PACK'S PARTY LEAVES UNION STILL SOLID

Address by High Executive Warms of Unemploy-
ment Horror

Gives No Indication That Wages Will Be Raised in Plant

The big family party given by the Northern States Power Com-
pany in the Music Hall Thursday, December 2, was a
social standpoint, a grand success.

The turkeys that had been grown in abundance — that is, 100 turkeys for 1,200 employ-
ees. The Marigold Ball-
troom band was on hand to fur-
nish dance music for those in in-
cluded. The Kelvinator, the elec-
tric stove and the electric fan, which were articles that were all raffled off and are-
now in the possession of their new owners.

What was perhaps the highlight of the evening's entertainment was the speech that Mr. Pack, General Manager of the Company, made to his "family." Among many members of the union, which is engaging in the en-
tire organization, feared, before the meeting, that Pack was going to tell them that they were discouraged. But that was not the case.

Mr. Pack was much more subtle and said what he meant by merely pointing out to the workers their duties and how disgraceful it would be to be underpaid. He said he was a vivid and extremely disagree-
able picture of the horrors of the breadlines.

By inference, at least, he indi-
cated that it was better to be satisfied with a job, however poor, than to have recourse to the feder-
al relief. He complimented and praised the Northern States Power workers for the splendid cooperation that they had given the company during the past year and urged them to make even greater efforts in the future.

He suggested, however, that any plan of cooperation that would mean more wages for the workers. Indeed, he gave quite the opposite impression.

The general opinion of those present was that Mr. Pack meant exactly this: If you work harder and save your jobs, you are safe, but at the same old sal-
aries.

Chris Mac,街道的Fuel Distributors, who is a fellow of the
Ken and his friends and fellow workers in the various local units, said that reflections were taken up to help them defray expenses incurred during the illness and death of his wife.

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SCOTT, HUDSON OUSTED FROM WELFARE POST

Farmer-Laborites Join With Conservative, Friday
Action
Organized Labor Voices Pro-
test as Reactionaries
Triumphs

Friday morning, December 20, there was an unusual scene at the Coun-
cell which would cause the men that the Farmer-

Larby is party to a very weak and im-
portant instrument for workers' rights, particularly as it applies to municipal government.

With the Friday meeting was a regularly scheduled meeting of the Council, the principal item on the agenda was the removal of Alderman I. G. Scott and Edwin Hudson from their positions as City Council representatives on the Welfare Board.

This action, at first, it seemed apparent, during courses that were held by the conservative members of the Council, strengthened and aided by some Farmer-
Larby alderman, that Scott and Hudson were slated to go.

Friday morning, although rep-
resentatives presented the case which included a delegation from the Minneapolis Central Labor Union, where a lot of area the Council 574 were on hand to protest against this action. The action on the part of the two, Scott and Hudson were removed from their offices had nothing to do with them.

Various efforts to remove Scott and Hudson were made in Washington, all elected from working class wards and all who had been pre-
viously aligned with the Liberal faction in the Council. Among them were several who, in the last election, had received the endorse-
ment of the trade union movement of Minneapolis and of the district.

The first, of the present, was Arch. Kaudt, Daniel F. O'Brien, W. Glen Wallace, Henry A. Bank, William E. Meagher, John Peterson and A. A. Pearson.

These so-called Liberals who threw in their strength with the conservative faction were the be-

those of the representatives of the bankers and the taxpayers association in the Council to have their way.

Voting in opposition to uncut Scott and Hudson was the following: Chas. R. Been, A. G. Stimson, Herman Mil-

er and Michael J. Flood.

Representatives of the Central Labor Union of the city of Minneapolis and of the Hudson and Scott would be "an affront to 40,000 persons who be-

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P. REACTION" GAINING POWER

Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men

As we go to press comes the news of the conviction of all three of the defendants in the Strut-

Pack case. A new arrest was, however, no- tion of the convicts in the Strut-

Pack case. The three prisoners, two of whom are members of the Workers Union, were bailed into federal court on a criminal contempt charge in connection with the Strutcase.

David Ellis and Lawrence Swanson, both members of the

Pack, New York, were defended by Irving Green, were sen-

tenced to six months in the City Workhouse.

Herbert Rusell, who was defended by Gilbert Carlson and Frank Hofferer, of the Non-Partisan Labor defense, received a four months sentence. The Non-Parti-

tan Labor defense announced Tuesday that the case of Al Rus-

sell would be appealed.

Christmas for the Unemployed

Lights, decorations, beautiful show windows, hurry-
ing, scurrying crowds, bundle laden mobs that jam the sidewalks, cars, buses and trolleys; merry greetings, drinks and friendly salutations of the season's almost universal joy.

This is the typical picture that is painted by the apo-

gists of the gists that gives only a tiny minority of the population true joy and contentment at Yule time.

Nothing is said of the 16,000 unemployed and dispossessed that will know nothing of lights, music or joy at this Christmas time. Millions will crowd in their wretched shelters and dream of a time when they

saw something of the joy of the season. Millions will

be hungry and cold while the few fortunate will revel in

flowers, food and warmth.

Young boys, who should still be under a mother's care, will sleep cold in box cars and will eat the black bread of bitterness and despair. Girls, who should be

sweet and good, will sell their bodies on Christmas day that they may eat.

Nations, at war for spoils of gold, will send workers to fight each other's throats where they will bleed and die to fill an unmarked and honored grave.

In the jungles, in the box cars, in the hovels of the poor and in the mansions of the rich the Christmas bells will be heard. For a few the bells will bring a message of joy and revelry. For the millions their brazen tomes will ring the death knell of contentment, joy and security.

‘SPECIAL BULLETIN'

Car Union Men Fail To Wear Buttons

This pillar of workers truth is compelled to report that an error crept into last week's issue. In re-

posting the fact that the Street Car local members put on union buttons and wore them to work

Monday, Dec. 21, we are intend-

ed to admit that we actually did not see the buttons.

On Friday we heard that such an action was going to be taken. We wrote on Saturday. But on

Monday, believing that the decision of the union would be carried out without fail. But on Monday something happened.

A timid representative of the union decided that it would be safer if the company was consult-

ed before the matter was set. Anyone with a spark of imagination could easily follow what happened. The company said No.

The matter has now gone to a board of arbitration. So it may be months yet before street car

drivers will be able to distinguish union buttons from non-union buttons.

To date Pack has not signed an agreement with Local 160.

HISTORY, who were defend-

"Make Minneapolis a Union Town!"
**FEDERAL JUDGE NULLIFIES WAGNER DISPUTES ACT**

The Wagner Labor Act enacted at the last session of Congress was declared unconstitutional in Kansas City, Missouri, December 21.

The United States District Judges in that district, ruled that this recently enacted piece of legislation was unconstitutional. The case, upon which the decision was based, involved the Majestic Flour Mills of Aurora, Missouri, a small town in south-western Missouri.

The plant which had become recently organized under the employers' collective, subsequently voted for the violation of the Wagner Labor Act. Bill, when the owners of the company complained to the Labor Board, preventing them from forcing a hearing, Judge Otis was notified that the Board of Governors had decided incontestable the issue of the judgment.

Orders for separate trials were made in the case of Green and Heiser. Here it was pointed out that in each case there would be different outcomes. The boys were entitled to separate trials because they were accused of being involved in the same matters.

A proposal by Francis Heiser and Gilbert Carter to reduce the sentence of the previous cases was submitted to the jury, but the case was not heard.

The bill itself at $2,500.

**Ortonville Meeting of Importers to Workers**

The conference of unknown and WPA organizations that will be held in Ortonville, Minnesota, on January 16, 11 and 12, is one of the most important and significant developments that have taken place in the Works Progress Administration. The organization that has that place prior to the calling of this conference indicates that it will be a major development.

For the first time an attempt will be made to make an advance on a wide-scale basis. Every unemployed WPA or fed- eral organization worker in the state will be notified to send delegates to the Ortonville conference.

More information in regard to the conference can be secured by the members of the Conference of Local 574, at 257 Plymouth Ave.

If your organization has not received a call to the conference, you may send an immediate, with the conference committee at the above address.

**Communist Sheet 1 Late With Local News**

Chairman of a Communist Party state committee, commen- tating with the following lines: "Strike Threatened at Clark Block to Retain Jobs for Workers." In a previous month's article, his reporter seems to have overlooked the fact that the strike is still under consideration by the company.

"The action with the Clark Block Factory in getting their last strike over for the workers, was one of the most significant developments of Local 574.

"Green, of course, promptly re- sponded to the workers, who were obviously pleased with the company.

From now on, not only will the craft unionists demand his undiluted support for their policies, but the new committee will look to them to respond to the target of frequent attacks similar to that implied in the letter last week.

"That the labor movement is not by any means split over policies, is indicated however, by the patching up of a labor organization in the building trades union during the past 18 months. At least it should be print- ed while it is still new.

**Mankato Drivers To Form Union**

Last Monday night Bill Brown, owner of truckers in Mankato, invited the Mankato to attend a meeting of truck drivers that had been called in that city.

The purpose of the gathering of drivers was to discuss the situation of the general driving community. Local 574 had been contacted by the group some time ago and had been asked to lend the assistance of the union to the organizing of black and white drivers' local in Mankato.

A small meeting had been held two nights ago. The membership of the representa- tive of 574 was present. Over 70 men were present. During the meeting, the subject was brought out that wages and conditions of work wanted in the driving crafts. Work weeks of 70 to 80 hours were common. Wages were reported.

Presiding over the meeting were, Bill, the chairman, and the house, which was arranged in the office of the drivers. The union meeting was called to order and portions of the meeting will be called and held, now and future.
Christmas Party is Great Success

The Christmas party given by the union for the children of union members was a great success. The party was held in the Union Hall and was attended by a large number of children. The committee members, who had charge of the affair, were assisted by the large group of children who attended the party. Between four and five hundred children attended the party, which lasted for several hours. A few months to ten years made up the crowd that greeted the pro-

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On Jan. 22

From November, 1934, until January, 1935, Local 173 at-

packed in the Union Hall was to prevent "further virulent acts of the strikers," and a ban against the use of violence, and the use of force, was declared. The ban against the strike of the coal truck drivers was lifted on January 30, 1935.

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During the last few days, the strikers were confronted with the task of packing up the store and leaving it in order to make ready for the strike. The strikers were met by a large crowd of sympathetic people who came to support them. The strikers were advised to remain calm and peaceful, and to continue their strike in a non-violent manner.

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"Liberal" Aldermen Show Color

The removal of Scott and Hudson as the City Council representatives of the welfare post is a convincing proof that relief clients and workers can little or anything from most of the representatives they have as their city officials.

The very fact that several of the so-called liberals, among them Alderman Wallace, have said that they lack "tact and diplomacy." Charges were made that they had proceeded in a manly manner through the ranks of the Relief Department. Statements were made that they were not "ready to get along" with the rest of the Welfare Board members.

Perhaps Scott and Hudson do lack tact and diplomacy. It is a fact that they acted in the interest of the client. By a known fact that they had intended to reorganize the Relief Department.

But one significant fact that no worker should lose sight of is that all the mistakes they made were in favor of the workers and of the relief client. They made a known fact that they intended to reorganize the Relief Department.

The committee on Industrial Organization is out for a settlement of all the problems of the workers in Labor and the only "split" that can take place in the movement is the sort of break that occurs when a branch decays and falls from the trunk of the tree. There is a real danger that by following traditional tactics too closely, the committee on Industrial Organization may become so weakened, so decayed, as to "split" away because they have not the strength to achieve the more vital and lusty section of the movement."

Tobin Decrees Chores

In the December issue of the Teamster Journal, Dan Tobin, the sage of the Teamsters International, has the following to say:

"If you have any use for a cheap pair of shoes or a cheap man. Pay your men well and get good service. One blunder may cost more than a year's wages. One foolish strike by a well-head business agent would cost us the whole future of the local. Away with cheap jack... If you have any use for a cheap pair of shoes or a cheap man. Pay your men well and get good service."

Railroad Workers Urged to Contribute

During the Subscription Drive the Organizing Committee has received thousands of subscriptions from railroad workers in various parts of the Northwest.

At the present time, there is a great possibility of a strike taking place in the railroad industry.

The Organizer would like very much to keep abreast with the latest developments that are taking place in the railroad industry. We invite correspondence and discussion on articles from railroad men in this part of the country.

Hearst in Peace—Hearst in War

Hearst’s comments are from the New York Call.

"I can make you want to fight, Press. I can make you want to write. I can make you want to fight for the principles of this country." If you join the Ku Klux Klan, You’re a good American. If you vote for the Republicans, You’re the kind of guy I like. I am William Randolph Hearst. To the deepest Men who try to organize I will fight with guns and guns and guns. I am William Randolph Hearst. I am William Randolph Hearst. Alien women with silk or with silver I will crush to the ground. I will crush you to the ground. Alien women with silk or with silver I will crush to the ground. I will crush you to the ground. Alien women with silk or with silver I will crush to the ground. I will crush you to the ground. Alien women with silk or with silver I will crush to the ground.


Central Market

The situation in the Minneapolis Central Market is one that should be the concern of every member of the General Executive Board. In the last 18 months a great change has taken place in that section of the city. A new building has opened, a new scene has opened, a new commercial life. Now the tenant and the hub of the produce business in Minneapolis, a place where fully 1,000 men were employed, has been reduced to a place where it employs less than 150. The change has come! The tenant has worked there for two years ago. From a union standpoint it is still a well organized industry. But from a worker standpoint we must seriously ask ourselves just how much better the average worker has become of the large number of men who were formerly employed there and what has happened to the business that kept these men in employment?

The answer to this question is not easy. The change in the distribution of produce and prices which has almost completely eliminated the independent grocer is responsible. The chain grocery houses, those 'sound their death knell, the independent grocer, unable to stand the competition of the new grocery chain, answered this loss of business with a wave of forming chains of independent grocers.

These grocer wholesalers, not content with the elimination of the business of the independent chains, decided also to furnish their chain customers with complete insurance, etc., without going through the trouble of furnishing them the service by purusing cars of fresh and produce direct through the chain.

These cars were pooled among growers, in the same way as the cars direct to the retail stores. Some of the. grower wholesalers installed them, which if the grower himself produced the produce business is a big way.

As the fact that almost all of the produce business handle R, resulted in a loss both for the grower and the retailer, he is now a mere recipient of goods, which is still being carried on to provide profit "leaders" for the pool.

What is the concern of the Eastern '! grower, of the Western grower who has the pro face to the grocer, what are these drivers paid and what is the profit of the grower? We know the answer to these questions.

The hawking and dealing is being done by boys 18 to 18 years old who receive less in wages and time off than the minimum.

Their hours of work are often over 70 per week. The Drivers Union has worked to the point where such severe hours produce must be paid the scale that is now in effect on the Minneapolis Central Market where the products are under contract to the union.

This is the one and only way to produce the best wages and working conditions. It is the one and only way to put our working men and women in dignity and give them the opportunity to earn a living wage, and to get a little tired of the "wolves and bears."

As each month passes by, the Roll of Dishonor in the City Council gets longer.

From Mayer Lewis’ speech in Minneapolis why do you think everyone in Minneapolis picks "I haven’t any tail or horns," those that have added, or brains, either.

How many of Mayer Lati- ner’s committee of 57 have ever organized in the city of Minneapolis?

574 was at hand at the City Council meeting Friday.

O. K. nov, Joseph?