Reinstatement of Local 574 Demanded by Conference of Delegates from 15 Unions

CLU Asked to Take Lead in Organizing Retail Workers

Latimer Employer-Employee Board Brandied as Union-Buster

A conference of 60 delegates representing 15 local unions on Monday night voted to send a resolution to Daniel Tabin, William Green, the State Federation of Labor, and the Central Labor Union demanding the reinstatement of Local 574 in the Dry Cleaning National and the A. F. of L.

Participating unions were the Machinists, City and Stationary Drivers, Public Building Service Employees, Ornamental Workers, Stationery Workers, Building Laborers No. 435, Carpenters, Upholsterers, Painters, Bakers, Miscellaneous Restaurant Employees, Teamsters, Laundry Workers, Gas Station Attendants and the Garbage Drivers.

The conference criticized sharply the policy of the conservative business union movement, which it said was the root cause of the difficulties facing the employers against individuals in the movement because of their political views.

Calling attention to the splendid support which the workers of the 15 unions have given to striking unions, a resolution sent to the Central Labor Union demanded that it take the lead in helping the relief workers to organize and fight for the relief increase promised to them by the Farmer-labor organization.

The tactics of Mayor Latimer in using a number of strikes as a weapon of political warfare and for his own political gain have been the target of the union leaders in their campaign to organize workers and those who are interested in the men's welfare.

Delegates rejected the growing need for the industrial form of union organization and told the successes of several unions in working out a program of close cooperation with the state and local unions. The conference adopted a proposal that the local unions should cooperate with all local unions, and it was decided to hold the next conference on Wednesday at their office, 500 Market St.

CAB Drivers Section Aids Metal Workers

Once again the cab drivers have demonstrated their solidarity against the efforts of the employers to make a round robin collection to give financial aid to the metal workers.

You find these boys right on the line in more ways than one.
The Progress of 574

In the past four months, Local No. 574, the General Drivers union, has made the most progress in the history of the union. More real work has been done in this period between members and officers of the union than in any other given period. Not only have hundreds of new members been brought into the union but the union has secured new contracts and renewed old ones that mean better wages and improved working conditions for almost every worker in the driving industry.

In the transfer of the side of the union an agreement is at this moment being signed that provides for pay increases and stabilized working conditions for transfer drivers, helpers, and miscellaneous.

On the market despite a slump in business, which has resulted in some unemployment, the union has made progress also. A committee of market workers has been set up whose avowed purpose is the complete unionization of the central market. When all these things are taken into consideration, there is no one but must admit that this union, in spite of the pressure that has been put upon it by some faith A.F. of L. leaders, has gone forward and has proven that it is a real instrument in the economic betterment of its members.

A. F. of L. Discrimination

Anyone who doubts the sterility of certain sections of the A. F. of L. should have attended the last Central Labor Union meeting held Wednesday, September 25th. Here were 175 local bureaucrats, and members of all the best. After a desperate fight, they succeeded in preventing the seating of a member of the trade union movement who has demonstrated many times his courage and devotion to the trade union movement. Because some of the so-called leaders disagreed with him politically, thumps were turned down on the acceptance of his credentials.

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A Healthy Step

The conference of 15 unions last Monday, called primarily to fight for the restoration of the charter of Local 574, developed into a healthy organization which will enjoy continued growth.

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Keep Strutwalt Closed

Referring vaguely to the constitution and the law, the Minneapolis Journal demands that the Strutwalt plant be closed. The organization deeply grieved that a sweat-shop employer is being denied his "right" to use his workers in whatever manner he sees fit.

of the community. Open the plant," they say, "and then talk about differences between management and workers. The old sell-out cry.

Keep the plant closed until the company grants its employees their legal right to organize and bargain collectively to improve their standard of living.