MUN HING CO.
SETTLES WITH
FIVE UNIONS

One Day Strike by Five Unions Ends Agreement

Cooks, Bartenders, Musicians, Drivers Banner Restaurants

The strike on the Mun Hing Co., which occupied seven days, July 8, proved to be very short of duration. Before the end of the first day, Capt. Newman, the owner of the various Mun Hing establishments throughout the city, signified through his lawyer, Walter H. Newton, that he was willing to talk business with the Unions involved.

Local 574, who had the Mun Hing drivers organized 100%, for over three months, tried with every means in its power to effect a settlement for these drivers without the use of strike. For two months of steady effort to establish Union wages and conditions at the Mun Hing Company proved unsatisfactory. At last the drivers demurred that they have a showdown with the Company.

Tuesday, July 7, set as the deadline for Mun Hing to establish Union conditions for its drivers. He was notified of the decision by registered mail. When it became apparent that strike would be necessary, other Unions who had previous experience with the Mun Hing Co. were contacted, a meeting being arranged for the various representatives of the organizations involved and a program of joint action was mapped out.

Besides the drivers, the Unions that took part in the strike on the Mun Hing Co. were Cooks and Waiters, Local 418; Bartenders, Local Union 162; Miscellaneous Workers, Local 685; and the Musicians Union, Local 78.

So effective was the picketing on the Eighth Street establishment that scarcely a dozen people entered the restaurant during the day. Not only were prospective customers notified that a strike was on, but delivery of all materials consigned to the Mun Hing Co. was stopped.

At 6 o’clock representatives of the Mun Hing Co. called the drivers union and signified that they wanted a contract. At the preliminary conference Wednesday evening, the Mun Hing Co. indicated that it was ready to enter into a signed agreement with the three organizations involved. Tuesday being a meeting held in the office of Mr. Wong’s lawyer when Union agreements were signed.

Local 574 Rejoins Drivers
International in a Body

After a three weeks period of friendly discussion, an agreement has been reached whereby the local Truck Drivers Unions have been united by the return of the full membership of General Drivers 574 into the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and the American Federation of Labor.

Under the new arrangement there will be only one General Drivers Union which will function through a new International charter to be issued under a new number with the consideration that this action will best promote future harmony.

The officers of the new local will be William S. Brown, Carl Skoglund and Farrell Dobbs, from former Local 574, and L. A. Murphy, Jack Smith and Nick Wagner from former Local 506. The above six will be the constituted Executive Board with P. J. Corcoran, Secretary of the Local Teamsters Joint Council, as theneutral chairman.

All contracts with the employers formerly held by the dissolved locals will be taken over and enforced by the new local.

With the splendid harmony made possible through the newly established basis of cooperation between all the leaders and members of the local labor movement, it is assured that the members of the Minneapolis Unions and all Unions in the state will draw increased benefits from their organizations. The parties to the new agreement pledge themselves to work faithfully and constantly to promote the best interests of the workers as made possible through a united American Federation of Labor movement.

WM. S. BROWN for 574

JACK SMITH for International 500

Approved by Meyer Lewis
Signed in Mayor’s office.

Ness-Belor Memorial Will Attract Thousands of Union Men and Women Saturday

Splendid Speaking Program Will Be Heard on Knoll at Parade

Union Band Will Lead Marchers to Spot Where Heroes Fell

All Minneapolis labor, all friends of the labor movement and all those who believe in the rights of the workers to organize and strive for a better world, will be on hand at the Ness-Belor Parade grounds Saturday afternoon at 2 o’clock to honor the memory of two martyrs of the truck drivers strike. On that day all members of the labor movement will join in that assembly that may exist and will join the throng that assembles to pay homage to Hennepin and John Belor.

At the Parade grounds a speaking program will take place attracting a precious well-organized crowd. The program will appear on the platform at the Knoll to tell the story of the heroes displayed by these two dear Union brothers.

Picnic Plans Are Being Completed Says Committee

Planes have almost been completed for the Local 574 picnic which will take place at Webb’s Place on Bass Lake, Sunday, August 9. Preparations are being made to entertain the largest crowd that has ever attended a labor picnic in this part of the country.

A complete program of athletic and amusement events will continue to entertain the picnicers from early morning until closing hours. There will be baseball, swimming, horse races, athletic games and amusements for everyone. Special attention has been given to a program for the children. There will be special athletic events with splendid prizes for the winners in which only the little ones will take part.

The best of dance music will be served for those who prefer to trip the light fantastic. The famous Local 574 band, featuring Dick Aberton and his bass, will play as long as there is a dancer left on the floor.

Reports indicate that almost without exception every member of Local 574 plans on being at Webb’s Place with their families on August 9. The committee in charge of the program reports splendid success in their staff recruiting and it is assured that the committee’s sum of money will be raised in this manner.

The theme of the Union now is “On to Bass Lake for the First Annual General Drivers Picnic.”

Reporters may have a Jelly of the Lake 221 Ice Wagon Drivers, a long-time employee of the Cedar Lake Co., died Sunday, July 12. He was the brother of Winnie La Croix, member of the Ice Drivers section of Local 574.

It will be recalled that just two weeks ago Hennepin and John Belor, along with 56 other members of the striking Truck Drivers Union, fell under the withering gun fire of the Minneapolis police department on 3rd Street and 7th Avenue N. Henry Nou was killed instantly and John Belor lived only a few hours. The occasion for the shooting was when pickets of the Truck Drivers Union attempted to stop a truck driven by a scab empleado by the Winslow Novelty Co. This later proved to be a trap deliberately set by the Minneapolis Citizens Alliance planned to precipitate violence that would lead to the shooting of workers.

On that day the crowd of peaceful pickets attempted to prevent a non-union truck driver not to move and in the process of the struggle could suddenly that peaceful street filled with men and women was turned into a bloody shambles; as police piled volley after volley of shot into the ranks of the unarmed strikers. In spite of this killing and wounding of over three score men the strike was carried on.

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One-Man Streetcars Planned by Company

The local streetcar company has announced what appears to be a determined drive to operate a one-man streetcar on every line in the Twin Cities. The last remaining electric car lines are the interurban lines of the Twin City Rapid Transit Co. None of their intention is contained in a bulletin that went out Tuesday morning that the Needham-Minneapolis line is to be fitted with one-man cars. It will operate as an interurban line. The movement is such that one-man cars will be put into line there. The Street Railway Employees Union Division 1606 has lodged a protest with the company.
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MonteVIDEO Picnic Is Well Attended

A splendid crowd turned out last Sunday at MonteVIDEO for the first annual joint picnic and mass meeeting held under the auspices of the Minnesota Farmers Association and the Farming Men. The meeting was held through the downtown section of MonteVIDEO, which ended at the park where a picnic dinner was served, and a speaking program took place. Among the speakers on the program was Mr. F. P. Whitaker, President of the Minnesota Milk Workers Association; Mr. Carl Kahl, who represented the Ford Workers Section of Section 274 and others. A report on the dairy situation in front of the state club was given, and speakers from Federal Workers pointed out that although resolutions were formally adopted, the resolutions had been opposed by those who feared they would result in a strike. Speakers pointed out that the building of Workers Alliance in Minnesota was still to be accomplished. About 500 attended the affair.

Letter Invites to Ness-Belor Meeting

The following letter has been sent to all local unions as well as all central offices in Minnesota as a result of the movement, with the promise that all inductees into Local Union 274 at Saturday night will be held by General Drivers Union Local 274 at Saturday night. The letter calls attention to the usefulness of the movement, and will be addressed to officers and members of the local unions, and the old baxhaford manner of attempting to organize the local driving in one community at a time will be the goal of the movement. The letter is intended to reach the hearts of the workers in the community on both sides of the river. The writer is asking for the return of the letter in order to be able to write further to the workers in the community.

Restaurant Workers at Bass Lake Saturday

Sunday, July 13, 1936, Libery Cove at Bass Lake will be the scene of the picnic of the Hotel and Restaurant Local 458. There will be dancing throughout the day and evening and to the music of Mert Fila and his 11 Canadian musicians.

This picnic is an annual affair of the Cooks and Waiters Union and in the past has proved itself to be a highly successful social event of the season.

The committee announces that there will be dancing, swimming and fishing. For fifty valuable prizes will be given away. The prizes are to be given to the winners of various events. Tickets admitting one to the grounds and admittance to the picnic will be sold at the hotel.

Ness-Belor Memorial Committee

By... Chairman

Independent Truckers

The following article, which discusses the plight of the independent trucker, was written by one who, although not a member of the Independent Truckers, is aware of the problems and difficulties they face. The article has an understanding of the problems that confront the independent trucker. Federal policy has been designed so that it is difficult for the small business man who previously had no chance against his powerful competitors and for the small man who had never previously been adequately compensated.

The independent trucker is a difficult man to type—the man who has, by the sweat of his brow and by denying himself the necessities of life, managed to make a down payment on a truck which he is now running on a small margin if he, not properly protected, a. small margin, is burdened by an unsound, overcapitalized, inefficient organization. (Contractor.)

The contractor is the most fickle of these men who owes his own position to the men who are working in connection with the sale of his equipment. The independent organization of the aforesaid contractors' abuses is what happens when proper public sentiment is not maintained in his interest. He, not the trucker, is the most fickle of the two.

There is only one way to meet this abuse—through the organization of the independent trucker. His name is not written to the wise to the word to the wise should be sufficient. This movement is not going to be directly led by some of our members who are placing the needs of the trucker above the welfare of the group—but in other words, "Get in the saddle!"

Material Workers Make Real Gains

No division of the union has made greater advancements and secured more reforms in a short period than that section which is composed of drivers, helpers and inside workers engaged in building material companies.

This industry is now almost a monoply. It is almost impossible to find a non-union driver or helper employed, cement, sand, lime and other building materials. Their wage scale is the highest paid in the report of the Union. At 6}o per hour they are paid more than the vast majority of unorganized union workers.

The organization and the securing of union wages and conditions for this section has been accomplished in less than a year. It is a story that must be told by those organizers who brought this condition about. It is a story of courage and plain dealing men and women and the drivers and workers who were organized by sneaking method of unionizing.

The results are in and only time will tell as to whether the organization set up by the local 458 is a success. It is now in the process of organizing the local 458 and it is our hope that it will grow rapidly and that the men of the east will secure the benefits of unionization under the leadership of the local 458 and that the organization will spread rapidly and that the men of the east will secure the benefits of unionization under the leadership of the local 458.
Deportation Is Facing Worker At Hopkins, Minn.

All a proof that relief clients in Minneapolis are ruthless deport- ed from their homes and moved away from the city, the following letter is submitted by Mr. Herman Bernha- rden, Hopkins relief client. Bern- harden moved to Hopkins and resided in Minn., Minn., for over two years, established a residence and voted there. The man found himself moved from the WPA project at which he worked on labor relief, and moved to Hopkins by the Mayor of that village. He is now planning to go back to his old time home at Atwater, Minnesota, in Kandiyohi County. The reason for the deporta- tion of this worker is not clear. It apparently is only the whim of the Hopkins Mayor who had evi- dently been in communication with the chairman of the town board at Atwater, Minnesota. The mayor had a letter from Atwater in his letter to Bernharden orders him to return to his home from his home. The letter follows:

July 7, 1936
Mr. Herman Bernharden
Hopkins, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

We have had official notice that you must have brought back to Lake Elizabeth Township at once.

We have located a house for you in Atwater and will get you from Lake Elizabeth.

We have arranged for a truck to haul you back and will arrange to have a car brought to Atwater and we will come for you.

Kindly write me by return mail and let me know if we need to send a car for you or if you have any other plan for the future.

Yours truly,

ED JOHNSON
Chairman, Town Board

Powderhorn Park
Is Scene of Picnic

The Laundromen Workers Union, whose picnic occurs Sunday, July 19, at Powderhorn Park, report that the program is being well-attended, about 1000 are expected to attend the Northwest Teamsters Joint Council and should be- allowed delegates to that body which should meet next week. The WPA guidance is flagging and the group is being started and pressed to such a successful conclusion that it will still remain an unsolved problem. While it is true that only a portion of the people from a national forum can be brought into the truck transportation industry from coast to coast, a start must be made somewhere. No better proving ground for the attempted solution of this problem can be imagined in Minneapolis where there already exists a pro- gressive, intelligently directed labor movement. The sooner such a campaign is inaugurated the sooner will an ap- proach be made to the solution of the problem of nation- ally unifying the truck transportation industry.

The program outlined here is necessarily, not complete in every detail but it is based on sound observation made of the trucker's problems. The adoption of such a program means that the Northwest Teamsters Joint Council would make gigantic strides forward. The truck trans- portation industry is the most important of all the northwest workers. This has been amply demonstrated here in Minneapolis. The slogan of northwest drivers is "Drivers for Truck Transportation Into the Drivers Union."
United Labor Action

The strike of the five organizations on the Mun Hing Co. which occurred on Wednesday, July 8, was a classic example of the united and coordinated action of labor unions. It is extremely doubtful if one of these labor organizations, alone and unaided by others, would have been sufficient to bring about a complete shutdown of this establishment. The united front guaranteed success.

To the condottc of one craft without intention of united action would have caused a wage reduction and working conditions of this nature. The fight would have been a gross injustice to those who are not directly involved and an injustice to the workers themselves, so many workers employed there but the strike would have lost its effectiveness if only one organization would have attempted to organize the workers. The banner before the door of the establishment, signed by five large unions declaring that they would not be in the factory, had a powerful effect upon prospective customers. Again, the strike was involved in the strike permitted the organizations to present an imposing picket line.

The value of the organized driving crafts to the rest of the labor movement was shown in a convincing manner in this labor action. Not only were the drivers on the picket line carrying the pickets, but the strike itself found itself unable to secure deliveries from Union drivers. Not only were their prospective customers fearful of incurring the displeasure of the striking unions but the strike itself found itself unable to secure products necesssary for the carrying on of their business.

The speedy settlement of this strike can be attributed to the fact that the Strike Committee was united and the union rights defenders, who upheld the picket, the security of which was in the hands of the drivers, presented a solid front, determined front to the employer. Labor unity has demonstrated its value. There must be more of it.

The Basic Industries

For years the lords and masters of steel, rubber, automobile, electrical and other mass-production industries have ruled arrogantly over their employees.

They have refused to grant the right to organize freely and engage in real collective bargaining. They have called all, including government authorities, who have tried to interfere with the strike, the so-called "radicals" of all American workers. They have fired workers without number when they have called a strike. The plant was flooded with a sea of violence will frighten into surrender working people in whose blood is the proud tradition of American independence and man's right for freedom.

In Akron company gunners are being drowned out in the plant and indirectly driven, while every cross is burned before the houses of union men. In Gadsden, Ala., company agents beat up union men, smash union headquarters and drive organizers out of town. Steel company preparations for violence have received wide attetion through the La Follette committee. The Black Legion menace to auto industry is also notorious.

A big steel drive has started. Union organization has entered General Electric, Westinghouse and is now going up with RCA in Camden. Rubber unionism, from a solid base in Akron is in a position to couple the Nela Park events will serve but as a challenge to increased union effort. The steel company's southern steel drive planned by the textile workers. A united attack on the working people every day, is getting ready to launch a mass campaign.

The movement is now beginning to sweep the country. The unionists are making up their minds, and it will all American workers have won the right to union indepedence.

Keeping Step With 574

By Mickey Dunne

Pole plant and tie dressing workers are getting organized.

Gagnon reports that Boies are now 190%. Let's have more reports like that from the strikers.

Some of the cash workers are not yet back on the job.

Every member of the union should turn out for the New-Berlin memorial Saturday, July 18. The union has a long way to go to make this union possible.

WEDDING BELLS?

It is reported that Zander is seeing the breaking point. He might be able to get a ring off his finger. Can't forget it when the sailing is smooth.

B.B. goes to a Steinv. slave.

VOTE OF THANKS

Anyone miss the bar these hot days? Thank Latimer.

The Holsons gang met Tuesday.

The letter addressed to Mr. Wof Teagigot, scion of the Famous Company, and this time he was not delighted, with the letters W.W.W.W. They own a stake, Wong Wank's Work.

Brennan is in Let.

Happy and Jack were with us for a week.

Two more members of the staff will soon be wearing glasses. This work is hard on the eyes in more ways than one.

Line drivers at Werners are seeing to the light.

Castle trouble at Holsons late was worked out.

DOBBS DRESSES DAPPERLY

Farrell broke out in a new finery.

Frogg at last has his name on a union agreement.

The weather was hot last week, but it was something compared with the heat that the unions turned on Mun Hing.

The Washington delegations report was better than the last.

There's the story of the drivers, who after working for 14 hours per week, received his first week's pay of $12.89. Next day he came into the Union office and complained that the bosses had gone back to paying twice a month.

Kelly is going to find out what that independent truck or meant when he said, "To hell with all Unions!"

G. Dunne and C. Sheepman handled the sledge situation with Mr. Glyn's THREE WEEKS.

Legislation to control strike-breaking ended this morning giving the workers a chance to get out. The Frat of Prost in France has promised the workers every sledge of their strike-breaking practices.

Earl Brownly admitted to a Tinsman correspondent that Farmer Labor parties couldn't win anything for the farmers and were in a deathstricken phase of capitalism...

I don't know, maybe it's the heat.

Matthew Wall, labor lieutenant of Wobblies, is now writing articles as we run along with an unblended wage, he has a choice whether to get in by the day of reckoning or will.

It is the capital's act of boodle that are unbalanced. The working man is forced to read books to worry about balancing until it takes over the more personal production. In the meantime, who should worry about the capital side of the book?

Some campaign definitions for wealthy people:

$100,000—month relief jobs

$400,000—One billion-dollar war preparation per year

$500,000—one billion dollar for defense of the "home front" Fleeing under cotton and wheat—"Social planning." Mutual aid

"The Good Neighbor policy.

Commentary on Craft Unionism:

The A. F. of L. Council spent much of its meeting arguing against the
delegations on the dispute between the building trade services and the elevator constructors over which should control elevator operators and starters. Recent Washington news item.

And these are the partners who are always considering the welfare of the workers organizing the steel workers.

Attention! All Truck Drivers

Yellow Cab Team Is Beaten by Drivers

Yellow Cab Co. baseball team and one representing Local 574 locked horns in a baseball bat-

Sunday afternoon. The Yellow Cab team fell flat in a re-

player performing of the 574 boys. At the end of nine innings the score was deadlocked at 3-3. 574 win.

Next day he came into the Union Cab Co. 11.