DRIVERS UNION TO PICNIC AT WEBB'S PLACE SUNDAY

The special meeting of the Transportation Joint Council was held on Tuesday, July 23, a historic one in the history of the local organization. Not only were seven delegates from Local 544, but also seven from the state and two from St. Paul. The meeting opened by P. C. Corcoran, Secretary-Treasurer of the Council, who spoke of the great prospects in store for a united drivers organization. The President of the Council, Harold Sembler, introduced the new delegates to the rest of the members. As each was introduced they arose to be greeted with a storm of applause.

Corcoran stated that the purpose of this special meeting was to outline an organizational drive which would include Minneapolis, St. Paul, and the rest of the state. Various delegates took the floor and gave their whole-hearted endorsement to such a move and a number of very sound suggestions were made.

L. A. Murphy, Secretary-Treasurer of Local 544, pointed out the necessity for a Twin City Joint Council (Continued on page 3)

Greenhouse Drivers Will Be Organized

Greenhouse drivers, helpers and inside workers are being organized, according to a section of Local 544. Several meetings have already been held and a union agreement is in process of formation.

Wages paid in this industry are extremely low and the work often consists of as much as 76 hours. Top wages paid to experienced gardeners are $4.24. Drivers receive as little as $1.14 per week. The proposed union contract specifies that wages shall be increased to $1.48 per hour. Minimum pay under the union agreement is set at 60 cents per hour. The next meeting of the group is set for Wednesday, August 6.

Make Minneapolis a Union Town

Local 544 and Local 120 to Join Hands in Union Drive

One of the most encouraging results of the merger of Local 544 and Local 120 to join hands in the return of Minneapolis General Drivers Union to the ranks of the American Federation of Labor, is the fine spirit of co-operation that now exists between Local 120 of St. Paul and Local 544 of Minneapolis. Prior to the return of 574 to the Drivers International there existed a sort of a state of armed neutrality between the Minneapolis and St. Paul driving unions. While there was never an open break in the relationship of the two unions it was difficult to secure that co-operation that would make it possible to engage in a joint organizational campaign.

The situation that exists in the midway district in regard to union organization is testimony to the fact that the two unions could not work unitedly under conditions that prevailed in the past. As a result many drivers of midway firms remained entirely unorganized. Because neither Union wished to take an aggressive attitude an union organization in the midway district, that section of the cities has remained a "No Man's Land" so regards union organization. Many firms, employing large numbers of drivers, quickly sensed the fact that here was a place where their employees would be least subject to a Union drive. As a result many firms have moved to the midway district during the past year from both cities. Truck transportation firms have established terminals there. Other companies who employ drivers also found this district to be a convenient location.

However, with the advent of the proposed Twin City Transportation Joint Council the existing situation will be changed. A committee from the two locals is now making plans for a thorough going organization campaign directed at this non-union sector. The mass meeting planned for Thursday, August 15, will be the opening gun in the drive. Before many weeks are passed the co-operative efforts of the two Minneapolis Unions should show results.

Keeshin Transfer Drivers in Union

The Keeshin Transfer Co., huge Chicago transportation outfit, felt the weight of Local 544 Friday. This firm, which has over 450 trucks operating out of Chicago to all points south and west, has consequently refused to allow their drivers, who operate in and through the Twin Cities, to be unionized.

However, Friday, Union organizers found two of these units on the streets in Minneapolis operating with non-union drivers. They were tied up and the local management was notified that the trucks would not be moved except by Union operators. In a short time both drivers were members of Local 544. A close watch is being kept for other trucks of this concern.

Teamsters Council

The next meeting of the Teamsters Joint Council will be held Tuesday, August 5 at 8:00 a.m. All delegates are invited to be on hand and supply a business card or name and address at the meeting.

Pioneer Company Settles Strike After Two Days

Agreement With Union Gets Contract and Back Pay

The Pioneer Paper Stock Co., local pulp salvage concern, was made the object of General Drivers Union attention last week. Mr. Noodelman, owner of the plant, had stubbornly refused to sign an agreement with General Drivers Union and had refused to adjust the pay of his drivers, helping inside workers to conform to the June 1st agreement. All peaceful attempts to secure a settlement of the controversy were unavail.

Two months of attempts, on the part of the Union, to induce the owner of the paper company to grant employees their just claim resulted in a refusal on the part of the manager to make any adjustment. Finally on Thursday, July 30, the employees of the company walked out. They demanded that the management not only sign an agreement with General Drivers Union but that back pay due them from June 1st be forthcoming. After a strike lasting a day and a half, during which the plant of the Pioneer Paper Stock Co. was picketed by the employees, assisted by the Union organizers, Mr. Noodelman declared that discretion was the better part of valor and signed the Union agreement.

Under the terms of the settlement the employees of that firm will receive back pay totaling over $150.

BASS LAKE TO BE SCENE OF UNION RALLY

Free Transportation Will Be Furnished to the Grounds

Sunday will see the entire membership of General Drivers Union gathered at Webb's Place at Bass Lake. The occasion will be the 75th annual picnic of Local 544. No trouble and expense has been spared to make this affair the greatest outdoor labor celebration of the year. The committee in charge of the event has worked ceaselessly to see that nothing has been left undone that would add to the enjoyment of those who attend.

Members and their friends are urged to bring the entire family with them. There will be a special program for the children and splendid prizes have been provided for the various events in which only the kiddies will be allowed to participate. For the grownups the day will provide a continuous round of games, sports, contests, lunching, swimming, and dancing until the sun sets and the party ends at an end in the evening with a gala dance.

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Two Twin City Meeting For Truck Drivers

Thursday evening, August 13, there will be held a Twin City joint meeting for truck drivers, helpers and platform men in the midway district. The meeting will be held at the general office of the N. M. Paper Co., 344 Rice St., in St. Paul.

The object of the meeting will be to outline the joint campaign of the two Unions to organize the truck drivers. This campaign will be carried on under the joint leadership and consisting of representatives of both Unions. A program for the meeting is to be announced.

A good will will be distributed informing all workers of the meeting and setting forth the necessity for Union organization. Numerous numbers of both Local 520 and Local 120 will be in attendance.

Remember the place and time and you can rest assured that there will be no lack of welcome at the meeting.
Power Co. Union Reports Progress

Local 169, Northern States Power Company employees, report differences in the company's proposal to strike in two departments of the company and that the strike is being deferred. The union is in talks with the company and the strike is not imminent.

Bill Brown Says:

On Sunday, August 3rd, the day of our pick- ing at the 500th anniversary of the start of the company's proposal to organize our department, we have a chance to stop the strike. The membership of the company should be proud of the things that they have accomplished. We are proud to be a member of our Union and members of the Company and the picketing of every worker in Minneapolis this will be a day that we will celebrate for the day of mourning for the Citizens Alliance.

Federal Workers Section to Hold Open Meeting on New Applications

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How to Destroy a Trade Union

1. Don't attend meetings. 
2. Don't volunteer to come late and then get mad when the other members have already started. 
3. If the weather isn't just to your liking, be prepared to leave. 
4. If you do attend meetings, find fault with the officers and members. 
5. If your group is not in the habit of doing things, the chances are you won't do anything. 
6. Let the union accept an offer. It's easier to criticize than to do anything else.

The overtime agreement between Gamble-Robbison and General Drivers Union Local 544 is drawing the attention of the Fed- eral Mediation and Conciliation Service. The service is attempting to settle the labor dispute which has been going on since the union membership doubled in the last few months.

Union Barbers
It is reported to the attention of the Union office that many members of Local 544 are patronizing non-union barbers. This should not be the act of the Union.

Union conditions, in the driving and related industries, are set up and maintained by General Drivers Union, can only be changed by the Union. An employee who patronizes other Union members will be informed of the wrong that the Union is being run by a clique.

O WPA Projects

The Welfare Board's new role as an employer of last resort will be discussed at a meeting of the Federal Workers Section in Washington, D.C., on January 30.

There will be a discussion of all procedures and plans for future employment, including employment of representatives of the WPA project in the Federal Workers Section.

Wednesday, July 29, in the Union Hall at 2 P.M. All members of Local 544 are invited to attend.

Kline-Wonder Co.
Sign Agreement With Local 544

Thursday, July 26, 1937, the Kline-Wonder Company, manufacturer of household appliances, signed an agreement with General Drivers Union Local 544, which will be in force for one year.

The agreement covers all employees in the company's plant, including mechanics, clerks, and other workers. The agreement includes provisions for a minimum wage of $3.00 per hour and a 40-hour work week, with overtime pay at time and one-half for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week. The union will also receive a percentage of the company's profit on all business done with the union.

The agreement is effective immediately and will remain in force until July 25, 1938. Both the company and the union have agreed to abide by the terms of the agreement.

Seestrom Meeting Big Crowd

The meeting held to protest the Latham Act's failure to repatriate Mexican workers brought a crowd of about 800 to the Federal Building in New York City. The meeting, held to discuss the proposed repatriation of Mexican workers under the Latham Act, was scheduled for Thursday, July 26. The meeting was attended by members of the Minneapolis Central Labor Committee and the United Labor Workers of Minnesota.

Milk Wagon Drivers Frolic at Bass Lake

Wednesday, July 29, the Milk Wagon Drivers Employees Union Local 471 gathered at the beautiful Bass Lake for a day of fun and recreation. The Union plans to hold similar events in the future.

General Drivers
Has New Members

Pointing to the continued growth of the organizing committee, Local 544 has continued to thrive since its formal incorporation in the Drivers International is national in focus and not limited to a single city. The decision of the International is made in consultation with the other unions in the country.

We find the unions ranked by the membership of 227 members, with our local in third place.

Dairy Farmers Are Asking Rate Raise

New Orleans—Two thousand dairy farmers have contacted their local government officials for the imposition of a raise in milk prices. The farmers have filed a petition with the local government asking for a raise in the price of milk to be paid by the government to the dairy farmers.

If Laws were not able to face the consequences of this new policy, the government has decided to impose a new tax on the dairy farmers. The tax will be imposed on the dairy farmers to help the government balance the budget. The government has stated that the tax will be imposed on the dairy farmers who are not able to meet their obligations to the government.

A Anderson was laid off from his WPA job with no good reason at all. After he was given a job by the government, he was fired by the government for failure to fulfill his contract to the satisfaction of the Federal Board. The government has stated that this is a fair and just policy.
Keeping Step With 574
By Mickey Dunn

Jack Smith has become a Minneapolis man look out, folks! • • • The C. O. Thomas drivers and helpers are all Union men now.

ORGANIZER AID PAY
Our story goes to the Milk Wagon Drivers pic. • • • The Teamsters Joint Council meeting was attended by 46 delegates.

TIP TO THE THRIFTY
How to save $12. Join the Union before June 15th.

CLEANUP
The Pioneer Paper Stack suffed ended with burial in Union. • • • Minneapolis Terminal Warehouse is kibosh now.

THINKS EVERY TRUCK DRIVER SHOULD KNOW
The more you save the more money, a better job, less worry, and more security that a non-union driver never knows.

Many are being settled more rapidly than ever before.

A big downtown depart- ment store just cracked.

The State Federation of Labor will be held in Chicago this fall.

Unorganized workers saving money in a different way.

Jewelry workers just secured a Federal charter.

Don’t be surprised if the Streets Department begins to move.

Local 544 delegates were greeted with handclap applause as they were seated in the Teamsters Council meeting.

The milk drivers picnic was really a dandy affair—good program, swell prizes, nice dance and an awl nice looking women.

HUNTING NOTICE
Non-union truck drivers ar e beginning to be hard to find.

Phil Gagnon’s wife is still in the hospital.

The C. L. U. picnic will be held at Ponderosa Park.

A Twin City Walking Craft Council is in the making.

The Milk Drivers Union can’t get all their men in the largest halls in the city.

The Milk Bottles was offered in this column last week brought a storm of answ- ers from every one who wished to get it. Pete Scott of the Great Lakes under the wire first.

The Petroleum Workers Union is campaigning against non-union oil companies. Five of the large plants are already 100 per cent Union.

FOUND
Minnesota chauffeur’s li- cense has been turned in Union men have same calling by Union Notice.

TAX
Chaffeur’s license No. 24382 See Stanley Fierrel, 4114 Cunf. North.

For Sale
Four cylinder Chev. truck with hydraulic brake. Herbert Bros. Box, 114 E. 15th.

Overland Drivers To Join Local 544
One of the large long-distance outfits, pulling west out of Minne- apolis, will be union before the week is out. All of the drivers are invited to join General Drivers Union in a body.

Slip Gardner “Slip” Gardner, Pratt steward, is now a member of the General Drivers Union, has opened a 2.2 open seat eating place at 1049 Washington Ave. N. Mem- bers of the Union, which Ed has the best of luck in his new venture.

Bill Sherrer
Bill Sherrer was a fire victim Sunday morning. It was only an 11 pm hook up affair and was extinguished by friends.

LABOR
Looks at the Press

Peabody, Mass.—After police officers yesterday found a human skeleton, which medical experts and toully bruntly torn from the body of a young girl, Police Chief Pierce in the belief that his name was committed, without ques- tion.

“Just can’t say anything up on these flatheads.”

Merce Thorpe, editor of Na- tional Lumberman, has often been asked what America in exemplifies most nearly our impression of American life and spirit. I have often thought of it. I answer un- courteously: insurance.

The America of the early pio- neers, of Lincoln, of Walt Whit- man, of Eugene Debs, doesn’t ex- ist for that particularly—nor for any of the others.

Editor and Publisher: Services of many more news commentators may be employed by the Repub- lican National Committee in the presidential campaign. Presum- ably the Democrats will also marshal a squad of commenters... The dear public, which believes in news commentators presents just the purely editorial function of representing the day’s news won’t receive any engraved notes on the changed statute.

File that in the Pot Kettle Dept.

Bishop Freeman: We will have no permanent recovery in this country, no matter what laws are passed, until we experience a great national tide of religious revival.

Oakland, Calif.—The Alameda County, Central and Building Trades Councils disagrees with the remark, but this constitutes “keeping the peace.”

In San Francisco, the issue is being played out in the streets around the Hudson Lumber Co., in South San Francisco and an ac- celled into the strike-closed mills. The rivers bad way it was aiding strike-breaking.

There’s an arch pessimist for you.

Harry Ford: There are only two men in the world who will work and men who will not.

That’s right, Hank—the work- ers and the coupon clipper.

Well—Hall Seismi can al- ways raise the Senator’s barn; or attend the horse races with aplomb.

Mrs. Louise Watkins, Los An- geles, Ind., is the trend, and is on the part of both the old and the young. She is a typical American and not normal.

Look like most of us are ab- normal aliens, Mrs. W.

Dr.enburg, French of the Re- publican National Committee: There is an elemental factor that precludes the human-kind from the brute. This elemental factor, for example, has been chosen to act the precipitare moral urge.

Hell, if that were the differ- ence, we’d be better off in the rough.

Senator Vandenberg: It will simplify our thinking if we realize that what is a problem is rejected by the Supreme Court, it is the Constitution that is speaking. That means, in turn, that it is the people speaking.

It will simplify our thinking if we remember that Senator Vand- "berg is a reactionary old son.

Colonel W. Chevalier: There is no community in the state of America. It is merely a re-em- ployment problem.

O. K. Butch—but there’s still milk in the tank.

Mrs. Ellis: The communists are responsible for stock driving conditions, with all the Russian breaks which down family rela- tions in the land.

This is the way Communists get started in Russia.—Quoted in the New Republic.

Can’t you just see Lenin steal- ing around hawking copies of TRUE STORY and Captain Billy’s WHIZ BANG?

Art West announces that he has an ice box which is for sale at a low price. It is a 100 pound box. It can be seen at S211 Dine.

Local 100 Meeting Schedule
June 8—Regular Stewards
July 6—Regular meeting
July 7—Executive Board
July 14—Executive Board
July 15—Local 100 meeting
July 21—Local 100 meeting
July 26—Executive Board meeting