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100 IN DEMAND FOR SEED LOAN AND CASH WORK

Stock Dying While Relief
Board Refuses to Give
Aid to Farmers

WILL MEET APRIL 4

Call Another Meeting to
Demand Cash for Work
and Adequate Relief

Bagley, Minn., March 17.—Three
hundred farmers today demanding
feed for stock, groceries and also
clothes for their families. They
came despite snow blocked roads,
many of them travelling over 15
miles, in the largest farmers and
workers meeting that has even
been held in the county.

The farmers had waited all winter
watching their stock get thinner
and thinner, many of them die,
and their families live on little or
nothing. The farmers had struggled
to get a \$25,000 appropriation from
the Reconstruction Finance
Corp. and now the committee in
charge refused to hand out the
relief. Governor Olson's personal
representative, Miss Floren, was
especially hostile to the farmers.

COMMITTEE PRESENTS DEMANDS

A committee of farmers were
elected and sent down to the relief
office to present the wishes
of the farmers and workers, de-
manding that two farmers, Harvey
Cartwright and Gilbert Larson, be
placed on the relief committee.
Other demands were:

Minimum scale of wages for
those who are forced to work
for relief be 45 cents an hour.
That farmers work on the road
that benefits them most.
No discrimination against the
youth, the foreign born or be-
cause of religious, political, or
racial prejudices.

Miss Floren's reply to the two
farmers was that she was well
pleased with the committee as it
was. She would take no orders
from the farmers and she recog-
nized no such word as demand.
She said "I will decide who gets
relief and how much. I will take
applications one by one and then I
will make an investigation even if
it takes ten years."

While this was going on farmers
upstairs were listening to Fred La-
quiere of the Unemployed Councils
of Minneapolis expose the rotten-
ness of the present system. Har-
vey Cartwright spoke on the des-
perate situation in the county as
he saw it as he travelled from
meeting to meeting and how only
by united action had we won the
relief office in the county at all.
Ed C. Baumann, organizer of the
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SHERIFF TRICKS FARMERS IN PA.

300-500 Make Sheriff Halt
Sale; He Later Denies
He Did So

Pennsburg, Pa., March 21.—A
crowd of 300 to 500 farmers gath-
ered to stop a sale today on the
stock, implements and household
goods of Susie and John Lilko.
The sale was held to satisfy a
judgment note for \$3,893, held by
Michael Harakal of Bucks county.
Three deputies came to conduct
the sale. The first offer was a
horse and the farmers refused to
bid. On the second offer, nickels
and dimes were bid. The sheriff
then drew an offer of \$1,200 for
all the property from his pocket
and asked the farmers whether
any one present cared to make a
better offer.

The farmers jeered.

The sheriff then cried "Sold."

HOLD DEPUTIES AN HOUR

Enraged at this trickery by the
sheriff, the farmers surrounded
the automobile which held the
three deputies. One of the de-
puties fired a shot but no one was
hurt. After holding the deputies
an hour, the farmers let one of
them telephone the sheriff.

The sheriff drove to the sale and
addressed the crowd of farmers
who had come to protect the only
means of livelihood of their broth-
er farmer. The sheriff was under-
stood by the farmers in the crowd
to say that the sale would be pos-
tponed to April 8.

WILL STRIKE MAY DAY FOR BETTER PRICE IN WISCONSIN

Rice Lake, Wis.—May Day is
set for starting a farmers holiday
on all farm products in the dis-
trict of which Rice Lake is the
center. This was agreed at a
strike conference. Foreclosures on
farms and starvation prices for
farm products have put the farm-
ers in a militant mood.

In 1931 there were 151 tank car
loads of gasoline sold in Barron
county. Last year there were only
98, due largely to the inability of
farmers to pay for gas. Many
farmers who have been driven off
their land by the sheriff are now
on county relief.

400 HALT SALE OF N. D. FARM

Sale Scheduled for 2 p. m.,
But Farmers Start to
Arrive at 10 a. m.

(By a Farmer Correspondent)

Hettinger, N. D., March 22.—
On March 14 about four hundred
farmers gathered at the Adams
county court house, with blood in
their eyes to stop a forced sale on
John Rosnow of Hettinger.

Although the sale was to be at
2 o'clock the farmers commenced
to arrive about 10 o'clock in the
morning, which shows their inter-
est and the trying circumstances
of all.

The sheriff got in touch with
the governor and received a wire
to postpone the sale for three
days. In the meantime Rosnow
was renewed and has one year
longer to live in his home.

FIRST SALE STOPPED

This is the first time forced
sales have been stopped in our
county and the farmers have
pledged themselves to stop future
forced sales and evictions.

Our county paper, the Adams
County Record, two and a half
blocks from the court house, is
evidently not interested in the
welfare of the destitute farmers
under the Roosevelt regime, for
they have ignored this action of
self-preservation on the part of
the farmers in their publication.

Instead they have found space
to put in an article copied from
another publication which con-
demns the organizers of the farm-
ers and calls them "rural racket-
teers," because they denounce the
banks, the railroads and other
agencies which have taken a slice
out of the farmer's pocket.

The court house was packed at
this sale and a unanimous vote of
protest was made at this writup
in our county paper.

HOLIDAY LEADER RAPS PENNY SALES

Says Farmers Must Pay
"Honest Obligations"
to Creditors

Greely, Nebr., March 16.—"The
Holiday Association will not coun-
tenance any effort to avoid pay-
ment of any honest obligation,"
says Joseph McCarthy, president of
the Greeley County Farm Hol-
iday Assn.

Just what is an honest obliga-
tion this holiday leader doesn't
say. Doubtless any lawyer would
tell him that the farmer who does
not pay his taxes or his grocery
bills or the interest on his mort-
gages is refusing to pay his
"honest debts."

However, the United Farmers
League feels that the tax burdened
farmer who cannot pay his debts,
"honest" or otherwise, should not
be forced to pay them. Therefore,
it stands for "cancellation of the
taxes for all poor farmers." It
calls on farmers everywhere to
organize committees action to pro-
tect farmers who are threatened
with foreclosure or eviction.

SPANISH GOVT. IN THREAT TO ARREST FARM ORGANIZERS

Madrid, Spain, March 22.—All
persons who seek to organize the
starving farmers of Spain are sub-
jected to immediate arrest and im-
prisonment, the Socialist govern-
ment of Premier Azana decreed to-
day.

Officers of the Civil and Assault
Guards and of police forces throu-
out the country have been ordered
to comb their districts for "agri-
tators."

The provinces of Cordova, Se-
ville and Cadiz, which produce
most of the olive crop of Spain,
have been becoming increasingly
restive during the last few months
due to the fact that the value of
the product has fallen below the
cost of production, and organiza-
tion of the farmers has been go-
ing on at a rapid rate.

CONFERENCE IN MINN. PLANNED FOR APRIL 14

Demand Special Session of
Legislature to Consider
Relief Needs

CALL UNITED FRONT

State Committee for Action
Calls on All Organizations
to Participate

Minneapolis, Minn., March
25.—A meeting of the en-
larged Minnesota State Com-
mittee for Action has been
called for April 14. It will
be held at the Labor Lyceum,
57 E. 11 Street, St. Paul. The
Committee will go to the govern-
or to demand that he call a
special session of the legislature,
to take up the basic needs of the
Minnesota workers and farmers.
Later in the day the enlarged
committee will hold a meeting to
decide upon further statewide ac-
tion.

COMMITTEE SENDS OUT STATEMENT

A statement by the State Com-
mittee for Action, signed by the
secretary, Alfred Tiala, has been
sent to all organizations which
participated in the Farmers and
Workers Conference held at St.
Paul last February, asking them
to send delegates to the confer-
ence on April 14.

The statement reads in part:

"The Farmers and Workers Con-
ference that was held in the La-
bor Temple in St. Paul on Feb. 19
was an event of great importance
in our struggle to keep our farms
and homes and to maintain a de-
cent standard of living.

"We must not permit that event
to become forgotten history, as
Governor Olson and the members
of the state legislature hope.

"Hold meetings of all kinds in
your community and in your farm-
er and worker organizations. Take
up the resolution that comes with
this letter (printed elsewhere in
this issue), have it acted upon in
the mass meetings, and send it to
Governor Olson.

"From your section or from
your organization you are called
upon to send along with the mem-
ber of the Committee of Action
additional representatives to make
up the enlarged state com-
mittee. The Youth State Com-
mittee of Action is requested to

FARMER GOES IN DEBT FOR SHIPPING HOGS TO MARKET

(BY M. H.)

Hettinger, N. D.—I read your
article regarding Dr. Storkan's
\$3,000 pig. Dr. Storkan should be
kicked that the thieves didn't ask
him for money besides.

Mr. J. E. Stutsman of Cando, N.
D., shipped a 500 pound hog and
when his returns came in, it was
in the form of a dun. He owed
\$2.60 to the commission house. He
had no one arrested and no one
was put under bonds, but surely
this pig was stolen. Only because
this was done legally under the
capitalist system no one was put
in jail.

IOWA FARMERS STOP EVICTION

400 Farm Holiday Mem-
bers Make Court Revoke
Eviction Order

Harlan, Iowa, March 25.—A
group of 400 members of the Farm
Holiday Association showed what
mass action can do in preventing
an eviction here today.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCarthy
whose farm had been foreclosed
on by the Prudential Life Insur-
ance company had received a court
order signed by Judge E. N. Miller
decreting that they should
move by tonight and a lease be-
tween the insurance company and
another farmer had already been
signed.

However, when the 400 militant
farmers got busy, things took a
decided change. The county at-
torney Jake More who had acted
as receiver for the insurance com-
pany was forced to sign another
lease renting the farm back to the
McCarthys. The farmers then
went with the attorney to see
Judge Mantz who approved the
new lease, cancelled the old one
and revoked the eviction order.
The whole thing took place in less
than 48 hours and could only have
been accomplished by mass action.

mobilize its forces for joint ac-
tion on April 14. The workers of
Minneapolis, who are organizing a
demonstration for April 14, are
expected to send a good delegation
to St. Paul.

"As you must realize, no orga-
nizational work can be carried on
entirely without funds. The State
Committee of Action needs money
for postage, for paper and chiv-
elopes and for mimeograph sup-
plies. The little bit that you can
gather will help us carry on our
work.

"Alfred Tiala, Secretary,
"407 Sexton Building,
"Minneapolis."

FIVE FARMERS ARRESTED AT FARM SALE AT WHITE CLOUD, MICH., CHARGE 2 WITH CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM; TRIAL ON MAY 1

CONVICT LUX ON COURT CHARGE

Nebr. Organizer and 15
Others Convicted for
Contempt of Court

Wilber, Neb., March 25.—
Harry Lux, organizer of the
Nebraska Holiday Associa-
tion (Madison County Plan)
and leader of the recent
Farmers Relief Conference
held at Lincoln, was convicted to-
day along with 15 other farmers
and workers for contempt of court.

ARRESTED AFTER ATTEMPT TO STOP FORECLOSURE

The case grew out of an at-
tempt to stop the foreclosure of
Joe Neuman's farm near Wilber,
March 14. On this day several
hundred farmers together with a
truckload of unemployed from
Lincoln went to the Saline Court
House to protest the sale. They
used no threats and did not molest
the sheriff in any way. However,
when County Judge Kohout saw
the crowd he deputized several
men and told them to break up
the meeting. The deputies used
tear gas and guns on the peaceful
farmers.

A few hours later a posse of
armed men arrested five farmers
and 11 unemployed who were on
the way back to Lincoln. Lux was
arrested in Lancaster county the
next day. Lux was singled out as
being the leader of this movement
to save Neuman's farm and was
placed under \$2,000 bond and put
in solitary confinement.

The arrested men were first
charged with "inciting to riot" but
the case brought such a storm
of protest from Nebraska farmers
that the charges were changed to
contempt of court. Four of the
arrested men have been released
upon payment of their fine. How-
ever, 12 still remain in jail. Lux
was fined heaviest, having a \$250
fine against him.

HOLIDAY ASSN. ASKS FOR HELP

The Holiday Assn. is defending
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THE U.F.L. WILL MAKE US FREE

(BY LOUIS A. KURTZ)
(To be sung to the tune of "My Country Tis of Thee")

United Farmers' League,
Backbone of liberty
We welcome thee!
Thy platform safe and sane
Will break the Bankers' game
Stop crooked deals and gain
And make us free!

The Jackass party's fuss
About new deals for us
Is apple sauce!
What we want is a game
In which stock, hay and grain
Will not mean ball and chain,
Chaos and muss!

We farmers, if you please,
Will play that game and freeze
The Wall Street Band!
From then on there won't be
Fine crops and poverty,
Workers' fraternity
Will rule the land!

Read the Producers News,
It knocks the shyluck crews
For rows of bones!
Let's boost this paper well,
It boosts the U. F. L.
United we'll raise hell,
And save our homes!

GENERAL FOODS HAS PROFIT OF \$1.97 A SHARE FOR 1932

New York, March 23.—Although
farmers haven't been able to make
any money out of growing food,
the big trusts that market food
products have made abig profit
for the last year. General Foods
reported assets for \$32,318,611 for
1932 and gave to their rich stock-
holders dividends of \$1.97 a share
on common stock.

The Producers News \$2 a year.

MILLIONS LOST BY FARM BOARD

Speculation in Grain and
Cotton Caused Huge Loss
of Government Money

Washington, March 21.—The
Farm Board gave \$360,000,000 to
cotton and grain speculators,
Henry Morgenthau, Jr., head of
Roosevelt's new Farm Credit Ad-
ministration, admitted today.

Most of this stupendous sum was
used by the Cotton and Grain
Stabilization Corporations to with-
hold grain and cotton from the
market in a futile attempt to raise
prices on these two products. The
small grain and cotton growers
know just how little they got out
of these million dollar operations
—absolutely nothing.

The Cotton and Grain Stabili-
zation Corporations as well as the
various cooperative marketing as-
sociations set up elaborate offices
employing high-salaried officials
and spent millions of the govern-
ment's money in the name of
farm aid.

What the farmers need is direct
cash relief. Setting up elaborate
bureaus headed by Thatcher of the
Farmers Union and other high-
salaried officials hasn't helped the
farmer a bit. In contrast to the
\$360,000,000 swallowed up by the
Farm Board is the \$200,000,000
which the Reconstruction Finance
Corp. grudgingly gave out to the
millions of needy farmers and
workers of the country during the
past year which didn't cover a
hundredth part of the need.

PROMINENT WOMEN URGE RECOGNITION OF SOVIET UNION

Washington, March 24.—A res-
olution urging recognition of Rus-
sia by the United States was sub-
mitted to the White House and the
State Department today by rep-
resentatives of the Women's Com-
mittee for Recognition of Soviet
Russia. The appeal was signed by
170 women, among whom are Jane
Addams, Amelia Earhart, and Ada
Comstock, president of Radcliffe
College.

No attempt was made to see
President Roosevelt by the com-
mittee but Secretary Hull of the
State Department received a sub-
committee which included Mrs.
Rosemond Pinchot Gaston of New
York, Margaret Cuklin Banning of
Duluth and Miss Evelyn Dewey of
New York.

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HIGH BAIL FIXED

Hold Smith on \$7,500 Bail;
Others Range From
\$5,000 to \$1,000

TRY TO HALT FIGHT

Want to Keep Farmers
From Gathering to Save
Their Homes

(BY TELEGRAM)

Baldwin, Mich., March 25.
—Clyde Smith, Mich. farm
organizer, who was arrested
March 15 when 200 farmers
gathered at the White Cloud
court house to protest a fore-
closure was examined yesterday,
charged with criminal syndicalism,
and held on \$7,500 bail.

Arrested at the same time were
John Rose, charged with carrying
a concealed weapon and held under
\$2,500 bail, and John Babcock and
John Casper. The latter two were
charged with resisting an officer.
Their bail is set at \$1,000. The
trial of these three farmers will
be held May 1.

MEMBER NAT'L COMMITTEE U. F. L. ARRESTED

George Casper, a member of
the United Farmers League was
arrested yesterday, charged with
criminal syndicalism. He is being
held under \$5,000 bail pending ex-
amination March 29.

The basis the prosecution used
against this militant leader of the
farmers is that Casper is an or-
ganizer of the farmers, a reader of
the Producers News and the
Farmers National Weekly and was
a Congressional candidate for the
Communist party in the last elec-
tions. None of these activities
are in any way unlawful.

It can be readily seen that the
arrest of these militant farmers is
done in order to discourage farm-
ers throughout the country from fight-
ing to keep their homes from the
land sharks. To arrest these
farmers on the charge of criminal
syndicalism which carries in some
states a 20-year jail sentence is a
denial of all constitutional rights
of freedom of speech and of as-
semblage.

The farmers are being defended
by the International Labor De-
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POSTPONE OHIO SALE 6 MONTHS

Farmer Had Only Missed
One Payment to Detroit
Banker

Ravenna, Ohio, March 23.—A
demonstration called by local farm-
ers and the Ravenna Unemployed
Council resulted in a foreclosure
sale being postponed for 6 months.
The farmer, whose place was
temporarily saved, has eleven chil-
dren and has missed only one pay-
ment, but the Detroit bank which
holds the mortgage took steps to
foreclose at once through the local
county officials.

The sheriff, however, on seeing
the huge and militant crowd which
assembled announced that "due to
unfavorable publicity and protes-
tation" the foreclosure has been postponed
for six months.

Upon hearing of the demon-
stration, Cox the national organizer
of "The National Watchman," a fake
farmers organization, came to
speak. When he heard of the vic-
tory of the farmers in stopping
the foreclosure he said "now it is
not necessary to speak but you can
come to hear me lecture at the
high school next week." However,
another representative of the same
organization spoke instead. A
farmer asked him what was the
program of "The National Watch-
man" on organizing the Negro
farmers and share croppers he re-
plied: "We build special (Jim
Crow) organizations when the de-
mand is great enough." He was
booed off the platform.

Frank Rogers, section organizer
of the Communist party, was wil-
dly cheered when he spoke from the
main Court house steps to the
large crowd of farmers. Rogers
exposed the professional "farm
leaders" and called upon them to
organize into action committees
and the United Farmers League.



ARIZONA FARMERS AT STATE CAPITOL

FARM WOMEN HALT FORECLOSURE SALE

Madison, Minn., March 22.—One
hundred farm women prevented a
mortgage foreclosure here today.

With their husbands at the state
capitol demanding relief legisla-
tion, the women brought about in-
definite postponement by sur-
rounding Sheriff A. G. Smaagaard
in his office so he could not con-
duct the scheduled sale.

The scheduled sale was on the
160-acre farm near Dawson, owned
by Knut Anderson and occupied
by a tenant. The mortgage is for
\$8,043.

Sheriff Smaagaard telephoned a
Minneapolis representative of an
insurance company holding the
mortgage, and said: "It's almost
impossible to hold this sale. How
long do you want it postponed?"
The sheriff then turned and an-
nounced indefinite postponement.

Part of a group of farmers who marched to the state
senate at Phoenix, Arizona, demanding consideration of
a bill prohibiting foreclosure of farm property.

Protest the Arrest of Harry Lux in Nebraska

(By a Farmer Correspondent)

Mena, Ark., March 21.—At
our meeting of the Farmers
Protective Assn. held last night
we sent the following protest
to the governor of Nebraska
and Sheriff Frank A. Shimerda
of Wilber, Nebr.:

We, the farmers of the Farm-
ers Protective Association of
Alder Springs Local in Polk
County, Arkansas, protest the
frameup charge of "inciting to
riot" placed against Harry Lux
and eleven others.

As we know the officers are
violating the moratorium law
passed by the Nebraska legisla-
ture, we therefore demand the
unconditional and immediate
release of our fellow farmers.

This protest was voted on
and passed by an overwhelming
majority at our meeting March
20 at the school house here, and
is being written by the com-
mittee elected and told what to
write.

Committee of Action,
Alder Springs Local, F. P. A.

JAIL FARMER TO FORCE EVICTION

Clarinda, Iowa, March 22.—"The
sheriff ain't going to put me off
the farm, and neither is the
courts." That is the way Edgar
Smith, farmer in Buchanan town-
ship who has been unable to pay
his rent, answered the court where
he was on the witness stand dur-
ing a hearing for attachment of
his stock and crops for rent.

Judge Peters, in an attempt to
crush this farmer's militant spirit
then confined Smith to the county
jail for contempt of court and
drunkenness until Smith's property
had been moved from the farm.

Farmers of Iowa should rally to
prevent the eviction of this farm-
er while he is held in jail and is
powerless to help himself.

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Weekly Report from the Executive Council United Farmers League

The farmers at Markham have been doing some real battling and they are still holding on in spite of the fact that Koski, the great "friend" of the farmers and workers, called out all his pets and hung artillery on them. The farmers up there who get used to the sound of bullets in deer hunting season don't scare at all, as Koski found out.

But to go back to deer hunting, you know the petty business men come from all over to hunt deer up there in northern Minnesota and bullets fly at everything and nothing, so those farmers kinda like the story of the city fellow, one of those that never seen deer except in a book. This city fellow was walking along and heard a noise and blazed away. Wonder of wonders, he got his meat. He started skinning his kill and had it all done and then he discovered steel shoes on his "deer."

DEMAND IS CORRECT

The boys who were arrested are out on bail. The thing that every meeting of farmers must do now is to send resolutions to Koski, telling him that he better do as he promised before election to office and recognize the workers and farmers committees. These committees actually represent the majority of the people in the community. Their demand is in line with one of the basic demands of the United Farmers League and the U. F. L. in St. Louis county is correct in bringing forward this demand, which the majority of the farmers want.

The demand is all relief or relief jobs to be distributed by committees of workers and farmers, elected by the workers and farmers, elected by the workers and farmers themselves.

The United Farmers League will always lead such action of the farmers. We must broaden out the strike now to include other communities. One of the serious shortcomings was lack of spreading the Producers News. How about it, Reno?

The writer spoke to a small meeting in Park Rapids last week. The boys from Menasha had gone up two days before and put out a few handbills. The thugs in the court house had told the boys that no "red" meetings could be held in that town and that if they came back, they would run them out or run them "in."

THIRTY FARMERS OUT

I thought that would be interesting so went up to see what could be done about it. In spite of the blocked roads and lack of advertising about thirty farmers showed up. The farmers in Hubbard county can't use the court room that they paid for, so we seated everybody on the stairs. The court house flunkies who are living on the sweat and blood of these farmers stood around and smiled. The sheriff stood there as big as you please. He was waiting until I got "red," and he could do his "duty."

I proceeded to tell the audience a nice "Svede story" and got them all in good humor. I then told those farmers just what was what. At one point I pointed out the waste of taxpayers' money that went on and pointed to all the salary-drawing flunkies standing around on the taxpayers' time.

MELT AWAY

It was remarkable how they found something to do. All but the sheriff. He kept looking maddened and madder. I expected him to adjourn the meeting any minute. I spoke for 45 minutes and wound up by telling the farmers that I was coming back and that next time we would use the court room in spite of any petty cockroach of a sheriff.

The farmers applauded and bought some of those pamphlets, "The Farmers Make Their Own Program," "The American Farmer," and last but not least "The Producers News." I think that these farmers will soon be organized. I did not take definite action because I thought that they will not stick until some of them read the News regularly. I took the names of the most militant farmers and asked the News to send them a sample copy.

CONVICT LUX ON COURT CHARGE

(Continued from Front Page)

Lux and the men arrested. It has sent out wide appeals for help in the case and asks that farmers send money for defense to A. O. Rosenberg of the Defense Committee at Newman Grove, Neb.

It is especially necessary that the defense go on as other charges may be pressed against Lux.

In one of the releases issued by the Holiday Assn. of Nebraska the following appeal is made:

"We farmers must realize, once and for all, that this is not just an attack on five farmers and eleven sympathetic workers. It is another attempt to break up our Holiday organization and to destroy the principle upon which it is built. Our moral right to stop evictions and foreclosures is being questioned. The farmers of Nebraska must answer this challenge with the mighty united voice of thousands of farmers demanding their elementary right to stay on the farm."

It is significant that these arrests and the selling of the farm took place after Governor Bryan's moratorium law, supposedly outlawing such foreclosures, had been passed.

Protests demanding the immediate release of the 12 men should be sent to District Judge R. M. Prouditt, Wilber, Nebraska.

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100 IN DEMAND FOR SEED LOAN

(Continued from page one)

United Farmers League, pointed out that the League was always battling side by side with the farmers for relief.

The committee came back to report while the farmers listened in grim silence to the brazen refusal of Farmer Labor Governor Olson's agent, Miss Floren.

"LET'S PUT OUT COUNTY AGENT"

After the committee reported that the county agent was supposed to handle the feed relief, Baumann stepped to the county agent's office door. It was locked. He was absent when the farmers who needed feed were there. Baumann turned to the farmers: "Fellow farmers, we have voted the county agent out two times but he is still living on the taxpayers. In place of voting him out we should put him out." The farmers all cheered.

At this point an old farmer who had lived in the county for over 30 years said, "All those who have any backbone and will fight until we win adequate stock feed relief and cash relief, stand up." Every farmer and worker stood up and pledged his solidarity.

The committee was then instructed to go back to Governor Olson's lackey and demand that she come up and start writing out the orders.

She sent back the answer that she would not, but the farmers should come down to her. So the farmers went down. When she heard they were coming by the tramp of hundreds of feet, she grabbed her hat, and application blanks, and as the first of the farmers reached the door she rushed through, guarded by the Bagley police and the county sheriff who were there to see to it that she got away without giving any relief to the farmers and the workers.

AGENT WANTS HOMAGE

The United Farmers League organizer stepped to the front and asked her where she was going. She said she was going away. Baumann told her that the farmers demanded immediate relief and that many of them had no food at home. She turned around and said "What's your name?"

He said, "My name is Baumann."

"Take off your cap when you speak to me," she replied.

"I take my hat off to no relief fakers," Baumann told her.

The farmers began to gather around, so Miss Floren began to tell them that she couldn't give them any relief. Baumann immediately jumped on top of a snow bank and began to expose the fake relief of Clearwater county. Miss Floren jumped into her car and beat it. The Bagley police and the sheriff came to the door of the court house, but when they saw the mass of determined farmers their valor turned to water and their big sticks vanished from sight.

The County Commissioner Hoot-on, the blind commissioner who is paid for viewing roads, came out of the court house and said to the farmers, "We are going to say how much relief you shall get." He was told to shut up and get going, which he did without another word.

The farmers decided they would be back April 4 when the county commissioners meet, and before that time they would organize the entire county into committees of action. The secretary of the Farmers United Front, Harvey Cartwright, and the organizer of the United Farmers League were asked to come and speak at different meetings throughout the county. The farmers are all with us. They declared, "We have had our eyes opened up."

MCKENZIE COUNTY TO MEET APRIL 5

Sanish, N. D., March 21.—A meeting of McKenzie county farmers was held at Charleston Sunday night. About 75 were present. Erik Bert, Rodney Salisbury and Pete Gallagher of Montana and Ashbel Ingerson, secretary of the State Committee for Action of N. D., who were scheduled to speak, arrived just as the meeting was being ended.

SAVIOUR OF FARMERS CHANGES HIS TUNE

(BY M. H.)

Hettinger, N. D.—One of the most outstanding professional saviors of the farmer is the house of Gurney located at Yankton, S. D. Gurney started as a seed and nursery institution. Saving the farmers by selling them garden seeds and fruit trees, helping them make "two blades of grass grow where one grew before." Their spark of love burst into flame when the radio came into common use, enabling them to branch out into the mail-order store business in competition with Sears Roebuck and the home-owned store and it rose to a white heat when they started to back John D. Rockefeller and his world wide Standard Oil company. Can you imagine the simple seed man beating a billion dollar corporation at their own game.

RUSSIAN TREES ARE FOUND TO THRIVE IN NORTH DAKOTA

Botineau, N. D., March 24.—An exchange shipment of 18 packets of tree seeds, including both coniferous and broadleaf samples, has been received by the N. D. forestry office from the Russian government.

In sending the package, officials in the Soviet Union forestry service continued a practice by which the N. D. school of forestry and the Russian agency exchange seed specimens each year. Because climatic conditions in northern Russia approximate those in North Dakota, forestry men here hope to introduce into the state a number of species of trees native to the Soviet Union.

Farmers Arrested in Markham, Minn., Will Have Trial on April 4

(Issued by ILD Defense Committee, Virginia, Minn.)

Virginia, Minn., March 27.—The case of the sixteen farmers of Markham comes up for trial in the District Court in Virginia, Minn., when the court opens on April 4, for the spring term. The Markham farmers have been putting up a struggle against the political favoritism of the local county commissioner, Mr. Koski. The struggle for the recognition of their elected work committee resulted in a strike being declared, during which 27 arrests have taken place.

This case is one of the most open attempts of the officials to prevent the farmers from organizing and deciding for themselves as to who should look after distribution of relief and work, without favor or bribing. Markham farmers have carried on several struggles, as the fight against forced sales and for relief for individual needy families. The solidarity of the farmers has been strong from the beginning.

After the last arrests, the Commissioner took a new angle for his attack appointing certain local individuals to do the work on the road where a strike had been declared. This has brought some weakening but the majority have stood behind the demands for immediate recognition of the farmers' elected work committee. Mr. Koski has refused to attend the meetings of the farmers and has told them pointblank that they will not be considered by him. He says "I'm running the district."

The latest stunt was a petition circulated on which the signatures of even the children were gotten in order to make it appear that only a small group was supporting the strike. This publicity stunt has been played up lately and has gotten the farmers mad. At the last meeting they took a vote on whether they should continue the demand for recognition and 55 local farmers and about 20 from the neighboring territory, were behind the demand. Nobody voted against nor abstained.

In order to be better able to carry on the fight the strike com-

mittee has issued a call to all the different work and grievance committees and other workers and farmers organizations of the Sixth District for a relief conference to be held in Virginia, Minn., in the early days of the trial or just before. The committee arranging for the conference will issue the official call inviting the organizations to send delegates.

The trial now coming up is for the last 16 that were arrested and are being held on charges of rioting. Mr. Koski and the agencies he represents (the Steel Trust, and its local politicians) are determined to make these farmers suffer for the fact that they have been setting an example to the workers and farmers of the Mesaba Iron Range in the fight for relief. If these farmers lose this fight we all lose as it will direct the forces of the Trust more openly against the workers and if we will put up a struggle that shows we are determined to fight to a victory Mr. Koski, in spite of his Czar-like tendencies will have to give us our demands.

Send protests to Judge Freeman, county courthouse, Virginia, Minn. Send wires, letters, resolutions. Wherever possible send delegations. Use all means to make the case OUR case. Raise funds for the defense. Send all funds to T. Suojanen, care of Int. Work People's Coop., Virginia, Minn.

FIVE FARMERS ARRESTED AT MICHIGAN FORECLOSURE SALE

(Continued from page one)

fense, but only mass protest by farmers all over the country will save them.

A THREAT TO FARMERS EVERYWHERE

This case is a warning to the farmers everywhere. If these five members are sent to jail to serve long prison terms it will mean that under similar circumstances farmers' leaders all over the country will go to jail. It will also mean that the homes that farmers are trying to save to shelter their families will be taken from them, because they will not be able to gather together to stop foreclosures and evictions.

Every reader of the Producers News is urged to sit down and to write to Newage County Sheriff William Bird, Prosecuting Attorney Stanley Streeter, both at White Cloud, Mich., and Attorney General O'Brien, Lansing, Mich. The stronger your protest, before May 1, the greater the chance the arrested farmers have to be freed and you have to keep your home.

CALIF. FARM UNION BEGINS NEW DRIVE

Leads Struggle of Farm Workers Against Starvation Wages

San Jose, March 18.—The district headquarters of the Agricultural and Cannery Workers Union in launching the organization drive in the fields and canneries, is calling upon all workers and members of the Unemployed Councils to form committees on all jobs and all farming districts where work begins, to lead the struggle against the starvation conditions.

In Agnew it is pointed out the Filipino workers are threatened with a dollar ton rate for cutting and loading spinach, which is 33 per cent cut in comparison with last year. The workers are told that "if you won't take that, the Mexicans will."

The Mexican workers are being reached on the basis of the discrimination issue, and in Milpitas a local was organized.

The district office is at 81 Post street, San Jose, and all workers are called upon to keep it touch.

WORKER IN BRIGGS AUTO PLANT GETS 9 CENTS IN 2 WEEKS

Detroit, Mich.—Why the Briggs Auto workers went on strike is well illustrated by Olga Seltman,

action to save their farms from foreclosure and their families from starvation.

CHANGES HIS TUNE

What about Gurney now? Can that be his voice I hear? Is he still leading the rural population against the giant monopolies and their subsidiaries, the banks? No. He has suffered a change of mind or heart. He tells us that the country is greatly indebted to such men as Rockefeller and Carnegie for "building it up." Don't John D. give new shiny dime to the bright eyed boys and didn't Carnegie give back a bit to his ill-gotten gains in the form of libraries. Carnegie wants the people to read books that commend big financiers. Does Gurney now justify monopoly because they donate to charity?

When farmers heed the first law of nature, self preservation and actually do something to protect themselves, when they start

FOULS THE AIR

Gurney is in business to make money. His love for the farmers is superficial and his broadcasting like the broadcasting of a skunk, is part of his business, but it fouls up the air.

I am referring to Mr. Gurney's speech in which he made an attack upon Mr. O'Neal for going before the Senate Committee telling them that if relief wasn't given to the farmers within twelve months they would throw the country into a revolution.

You Iowa and Nebraska farmers are doing good work, don't be misled. Keep fighting. You can only gain results through mass action.

GET RELIEF FOR NEEDY WOMAN

UFL Organizer Gets Road
Work for Son and Shoes
for Old Woman

(BY W. F.)

Seattle, Wash., March 23.—A short while ago I happened to be at a farmer's house near Brush Prairie. It was raining hard and we had just got through eating dinner when we heard a rather timid knock at the door.

The farmer opened the door and there stood a rather small and wet old lady, one of our own kind, the mother of a good farmer. The farmer got her in the house and gave her hot coffee and something to eat. The tears were running down the old lady's cheeks and she poured out her story.

STORY OF TROUBLE

It was a story of her own and her family's troubles. She could not understand that she was just one of the millions of desperate toilers. Here is what she told us:

She had worked 23 miles to try to get hay for her starving cattle. Her son had got sick, he had been clearing a piece of their land, and having no shoes, he had had to work barefooted during the winter. Some of her cattle had already laid down and died of starvation. She had no friend who could help her or even give her good advice.

She had just called in the hope that she could buy some hay and so use her good name as security. Well, I had a meeting coming up next night, but that was too far in the distance, so the farmer, his son, and myself made ourselves a committee of three, took the little old lady with us and drove to Vancouver to persuade the county commissioners that it was their duty to help her in her trouble.

GETS RED CROSS SHOES

Now they have been trying to get the city workers to go on the farms and help themselves by raising chickens and gardens but they tried to convince us that they could do more for the old lady if she moved off the farm and came to town. However, we finally got them to give the son 12 days labor on the road, near his home, at \$2.50 a day so he could buy two tons of hay.

Then we took her to the Red Cross, or double cross, and after a wait of two hours or so we got a pair of shoes for the old lady and a new pair of heavy work shoes for her son, also plenty of cash. That old lady was sure happy then. That has helped us a lot in organizing since then.

NEW SCOTTSBORO TRIAL HELD IN ALA.

The new Scottsboro trial has started in Decatur, Alabama. It began at 2 o'clock March 27 when the nine Scottsboro boys were brought to Decatur from Birmingham where they had been held in jail. During the morning hours the court room had been packed with a large crowd, predominantly Negro while outside the court 600 persons gathered.

As the boys arrived the court was tense. All except Roy Wright the youngest, were dressed in blue denim overalls. The Alabama press has been calling for the death of the boys.

Samuel Leibowitz, trial attorney is contributing his services without fee. However, the defense is without funds and money is urgently needed to carry on the work of paying witnesses traveling expenses and other attorney's fees. The I. L. D. has issued penny stamps which can be placed on the backs of letters. These can be ordered through the Producers News, local I. L. D. headquarters or direct from the national office, 80 East 11 Street, New York City.

of the Mack Ave. plant.

In a two-week period she reported for work seven times, spent 42 hours in the factory and actually worked 19 hours during that time. She earned \$1.29 for this.

The company deducted \$1.20 for insurance and Olga received a pay check for exactly 9 cents. Carfare for seven days amounted to 98 cents so Olga lost 89 cents for her work.

DOINGS OF THE ADVANCE GUARD

At this report there are six more days left of this month. We wonder who is going to win the "Georgia Nigger" for this month?

Those in the lead last week have got to a dead stop, haven't moved at all. Ruth Bert still stands high with her 46 points, but don't worry about her, she is too busy to read books, so we will have to give it to someone else.

Wm. Allikas, Jr., is the one I am betting on, this week he jumped to 47 points, now he stands as number two. In spite of the fact that William was beaten up and threatened to be shot, he goes right on getting subs. But then Mrs. O. B. Snuggins got busy right in our own door yard and pops up with 36 points. Jasper Haaland still stands on his 35, and Roy Miller, 33. Erik Bert sent in 24 in one lump. Many things can happen yet in the six days left. As it is the race is pretty close.

The U. F. L. of St. Louis county, Minn., is mobilizing now for a two months sub drive. That's interesting news. Drives of that kind could be organized all over the country with good results. Let us have more of them.

DOINGS OF LAST WEEK

First thing this morning we start out with a telegram from Julius Walstad, South Dakota, ordering 300 copies.

Elmer A. Nelson, North Dakota subscribes, and sends list of names for sample, one point.

Paul Nickel, Minnesota, renews with another dollar, four points. "I am a little late, it is hard digging here," he says.

BROKE FARMERS LOOK FOR BREAK

Eber Wright, Michigan, says: "I am going out after subs. The farmers are looking for a break." Then he sends a dollar for bundle.

M. Childs, Wisconsin, sends a list of names.

J. C. Hedstrum, North Dakota, subscribes, one point.

Wm. Allikas, Jr., Wisconsin is here again with five subs, fourteen points.

Hans Larson, South Dakota, orders 20 copies.

Ellen Lempanen, Wisconsin is here with one more sub, two points. Andrew Litvenko, North Dakota, subscribes, two points.

John E. Miller, North Dakota, subscribes, one point.

M. Libeck, Minnesota, renews for another six months, 4 points. Herbert Dennett, Oregon subscribes for year, eight points. James Allen, North Dakota is in with one sub, two points. Andrew Hyon, Montana, renews two points.

PUTTING ON SUB DRIVE

The U. F. L. of St. Louis county, Minnesota, is going to put on a subscription drive for the Producers News, beginning April 1, and continue until June 1. They want 20 receipt books and send a dollar for sample copies.

Marvin Tande, North Dakota, sends a list of names for sample copies.

Steve Todevick, Wisconsin orders 30 papers to be sold at mass meeting.

Herman Lomker, Minnesota, subscribes, eight points.

SOUTH ALSO HARD UP

Roy Wilbur, Phoenix, Arizona, wants some sub books. "This section is real hard up at present," he says.

Erik Bert on his trip through Dakota sends back to us 17 subs, 24 points.

ARMED WITH PRODUCERS NEWS

The U. F. L. of Spanaway, Wash., sends two dollars for the papers received. "Our members are real live workers, armed with copies of the Producers News, they are doing things around this place. People are thinking. They are calling for organizers," they write.

F. L. Edwards, North Dakota, sends one dollar for bundle ordered by wire.

Adolph Beaumond, North Dakota, subscribes for six months, four points.

L. Vocomic, Arizona, sends a dollar for bundle to be sent.

Irene Hough, Indiana, pays for bundle. "The farmer to whom we give these papers likes them very much," she writes.

Reino Maki, Minnesota, wants a few sample copies.

Roy Miller is now traveling in Arkansas and orders a bundle sent there.

Unemployed Council of Bismarck North Dakota, sends us two subs, four points.

Dave Hammer, Minnesota, subscribes, one point.

John C. Roelo, Wisconsin, also subscribes, one point.

M. R. Clark, North Dakota, is another one, one point.

Edwin Pfutzenreuter, of South Dakota, renews, two points, and pays for papers sold.

John H. Ladd, Outlook, Mont., renews with butter, four points.

MRS. SNUGGINS BUSY AGAIN

Mrs. O. B. Snuggins, Outlook, Mont., has been busy again getting subs. She turns in six renewals, and new subs, 36 points, all from Raymond, Mont. The names are L. G. Burke, Bert Herron, Joe McGowan, Olaf Shea, Carl Stadstad, and Alfred Stadstad.

Rudolph Nelson, Plentywood, renews with dressed chickens, six points.

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THE BOSS OF THE CENTRAL RELIEF COMMITTEE

(BY HANS RASMUSSEN)
For many years I have known Jack Bennett and have always taken him as a man you could reason with, a kind of sport that would be willing to give and take in a sporting sort of way.

After meeting him the other day as chairman of the relief committee I got a different impression. From the way he acted on that relief committee, I couldn't help getting the impression that Jack was mean and that it came from the bottom of his heart. That he had a devilish desire to do some harm to the poor people body harm; that the poorer people dealing them more misery, enjoying having them go without medicine, without food, without clothing and having them starve.

While I was sitting there and seeing the way he acted I couldn't help recalling in my mind the time he went down to Wolf Point to see a half-witted boy being hung. I believe now that he actually enjoyed every minute of it, enjoyed sitting there and looking at this boy being hung by the neck until he choked to death.

Without even trying to hide the contempt he has for the people asking for relief dominating Jack sits there and passes out his insulting commands to men and women alike. He is the central committee and without asking for the opinion of anyone else he uses the word "we." Jack is boss, to him the rest is only so much dirt.

With a committee appointed by the farmers and workers I went to the central committee. We laid down a proposition by which 6,000 days work could be done on the roads and streets in the county.

Want Ads

FOR SALE Marquis and Supreme wheat from registered seed, cleaned and ready for the mill, 50 cents f. o. b. farm if taken soon. O. E. Wang, Plentywood, Mont. 51-31c

THIS TERRITORY NOW OPEN
For a good reliable man to handle the sale of the famous Dr. Ward line. Must be ambitious and able to give full time and attention to the business. No experience required. Must have car. Write for details, DR. WARD'S MEDICAL COMPANY Box 498, Winona, Minn. 1-1tp

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COAL WANTED—You can pay your subscription to the Producers with coal. Bring us a load. We will take wheat and other produce in exchange for paper. Let's square up the account.

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CELEBRATE FOUR HAPPY DECADES OF WEDDED BLISS

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bolster
Surprised by Friends on
40th Anniversary

Towards evening last Sunday people around the old townsite began moving from all directions, carrying bundles of different descriptions, towards the historical old house in which Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bolster live.

In some way it had been discovered that on this day the couple had been married for 40 years. Arrangements had been made to honor them by a surprise. In the afternoon George Bolster had invited them for a car ride to the place where he kept them until about 6 o'clock when they reached home the whole neighborhood had taken complete possession of the house. With 70 people, tables and chairs and stacks of cakes and sandwiches the house was filled to capacity.

With Mrs. Black and Mrs. Goltz in charge of the arrangements and George Bolster acting as toastmaster everything went fine. After a swell lunch had been enjoyed by all an envelope was handed to the bride of 40 years with a few appropriate remarks about the silver standard having been adopted.

Progressive whist was next on the program where Mrs. Timmerman ran off with the prize of honor and Mrs. Charlesworth received the low score.

At 11 o'clock the couple were again given possession of their house and with wishes for many more happy years the intruders departed with the promise of returning again in ten years.

Coffee an'

In Fargo, Okla., a still exploded and killed seven. "I had a still in the house and it blew up. I was trying to make a living and keep from starving to death," gasped Roy Schmidt before he died.

And on March 24, Mrs. Roosevelt's dog got into a dog fight. And the Helena Independent says: "The American worker is absolute lord over his own life."

And our judge put the Red Cross in jail.

And for saving a train from being wrecked, the 11 year old Dorothy Dixon of Kansas City got a nice red apple and a stick of candy.

And the Governor of Alabama received 150,000 telegrams demanding the freedom of the Scottsboro boys.

And "In spite of selfish interest we (Plentywood) have always moved ahead," the Herald says.

And Reinertson said he felt it was for the best interest of the community not to have him on the city council.

And selling "poor man's drink" is going to be an uphill job as long as the poor man hasn't the price of a drink.

to drive back and forth daily.

John Mouritson and Jim Evenson have handled a car of work horses during the last few days. They had been gathering horses, with the intention of shipping a carload east, but the local demand absorbed them all.

Joseph West entertained the basketball team, Mr. Alexander and Mr. Crossman at dinner Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Sam Thompson went by train to Crosby Saturday.

Tuesday evening the Outlook baseball men organized their team and elected Sam Thompson their manager.

Friday evening the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Shirliff fell into a boiler of hot water and was severely burned.

Early Sunday morning the child passed away.

Saturday evening Mrs. Oscar Lindhe entertained the coal miners and their wives at cards. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Nickerson, Mr. and Mrs. Skagland, Mr. and Mrs. John Emulson, and Mrs. and Mrs. Laurie Becker.

The representative of the Josten company was in town Thursday and secured the announcement order from the seniors.

Ralph Thompson and family moved to the Jack Bennett place Sunday. They intend to make their future home there.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Koester entertained the following at dinner Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kowalski and Esther, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Scott and sons, Todd Downey and Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Nelson and Marjorie.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Garrick and children were dinner guests at the Lloyd Homme home Sunday.

BEER LICENSES TO BE CONSIDERED BY CO. COMMISSIONERS

In the hands of the county commissioners has been left the power to pass on beer license applications whenever they meet for that purpose. It is said that license is only going to be given to "respectable" people this time. Those who have applied for license at this time are:

Olaf Norby of Raymond and Oscar Helseth of Westby as whole salers; as retailers, Philip Bourassa and John F. Wolters, Plentywood; Jack Dwyer, Outlook; J. B. Chandler, Medicine Lake; N. J. Evenson, Reserve, Henry Skells, Westby.

The rush for license has not been as great as some people at first expected. It seems as though the general opinion at this time is that they are going to go broke selling it, which is very likely to happen. With no money in the country and people have gotten into the habit of making their own home brew, selling "poor man's drink" at 20 cents a pint, is going to be a flop if the poor man hasn't got the 20 cents.

Local Brevities

Ben Marsh was a caller here on Tuesday.

Harry Williams was a caller in the city last week.

Meyer Lieback was transacting business here Monday.

Sven Soderquist motored down from Dooley Wednesday.

Chris Heiberg of south Dagmar was in town last Wednesday.

Arnold Hanson was a caller here from Comertown last Friday.

Frank Heppner has moved onto the Brubace place north of town.

Mrs. Anthony Hopkins was here on a business trip last week.

Britt Chandler, Medicine Lake, spent a few days here last week.

Peter Bruvold, Comertown keyman was a caller here Saturday.

Frank Barge from south of Archer visited in Plentywood Thursday.

Odin Lutness of McElroy called at the Producers News Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Goff were in from the McNulty precinct Wednesday.

Frank Steffter and family motored down from Dooley on Monday.

Franch French, Medicine Lake rancher, was transacting business here Tuesday.

Bert Solheim and family were county seat callers Tuesday from north of Dooley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson of Dooley were callers here the forepart of the week.

Fred Miller and Melvin Arneson were in from the Coalridge country Monday.

S. Hoppins from the reservation has spent several days here under care of a local physician.

Edwin Torpin, farmer north of Comertown spent several days in town on business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Olson of the south Coalridge country transacted business in town Wednesday.

Andrew Anderson, living north of Outlook spent part of Wednesday in Plentywood.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stevens, Opheim are the parents of an 8 pound baby girl born to them Wednesday at the B. E. Seifert hospital at Opheim.

"Dutch" Kaseck of the Welliver country was discussing the farming problem with friends here last Thursday.

George Anderson drove a tractor from the H. R. Heppner farm south of Dooley for the International Implement company.

The A. J. Heppner sale north-east of Plentywood which was held last Tuesday was well attended, many from town being present.

Henry O. Hanson was here on business Wednesday. He is farm-

SENATOR WILLIAM E. BORAH

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City Election

vote for
Boulds, Jones, Herron

At the coming city election to be held Monday, April 3, John Boulds' name will be on the ticket for City Mayor and Idwal Jones for alderman in Ward No. 2. Mrs. Anna Herron has given her consent to run for alderman in Ward No. 1. Petitions for her have not been circulated, her name should be written in on the ballot.

These candidates are well known to the people of Plentywood and need no recommendation. They are the working class candidates, and stand for better conditions for the working population.

If elected they will see to it that no water and light is cut off from those who can not pay for it.

They stand for work done with the city being done by the local workers and at good living wages. They are for lowering the electric light rates; if putting in a municipal light plant will do it, they are in favor of going ahead and doing it.

They stand for more relief, dental and medical care of those in need.

Vote for Boulds, Jones and Herron and have a better city to live in.

Valley County Pioneer

Meets Accidental Death at Glasgow Bridge Site

F. J. Michel, 67 years old and a resident of Valley county for 29 years, died in a Glasgow hospital early Sunday morning as the result of injuries he suffered when struck by a falling timber on the "Red" bridge across the Milk river a mile west of Glasgow Friday afternoon.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 9:30 in St. Raphael's Catholic church.

Mr. Michel was bridge foreman in charge of a crew tearing down the old west span of the bridge, which was to be replaced by another. He was standing about 20 feet from the section which was being torn down, directing the work when, without warning, a lateral piece fell and struck him, breaking all but two ribs on his left side, also the tenth vertebra. Workers testified that the timber was 23 feet long and weighed between 300 and 400 pounds.

Mother of Mrs. Salisbury

Passes at Tracy, Minn.

Mrs. Emma Salisbury received a telegram here this week saying that her 79 year old mother, Mrs. Ryan, had died from heart trouble at her home in Stacy, Minn., where she lived on the farm with her 89 year old husband, daughter and a son.

On account of illness and financial conditions Mrs. Salisbury was not able to attend the funeral.

VERNA SMITH TAKES PART IN UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS

Special to the Producers News.

Stella University, Missoula, Mar. 31.—Verna Smith, Plentywood, a senior in the department of foreign languages, was a member of one of the committees in charge of the Pan-Hellenic tea in honor of Alpha Delta Pi. Miss Smith is a member of Alpha Xi Delta. Pan Hellenic council is composed of representatives of all the social sororities on the campus.

Ing near the Blue Trail south of the McKinley school.

George Nelson and Andrew Bakken, farmers south of Comertown were callers here Wednesday.

Niels J. Sorensen and Svend Petersen from north of Dagmar transacted business in town the early part of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Nelson drove down from Dooley last Friday and found the roads in a bad condition.

Harve Nichols from the North Raymond country has decided to farm this year in that section and moved his property into town the early part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kjelstrup, Hmsdale, Mont., are the parents of a baby girl born Tuesday, March 21. She has been named Marlene Joyce.

LIBRARY NOTES

A shipment of new books has been received by the Sheridan County Library. These books will be ready for circulation on Saturday, April 1, and will no doubt be welcomed by patrons who are looking for something new to read.

The portion of these are replacements of books that have been very successful, but there are several new titles by such authors as Bailey, Grey, London, Packard, Wallace, Norris, and others. Two new additions to the rental collection are "Ann Vickers" by Sinclair Lewis, and "Boat of Longing" by Rolvaag. Reservations are already being made for these books.

The field of non-fiction, readers who appreciated Dimmet's "Art of Thinking" will enjoy his more recent book entitled "What We Live By." Stuart Chase's "A New Deal" is timely, and readers of biography will find Wassermann's "Bula Matari," the story of Stanley in Africa, well worth their time.

The children, too, have not been forgotten, and there are a few new stories for every age. The little folks will like the picture book of "The Tale of the Wee Little Old Woman." "Angus and the Cat" and new editions of such favorites as "Jack and the Beanstalk." For older boys and girls there is a new Dr. Doolittle book and one by Will James—ever hit the road as "Smoky"—entitled "Uncle Bill." Girls in their teens will want to read "Freedom's Daughter" by Crownfield and "Winning Out" by McNeely. "Handicraft for Handy Girls" gives suggestions for craftwork that should be useful to Campfire Girls and similar organization. A good dog at \$1.50. A beggar's other.

No matter how much the outdoors calls at this season, nor how much spring work, gardens, and spring housecleaning demand of your time, you will want to read some of these books while they are new and attractive.

Calcutta, India.—March 30.—M. S. Aney, acting president of the nationalist congress and 50 other members, including Ram Das Gandhi, son of Mahatma Gandhi, were arrested in connection with a session of the organization which had been banned.

Pres. Roosevelt Considers Direct Aid to States for Unemployment Relief

Washington, March 25.—President Roosevelt is expected to urge congress shortly to provide for direct unemployment relief grants to states.

According to friends, Mr. Roosevelt is of the opinion that such unemployment aid should hereafter be in the form of advances rather than loans. Many states, it was explained by these associates, being practically exhausted their borrowing power.

Funds for such direct grants would probably be raised through a federal bond issue of from \$300,000,000 to \$500,000,000.

It was understood that while the president has not reached a final decision as to the matter of grants he considers that many loans already made to states by the reconstruction finance corporation may as well be written off now.

Note by H. R.: While the President admits that reconstruction loans already received by states might as well be written off now and some more provided for, a few pinheads, like Jack Bennett, are doing all in their power to keep this money away from the people of Sheridan county.

WORK FOR WAGES

At a meeting held by the workers of Plentywood Sunday evening the following resolution was adopted and a committee appointed to present it to the Central Relief Committee, where Art Wankel made a motion in favor of the points stated in the resolution. With Bennett, Ziebart and Frank French present, Wankel's motion died for want of a second.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, the selling of our labor power is the only way by which the farmers and workers in Sheridan county can provide for and feed ourselves and our families, and

Whereas, attempts have been made that we should work off the relief already received and by doing so give away and donate to the public, this our only means of supporting ourselves, by working on our streets and roads without getting paid for it, be it therefore

Resolved that we are willing to do this work on the following conditions:

1. That work be done at the rate of 80 cents per hour, the 40 cents to go off on relief already received and the 40 cents to be paid in cash out of the relief fund.

2. That 10 cents per hour in cash be paid for each horse.

3. Each person shall be entitled to work off in this manner as much as his relief in the previous month amounted to until such a time when relief is no longer needed.

orders shall be compelled to work off 20 per cent of gross orders filled, either by doing the work themselves or by hiring somebody at the rate of 50 cents per hour paid in cash.

5. That no discrimination or reduction in relief shall be given on account of political affiliations or on account of being unable to work.

Be it further Resolved, that this resolution be presented to the Central Committee of Sheridan county, and that it be impressed on their mind that if a thousand people work off in this manner \$20 per month it would mean that 6,000 days work would be done on the streets and roads in the county each month.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their help and kindness during the recent loss of our little son and brother, Herbert Marvin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Shirliff, and family.

Weddings in Poland are the occasions for joyous celebrations, sometimes lasting for days.

WHAT IS A BLADDER PHYSIC?

A medicine that works on the bladder as castor oil on the bowels. Drives out impurities and excess acids that cause irritation which results in getting up nights, frequent desire, burning, leg pains and backache. BU-KETS (6 gr. Tablets) is a pleasant bladder physic.

Get a 25c test box from your druggist. After four days if not relieved go back and get your money. You will feel good after this cleansing and you will get your regular sleep.

E. I. MILLER, Druggist, says BU-KETS is a best seller.

To the Public

I still handle the 4-Bottle Extract Deal with FREE Premium. 12oz. Vanilla 45c. Ground Spices, assorted at 25c per half-pound box. Buy where your money goes the farthest—

See

Albert Foley

At Plentywood Hotel

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WHEN LAW MAKING GETS TO BE A JOKE

RAYMOND PIONEER TROOP WILL MEET

Hold First Successful Meeting; Calls Next for April 2

The Young Pioneers of Raymond held a meeting Sunday, March 26, at the Huffman residence. The Pioneers enjoyed a very nice time playing games and singing songs. Two new members joined the group.

The Pioneers planned on having a larger attendance at the following meeting which will be held next Sunday, April 2. All children are invited to attend our

Told In Brief

Shoe Workers on Strike

Chicago, Ill.—Six hundred shoe workers are on strike here. Many workers received as little as 40 cents a day for six hours. Six shops are out and the strike is spreading.

15,000 in Mooney Demonstration

San Francisco, March 19.—15,000 jammed the Civic Auditorium here in a monster Free Mooney demonstration. Among the speakers were the widely known Lincoln Steffans, Bob Minor and Mother Bloor. Several Hollywood stars, among them James Cagney, donated \$100 to the Mooney Defense fund.

Against Fascism

New York—Twenty organizations representing 2,500 members met at the John Reed Club recently to organize a city-wide committee of cultural organizations for struggle against German Fascism.

New Mayor Demands Wage Reductions

Cleveland, Ohio.—Mayor Miller (Democrat), has ushered in the new deal by demanding from the City Council reductions in the wages of city workers which will bring them 30.2 per cent below their 1929 level.

Postpone Hearing on Penny Sale

Doyleston, Pa., March 15.—Hearings in the attempt to set aside the "penny sale" of the Hansell farm at Bedminster, carried through by the United Farmers Protective Assn. of Pa., was postponed until March 30. When the case comes up again the lawyer will demand a jury trial.

Speed-Up in Sugar Factory

Philadelphia, Pa.—The 500 workers in the Pennsylvania Sugar Co. here are doing as much work as 2,000 used to and their wages have been cut from 50 cents an hour to 31-36 cents an hour, a worker reports.

Marchers Win Demand for Shoes

Wilkesburg, Pa., March 24.—One thousand workers marched and demonstrated today against the state commissary relief plan. The marchers also demanded that shoes be distributed. This was immediately granted.

Conn. Jobless March

Hartford, Conn., March 23.—400 Hunger Marchers representing the unemployed from all parts of the state marched on the state capitol yesterday and presented demands to the senate judiciary committee. The marchers packed the senate chamber.

Ministers Aid Scottsboro Boys

Philadelphia, March 23.—On behalf of 400 ministers, the Baptist Ministers' Alliance yesterday sent a wire to Gov. Miller of Alabama demanding a change of venue from Decatur to Birmingham in the trial of the Scottsboro boys.

Forced Labor at \$1 a Day

Washington, March 24.—Under the guise of relief, Roosevelt has proposed to Congress that 250,000 unemployed be put in concentration camps, dressed in prison garb, under the supervision of the war department and be put to work in the national forests for the munificent sum of \$1 a day. This forced labor is called the new deal.

Dye Workers Strike Solid

Boston, Mass., March 24.—The House of Lidderman, a dye house, was completely closed down by the workers on strike here when pickets succeeded in pulling out all those still at work this morning.

Communist Candidate Gets Big Vote

Duluth, Minn.—In the recent primary elections Tom Foley Communist candidate for City Commissioner, received 1,021 votes. This is a big increase over the vote cast in November.

Miners Prepare to Struggle

The National Miners Union reports that miners in Pennsylvania and Ohio are preparing for a wide struggle of all miners, employed and unemployed, to begin April first.

Hold "Penny Sales" Legal

"Penny sales" have been held legal in Nebraska by the state supreme court. The Nebraska judges who passed this decision realize that the thousands of Nebraska farmers who have conducted these sales are a force to be reckoned with.

Call for Veterans March May 12

Washington, D. C.—The Veterans National Liaison Committee has issued a call to veterans throughout the United States to come to Washington May 12 to present a petition to the government demanding cash payment of the balance due on Adjusted Service Certificates and no cuts in disability allowances.

Cleveland's Theatres Closed

Cleveland, March 28.—Cleveland's downtown movie houses are dark. They closed in company with the neighborhood theatres because of a wage disagreement between the owners and union employees.

Ford Walk Out in England

Dagenham, England, March 28.—Some 8,000 workers were affected today by a strike at the Ford Motor Company plant here in protest against a recent wage reduction. Work was suspended at the Kelsey-Hayes wheel works and the Briggs body factory.

Two County Poor Killed

Memphis, Tenn., March 6.—Two inmates were killed today when a rear wall of the Shelby county hospital for the poor collapsed under pressure of high winds.

Farmers Demand Special Session of Legislature in Minnesota to Act for Relief

The Minnesota State Committee for Action, thru its secretary, Alfred Tiala, has sent the following resolution to farmers and workers organizations which participated in the state Relief Conference in February. He has asked them to take it up in their meetings, fill it in and send it to Governor Olson. All farmers and workers are urged to send similar resolutions to Governor Olson.

Governor Floyd B. Olson,
State Capitol, St. Paul, Minn.
Dear Sir:

On February 19 four hundred elected delegates of organized farmers and workers held a conference in St. Paul and formulated demands which were presented on February 20 to the state legislature.

We have seen no evidence of the state legislature having taken effective action on the basis of these demands. The executive order for a moratorium on foreclosures only until May 1 is decidedly unsatisfactory. Thousands of farmers and workers are destitute and in need of cash relief and genuine unemployment insurance. In many counties of the state farmers need free seed and feed for their livestock. The workers in the cities require decent housing. In many places public schools will be closed or the service hampered if communities do not get state aid for the schools. Poor farmers, the unemployed and part time workers must get tax relief at the expense of the rich and the corporations.

In the regular course of events the legislature will not meet again until 1935. We farmers and workers cannot wait for relief for two years. Your proposals and the proposals issued from the national government are inadequate and are designed primarily to aid the more well to do classes.

Therefore be it resolved in this meeting of (give No. present, place, etc.) that we demand that you call a special session of the state legislature to convene immediately at the end of the present regular session to act upon the demands of organized farmers and workers.

Chairman.

13 JOIN U. F. L. AT GATHERING

Washington Farmers Hear Organizer and Decide to Set up Local

(BY A. J. P.)

Kalama, Wash., March 20.—On March 17 a united front meeting of farmers and workers of the locality was held at the Cloverdale Hall, Kalama, Washington.

William Ferguson, organizer of the United Farmers League, had been requested to stop at our community. He has been organizing various locals of the U. F. L. throughout this part of the state in the past few weeks. Comrade Ferguson gave a report on the Farmers National Relief Conference at Washington, D. C., last December beside a lengthy discussion on the necessity for united action on the part of all farmers and workers to prevent foreclosures and evictions.

FERGUSON RECEIVED ENTHUSIASTICALLY

Ferguson's plans were received enthusiastically by the majority of farmers present. Immediately a seven-person committee of action was elected out of the group. The main duty assigned to this committee of action was to mobilize all farmers and workers in this vicinity whenever necessary to stop foreclosures and evictions.

Then we organized the United Farmers League here also and were successful enough to have 13 members to begin with and the possibility of several more who were unable to be present.

This much was accomplished at only one meeting of several hours duration. We would like to see

similar reports from all other communities, large or small, throughout the United States. It is up to every one of us to be active from now on, regardless of the difficulties to be overcome.

And when we, the workers and poor farmers, have successfully organized ourselves thruout the nation, then and then only can we go forward to achieve complete and final victory.

ASPARAGUS FIELDS OPEN, CALIFORNIA

4,000 Japanese and Filipino Workers Will Flock to Valley; Wage Not Set

Sacramento, Calif., March 13.—The asparagus season will start in about a week and it is expected that about four thousand workers will flock into the district around Asparagus Ranch, Courtland, 20 miles from here. About two thousand Japanese and two thousand Filipinos and other nationalities will be put on piece work, but the prices have not yet been set, under the pretext that the market price is not known yet. Already those working here are expressing great dissatisfaction at conditions prevailing. There is discrimination against the Filipino who are given very old bunks to sleep in, on straw-filled bags. The Japanese workers that are here are paying 60 cents per day board.

Committees of the Agricultural Workers Industrial Union are already on the job and a leaflet was issued in which are included the demands that board be 30 cents per day, that wages be paid every 15 days and that there be no discrimination.

Indications point to an active organization campaign.

shoes wouldn't keep their feet dry. Their stomachs were also gnawing their backbones. But the farmers didn't mind missing their dinner. They had missed many before and soon they would have plenty.

For hours they waited. More and more kept coming, until well over 300 farmers were waiting to get relief.

When the minister finally did come and the first order was made out, the farmer said, "But this isn't enough. I can't buy clothes and groceries for a month with \$2.50."

All the answer the minister gave him was, "I can't help that," and called for the next one.

The next man had no income whatsoever and needed enough relief to clothe his family and buy a month's groceries. But he also received only \$2.50. The farmer asked him, "How do you know how much I need?"

MINISTER HEDGES

Of course the minister had to admit he didn't know how much he needed but he said that was all that he could have. The farmer then asked him "Who decided on how much we can have?"

BRITISH FIGHT TAX SALES TOO



Farmers in England are fighting the sale of their farms for taxes levied by churches are refusing to bid. The sign on the church says:

"God save us from these raiding priests
Who seize our crops and steal our beasts,
Who pray 'Give us our daily bread,'
And take it from our mouths instead."

COMMITTEE FOR ACTION OF WIS. FARMERS FORMED AT MEETING

(BY J. H.)

Mosinee, Wis., March 19.—About 150 farmers met here at Peplin hall to hear reports of the delegates to the Farmers and Workers State Relief Conference. The meeting was called by the United Farmers League. There was a severe snow storm and a high wind, yet 150 farmers, most of them too poor to own cars, walked several miles to attend the meeting through the blizzard.

JACKSON REPORTS ON CONFERENCE

Forest Jackson, organizer for the U. F. L. and delegate to the conference, first telling about the demands which were as follows:

1. That \$50,000,000 be appropriated for cash relief for the impoverished farmer, so that they can buy food and clothing for themselves and feed for their cattle and seed to plant their crops.
2. No foreclosures on property of small home owners and poor farmers. Exemption from taxation for the property of unemployed and part time workers.
3. Against the general property tax. Instead, a graduated tax on corporations and incomes of over \$6,000 a year.

These were the demands of the farmers.

STATE COMMITTEE FORMED

Mr. Jackson further discussed how these demands can be gotten. He said that if we just went up to the legislature and asked for them we would not get them. We have to get organized and then force the big bosses to give them to us. For this reason a state committee of action consisting of 99 members from all parts of the state was organized. The function of this committee is to organize local farmers' committees of action all over the state, and to bring these committees together to act for a unified program.

Each local committee is to take up the struggles in its community, where there is need for relief and the people cannot get it. The committees of action must organize a demonstration to force re-

lief from the town and county officials.

Where a poor farmer has worked all his life to build a farm, and the banker or the insurance company wants to take it away, then the committees of action should rally the farmers around and stop the sale.

FARMERS' HOLIDAY PROGRAM EXPOSED

John Hettis was the second speaker. He explained the Donnelly moratorium bill to the farmers. The Donnelly bill provides that if a man pays his interest, taxes and insurance, he can stay

FARM COMMITTEE OF 13 ORGANIZED

Logan Co., N. D. Farmers Hear Taylor; Set Up Committee for Action

(BY L. McL.)

Gackle, N. D., March 17.—Charles Taylor, national chairman of the United Farmers League, gave a stirring speech on farm problems and unemployment at a farmers' meeting held at the Junction garage, Logan county, March 14.

Quite a large crowd attended and most of the farmers seemed favorably impressed. Mr. Taylor was kept busy answering questions asked by the farmers after his talk.

Plans were made for a local meeting and on March 16 farmers met at a neighbor's home and a local Committee of Action of 13 members was elected. We certainly hope we may have Mr. Taylor back with us again soon.

This bill does not mean a thing because if the farmer could pay his interest, taxes and insurance, there would be no foreclosures. The Wisconsin Farmers' Holiday Association claims the credit for getting this bill through the legis-

lature. They say that now the Donnelly bill is passed the farmers should stay at home and they don't have to worry about foreclosures and evictions any more.

The Farmers Holiday does not say anything about getting relief for poor farmers. It does not say anything about feed and seed loans. There are hundreds of farmers who have to get feed for their stock in order to keep them until we get spring pasture. There are hundreds of farmers who need money to buy seed for spring sowing. But the Farmers Holiday says nothing about this. Hettis pointed out that we must organize Committees of Action to take up these things.

COMMITTEE OF ACTION ELECTED

Following this talk, a committee of action was organized. This committee consisted of nine members. The following cases were taken up by the committee immediately.

One of the farmers had his stock and farm taken from him. This was before an organizer for the U. F. L. could get in. This farmer has ten children. He is only getting \$10 a month relief. This is not even enough to allow this man and his family to starve to death decently. Plans were laid to get him more relief.

Also, plans were laid to keep another farmer on his farm who is going to be sold out soon.

We call on all farmers who read this to join the United Farmers' League because this is the only farmers organization which organizes action committees and fights for the rights of the poor farmers.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION TODAY—\$2 a year.

For information about the United Farmers League write to National Headquarters at Box 94, Superior, Wisconsin.

International News

Earthquake Does Damage in Greece

Athens, Greece, March 23.—A heavy earthquake shock rocked the eastern portion of the Peloponnese peninsula and islands in the Ionian Sea early today. Considerable damage was done. Panic-stricken inhabitants fled to the open and camped there.

Iceland to Abolish Prohibition

Reykjavik, Iceland, March 23.—With home brew increasing, 11 members of the Parliament joined today in introducing a measure to abolish prohibition.

Germany Becomes Dictatorship

Berlin, March 23.—Germany became a dictatorship today. The Fascist-controlled Reichstag handed Hitler the power to govern by decree for the next four years. His rule has been ushered in with widespread terror, torture, and murder against Catholic, Jewish, Socialist and Communist members of the working class.

700 Polish Miners on Strike

Warsaw, Poland, March 23.—More than 700 miners who have been on a hunger strike since Saturday in mine shafts at Klimontow accepted food for the first time tonight when they learned that the government had agreed to act in their behalf. They struck against proposed layoffs and declared they would rather die of hunger underground than slowly starve to death without jobs.

Kidnap Catholic Editor

Vienna, Austria, March 23.—Dr. Fritz Gerlich, editor of a Munich Catholic paper, was fiercely beaten after Nazis (fascists) invaded his office yelling, "Where is Gerlich, the pig?" After the beating he was kidnapped and has not been heard of since.

Japan Adds to War Budget

Tokyo, March 22.—The Japanese Diet today approved a \$200,000,000 addition to the national "defense" budget. At the same time an additional 100,000 non-commissioned officers in active service and reservists were summoned for active service. The government is using the fiercest repressive measures against the workers and peasants at home who are fighting against the war program.

French Bus Drivers Strike

Paris, France, March 22.—Paris bus drivers called a 10-minute stoppage and demonstration in protest against a wage cut. The workers returned to their jobs after the 10-minute strike.

Put Up United Front Candidate

Saskatoon, Canada, March 23.—L. P. McNamee, first president of the Farmers Union and a member of the Farmers Unity League delegation which visited Russia in 1931 has been nominated to contest the by-election in MacKenzie constituency on behalf of the united front organization of farmers and workers which included the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation.

49 Per Cent of Saskatchewan Farms Mortgaged

The average farm mortgage in Canada amounts to \$2,733, Dr. R. H. Coates, Dominion statistician states. About 40 per cent of all the farms are mortgaged and 49 per cent in Saskatchewan are mortgaged. These figures do not show the mortgage indebtedness of the small farmers, the great majority of whom have heavy mortgages, since they include the rich and middle farmers, many of whom still own their land.

Try to Balance Budget

Canberra, Australia, March 22.—The Parliament was informed today by Prime Minister that an agreement had been reached with Great Britain whereby payments of \$2,450,000 due on war debt could be postponed in order to balance the budget.

Sailors Protest Cut in Pay

Stockholm, Sweden, March 11.—Sailors in the Karlskrona and Stockholm navy bases have held several protests against the Socialist government's plan to cut down the men's pay.

300 Chinese Killed in Manchuria

Tokyo, March 22.—Annihilation of 300 Chinese in one encounter and scattered fighting marked Japan's program of "polishing" Manchuria today.

German Communist Leaders in Prison

Berlin, March 23.—The Fascist leader Goering who continually calls for the blood of the Communists was today compelled by the pressure of workers throughout the world to announce that Thaelmann and Torgler, leaders of the Communist party of Germany, are safe in prison.

Russian White Guards for Sale

Buenos Aires, Argentina, March 22.—Russian white guards are acting as officers in both the Bolivian and Paraguayan armies in the fighting of these two South American countries, supported by the U. S. and Great Britain. These adventurers are for sale to any one who will hire them.

Refugees Flee Germany

Paris, March 22.—Refugees from the fascist terror in Germany are pouring across all borders. The most harrowing tales of provocation, spying, and torture are told. "The country is absolutely unsafe for any one from any foreign country," declared hundreds who have fled.

We Get Relief---But Not by Begging!

(BY H. J.)

Belden, N. D., March 21.—Over the quiet countryside the news had been spread that at last relief was going to be given out to the farmers in Mountrail county. The relief which they had so long been promised and which they all needed so badly.

Like the dawn of a new day, they welcomed it, for it meant that now they would be able to get clothing and groceries for the family. No longer would they need to see their children freeze in rags, nor would their children be denied the food which they must have to keep them healthy and strong.

Who was coming to give out the relief received from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation? None other than the Baptist minister from the neighboring town. Many years he has spent among the farmers teaching brotherly love. If any thing could be expected from any one he surely was the person who could be depended on.

WALK OVER ROUGH ROAD

Long before dinner the farmers started on the long journey for relief. The walking was hard over the rough road. Their

This the minister tried to avoid answering and called for the next case. But one of the farmers got up and he began to talk. He said:

"It is the central committee that decided how much we can have. They are not giving us according to what we need. They are just giving us as little as possible and trying to make us satisfied with it, but we are not going to be satisfied to see our families freeze and starve any longer."

"You told us the last week in February that you would be out again the first of March and give us enough for the entire month. Here the month is nearly over and this is what you come with. What are you on this committee for if you don't want to do what is right?"

Here another farmer spoke up and said, "He is doing it for the money he gets out of it. He got \$60 last month for six days work."

Then the whole crowd asked, "Why don't you get off and let a farmer handle it? Why don't you apply for more money from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation?"

To this the minister answered that this was enough for an

agrarian county.

DEMAND \$12,000 MORE RELIEF

The farmers saw that if anything was to be done they would have to take action themselves. They immediately drew up a resolution demanding an additional \$12,000 for the month of March. This resolution was signed by the minister and by one of the county commissioners who was with him.

It was soon noticed many of the farmers were turned down flat. When they asked the reason they received no answer. There was one man, however, who succeeded in getting the reason. He happened to have been born in another country and was therefore unable to express himself very well in English, so wasn't given a chance. Also last winter another man's Red Cross goods were sent to him by mistake. He brought them back and wanted his own package. The minister promptly accused him of stealing it. This made the farmer sore and he told the minister that he was lying and that he could prove it.

SOME BROTHERLY LOVE

That the minister had held against him all this time, and

now when the farmer came to apply for relief he was told to apologize. The farmer got down on his knees and asked forgiveness, saying his mouth was like a preacher's mouth—he didn't always know what he was saying. Standing up, he offered his hand and asked that they be friends.

The minister wouldn't take it nor would he write out his order. The farmer insisted but he was told to get out of there. The crowd of farmers wouldn't stand for this and began shouting, "Make out his order, make out his order."

The minister got up, took the farmer by the arm and started for the door, but the rest of the farmers stopped him and forced him not only to make out the order but raise it from the usual \$2.50 to \$15.50. They also forced him to make out orders for many others whom he had turned down.

This is how our hopes were fulfilled. Not by crawling on our knees and begging, but by standing up like men and demanding what we need. This is only our first fight. We have many more and bigger fights before us. We must organize and fight to feed and clothe our families and to protect our homes.