574 Launches FERA Federal Workers Unit

Welfare Board Announces Giving Little Help to Workers

574 Will Lead Fight for Improved Living Standards on Relief

The June 18 issue of the Minneapolis Daily Star carries two news items on relief. One telling that the city will now pre-

pare a five per cent increase in food allowances for relief work-

ers and the other that the salaries of M. U. S. K. Jordging and Dr. A. C. Tingdale have been increased $600

per year.

There is a very poor proportion between these two acts of the city and the workers are on the short end.

Local 574 is preparing the an-

swer to this problem. A new sec-

tion, the Federal Workers Sec-

tion will be organized in order to take up the problem of the relief workers and fight for a better standard of living.

Sections of this meeting will be held each Fri-

day night during the organizing period.

Students Strike at Heartland Propaganda

A movement, initiated by uni-

versity students, is under way to boycott Propaganda News which William Randolph Hearst uses as a medium for mili-

taristic propaganda and imperialism.

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574 LAUNCHES FERA FEDERAL WORKERS UNIT

Strike Victories To Be Celebrated

The First Annual Labor Prog-

gram Exposition sponsored by Lo-

cal 574 and the Laundry and Dry

Cleaners Local 1806 is moving along in good style. The commit-

tee in charge reports this to be a

trade union event of the

Summer.

One of the features of the ex-

hibition is the chance to win a new

1935 Plymouth sedan on a ten-

cent admission ticket. The car will

be displayed every day at 7th and

Hennepin. All members and friends are asked to take a chance

on tickets and do their bit to make the exhibition the biggest success yet.

The exhibition kicks off the first anniversary of the September strike of last year and is to be a yearly event. In keeping with the spirit of the strike, it must be a big event. Every member and friend of 574 is asked to do their bit.

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To have Club Rooms, Library

Grand Opening Ball Saturday, June 29

On Sunday, June 8, the open-

ing dance at Local 574's new head-

quarters was held. A good crowd

inspected the headquarters and en-

joyed the evening to the tune of a

dixieland orchestra together with

several other features of enter-

tainment. Souvenirs to the visitors

were distributed. This house-

warming party marked the first of

the first of the annual events and

social affairs that are sched-

uled. The next event is the grand

opening ball to be held on Sat-

urday, June 29.

After a year and a half of steady work and progress, 574 is ready to sit back on occasions and enjoy the fruits of their labor. All friends and sympathizers are cord-

ially invited to participate in this
event.

All members and friends are urged to make up a party to participate in the grand opening ball.

Watch next week's Organizer for details of the grand opening ball.
A Union for the Workers

Tobin’s demands on Local 574 shout very clearly what a beggarly conception of the needs of the workers such men as he holds. He asks that the union purify itself of all semblance of ability to fight for the workers. It is the obverse of his idea that Labor organization is a very select group of men who make no demands on the bosses and who salaam daily to Tobin three times daily as the Arabs of old prostrated themselves before the rising sun.

Local 574 is not and will not be such a mutual admiration society as that. We fight for what is right, and we organize so that we can fight. Our motto is: A union for the workers, for the workers, and FOR THE WORKERS!

Kind Mr. Ford

"I’ll make a million cars next year if they just let the police run the country," said Henry Ford on June 14, the very day that Omaha police fired into a crowd of unarmed strikers, killing one and wounding fifty.

What Mr. Ford means is that if he can have a local police officer who will murder workers who object to starvation wages he will be happy.

Shooting the Press

"If what the Democrats are giving us is a free country, then I am a free man. But not with Dr. Hooper’s kind of medicine."—Wisconsin leader.

The Parting Shot

"There will be no permanent ill effects from the false fear created by the fall in stock prices,"—Irving Fisher, March, 1930.

"The growing conviction that the depression is permanent and devasta-
ting is justified."—Irving Fisher, May, 1935.

On to the West

"An evicted share-cropper with his children and his few old clothes and meager pail of furniture was seen standing by the roadside near Shreveport, La. All were wearing "EVERY MAN A KING" buttons.

"A resilient man in the New Mili-
tant."

Ford Restores $6 Daily Wage—headline.

Of course, the General Motors strike didn’t have any bad consequences. Now We’re Getting Somewhere.

"President William Green of the A. F. of L. appealed to labor to follow the policy of peace and strike and struck at the recent statements of former President Hoover.

The way that gay juggles with rotten combine wheels:

* * *

Sign ‘s the Times

"Lombard C. Jones, managing editor of the AMERICAN MEE-
CURY, announced that he had re-
signed as editor of the newspaper striking office employees of the magazine. The strikers are demanding higher wages, vacations and the right to bargain collec-
tively."—News Item.

Life Insurance

Sales Practice

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

is already matured and therefore can re-
ject your application on physical, moral, or financial grounds.

And, after all, why should you, the information is promptly con-
nected with your insurance company. They influenced legislatures in many states to pass laws mak-

ing it a criminal offense for an agent to advise you to change your policy.

The "anti-twisting" laws cannot be enforced.

"A story in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch shows how early a twisting case ended:

"Judge James W. Sissel of the St. Louis State Court, at St. Louis, Missouri, is the judge who issued the first decree in the notorious 'twisting' case. He is now the judge who is trying to prevent "twisting." The Insurance Depart-
ment commissioner that Mr. President of the "twisting" company, Judge Sissel said: "I'm not going to allow such a thing to go on in St. Louis as long as I remain in the chair."

"The Metropolitan, for example, formulated a "No Counter Offer" rule. No Canadian local member. This pro-
vides that if, after an agent's two seasons of solicitation, an application is made in six months surrender: any amount of insurance he had in the company and such insurance purchased after the purchase of new insurance, the agent will receive no commissions for the business so dropped.

The companies strike at the policy holder by making it profit-
less for any agent to give him honest service. Therefore the agent is not only prevented from giving you honest advice, advice that is necessary in order to protect his own investments, but is prompted in self-de-
fense to act deliberately dishonest advice.

Chiseling Firm Has To Pay Back Dues

(REPRINT)

The River Terminal Coal & Coke company and J. P. Dudley were ordered by the I. C. C. Code Compliance Board to pay $231 back wages to four of the 130 men who were members of Local 120, following complaint of Robert Fleming, business agent of theunion, before the I. C. C. code compliance director.

In the Board’s award made last week by the code authorities, there is pending in district court a case, just how it was possible for the Committee to compel the River Terminal Coal & Coke company and J. P. Dudley to live up to the agreement made last year with Lo-
cal No. 120 relatives to wage scales, terminal and other conditions of employment.

"At the hearing a witness for the company, a man named Tirel, testified that he had volunteered the services to the authority for the "sake of the trouble."

The National

Boycott all movies in which there are enemies of labor appear.

Meeting Schedule

Local 574

Monday, June 24: Full Mem-
bers' meeting.

Tuesday, June 25: Taxi Drive-
ners, 1 p. m., 6 p. m., 7 p. m.

Friday, June 28: Federal Works-
ers Section.

Saturday, June 29: Grand

Opening Ball.

Important Meeting

On Monday, June 24, Local 574 will hold its next regular full meeting. It will be one of the most impor-
tant meetings of the year in the union. All members are urged to attend. Francis Thomas, who is now working and those who are no longer working on labor union cards. Our enemies are conspi-
rously afoot to give the honor of fighting 574.

Racing Workers Oppose Thuggery

Racing, Wis. (reprint)

In a one-day strike, some 6,000 racing workers recently, their sentiment perfectly clear to business men and industrialists who had been attempting to organ-
ize vigilantes and take over the city’s law enforcement.

Led by the Wisconsin Industrial Union, an independent organiza-
tion of workers, thousands massed on the tracks in a display of their power and opposition to fascism. Regular police and demonstrators assembled on the lakefront to talk to speakers.

During the parade, 1,500 members of American Federation of Labor unions lined the streets to assure Mayor Swoboda of their support of his policy in strike not to allow the interference with peaceful picketing. The A. F. of L. members then joined the demonstration at the lake front.

A Call to Action

With Tobin and his clique pro-
posing a fight at the tracks on the basis of demands which would amount to a complete dissolution of the union, it is up to the workers to fight to defend the union. One of the things most needed is finance. To this end the Wisconsin Racing League is urging jointly with Local 18005 a level to be held at 2:30 and Nicotell from July 27 to August 4. All mem-
ers and sympathizers who can have an hour a day to spare to Conner at the 574 headquar-
ters for assistance to help make the carnival a success.

Three Certainties

On Social Security

With the passing away of first, the Railroad Retirement Act and then the Mortgage Moratorium and then the Social Security Act, the old men in black" of the U. S. Supreme Court bench, the work-

ers can look to this as one of the greatest single and other conditions of employment.

"The River Terminal Coal & Coke company has been chiseling against the agreements made with, and as of the time of the general driv-
er’s strike even before the stipula-
tion of the strike, a strike was declared by Robert Fleming. "This firm agreed to pay the men their wages, but instead of paying the agreed salary, it paid 55 cents and some of the drivers were compelled by the cold of gas, oil and storage. "This firm first gained some notoriety when it charged all other coal and coke companies in St. Paul to accept the agreement. None of the other dealers could understand how this firm and Dud-
ey could afford to make a deal and the Welfare Board. It remained for some of the union drivers to reveal that it was possible to pay down the price of fuel by taking the difference out of the pay checks of the drivers and helpers."

The Man Without a Card

"I ought to get a large reward for never owning a union card; I’ve never grumbled, I’ve never mixed with union trucks, but I must be going my way to get the reward.

So open St. Peter, and let me in." St. Peter sat and stroked his staff. Down at his high office he had to laugh.

Said he, with a fiery gleam in his eye, "Who is tending this gate, you er, I’ve heard of you and your gift of the gab.

You are what is known on earth as a seer.

Thereupon he arose on his stature tall

And pressed a button on the wall, and

Said to the imp who answered "Tell Satan to give him a seat on a red hot griddle up near the throne.

But Satan, the devil can’t stand the smell

Of a cooking scab on a griddle in

It would cause a revolt, a strike, I know.

If you sit down to the impacts

Go back to your master on earth and tell

That they don’t even want scale in hell."

"Diplomacy has been a phi-
losophy of the Romans, but politics, me, Irid, is still the most effective weapon in the highway rob-
ber’s—Mr. Dudley.

"Many politicians of our time are in the habit of laying it down in a self evident proposition, that no people ought to be free till they are fit to use their freedom. If men are to wait for liberty till they become wise and good in slavery, they may indeed wait forever."

"To argue with a man who has renounced his reason is like giv-
ing a scorpion to rub a wound."

Thoma’s Pain.

"If I have any choice at all in some men talk of the government, you would suppose that Congress was the law of grav-
itation, the law, I mean, that governs their places."

"Wendell Phillips.

"The law does not require a man to cease to be a man, without regard to consequences, because he becomes a Juron."

-Lyman Sponser.

"Rich or poor, white or black, great or small, wise or foolish, in season or out of season, in the right or in the wrong, whoever speaks, let him speak, and who-

-J. A. Andrew

White House. Thirdly, that cap-
thalism is incapable of even the sketchy and inadequate protection as embodied in the Recovery Act.

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