Supreme Court Hears Fargo 'Riot' Case; 'Riot' Framed Up in South Dakota

On October 1, North Dakota's supreme court heard the appeal in the federal case of the 16 defendants in the lower court, Quinton Burdick of Fargo appeared as attorney for the Non-Partisan Labor ticket, who defending the workers and A. K. Bergstrom represented the state. Decision rests in the hands of Judges Burke, Rorer, Christianson, Morris and others. The defendants had been achieved as far as secrecy was concerned. Not even the lawyers appeared themselves known about the meeting. At 8:30 seven drivers were gathered around the table discussing what it was all about. Among the seven was a police officer, who were three that were not quite sober. Something must be done to prevent it from happening again. So when the word was passed around that the meeting would be adjourned and reconsidered later.

Labor Mourns Passing of Fighter

Julius Frederick Emme, age 58, who resided at 1266 Lincoln Avenue, St. Paul, passed away Sunday, May 30, 1926. He was a brother of John and a nephew of Mrs. Julius Emme, age 58, residing at Seattle, Washington.

Julius was born August 30, 1877, at Kochendorf, Germany. He came as an infant to America in 1879. His parents, also from Germany, established a school with only a seventh grade education. He later supplemented his education in a college of elementary mechanical engineering.

Working in the metal trade, he joined Machinists Lodge 419 in St. Paul in 1898, and he never let his membership lapse regardless of his financial circumstances. As editor of the Minneapolis Socialist during the years preceding the war, he was many times arrested and tried for part in labor struggles. Emme, 14 years ago, fought to have the Minnesota State Federation of Labor go on record for an industrial unionism. He was almost thrown out of the movement for advocating the six-hour day. One of the founders of the Farmer-Labor Association, he was largely responsible for the writing of the constitution for labor's organization for unskilled workers. He held his last job in the metal trade in 1924. He was forced out of work by this time thoroughly black-eyed and enfeebled. He remained unemployed for two years.

On July 1, 1924, he was appointed secretary of the Industrial Commission by Governor John A. Hill. The government be utilized his long training in the labor movement to make the commission into a real functioning instrument for the benefit of the workingmen. As secretary to the commission, he organized the

Union Scale Will Be Paid on School Coal

The coal dealers of section 574 confront the school board after they caused a revision in the specifications of the bids for the coal contracts. A committee from the union visited the school board and insisted that the specifications be changed to conform to the wage and hour provisions of our contract with the coal employer.

Tuesday a letter was received from the school board which read in part as follows: "I am glad to be able to report that the changes you wanted in the school board contracts are going into the new specifications. Although the work was in a great part accepted, that is to say, more trucks are hired to deliver coal by an independent truck, they are to receive 60 cents an hour, truck drivers are to receive 60 cents an hour, common labor is to receive 50 cents an hour with time and one half for overtime."

Union Acts on Relief Moving

The manner of moving relief cases, being a sore spot in the local relief set-up, has been reformulated to some extent. A committee from the transit employer appeared before the Welfare Board protecting against the practice of giving this business to the local relief. In desiring that the moving of relief clients be done by regular transit firm that deliver for the local relief, the union side.

As a result of this action hereafter relief clients will be moved by regular transit firms. The wages will be $1.75 per hour, allowing $10 for each moving job, and going on record for allowing the transfer firms to bid on this work.

This action assures relief clients that they will be moved when they wish and by competent workers who receive a living wage.

Making a Union Town

The new market committee swung into action but Wednesday night they held their first meeting. The entire committee was present. The principle subject taken up was that of the various firms on the market that did not pay proper overtime. It was also reported that there are known cases on record where workers who entered into an agreement with bosses to work for less than the union scale.
Bring On Your Vigilantes

Many deliberate acts of sabotage have been committed by the oligarchy of the A. F. of L., but it has remained for Matthew Woll to widen the anti-climactic. What is the motive behind these actions?

In the words of Julius Emanne: "All around the A. F. of L. executive board social and industrial revolution is going on. No association is safe from a constant assault from the capital. Woll, a board of directors who have no contact with the changing class struggle outside, and upon whom the increased cost of living and unemployment, with the attendant miseries, have no direct bearing."

To protect themselves they use a fake issue manufactured by the bosses—"communism." To them, everything is "Communism" which is progressive or militant.

In his eager desire to down "communists," Matthew Woll would turn to the American Legion for aid and comfort. But what he does not seem to understand is that in the last analysis it is the capitalist class which could not be cowed until it had consumed not Woll's "communists," but Woll himself.

Woll, a most powerful exponent of fascism in the United States. Fascism, which would steal from labor the partial emancipation it has achieved. Pit gentle against Jew, Catholic against Protestant, black against white; arouse all the primitive hatreds which lie under the thin veneer of civilization so that private profit may be preserved and social misery reign.

The policies of the American Legion are clearly against labor and the workers. They are against the unity of the working class for a constant fanfare of drums, trumpets and jingoism. Entranced behind a phillistic agitation for the bonus, the American Legion is the offspring of the international organization.

It is into this den of wolves that Woll and his ilk would throw the workers whom they are supposed to represent.

Regardless of what official sanction is taken by the convention now in session at Atlantic City, the die has already been cast in Minneapolis. The local boss press has seized upon Woll's mouthings and is raising a hue and cry for action.

Meyer Lewis, a personal representative of William Green, who has been pussyfooting about the city for several days, adds fuel to the fire by announcing that within ten days he will have to take a position one way or the other on the question of Local 574.

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Monumental Splendidness

Last Monday’s meeting at the Central Labor Union hall for the purpose of opening the "drivers’" organization in the laundry industry is an excellent illustration of the monumental splendor of local trade union officialdom. The very manner in which this meeting was called is indicative of the complete control that they have over the position one way or the other on the question of Local 574.

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Union Notes

"Widow" Zander has been a busy man the last few days. The Independent Truck Owners’ Section was this morning informed if he ever was a "Widow" ever married.

Fries has been spending a new coat the past few days. Don’t be alarmed; he hasn’t sold anyone out. The cost is.

Swanson is back on the band wag on at Colonial.

The Investors Syndicate change to its new quarters was the largest change that has taken place in Minneapolis. It was done by the Minneapolis Transfer Company, a company of 106 per cent union job.

The Woman’s League Against High Cost of Living will hold a public meeting at Central Labor Temple Monday, October 14. The public is invited.

The recent agreement at the Ferris Transfer Company has been settled by mutual agreement.

Our old friend ex-Congressman Frank LaMar who is on the air over station WGY every morning at 9 o’clock. His comment is labor is pithy and to the point.

Ted Rogers has replaced Orie White as the officer for the Minneapolis Transfer. Norton has gone back to railroading, first his love.

The Fowlry Workers’ meetings seem to be in full swing, and the attendance is a complete charge of the union football team.

The club rooms, under the able management of Ray Rainbolt, are thrown open to the rugby players three days a week.

There is no excuse for members not attending meetings.

There is no one who should give up two nights a month for the organization that has given him decent wages and working conditions.

Harry Deuber and Grant Danne

Union Drive Under Way on WPA Jobs

At the regular weekly meeting of the Organizing Committee of Local 574 held Friday night, an interesting report of the activities in the various committees was made by Ed Palmaqist. The re- port indicated that the committee had sentbett hundredes of cases in the past two weeks. A report by Organizer Milla Dunn showed that the new works projects are getting under way very slowly. She also showed that the Relief Department and the WPA had been awarded contracts that require a large number of WPA orders from WPA workers before they have had a chance to start.

It was also decided to install a number of organized WPA workers.

Transfer Pact Now Under Discussion

The new contract under which the meeting of transfer men is in the process of being signed. News from the employer’s committee indicates that they are making great efforts to get the men of the transfer companies on the line.

Although the negotiations have been generally negotiated with the Transfer Men’s association, we have information that the contract will be signed by many other companies before the recommendation is made, as yet, outside of the association.

Atlantic City, report of the CONVENTION A. F. of L. convention: The trades department has been improved by McDougall lined up with the metal trades in an industrial union that includes the organization of the oil workers’ charter of which the Minneapolis union is a member of the National Metal Workers Association organization with 20 local unions.

From an Indian badge dropped on Ethiopia: "Nobody except Italians can give you happiness. You are confident in Italy. The Italians are powerful in army service."

Alfonso: For the record: General Charles G. Dawes declared Thursday night that fear is dispelled and the confidence of the people has been restored.

Hendrix: Ethiopian General Fight With Rifles Like Private.

We now know Ethiopia isn’t civilised. The generals of all the land have stripped the Ethiopians of their property, made war on foreign goods, and ordered the army to fight over drawing boards and die in bed.

Washington news item: "Mayor H. C. Latimer of Minneapolis will be in the coal yards for the next month.

Watch the American Federation of Labor convention. There will be some real fireworks there this year.

Is the State Federation of Labor preparing to split with the American Federation of Labor? Gardner of Frueht’s says that the empty trailer story was a hoax.

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