out of jail and, in many instances, paid the fines for men who were arrested arising out of labor disputes. Counsel for plaintiffs seem to feel that this is an acquiescence and approval of crime. I don't think it is at all . . . Usually, strikers have no money to pay fines or defend themselves, and it seems to me that it is entirely legitimate for the union to use this

"Finding XX has to do with the North Central District Drivers Council and the over-the-road expenditures . . . It seems to me that the purposes of these organizations, as explained by Dobbs and other witnesses, could be considered well within the purposes of the particular union. The problems in the trucking industry are no longer a local matter. They are often interstate in breadth. The employers are organized and the employees have a right to organize to meet the situation."

"The loaning of the money of this union to the other unions that through. it was loaned to seems to me to be well within the power of the union

"As far as the \$540 was concerned, to the Farmer-Labor party, that was a per capita tax donation, and the members had knowledge of this donation and, therefore, even if it were ultra vires, the officers would not be responsible. The \$700 donation to the campaign fund of three candidates presents a very difficult question. I decided that they were intra vires on the theory that this union could justifiably spend some of its money in a legitimate effort to elect persons to the legislative bodies who would support measures in which this union would be interested. It must be borne in mind, both in connection with this finding and the finding with reference to loans, that a labor union is not an institution for profit. Fundamentally, it is interested in the welfare of its members, specifically, to make their working conditions better. Oftentimes their aims can be advanced . . . by legislative enactments, and just why the support of a candidate who believes in their principles is not within their powers, I do not understand."

"With reference ot Finding XXVII, Federal Workers Section, we can frankly concede that the officers of 544 have a very great influence over this Federal Workers Section, but that, in itself, wouldn't make the Federal Workers Section a part of 544, and it seems to me that it is entirely within the purposes of this union to have an interest and support this Federal Workers Section."

Plaintiffs make much ado about this \$3,000. It seems to me it is perfectly clear it was put up for bail for two men who were convicted in Federal Court in Sioux City."

"Considered as a whole, the officers have not allowed themselves unreasonable salaries and allowances."

"Nor does the Court find anything to criticize in these

# Make Minneapolis a Union Town

The following funeral homes are classed as FAIR:

# 544, 221 Coal Men Win Vacations and War Clause in Pact

Below is the full text of the new two-year working consist of two men selected by the agreement signed by Locals 221 and 544 with the city's employee or his representative, two men selected by the Coal Drivers Compliance Committee, and

The coal dealers of Minneapolis. Minnesota, represented by the Coal Dealers Compliance Committee, agree to be bound by the provisions and requirements of this contract to the end that wages and working conditions in the Coal Industry of Minneapolis can be working conditions in the Coai Industry of Minneapolis can be stabilized on a fair and equitable basis. The General Drivers Union, Local No. 544, and Ice & Coal Drivers Union, Local No. 221, as representing its members and certain other employees employed by said coal dealers also agree to said coal dealers, also agree to accept and to be bound by the terms and conditions of this contract as set forth herein:

ARTICLE I The wage scales and working conditions regulated by the terms of this agreement shall apply to all employees engaged in the load-ing, unloading, storage and deliv-ery service of said employers. There shall be no discrimination against any employee because o union affiliation.

ARTICLE II No agreement or contract will be entered into by any of the parties to this agreement with indi-vidual employees or groups of em-ployees which conflicts with the terms and provisions of this agree-

ARTICLE III

All time worked on Sundays and on New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July Fourth, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day shall be paid for at double the regular hourly rate, except employees making Sunday and holiday deliveries of emergency public relief coal orders which shall be paid at one and one-half times the regular hourly rate for such deliveries. ARTICLE III such deliveri

ARTICLE IV

The following minimum rates of pay shall prevail for the following classifications:

1. Truck drivers not less than

75c per hour for the first eight hours worked each day; not less than 90c per hour for the 9th and 10th hours worked each day, Monday to Friday inclusive; and not less than \$1.12½ per hour for all time worked in excess of ten hours each day, Monday to Friday inclusive, and for all time worked in excess of eight beauts 5 stunday.

hours Saturday. Yard laborers and carrymen making the most less than 65c per hour for the first eight hours worked each day; not less than 78c per hour for the 9th and 10th hours worked each day, Monday to Friday inclusive, and not less than 97½c per hour for all time modified in control of the modified in the modified in control of hours per day, Monday to Friday inclusive, and for all time worked in excess of eight hours on Saturday.

Hauling by hired truck: A. Domestic coal, coke or wood-\$1.35 per ton or

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per day. There shall be no split shifts.

Affected employees shall be paid in full each week. Employees now receiving pay at higher rates than the above rates in the respective classifications, shall not have their pay reduced. ARTICLE V

In the event that any law, State Federal, now existing or hereafter enacted, be determined to be applicable to any employee or class or classes of employees, so long as so applicable the following procedure shall be followed in arriving at the work week for senior employees, if and when work is available:

After October 24, 1940 - 40 After October 24, 1340 — 40 hours at straight time rate, as set forth in Article IV. 5 ½ hours at time and one-half of straight rate, making a total of 45 ½ hours.

The above 45 ½ hours per week, if and when work is available, shall become the work week for tary senior employees who may become

so affected by the Wage and Hours

The foregoing schedule shall nodify Article IV of this contract in computing the hours on which overtime pay is based from daily schedule to weekly schedule, so long as such law is applicable, but shall not affect the computation of daily overtime as provided in this Article IV in the case of employhours in any one week. In no event shall overtime be paid more sired. than once. In all cases and at all times when such law is not appli disregarded and shall be of no force or effect, and the schedule as set forth in Article IV shall be applied and shall control.

ARTICLE VI Drivers who are unable to make delivery and who must return the consignment to the yard for any of the following reasons shall

e paid the full wage for the time pent on the assignment:

1. Incorrect address of con-signee not due to fault of driver.

2. Failure of consignee to pay

C. O. D. charges.
3. Absence of any person at consignee's address to accept

delivery.

ARTICLE VII Employers and employees shall cooperate to the end that all city ordinances relating to traffic and delivery of coal including backing over curbs, etc., shall be observed.

ARTICLE VIII

Seniority rights shall prevail. In

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Seniority rights shall prevail. In laying off employees because of lack of work or other legitimate reasons, the last man hired shall be the first laid off. In returning to work, the last man laid off shall be the first way to be a few to the statement of the stat reasons, the last man hired shall be the first laid off. In returning to work, the last man laid off shall be the first man rehired. Proof of drunkenness, dishonesty, or repeated negligence in the performance of duty shall be considered grounds for discharge.

ARTICLE IX
There shall be no strikes or

peated negligence in the performance of duty shall be considered grounds for discharge.

ARTICLE IX
There shall be no strikes or lockouts during the term of this agreement. All difference having to do with the interpretation of and/or adherence to the terms of this agreement which cannot be settled directly by the negtice consistence.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23rd day of Sept., 1940.

Notary Public, Hennepin County, Myn commission expires June 8, 1945.

MINNEHAHA
GREENHOUSE settled directly by the parties con-cerned or by the Coal Dealers Compliance Committee and/or the employees' representative, shall be referred to a board of arbitration. Said board of arbitration shall

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the four men so selected, if un B. Package fuel—\$1.40 per ton or fraction thereof.
C. Steam coal—75c per ton or fraction thereof—minimum load three tons to ensure the four men so selected, if unable to agree, shall choose a fifth man, who shall serve as an impartial chairman. The decision of the majority of said board shall be final and binding upon all parties concerned. concerned.

ARTICLE X All employees of the signatories hereto who have established themal plants, office buildings, hotels, apartment and rooming houses and fourplex apartments with single heating plants.

D. Steam coke—90c per ton or fraction thereof—minimum load two tons to customer.

E. Wood—1 cord \$2.25, ½ cord \$1.65, ¼ cord \$1.40. Orders of less than 500 pounds delivered who have established themselves on the seniority list during selves on the seniority list during s

\$1.40. Orders of less than 500 pounds delivered with coal to the same destination—10c per 100 pounds. If 300 pounds or over, the charge shall be in direct shall thereafter be entitled to access the first state of the full state roportion to the full hauling rate.

Carry and throw in—
\$1.25 per ton; ½ ton 75c; ¼ ton 75c.

Throw in—75c a ton; ½

All employees eligible for vacation for the vacation some vacation vac

Throw in—75c a ton; ½ ton 50c. When called to work, hired trucks shall be guaranteed the equivalent per day of a three ton haul at domestic rates.

When called to work by their employers, all drivers, yard laborers and carrymen shall be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours pay per day.

All employees eligible for vacation sometime during the period from June 1, 1941, to September 1, 1941, and from June 1, 1942, to September 1, 1942, and each employee shall be required to give his employer one week notice of his intention to take a vacation.

ARTICLE XI

An independent truck owner shall be defined in all cases as one who owns a truck and operates it.

his intention to take a vacation.

ARTICLE XI

An independent truck owner shall be defined in all cases as one who owns a truck and operates it himself, and it is hereby mutually agreed between the parties to this contract that the General Drivers Union Local No. 544 and the located Coal Drivers Union Local No. and Coal Drivers Union Local No. for G 221 will file with the coal dealers Falls. a list of such independent truck owners whom the unions have cerified as being in good standing for employment by coal dealers, and it is further understood and agreed that in employment of such dependent truck owners not al-eady on the coal dealers' seniority st, the selection of such inde nendent truck owners for employment will be made from the aforesaid certified lists without regard to the order in which the names appear upon such lists.

ARTICLE XII.

act of Congress.
ARTICLE XIII

SAY YOU SAW THE AD IN THE N. W. ORGANIZER

THE N. W. ORGANIZER

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACTS OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AND MARCH 3, 1933, of The Northwest Organizer, published weekly at Minneapolis, Minn., for Oct. 3, 1940. STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF HENNEPIN—ss.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Miles B. Dunne, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Editor of the Northwest Organizer, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of the forewaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the Act of March 3, 1933, embodies in section 537, Fostal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

That the names and addresses of the statement of the Statement of the Organizer Office as to the sugge tion made some weeks ago relieve to the formation of a Unic Escadrille. Methinks there is mer in the idea.

tions, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are: Publisher, Teamsters' Joint Council, No. 32, Minneapolis; Editor, Miles B. Dunne, Minneapolis; Managing Editor, Carlos Hudson, Minneapolis; Business Manager, Daniel E. Burke, Minneapolis, Teamsters' Joint Council, No. 32, Minneapolis; Harold H. Seavey, president, Minneapolis; Miles B. Dunne, sec'y-treas, Minneapolis.

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#### Watt Notes

By Amps & Volts

The Tobacco Auctioneer, Brother Baldus, sold baskets at the Social a week ago Saturday night. Brother Baldus put Langer on the spot by dropping a second basket before the bidding was all (Arc Department) passed away done. Is Brother Day's face red. Tuesday, September 24. Super salesman Eklund excels in selling chances on the blanket.

Don't tell us redheads aren't

Ask "Kat Fish" Larson who kicked the legs out from under the

Brother Eliasson knew whose basket he was buying. Some day soon, the B. A. is go-

for Groucho Marx at St. Croix

funeral benefit. If the brother had remained a member after being first initiated, the benefit would tall corn state and came back in have been eight hundred and double harness. "Nail" him for twenty-five dollars. A number of members have re-

they have not had their "carry the love-bug-cure and got married. ARTICLE XII.

Employees covered by this agreement shall not suffer any loss in their seniority standing by reason of their enlistment or induction into any branch of the military or naval services of the United States in the event the lost Tuestime the late In Warner took the lowe-bug-cure and got married.

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The winter quota of cabs is being replaced with a stunning array of new cars: Four new '41 themselves up to date before the last Tuestime the love-bug-cure and got married. States should become involved in 90 days had expired. These memwar, or in the event their enlistbers will have to start over on non, Arne Carlson (seven passenment or induction is imposed by their insurance and pension bene- gers, we bet) Benny (the dog fits unless they pay a 10 fee to catcher) and Stuart Rachel. We

shall not affect the computation of daily overtime as provided in this Article IV in the case of employees working not in excess of forty hours in any one week. In no event shall overtime be paid more appearance of the case of the cas be cheated. If you have any re- rider's prayer, and for cruising in

probably soon will expand his ag- cross the Washington avenue crew, a boy of 81/2 lbs. This brings way back. the total to six. The latest potential producer is the second boy

Several union members who are also fliers have inquired of the Organizer Office as to the suggestion made some weeks ago relative to the formation of a Union Escadrille. Methinks there is merit

Brother O. F. Pearson of the Meter Department is in Glen Lake Sanatorium and would appreciate seeing his friends.

Brother Clabo of the Meter De-

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partment was taken to Fairview hospital last Saturday.

Brother Abner Soderholm is back on the job after spending a week in the hospital.

The "Umbrella Man" was in own this week.

We regret to report that the

## TAXI TOPICS

By F. H. Lunde

Owen Chappel sends his best regards to brother union members ball crowd . . . The taxi-aviators and enjoys your visits a lot. He is are counting noses to help deter- certain members in the right cate on the mend, but will have the mine how many flyers there are gory so at last we find Clarence same address at Glen Lake for a in the union movement . . . Pre- Schwab in the role of a "brute." while. Visiting hours are 3:30 to cision-driver Langham' collected He took Leona for a duck-boa ing to bring up a long, black eigar 5, days.

Maxie Barr (Borowski) is relaxing at the Veterans' hospital. The survivors of one of the Viisting days are Tuesday, Thurs-Glen Mattson took a trip to the

the cigars.

Another "benedict" falls? It's cently become delinquent because in the wind that Bill Warner took

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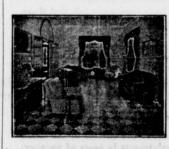
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The agreement shall take effect reinstate these benfit privileges. reaper may strike, and time can't | . . . they're the answer to a clutch

> The new traffic system of let-Louis Melberg, of Coon Rapids, ting street cars, buses and taxis ricultural operations. Last week bridge worked swell going out to he added another member to his the game but not so good on the



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#### Charles Roth Breaks Leg

Charles Roth, 544 driver at the Minneapolis Star-Journal, had the misfortune to break his leg last Thursday. He stepped on a boulder, slipped and fractured his leg in two places. He is recovering at the Swedish hospital.

year the hack drivers are given the hi-pressure from the back seat, and we have to be clever "turncoats" or lose our scale and temper. P. S. Don't forget to vote.

Fill out your membership cards now for the Local 958 federal Credit Union. Brother Kenneth Bronson is doing the work gratis and wants the entrants in before the busy driving sets in. You are eventually going to take a good many shares in this organization so get started right now. Did you ever notice? The union

meetings are mostly attended by the men who have to come farthest, or those who really have the most to do. You are stealing valuabel time from your brother union members when you come only to the most important meetings and ask questions you would know the and we are very proud of him. answers to if you skipped "bank night" at your local showhouse father of Brother Ed O'Brien and attended the regular monthly meetings.

> Pat "Man Mountain" Hurley ing to be taken to the airport. per week. This has given to the Pat reports good "scale."

Caught cruising . . . Ray Rain- year. bolt was spotted amongst the foottickets . . . The Hill-Billy went on ride and before she could get without shoes anyway . . . The and blue and soaking wet. It is too new four-poster semaphores help bad our by-laws are not broad traffic on Lake St. . . Notice to enough to cover cases of this type members who recently died colday, Saturday and Sunday, 2:30 U.S. Treasury agents: Chester lected only three hundred dollars till 4, and evenings 7 till 9 o'clock. Clairmont is in the money this funeral benefit. If the brother had

> Looks like the Axis powers are racing old "General Hunger" who also knows the divide and conquer method.

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### With the **Dairy Workers** Local 471

George Bergquist

o be some misunderstanding about soliciting new customers on the type, evidence is easily obtained from udder to ice box. This film tract. The latter specifically says, the screen, give him a hand; after there shall be no split-shifts and all, he is just a beginner. when a member solicits business after the completion of his day's work he is guilty of breaking the brother made it quite evident that contract. Alibis: "It was on my he represented none other than way home" or "They moved into William Evers, Jr. It was such a the same block where I live" are surprise because we all figured of no avail before the board so Brother Bill carried at least two let's be careful, one and all. And votes. most of us can find time to throw in a little extra back door speech while we are out on the route.

It looks like Cecil Fulks is go ing to hit his old bowling stride again. Last week he rolled 600

We belong to an International Union of which we can justly be proud. It has a membership of Saturday, October 5, 8 p. m., at 500,000 and the average age of a the fire station, 42nd and Cedar member is 31 years. Since the last avenue. This is the first of a se was sent to the Milwaukee depot convention five years ago the er- ries of five parties. for a "Rochester run" and found tire membership has averaged a the comedian by that name wait- wage increase of over four dollars membership one hundred and four million dollars more to live on each

Sometimes it takes years to get nights 'cause it's too cold to go ashore again she was bruised, black

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We really have one now that we can hang on the big shot of the St. Paul Milk Drivers. Said important personage is Brother Wm. Gydeson who while introducing himself to 1,505 International delegates said, "I'm Gydeson, 544, Minneapolis." Let's be careful to keep this incident to ourselves; we would not want the rank and file Among our members there seems of 546 to hear about it.

Some of our dear brothers broke way home or in the evening. Just right into the movies when Northa word of warning to those who land produced a picture which are so inclined. In cases of this shows milk processing, complete and violators are sure of a heavy will be shown to various gatherings fine. We have two "Ten Coni- throughout the city and if you see mandments," our by-laws and con- a brother member struggling on

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We are all glad to see Frank Dorrance back on the job and feeling pretty good again.

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## Carstater Hearing Recessed To October 7th; Dr. Boraas Shows Self To Be No Expert

The state civil service board's hearing in the Carstater case recessed Friday after hearing several Stassen wit- by Jules Geller on "The War nesses, including Dr. Boraas. The case will be continued Boom in the Auto Industry." Mr. next Monday, October 7th. Evans, state attorney, will Geller is organizer for the Social-probably put on two more witnesses, after which the Carlist Workers Party in the Michigan stater defense will have the opportunity to present its area. He will bring to the forum

Witnesses Friday included Inoh + Hefte, Dean Schweikard and Boraas as an expert witness on centers. Jerry Volker. Volker, a speech Carstater's work. instructor at University high, testified that at a teachers' meeting however, by Benjamin Drake, at-Mr. Carstater had said that all employers are crooks.

Dean Schweikard modified this Employees Local 10. testimony by stating that what Carstater had said was that "one really was quite uninformed about employees."

Labor party.

Boraas the "Expert" Boraas, chairman of the state plaints numbered more than one. board of education, on the stand



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Boraas was quickly deflated, torney retained by Mr. Carstater and his union, the Minnesota State

could not always trust employers the details of Carstater's job. Boto act in the interests of their raas admitted that he had received no complaints about Car-Hefte testified that Mr. Car-stater's work in agriculture and stater told him jobs would be home economics. He said he had forthcoming for his daughters if received "several complaints" he would support the Farmer- about the work in industrial training, but under cross-examination he "went vague" again, and was In the afternoon Evans put Dr. unable to say whether the com-

Boraas revealed that he really again. Evans sought to present didn't know how many classes Mr. Carstater was responsible for in the state. He insisted, however, that Carstater had certain undesirable qualities for the position of state vocational training direc-

> obvious that the Stassen clique has fense training porgram. not a shred of real evidence against Carstater, and fired him only to strike a blow against the

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The Sunday Forum will open ts fourth successive season this Sunday, October 6th, with a talk vital information to workers, gathered from the auto production

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Flymouth and Oliver Ave. N.

With only two more witnesses labor movement and labor's conto appear for the Stassenites, it is trol of the state vocational de-

> Representatives from many educational organizations and trade unions were present at Friday's nearing. The testimony heard did not reflect favorably on the character of the Stassen clique.

Commenting at length on the Carstater case, the current issue of the Minnesota State Employee, organ of Local 10, states: "Local 10 is supporting Carstater in every way that it can in this hearing.

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#### With the Limousines

By Home James

A dash here and a dash there that he will keep sticking his nose are moving in again. in European affairs until he draws the United States into war. We had enough of him when he was Europe know him as well as we do. they will have nothing to do with

can't find any news to write about. say we didn't warn you. It is our opinion that men who worked and slaved for nothing for It has come to our attention that

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bers receiving the benefits of or- layoffs are effective and under no ganized labor are not going to let circumstances will any employee a ham and egg writer clog their lose any more seniority than if he minds against their union - it were to stay and continue workshould, if anything, make them ing. stronger union members.

as food administrator and now as phonies again. Also the moving about the gang next week. one who is trying to feed conquered Europe. There is no doubt loaded with furniture — the rich

section of land on Mount Curve— the cornerstone for his new house be had by seeing the collector or food administrator and then we let him in as President of our country—he sure dished up one of the —he sure dished up one of the best bread and soup lines in the klein. We still can't answer the Jackson from the Works and Louis best bread and soup lines in the United States, so if the people in question whether our organizer is Gratton from the meter reading married or not.

between the Executive Board of 912 and the Teamsters Joint Coun-Another friend of ours who cil Executive Board. What hap-

> the village of Golden Valley is in eral public pay for them—if you Ed Hall and Oscar Holmer have get tagged for any supposed of- gone hunting to get better results fense outside of Golden Valley by than four fellows I know from the any of their many constables- street who drove 450 miles last see your lawyer.

The boy wonder from South St. dreas and Bob Wachter? Paul thinks he might run for a third term-who said he was going CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. to have a second?

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#### 90000000000000000009 GAS LOG

By Bob Fitzsimmons

to make our last meeting a lively and good one. The roll call check him there. shows that 305 members were present, and because I spotted Ed Knight and Joe Levinson they were marked as present, although their numbers were not on the tape. We still have that old trouble of several dupl's.

For your information, any member who wishes to enlist in our government's various service branches, or any member who is called through conscription, retains the same seniority status as he would if he were to stay and continue working. In other words you will continue to accrue seniority up to such a time as your number of seniority would be included would pick up again as soon as the call back would include your number again. This would apply to years and who are now union mem- those departments where seasonal

The bowling season opened Once again we start the old rou- Monday night for teams made up hospital staff. John is singing the and sometimes we have a column- tine of Saturday football games, of brother members who are spon-Well, well, our old friend H. Hoo- and it won't be long before we will sored by various firms and they ver is in the limelight again—once be making the Friday night symdrew the 9 o'clock shift. More

Ambrose Lannigan from the

This week we find that Bill department are on the sick list and we hope for a speedy recovery There was a meeting last week for both brother members.

Martin Bielke, Math Worley and Joe Noska cracked the ice for the eems to get a lot of pleasure out pened, we can't say but all mem- football season for the works gang of taking a rap at organized labor bers had better attend your meet- and took the gravy from the jackis Westbrook Pegler. It is too bad ing so when the decision is an- pot, and last Saturday's game away from his competition—the that such a highly paid writer nounced, you will hear it—don't brought out several familiar names of Gophers who formerly worked in the street and at the works.

> Mike Lapinski from Utilization need of two new patrol cars and returned from his vacation looking the following permit men were that they intend to make the genmuch refreshed and Mike Becky, hired in utilization: Joseph Hu-Sunday and got nothing but a long Hansen, James Madison, Carl ride. How about that, Carl An-

and Mrs. Ray Forrest, who were joined in the holy bonds of matri-That cartoon on the front page mony last week. Before they were of the last Organizer is food for married they went riding around every night but Ray told the boys his tank hasn't gone down any in This year, the shift is to Reeverse. He didn't carve his career—he his tank hasn't gone down any in the last week. Can it be that the of willington in the death of Wellchiseled it. — WALTER WIN- newlyweds are staying home

> Thos. Gendreau of meter readng is doing some night schooling, and "Lyon Roars" Riley got back from the Windy City of Chicago where he vacationed, much polshed in his way of cordially greetng his fellow workers in the A. M.

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#### Shep Phyle in General Hospital

Shep Phyle, popular Local 544 steward at Boutells, is at the General Hospital. He was taken there You turned out in old time form ill a week ago. Shep would like to see his friends, who may visit

# **Gassing With**

the club room at Union Headquar- noticed it. ters. Important business coming before the meeting will be the consideration of a resolution to amend in a regular seniority layoff, and gard to the Farm and Defense route at Mankato and Earl Hatchpresent at this important meeting. trip.

> We all welcome John Eidsvold back on the job this week. John known as Frannie, is in the east was taken to St. Barnabas hospital on a vacation trip with the Reese last week with a light attack of Shoops of Continental. They are pneumonia; he was cared for by going to Washington, D. C., and it the union doctor, J. P. Korchick, looks to me like Frannie took the and reports that he received excellent care from the doctor and toe ing on Loren when he was at the praises of the Group Health Hospitalization, who took care of his hospital expense in record time.

All members of Local 977 may obtain free tickets to the Labor street is pretty well settled in his Dance and Frolic, which is held new home and Frank Hall, also of each Wednesday night at the Mari-Ed Foster's boss has bought a the street, is making plans to lay gold Ballroom; these tickets may calling in person at the office of the Local.

> Bro. Pete Bugh (Goodrich Tire) Law. s mending a broken right ankle at the St. Barnabas hospital. Pete is under the care of the union physician, Dr. J. P. Korchick, and his condition is reported as being very favorable.

but Riley would do well to keep Windy City.

Armin Sommer and LeRoy Peron from the street and utilization respectively were taken into stad, Donald Garin, Edward Kading, Gaylord Berlin and Clyde Bailey. The following men have resigned to return to college: Chas. Carlson and Ray Anderson.

Service Record: George Tripp, Sam Fredricks and Frank Nelson of meter repair have a combined total of 101 years with the com-

Our condolences and sympathy of utilization, in the death of Wal- Hjalmer Petersen, one man who ter's father, who made his home

Bud Beck went fishing last week and caught a fish and in hauling it in got the hook caught deep in his hand, so until he got to the yet, far from it. doctor he had fish and hook all in one hand. When we see you at the next meeting, Bud, I suppose you will have a bandaged hand and a real fish story.

TO THE LADIES: A man in the house is worth two in the street and if you have a hard time getting pa up in the morning, remind him what time is up in the

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"Thirty days hath September, April, June, etc., etc." But not according to the monthly calendar The October meeting of the Gen- put out by Purity Baking comeral Membership will be held as per pany. Their September calendar regular schedule, on Monday eve- had 31 days in it and 1 understand ning, October 14, at 9 o'clock in it was two weeks before anybody

Jerry Stanchfield of Monahan's has taken a leave of absence preand adopt additions to the By-laws sumably, according to Ed Skelly, of the Local. Several reels of mov- to spend part of his first million. ing pictures will be shown in re- Harold Russell moves to Jerry's program. All members should be er is taking Harold's St. Cloud

> Mrs. Loren Johnson, otherwise convention.

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And the last reason is the best. Look at the people supporting him: the First Bank Co., the N. W. Banco Co., Weyerhauser Lumber, Oliver Mining Co., the Packing Interests - people who never have and never will have the interests of the farmer, the working man or the small business man at heart. So let's use our heads and vote for has brought out some of the things going on and who has been pledged to help the common citizen of this state.

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# **544 Court Decision** Is Labor's Triumph

(Continued from page 1)
It is certain that the findings in the 544 book suit have taken the wind out of the sails of many a boss in Minneapolis, not to speak of the Associated Independent Unions with their new fink suit against the labor movement.

#### Levy Might Learn

We advise Sam Levy, attorney for the "Independent Unions," to study the 544 case carefully-not to study the reports of the case in the headlines of the Star-Journal and the Tribune, but to study the court's findings and the court

struck speechless by the decision in Local 544's case, and we can well believe it. The Northwest Organizer phoned attorney Arthur Anderson, representing the finks, for a statement, but Mr. Anderson had no statement to make.

avenue North, and throughout the city, jubilation reigned. Throughout the day Local 544's phones were ringing with congratulatory sion blocked the move and consemessages from unionists throughout the Northwest.

"The General Drivers Union is going to be standing here long after the finks and those who inspire them are forgotten in the dust bin of history. Minneapolis is going to remain a Union Town.'

That is what Local 544 said months ago relative to the fink suit. And that still stands.

Further information on the happy ending of the fink suit will be forthcoming next week in these

#### National Battery Workers Win Pay Increases

concluded five months of negotia- ward Farmer-Labor club. workers of the two unions.

ceive wage hikes of five cents per hour while members of Local 1166 won societies in the state and in Washington. hour while members of Local 1166 won seniority rights and a week's vacation with pay after a year's ally Governor Altgeld and Gene

action if their reasonable demands 50 years. He supported the Haywere not met. Sitting in at the market martyrs back in 1886 and, negotiations for the Electrical while in the Northwest Organizer Workers union was Henry Shultz, office Tuesday, commented that international representative of the "the day those men were executed International Brotherhood of Elec- in Chicago was one of the darkest

# **Junior Bosses Are** Balked in Police

Back in 1937 the Minneapolis tempted to put through a charter amendment, number nine, which would have placed a Man on Horseback in the office of police chief for life. Charging that this was an attempt to institute a fascist-like pogrom against the trade and its sympathizers resoundingly defeated amendment number nine.

At the last meeting of the Min neapolis Charter Commission, the Minneapolis Junior Chamber of Commerce bobbed up again and tried to railroad through an amend ment which would place the police chief under civil service. No op-In union offices at 257 Plymouth portunity was given to study the roposed amendment.

John Boscoe and other labor nembers of the Charter Commis quently it will not be presented for approval at the polls this year. As a matter of fact, the whole city charter plan seems to have bogged down from widespread public dis-

#### Stockwell, Cleve And Lindstrom Run in 32nd

Workers in the 32nd state legislative district were urged this week to vote for three candidates representing the Farmer-Labor movement: Oscar Cleve and Kenneth Lindstrom, running for state representative; and S. A. Stock- faster pace. well, running for state senate.

Oscar Cleve is a trade unionist and executive board head of the 11th ward Farmer-Labor club. Local 1166, Electrical Workers Kenneth Lindstrom is a member union and Local 459, Machinists of the Office Workers Union and and Mechanics union, successfully educational secretary of the 12th

tions with the National Battery S. A. Stockwell for decades has company Tuesday, in which wage supported organized labor. Durincreases and better working conditions were won for some 110 he was one of the few public officeholders who publicly cham-Members of Local 459 will re-

Debs. He has been an active fight The unions had threatened strike er for civil liberties for more than days of my life."

# **Excerpts from Court Findings** In Book Suit vs. Local 544

officers buying the guns in November, 1937. One of their members had been murdered and they apparently thought this was the way to protect themselves. The police were informed of their action."

"While there may have been some technical deficiencies in connection with the adoption of the new by-laws, it seems to me the law was substantially complied with, and I found that they were legally adopted."

"Plaintiffs are insistent in their attitude that the Court should remove the present officers of this union and appoint a receiver until the next election . . . The right of the majority to select their own officers in a voluntary association is one that ought not to be interfered with short of exceptional circumstances . . . The Court has concluded that under the circumstances proved in this case it ought not to remove these officers and appoint a receiver."

## Finks Throw Acid on Iowa **Pickets**

(Continued from page 1) stooges in setting up the fake clone, Ed Forsman, flopping John \$50 and the corporation \$50. union, and could hardly have acted Eckman with a cross hackle in two without the knowledge and sanc- seconds flat. John sez his foot tion of the company and its slipped or Ed couldn't have done

A Fake Union

More information came to light this week regarding the company union. Calling itself the "North-Cabinet Company Shop formed late in September when is the time to see about a loan. company officials saw that employees meant business in winning union wages and conditions. 'The love's rich treasure trove. Frank company, through its foreman Mil- Niznik of American Wicker was ler, launched a drive to organize married June 22 and is at home the plant, but obtained only a with Mrs. Niznik at 1523 38th handful of members, among them Ave. N. E. Brother Niznik sez: some who joined more from ignorance than anything else.

The constitution of the company inion is one the most amazing iocuments ever put out by an organization claiming to represent working people. Unlike any legitimate labor organization, it provides for only an annual meeting of the set-up. The next meeting would be held in February, 1941. No definite dues are mentioned. Chief Amendment Article two states that "The principal place of business of this association shall be at Burlington.' Junior Chamber of Commerce at- The executive committee is given "the power to represent its members in all labor matters with the company," with no voice or control by the membership.

The North Central District Council of Furniture & Woodenware Workers on September 27th filed union movement, organized labor charges with the National Labor law." Relations Board of unfair labor Cabinet company for organizing a company union.

> Rousing Strike Meeting A rousing strike meeting

held last Saturday morning at it like in the last war." which strike leaders reviewed progress of the struggle. Leaders of the Iowa Drivers Union Council, including Carl Kuhl and Cronin, spoke to the strikers.

Union organization throughou the whole lowa area has been given a tremendous impetus through the strike and the union victory at Dahlin-Davis. Last Saturday morning a meeting of the employees of the Leopold Desk company was held; 38 workers igned up in the meeting, and promised to have the shop pracically all organized by the next neeting, this Wednesday night. As with the other Burlington conerns, company officials gave all employees a 2c hourly increase last Friday when the company found out the men meant business and were organizing. The wage raise has only had the effect of bringing

According to John Janosco, with Dahlin-Davis company have helped bring the issues before the next month." workers very clearly and sharply, and is having a good effect."

NLRB Man in Town

bargaining agent is designated.

#### Perry's Market **Bowlers Shove** Into 1st Place

The Perry Market keglers went into first place by taking a double from Kenzies. D. Curran led with Local 471 Mourns 583. Local 289 took the odd game from the Meat Drivers, F. Stanley leading with 581. W. Borseth had 567. Local 544 won all three games from Local 359. Bill Sinnott had a 202 game. Nice going, Local 471, died last Wednesday worth something when first or-Bill. Local 958 took a pair from nad was buried Friday at the Sundered is certainly turning out to Whirl Pool Bar, L. Hatling bowl- set cemetery. His death is mourn- be a bust . . . The second shift

ing 554.		
Team W	on	Lo
Perry's Market	9	
Kenzies	8	
Meat Drivers	8	
Local 289	7	
Local 544	5	
Whirl Pool Bar	4	
Local 958	4	
Local 359	3	

#### Card of Thanks To Warehouse Employees

Local 359: Your kind expression of sym-

### **LOCAL 1859 Knots to You**

My, my! Sech goin's on. If you it. How will Brother Eckman ever live it down?

#### NOTICE

neets every Friday night at the

Local brother stakes a claim in 'What's a home without a big pile of old nails?"

What do you think about compulsory conscription? Here is what these good brothers say: Frank Gavere-"What can I

Frank Eull-"Stay at home and ve don't need it."

Frank Morrison-"We got to ight somebody, sooner or later.' Eino Koskela-"Don't know." Carrol Elcar (60 years old)-We should have it."

Jim Slbodzian-"It's the bunk." Suomela - "I don't

Mart Caselius-"Bunk." Oscar Olson-"Lousy - forced Brad Morrison-"Tain't consti-

utional, depriving a man of his liberty without due process of Gust Zingsmark—"Guess we got

practices against the Northwestern to have it. Build a big stone wall around the U. S." Elmer Eckberg-"It's all right."

George Barth-"Can't do anything. The government is handling Brother Kenneth Johnson's car

was smashed up by a drunken driver on Lyndale avenue north ast Sunday. Mrs. Johnson and Kenney were both injured. Brother Fred Johnson is fed up

with the tin horn on upper Nicollet and any way they got better movies on lower Hennepin. Brother Anton Olson, member of Local 1859, and of the Execu-

ive Board, sez: "At 35c an hour for 40 hours wages were \$14 a week or \$56 a

"Under union conditions with wages at 50c an hour equals \$20 a week or \$80 a month. "Eighty dollars less \$56 equals

\$24 which is what your dues were before the union. Your dues are ahead every month.'

"The strike and the agreement Eastman, member of Local 1859, fast. executive board, who will use it

Well known and popular brothers and their families spend the of members of the executive Tuesday an NLRB field repre- weekend enjoying the fuller life. entative, Herbert J. Vogt, was to Brother and Mrs. Russell Andercome to Burlington. Despite the son and son Donovan Russell and fact that the legitimate union is Brother and Mrs. Lynn Bloker and showing on the picket line that it son, Clyde Lynn, Jr., drove to they are ready to break things represents an overwhelming ma- Aitkin last Friday night on a fishjority of the Northwestern Cabinet ing trip and then on a sightseeing Things seem to be so bad with city workers, company officials still trip to Duluth. There they spent a claim they can't engage in collec- couple of hours aboard a merchant tive bargaining until the proper ship where they were conducted about by the engineer who explained everything about the ship. They left Duluth at 8 and were at so little consideration that too the Anderson home at 11:15. Russ much heat could not bring us any drive and wants to report that less work. And one thing more is 

Next week a new story for sure.

# Loss of H. Nelson

deeply appreciated. Mrs. Ernest Lundeen

Northland company.

Joan and Ernest Ward, Jr.

### Dy-Dee Wash **Fined \$100** For Coercion

Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock get out from under blame for the noticed them twist as they mount- the jury in the case of the State acid-throwing, complained that "if ed and hissed like scorpions dim vs. Stanley Douglas and the Dysome of our members caused trou- in the dark. If you saw 'em re- Dee Wash corporation brought in ble, they did it on their own." It bound with a horrible sound and a verdict of guilty. Judge Wilhappens that the Millers, father spitefully spitting a spark. Then liam A. Anderson then summoned and son, were leading company what you saw was the Cokato Cy- the defendant and fined Douglas

The case is important to organized labor because it involves the cion and intimidation to prevent Many cases involving this question The Credit Union committee Labor Relations Board, but this laundries in Minneapolis are becase is local, as Dy-Dee Wash is hind the times and don't know how energy and strength displayed by Union," the outfit was hurriedly hall from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m. That not involved in interstate com- to make money at 2½ cents a the union convinced the company

A Criminal Action

The suit, a criminal action, was brought by Rosetta Ehnert, a member of the Laundry Workers Union Local 183. Douglas and his lawyer had used all sorts of pressure and intimidation to keep her and other workers out of the

Tuesday morning attorneys summed up before the jury. Carr, company lawyer, hade a vicious anti-union speech which apparently was very unconvincing to the jurors. He questioned whether the Laundry Workers Union was "lawful," and spoke of union officials "demanding tribute" from workers. He based his case largely on a document disavowing the union, which employees were made to sign under duress.

Mr. McHale, city attorney representing the plaintiff, gave an excellent social analysis of the struggle between employer and employee, and riddled the corporaion's arguments.

Dy-Dee Wash has been unfair for months both to the Laundry Workers Union Local 183 and the Laundry Drivers Union Local 131 The plant, 718 Washington North s being picketed by the unions The court decision confirms all the charges of unfairness made by the unions against the chiseling Dy-Dee Wash concern.

Is Sweatshop

Employees have been worked forthcoming. extremely long hours for \$15 a week and no overtime pay. Under or fined \$100. His attorney polled each juror separately, only to receive an uninterrupted series of 'guilty."

#### Independent **Truck Chatter**

R. F. Hornig

In spite of the fact that our Belt Line job was to have wound up this month on the first, everything still seems to be going strong. It looks as if many months of only 1 1/2 c-2 1/2 c hourly. the men into the union at an even now \$2 a month so you are \$22 of work are still to be done on the some of the maniacs cutting the north end. Meanwhile excavating fastest time at thirty-two. And for the new clover leaf on the This space reserved for Vern Olson Highway is coming along brother. A fast gravel crew and a

> The October meeting this week Thursday should prove interesting because of the called-for presence board.

A good many members are so disgusted with the results of this wide open and go on a rave. and park board sponsors furnishing cash for WPA jobs and hardly a Minneapolis truck working on time for a showdown; we have had there is nothing like driving a getting to be as sure as death and taxes, and that is that the finks keep on going as merrily as ever.

Most of the Ways and Means committee members did not like what they heard about the new bylaws of the International adopted at the convention.

Hans Nelson, former active CRAIG SPECIALS: This gravmember of the Milk Drivers Union elling job, which seemed to be March, 1937, and has been on for two and one-half inches of withdrawal since then. He was stabilized aggregate base and one said to have been the last man to and one-half of black top. Alwould have been well satisfied another? with an average round trip runpathy has been received and is ning fifty to sixty minutes. The eight minutes to the load, with asleep,

### Local 131 "Gas and Suds"

against the Dydee Wash brought this week by one of the former employees. There is a story of this issue. Boy, talk about a stinking mess!-the actions and testimony of the boss and the finks outsmelled the articles they wash.

Brothers firms of St. Paul, through question of a company using coer- their outlet here, the "Thrifty Cleaners," are knocking the botworkers from joining the union. tom out of commercial work, which heretofore has been ridicu- pany here. have been decided by the National lously low. Maybe the rest of the pound, although there is a bare of the wisdom of signing a conpossibility that this one firm could tract. The Dahlin victory has be wrong.

"Rosy" Rein of G. and K. has is tonsils removed Tuesday.

Turn in your picnic ticketsor the dough.

Be careful while you're hunt-You're a long time dead.

### Strike of Foundrymen Is Ended

The nine-weeks' strike of 350 Minneapolis foundry workers, members of the CIO-Machinists Union Local 1139, ended last Friday, a meeting of the strikers accepting the settlement terms pronosed by federal conciliators union officials stated.

The strikers had demanded of the union shop and hourly wage increases of from 5c-10c.

The settlement provides for wage increase of 4c hourly for those workers earning 75c and more hourly, and a 21/2 c boost for those receiving under 75c. An arbitration committee will decide if further wage increases ranging from 21/2c to 4c hourly will be Departmental seniority is pro-

vided for in the settlement. All the law, the boss, Douglas, could foundrymen will be paid four have been given 90 days in prison times monthly. Vacations of 41/2 days this year and 5 days next year are stipulated. The pact will run for about 18 months, to April Charles Horn has been desig-

> nated by Local 1139 to represent the union in the arbitration, and the foundry owners have named R. L. Van Fossen, it is reported. The two will select a third.

Frank Wenig and John W. Cofer were the two federal concilia tors active in the strike.

Earlier in the dispute Governor Stassen had urged strikers to accept a settlement which would have provided for wage increases

was on the long haul slow stabilizer mixer don't hitch, so the crusher shut-down till further notice. Lucky Nelson, who started with the first crew on Saturday and subbed on the morning shift next week was the only one to grab off forty hours for the week.

Wonder if we'll ever learn department: For those who bought four new tires for four days'

Many thanks to Wally Raze, 664 scribe, for taking notice publicly in his column of the deplorable and certainly inexcusable conditions of employment for union truckers looking for work on Minneapolis sponsored WPA projects.

All the moaning the country boys did this August must have been a big fake. Here it is October and they are still going strong ... That squad of five black dump trucks parked in front of Turgeon's every night had me guessing for a while. And I was blaming the Belt Line!

Two fink trucks on watering on the Craig job for a whole week. All the Belt Liners knew the man and the truck and not a bleat out ed by all members of Local 471. worked four days only. And not Speaking of watering, who says Brother Nelson, retired in full time, either . . . the job calls who took over all the watering jobs out there?

Seniority special: How come a deliver milk from a horse-drawn though rumors are heard that su- job steward can permit several vehicle in this city. For fifty years perintendent Stevenson is not any men to draw more than forty he worked as a milkman, with the too friendly to Milt in his conver- hours regularly almost all summer old Rice County dairy, and at the sations about the boys, the record when the last man on the list time of his retirement with the has it that Craig's estimators quits the job for poor time to try

> Richard Horning tipped over on whole crew, so far, according to the Craig job with a load of gravel time check has averaged thirty- last Wednesday. Some say he fell

### Dahlin-Davis Signs Pact With Union

Burlington, Iowa - The North Central District Council of Furnipany signed a union working agreement last Thursday. The We understand the Schwartz District Council is conducting an organization drive in Burlington, and is now leading a strike against the Northwestern Cabinet com-

The Dahlin pact came after several weeks of negotiations. The greatly strengthened the cause of the Northwestern Cabinet strikers.

The pact with Dahlin Bros. & Davis calls for plantwide seniority; the eight-hour day, 40-hour week, with time and one-half for overtime; the establishment of a union shop committee to adjust ing, both driving and shooting. grievances within the plant; a 5c hourly increase for all employees; a 45c hourly minimum for all workers with 90 days' seniority. Employees are granted one week's vacation without pay.

Has War Clause

A clause protecting the workers' seniority rights in cases of conscription reads: "In event that the employee is called to the government's armed service, such call shall be without prejudice to his seniority standing, and it is mutually agreed that he shall he re nstated when released from such ervice, provided that such employee applies to the company within a reasonable time after his discharge or dismissal from mili-

John Janosco represented the North Central District Council of Furniture & Woodenware Work- ing Local 1 in its opposition to ers in the negotiations.

### **FWS NEWS**

The breakdown of wage classifications on WPA still goes on. FWS stewards report that wage discriminations are the rule on the jobs these days. FWS members should check the nature of the work beture & Woodenware Workers won ing done on their jobs and report its first decisive victory when the same to the office. Some really Dahlin Bros. & Davis Mfg. com- high class wage chiseling is going

> Nothing new under the sun, but here's something really new. The newspapers report that Wendell Willkie pledges to help the jobless! How? It's not very clear, but somehow the unemployed are to get jobs. And all that wasteful relief expenditure is to be stopped! Willkie may be a new presidential candidate, but his promises to the unemployed are as old as the prov erbial hills. We've heard that stuff before, Mr. Willkie, and are just a little tired about solutions that solve nothing for the unemployed and are dedicated to the protection of the bosses' profits. All you're sure of is that you'll cut relief.

> All FWS members should be talking up our next meeting and see to it that they bring with them a sizeable delegation from their jobs. The meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 11th, 8 p. m. A committee elected by the stewards body is proceeding with plans for the meeting. See you there!

#### Edwin F. Guth Light Fixtures Unfair to Labor

The Electrical Workers Union Local 1 of St. Louis, Missouri, is advising organized labor throughout the nation that all electrical fixtures manufactured by the Edwin F. Guth company are unfair to organized labor.

The St. Louis Building & Construction Trades Council is back-Guth products.

#### UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

General Membership — and third Tuesday month, 7 p. m and third Tuesday each month, 7 p. m.

Girls' Section—Second Tuesday each month (7:30 p. m.)

Milk Haulers — Fourth Tuesday, 8:30,

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

LOCAL 958
Night Drivers — 1 p. m., third
Thursday each month.
Day Drivers — 7 p. m., third
Thursday each month.

LOCAL 664 General Membership—First and third Fridays. Park Board Grievance Commit-tee—Monday night preceding last meeting of month.

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

LOCALS 544 AND 977
AND WAREHOUSEMEN
degular Membership Meeting—
First Wednesday each month.

LOCAL 977
General Membership — Second
Monday each month, 9 p. m.
Executive Board—Each Monday, 8 p. m. Lessee Section—Third Wednesday, 9 p. m.

FEDERAL WORKERS

egular Membership — Second Friday each month, 8 p. m. Stewards—First Wednesdays -First and third LOCAL 289 Retail Drivers—First Thursday.

Wholesale Drivers — Second
Thursday.

Thursday.

Yeast Drivers—Third Tuesday.

Cake and Pie—Third Thursday.

General Membership — Fourth Thursday.

Inside Workers — Last Saturday, 3 p. m.

LOCAL 346
Regular Membership Meeting
2nd Monday each month, 8:30
p. m., 4th Monday each month,
1:30 p. m. LOCAL 103

Regular Membership Meeting— Second Monday of each month Executive Committee Meeting PRIVATE CHAUFFEURS

The Private Chauffeurs and Helpers Local 912 meets the first and third Tuesdays of each LOCAL 275
Tea and Coffee Drivers, Local
275, meets the first Friday
of every month.

LOCAL 359 Stewards—Second Mondays,
Executive Board — First and
third Mondays. General Membership -

Tuesdays.

Thursday Seniority Board-Every Monday. Executive Board—Every Tuesday. Stewards—First Thursday.

This schedule will be main-tained from August to October. LOCAL 221 Day Laborer Section — First
Tuesday each month.
Independent Truck Owners Section — Second Tuesday each
month.

LOCAL 1859 Membership — September 4. Box Section — September 10. J. R. Clark Section—Septem-Stewards - September 9 and

Executive board — Every Friday night.

Notice

The Grievance Board will meet once a month (on the third Thursday of each month) until further notice.

LOCAL 20481 Grain King - September 17, 4:15 p. m.
Twin City Lumber — September 17, 4:45 p. m.
Twin City District Council Hall, Hastings Section - Septem-

ber 17, 8 p. m. LOCAL 259 Second Monday of each month. LOCAL NO. 544

Wednesday, October 2—Sausage; Petroleum.
Thursday, October 3—Greenhouse; Independent Truck Owners.
Friday, October 4—Job Stewards. Monday, October 7 — Package

Monday, October 7 — Package Delivery; Department Stores. Tuesdya, October 8—Lumber; Raymond Bros. 9 p. m.
Wednesday, October 9—Market, Wholesale Liquor. Friday, October 11—Wholesale Grocery; Meat Drivers.
Monday, October 14—General Membership.
Thursday, October 17 — Tent and Awning; Newspaper, 10 a. m. I. T. O. Ways and Means.
Friday, October 18—Job Stew-

Friday, October 18-Job Stew-Monday, October 21-Furniture; Coal; Paper and Print

ing. Tuesday, October 22—Building Material.
Wednesday, October 23—Sand and Gravel; Excavating.
Thursday, October 24—Transfer and warehouse; Wholesale

Drug. Friday, October 25—Cold Storage; Produce.

Monday, October 28—Spring
Water.

Water.
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 No. 544 office,
first floor.
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.