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On the **National** Picket Line

The lengths to which some highminded bosses will go to "protect the constitutional rights" of their employees in astounding. An injunction case now being argued in Philadelphia before Judge William H. Kirkpatrick is a good example.

Wilson and Sons Meat Packing company is asking for injunctions to restrain three AFL unions, the butchers, truck drivers and warehouse employees, from picket-ing and "using violence and other illegal means" of win-ning their strike for a closed

it is illegal to force any worker to join a union, and that a strike for Boscoe traced the process in a a closed shop is illegal if it means that the workers will be forced to either join the union or be fired.

Wilson and Sons had informed the unions that it would not sign a closed shop contract under any circum-stances "because it would destroy the right of workmen to exercise their constitutional

Strange, isn't it, how thoughtful these employers are of their workers' "rights" when those "rights" also conflict with the bosses' pock-

The Minneapolis Moline Plow Implement strike at Hopkins ended last Saturday in what no one seems to agree upon—victory or defeat.

From the limited information at hand here are the facts-the strike was called on December 28 when Mr. McFarlane, the manager of the Minneapolis and Hopkins plants refused absolutely to return Jack Bilby, a shop committee man, to work. Five hundred men sat down in the plant. The strike lasted for five weeks, and was, from all outward appearances, a well-conduct-ed, militant struggle for a prin-

The settlement-an arbiter named to arbitrate the ques-tion of Jack Bilby's return to The contract between the CIO union and the man-agement expired on January 1, 1939, during the strike. The negotiations for a new ontract will take place at a

Five hundred men lost approxi-mately five weeks' work. Their average wage is about \$30 a week. And the matter they struck for is still undecided.

Last week William Green nnounced the return of the United Textile Workers to the AFL fold. Francis Gorman, lately expelled by the CIO as head of the TWOC, was named head of the union until the June convention.

The strike of more than 100,000 elevator operators in the fur and ment districts of Greater New York City ended on Friday eve ning with what James T. Brambrick, president of Local 32B of the Building Service Employees International Union says was an overwhelming vote for the acceptance of Mayor LaGuardia's plan.

The settlement gives the workers one dollar a week in-crease in wages and a reducto forty-seven, with further reductions in hours to fortysix after the end of an eigh-teen-month period when negotiations on wages and hours

will be reopened.
(Continued on page 4)

F-C-L Meeting in

The first series of three public meetings sponsored by The first series of three public meetings sponsored by the Farmer-Cooperative-Labor Council was climaxed last Thursday evening by a very successful meeting of over 250 farmers and workers held under Council auspices in the armory at Red Wing, Minnesota. Speakers included John Boscoe, head of the Minneapolis Central Labor Union, for labor John Bosch, for the farmers, Cecil Crews, for the garmers of Processes.

In his talk, Mr. Boscoe exposed many of the economic fallacies which reactionary quacks are try- 160 Gets

about the disparity between farm prices and the prices of the goods which farmers buy. The depression in agriculture has been much nore prolonged than the depres-ion in industry. You received less Former Judge James D. Cooley, and less of the consumers' dollar attorney for the company, conducting the 1920's, when industry and the St. Anthony Falls Water tended in his arguments for a pre-liminary injunction that the closed high. But you did not receive so shop is legal "if the workers want little of the national income be-But he says that the workers cause wages of industrial workers not want the closed shop, that were high."

Boscoe traced the process in a pical industry, tobacco, and showed how production has in-creased, the number of workers has decreased, wages have been cut from \$853 yearly in 1919 to \$724 in 1921, to \$613 in 1933. As the workers lost out, the farmers also lost out. Tobacco dropped from 32 cents a pound in 1918 to N. W. Drug 8 cents a pound in 1931. While all this was going on, the price to the consumer actually advanced. The employers average \$100,000,-000 profits yearly, which they squeeze from both the workers and

"There are much more fundamental reasons than wage rates," stated Boscoe, "for the disparity which has developed between farming and industry. Farmers were the first to feel the loss of our foreign market; your production had been increased enormous-ly during the war to meet the demand for foodstuffs. When that market disappeared you had to fall back on a domestic market which could not possibly consume all the The Gamble-Skogmo contract, crops you could grow and contin-ued to grow. But if wages had not in next week's Organizer. been relatively high in the 1920's you would have felt the depression did. Relatively high wages made it possible for workers to increase their purchases of farm products. During those years the expanding buying power of workers made possible a great increase in the consumption of dairy and poultry products, and of fruits and vegetables, which helped many farmers through those years, and without which farm income would have

Can Work With Labor mit his leaders to deliberately an-tagonize the only friends who are (Continued on page 4)

Fred Peik Passes Away

Local 471 announces with sor-

Red Wing a Success

for the co-ops, and Professor Dworchak, a guest speaker.

"It is not high wages or short-ened working hours which brought about the disparity between

Negotiations have been concluded between the Utility Workers Union B-160 of the International and the St. Anthony Falls Water Power company for a new working agreement, union officials reported this week.

The proposed agreement will be presented for ratification to the men involved at a special meeting to be held this Saturday, February 11, at 10 a. m. in the union hall, 257 Plymouth Avenue North.

Local 160 announced that negotiations are now under way for an agreement covering the Construc tion Department.

With 544

The Northwest Drug company signed a new agreement with General Drivers Union Local 544 this Monday, covering about 100 em-

The pact provides for a twoweeks paid vacation each year, instead of the one-week vacation. Weekly hours are shortened from 45 to 44, with no change in weekly

The Gamble-Skogmo contract, signed a few days ago, will be run

7 Days Left To Sign for **544** Nine

All members of Local 544, or sons of members, who wish to try out for the 1939 baseball teams which farm income would have fallen off much more rapidly and seriously.

are urged to forward applications to Manager Jack Herman by February 15, the final date for receipt office, who are still under fire. of applications

Well, Look Who Turned Up in Miami, Florida

Last week General Drivers Union Local 544 received a letter from the Florida Elector's Club, informing us that "Mr. Johannes is trying to get into the police department here in Miami through a group of politicians and we would appreciate any information that you can give us . . . In the coming municipal election which takes place in May, Mr. Johannes is supporting a group of politicians who have promised to install him, if elected, in the office of Chief of Police.

"An old Minneapolis resident stated that during the truck drivers strike, the police department landed several of the pickets in the hospital with buckshot in their backs. If these statements are true, we do not believe that the labor forces in Miami would be willing to sanction any part of Mr. Johannes or his party . . . We would appreciate any information about him. . . "

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Local 544 has written back, furnishing Johannes' record.

If the people of Miami want as their police chief a murderer
with the heart's blood of union men, Bloody whose hands reek with the heart's blood of union men, Bloody Mike is their man. But if they feel about him as does Minneapolis labor, it is doubtful if Johannes will stay long in the Florida sun. Bloody Mike will have to go to a much warmer place than Miami before he finds suitable employment.

FWS Backs Women In Fight on ADC

The Federal Workers Section of General Drivers Union Local 544 during the last few days has attacked in earnest the mass tragedy brought about by the applica-tion of the Aid to Dependent Children ruling to scores

Not only those women eligible for such Aid, but those women ineligible for ADC, have been given the runaround by public relief offi-

officials in St. Paul, on the question of reinstating women terminated from WPA by error because which took place years ago by mutual consent; most of the fathers are now scattered over the counof their supposed eligibility for try, no one knows where; many of Aid to Dependent Children.

prove ineligibility, the women will iginal order was that such women as could prove their ineligibility WPA and relief, etc.

Women Demand would be placed in the active wait-

20 Returned to Jobs

fices. As a result, three women received work slips, with the pros-pect that at least a dozen more would be taken care of in the san way. On Saturday, five employes in the WPA office were at work writing work orders. By this Tuesday, February 7th day, February 7th, more than 20 women had gone back to work.

There is another group of wo-

WPA is refusing to reinstate

The County Attorney's office re-Last Thursday a committee representing the Central Labor Union and the Federal Workers Section met with state and district WPA involve separations and divorces the mothers have children who are As a result of the meeting, Mr. now past sixteen; several cases in Glotzbach's mandatory order was rescinded and Glotzbach agreed abandonments and desertions that in cases where the FWS can which took place while the people were living outside of Hennepin be reinstated immediately. His or- County; many of the fathers are right here in Hennepin County, on

Women Demand Work

The militancy of these women their earnest desire to return to work, gives the lie to all WPA 6th Ward F-L On Friday, FWS representatives jibes from here on out. These wopression forced them on relief and WPA, they had taken care of their

Pact To Be Discussed

A meeting of the B. F. Nelson Section of the Warehouse Union Local 20316 will be held Saturday, "You can meet this problem of the great corporation, and its rigid control, but you cannot do it alone. You must have the support of organized labor. There are only 6,000,000 farmers in the United States; there are 40,000,000 workers. Why should the farmers permit below the farmers permit below

Victory Appears Near in Omaha

AFL Enters Detroit Beer Drivers' Fray

Detroit-General Drivers Union tory Monday when it forced the sses of six major Detroit breweries to cease the attempted use of scab drivers and forced the return of drivers of Local 271. As a result, only one brewery, the Tivoli, is attempting to use drivers from the Beer Drivers Union Local 38, but Local 271 is confident of early success against this lone sur

The victory is the result of three weeks of struggle against the bosses, the Brewery Union, and Frank X. Martel, president of the De-troit and Wayne County Federation of Labor. Martel figured in the case by virtue of his verdict in favor of Local 38 in arbitrating the dispute. This verdict, however, had been repudiated by the AFL executive committee, meeting at Miami, Florida

AFL Enters Fight

In a wire denouncing Martel's unjust decision, William Green, president of the AFL, charged that Martel has acted in direct violation of AFL convention decisions which had given jurisdiction of the beer drivers to the International Brotherhood of dance. Teamsters. It demanded that the Detroit Federation of Labor repu diate Martels' decision, which was To Organize

Martel now stands in the unnviable position of being repudiated by all sections of organize labor. The membership of the Detroit and Wayne County Federa-tion of Labor had previously "voted" for Local 271 by their sterling aid on the picket line and in their cooperation in refusing to serve or drink the scab beer.

Club Holds Dance Feb. 17

The Sixth Ward Farmer-Labo Club will hold its annual dance at the Dania Hall, 5th and Cedar Avenue South, on Friday night, February 17th.

Tickets are 25c each, and mem bers of organized labor are invited to attend.

Gunderson, 471 Member, Buried

The funeral of Harvey Gun-

On Time Transfer Company Resumes Operations Under Temporary Agreement With Local 554 — Area Committee Near Agreement With Other Large Operators— Victory Appears Close as Strike Reaches 150th Day - Drivers Unions in Southwest Meet in Dallas Friday

The first big break in the ranks of the thirteen non-union Omaha operators occurred this Monday when the On Time Transfer company, operating about thirty bottoms between Omaha, Chicago, and Lincoln, resumed operations under a temporary agreement with the Union Negotiating Committee pending the outcome of negotiations with the other large operators.

Prescriptions with the individual

471 Dances Wednesday At Marigold

The Annual Ball of the Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees Union Local 471 will be held next Wednesday, February 15th, at the Marigold Ballroom, Grant and Nicollet.

Annual Ball of the Milk trucks). It appeared fairly certain that these firms would sign shortly, which would bring to a close one of the longest strikes in recent years which concluded with a union victory.

This yearly affair, which is for members only, is one of the high-lights of labor's winter entertain-pating in the negotiations include ments. The committee promises that the 1939 Ball will live up to the enviable reputation established by Local 471 for this traditional Joseph Csizlowski of Milwaukee,

Attendants

FWS Consolidated Wis. Drivers

WPA and unemployed workers of Omaha met last week in the General Drivers Union Local 554 hall and elected permanent officers for the recently-formed Federal Workers Section of Local 554. On the executive board of the Omaha painter, a driver, and two seam-stresses. The officials will act as a Delegates from drivers' unions n 18 Wisconsin cities met recentgrievance committee until further arrangements are made. About ly in Eau Claire at the state drivers' conference, and decided 250 workers have already signed to initiate an intensive organizing up in the FWS. drive among filling station attendants in the state to bring these

Negotiations with the individual

operators were resumed on Mon-

day, January 30, and have been carried on with few interruptions

since then. Among the operators negotiating are Watson Brothers

Transportation (425 trucks), Union Transfer (200 trucks), and

and Red Ball Transfer (100

Southwest Conference

With the Omaha settlement workers into the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. pending, and with the standard Brotherhood of Teamsters.

Other conference decisions: To work for a state-wide uniform wage scale for wholesale grocery drivers and warehousemen; to set a uniform wage scale for highway and building construction work, will hold a Southeast Conference of the standard area agreement having been extended to scores of terminals in the North Central District, all eyes turned toward Dallas, Texas, where the International Brotherhood of Teamsters in that area and building construction work, with a minimum of 90 cents hourly beginning this Friday, February with a minimum of 90 cents nourly in all counties except Waukesha, Milwaukee, Racine and Kenosha, where the minimum will be \$1; to where the minimum will be \$1; to siding, the Southwest drivers' work for PWA grants instead of extending the standard area parinto that part of the country.

A special meeting of the Park Board Section of City and Sani-tary Drivers Union Local 664 will be held soon, and all members will Drivers Union Local 544 takes on be notified by mail.

ship meeting on February 23rd, a change in the meeting date sched-have been talking a mighty fine ale will be a special order of busi- game, and both teams promise ness. All members are urged to will be a match long remembered attend in order that the most satin local bowling annals. All union isfactory solution may be reached bowling enthusiasts are urged to on this important question.

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St. Cloud Drivers Board Group To Bowl Local 544 Saturday Night

The Lincoln Bowling Alleys will rock this Saturday night, when the e notified by mail.

At Local 664's regular memberSt. Cloud Drivers Union Local 329.

The brothers from Granite City match, which starts at 8:30 p. m.

Attention! Independent Truck Owners

According to the new ruling of the Executive Board, independent truck owners can reinstate or join the Independent Truck Owners Section of Local 544.

For full details, refer to the "Independent Truck Chatter" column in this issue.

Youth Section to Hold Protest Monday Against Diverting NYA Funds for War Local 471 announces with sorrow the loss of a respected and worthy member in the death of Fred W. Peik, who passed away on Wednesday, February 1. The Youth Section of the Fed this means a slash in the immediate future and the gradual cutting down of the whole NYA in this ruary 13th, 8:00 P. M. at the Section of the Fed this means a slash in the immediate future and the gradual cutting through without any real opposition, it is likely that it will be but the first stam in the gradual abolivers of the ticket sales and plans

has called a mass meeting for reduction area.

Plenty for War, Though

ously employed by the Northland Milk and Ice Cream Company.

The funeral was held from the North Methodist-Episcopal church on 44th and Fremont Avenue North, on Saturday, February 4, at 3 p. m. Burial was at Crystal Lake Cemetery.

Lake Cemetery.

Local 471 extends its sympathy to the bereaved wife and son who survey Brother Peik. Their address is 2509 36th Avenue North.

Order of the National Youth Addministration, stating that until further notice, no new assignments, replacements or reassignments are training of 20,000 air pilots and mechanics by the NYA as an air reserve for war. This large sum, enough to keep the entire NYA functioning in the state of Minnesota. In addition to this, representatives of the Youth Section have been informed that the rolls of the Minnesota for over seven years, has been appropriated for the military training camps for the youth instead of conservation to the legislators to give the youth such and support the dance, which will be a support the dance, which will be a support the dance for the various activities of the Youth Section. Admission to the youth instead of conservation to the plans of the legislators to give the youth guns instead of jobs.

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dress is 2509 36th Avenue North. workers to not more than 1,300. pense of projects making jobs for Also to be taken up at the the meeting is free.

Brother Peik was initiated into
Local 471 on September 21, 1926,
and during that time was continuously employed by the Northland Wilk and Ice Cream Company
with its action is being taken on the introduced into the U. S. Senate,
All members of organized labor

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Sweden's "Middle

"What About the Middle Way in

Sweden?" will be the subject of a talk by Max Geldman at the regu-

lar Socialist Sunday Forum next

Admission is 10c and all work-

Card of Thanks

To Drivers Union Local 544:

We want to acknowledge gra

fully and thank you for your kind

Mrs. Louis H. Allgeyer and son.

I am really listening to a lot of

good old arguing right now as I

you should hear as I am hearing.

Our V. P. letter was read at the

meeting and all the members were sure glad to hear that Joe is feel-

trying to write this column,

thought and expression of sym-

Way" to Be

Forum Subject

Smith Welding Co. Signs Model Pact

Below is the full text of the agreement signed last week between General Drivers Union Local 544 and the Commercial Gas and Smith Welding Company. The agreement is particularly significant for the method in which it meets provisions of the federal Wages and Hours bill.

Overtime at the rate of time and one-half will be paid all reaches against an employee for alleged violation of properly posted working rules which do not conflict with any of the terms and provisions of this agreement. The

workers after 40 hours.

The agreement is retroactive to October 1st, 1938, and expires May 31st, 1939.

The Commercial Gas and Smith Welding Company, hereinafter referred to as the Employer, and the General Drivers and Helpers Union, Local No. 544, A. F. of L., hereinafter referred to as the Lunion, agree to be bound by the following terms and provisions covering wages and working contitions.

13. The Employer agrees that if any employee is required to wear any kind of uniform, same the following terms and provisions covering wages and working contitions.

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3. The Employer agrees to togrant the necessary time off without discrimination and without pay to any employee designated by the Union Executive Board.

4. The Employer agrees not togrant the necessary time off without discrimination and without pay to any employee designated by the Union to attend a Labor Convolver afficial Union business.

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5. The Employer agrees not to enter into any agreement or contract with his employees, individually or collectively, which in any way conflicts with the terms and form the provision of employment relating to wages, hours of work, employee deliberately violates the provision of the fore ton of the provision of the fore ton of the first ton of the contract, any back pay owed to the employee and employee to violate the contract, any back pay could be a provision of the first four. The majority vice of the first four. The majority decision of this Board and the provision of the first four. The majority decision of this Board and the provision of the first four. The majority decision of this Board and the provision of the first four. The majority decision of the first four. The majority with the first provis

work, the Employer shall make the necessary adjustments of any controversy which might arise.

9. The Employer shall not request or instruct any employee to go through a picket line of a striking union, however, the Union agrees that in the event the Employer becomes involved in a controversy with any other union the Union will do all in its power to help effect a fair settlement.

10. The term "Individual Truck Owner" shall be construed to mean the owner-driver of a truck, motorcycle, pasenger vehicle, two for four wheel trailer, taxicab, horse-drawn vehicle, or any other vehicle used for transportation purposes.

11. Unless otherwise indicated within the articles of this agreement, the rates of pay, hours of form to a schedule as determined by the Union which will guarantee foot of operation of the equipment, plus replacement value, plus the Union scale of wages as herein specified.

12. The Individual Truck Owner shall complete the seniority rights and general working conditions for Individual Truck Owners shall con a mployee before he is discharged if the cause of such discharge and should such investigation prove that an employee the shall be reinstated and compensated at his usual rate of pay in the various compensated at his usual rate of pay in the various compensated at his usual rate of pay while he has been done an employee he shall be reinstated and compensated at his usual rate of pay while he has been done an employee the shall be reinstated and compensated at his usual rate of pay while he has been done an employee the shall be reinstated and compensated at his usual rate of pay in the various classifications of work.

12. The Individual Truck Owners shall compensation of the employee, except that the definition of the employee scale of work. Appeal from discharge must be the more proposed to the foundation of the employee of the combination of the employee of the employee of the combination o wehicle used for transportation purposes.

11. Unless otherwise indicated within the articles of this agreement, the rates of pay, hours of work, overtime differentials, and general working conditions for Individual Truck Owners shall conform to a schedule as determined by the Union which will guarantee cost of operation of the equipment, plus replacement value, plus the Union scale of wages as herein specified.

12. The Individual Truck Owner shall have seniority standing only as a driver. The vehicle shall have no seniority standing. Only Individual Truck Owners certified by the Union may be hired. All conditions of employment specified within the articles of this agreement for the purpose improving working conditions for employment for employm

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23. The Employer may prete drawing will be held just bere charges against an employee for alleged violation of properly posted working rules which do not conflict with any of the terms and provisions of this agreement. The Union shall make immediate investigation of the charges and a settlement of the case shall be made as provided under Paragraph 7.

24. New appropriate the confidence of the confidence o

the date of employment.

25. The Union and the Employagree to abide by the followgree to aborbs the siness of another company.

(a) In the event that a company other than a contract hauler which has previously operated its own trucks discontinues this method of operation and turns its hauling over to a contract trucking company, the employees of this company working on the trucks shall working on the trucks shall tendants of the Erickson stations have first preference for for the month of January. In addition, an agreement was reached with the officials of the company taking the contract and will be placed at the bottom of the seniority list of that company with first preference on work done for his former employer where the conjument in tom of the seniority list for chis-

of the time on such work. In the event that a contract for hauling is transferred from one hauling contractor to another, the men employed at the company which is losing the contract may apply in accordance with their seniority rights at that company and transfer to the company receiving the contract, and they shall be placed at the bottom of the seniority list and shall have no preference in hauling other than that provided by their seniority standing at the company standing pany to which they trans

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Irvin recently.

(c) If the minimum wage, hour and working conditions in the company absorbed differ from those minimums set forth in this agreement, the higher of the two shall remain in effect.

26 The regular work week for the minimum was been station attendant on the Phillips pumps at 3300 Fremon N., for the past eight years.

Back pay totaling \$29.63 was collected for Vern Wolfe, attendant on the Phillips pumps at 3300 Fremon N., for the past eight years.



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Gassing With

attendance at the General Membership meeting on Monday, Feb consists of one month's dues. The 23. The Employer may prefer drawing will be held just before quired at the opening of the meet

The Executive Board of the ement of the case shall be made a provided under Paragraph 7.

24. New employees shall be acced on the seniority list after acced on the seniority list after aving worked a total of 30 work ays. Seniority to start from the rst date of employment.

25. The Union and the Employ-

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tom of the seniority list for chis-eling with his Employer for less

Petroleum Service Company for their at the LaSalle Super Service Sta-

Your Vice - President, Augie Jeppson and his wife, were busy "trucking" Saturday night. They attended the Bakery Drivers dance and the Coop Frolic. The stork arrived at the home of

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Irvin recently

metimes it is just plain yellow

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High wages are a fallacy, as my employer eays. Work ers just spend the money anyway.

New Group in Auto Workers Proposes to Clean House, Pushes Union-Building Plan

Refusing to underwrite the policies of either Homer Martin or the Stalinist-Executive Board majority in the United Automobile Workers union factional war, a third group within the union was formed this week which challenges both leading cliques and is pushing for a union

building program.
Charging both factions onsibility through unprincipled for leading the nion of 400,000 members into its present chaos, the new group of auto locals calls for a complete ent executive board of 24.

In a signed declaration calling for "One Convention—One Union—One Fight! Against the Bosses!" which is being sent to all locals of the United Automobile Workers, the Fleetwood Fisher Body frame-Local 15 of Detroit, the Willard UAW. Storage Battery and the Weather-head locals of Cleveland call upon Vacation pay, in amount of \$25 the rank and file of the union to was collected this week from the rally behind their declaration and

New Move Gains Support

The new movement is already taking hold in many auto centers 476 passed a motion to give no demand one convention and one ers are forming a group to push third group's program. Important groups in other leading surances of support.

shall not be disturbed in any many reason that that set forth below.

(a) When a job becomes open for any reason in any classification of work covered by this agreement, it shall ployer. All employees in the order of their seniority standing are eligible to accept or reject this job without jeopardizing their present over the qualifications of an employee to handle job shall be settled as provided under Paragraph of this agreement, the incher of time and one shall be the first laid off, and in returning employees to work the last employee hired shall be the first laid off, and in returning employees to work, the last employees to work, the last employees and the set of the special of the shall be paid of the agreement. The company was the provided under Paragraph of the greenens was the rate of time and one shall be the first laid off, and in returning employees to work, the last employee hired shall be the first laid off, and in returning employees to work, the last employee hired shall be the first laid off, and in returning employees to work, the last employee hired shall be the first laid off, and in returning employees to work, the last employee hired shall be guaranteed a minimum of forty (40) how pay pay per week.

28. The senior employees sall receive full off shall be the first laid off, and in returning employees to work the last employee hired shall be guaranteed a minimum of forty (40) hours pay per week.

29. Employees required to be against a senior employee with the present assignments to the various classifications of work the full weak the propers for work within ten (10) days after notification at his last known address. The necessary reassignment of employees to the various classifications of work the full weak propers for the present assignments to the various classifications of work the full weak propers for the present assignments to the various classifications of work the full weak propers for the present assignments to the various classifications of work the full weak propers for the pre

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Commenting upon the new group's position, a leading spokesman for their movement declared, Ford and competitive parts plants, ing fine and having a good time.

"There is no essential difference for aiding the unemployed and in He also wants his Organizer sent man for their movement declared, between the policies of the two general implementing the group's to him for the next two weeks. cliques. For every dictatorial act of Martin, the Stalinist controlled placed before the Cleveland con-executive board have paralleled it vention March 27. with one of their own. While Martin maneuvers with Harry Bennett, the Communist Party clique introduces Stalin's methods

Condemns Both Sides

frame-up and slander into the

"Both sides are guilty of anti-union acts," he said. "The entire Executive Board, including Martin and his opponents, signed unanieach one of you do your part to mously the famous "disciplinary make this the best dance of the letter" which gives General Motors powers to discipline and fire workers for so-called outlaw strikes.

Pointing to the record of the going to call on Tom Mooney, past year, the new group's program asks, "What progress has Coast? You will all hear later. been made in the organization drive supposed to have been launched among the unorganized workers of the aircraft and automotive parts industries? Zero! No Progress! Both gangs were too

The program further points out "For over six months Franken-steen was director of the Ford organizational campaign. During this period he spent thousands of dolperiod he spent thousands of the lars. When Frankensteen finished tee in Arkansas one in New York. with the drive there were less We are getting well-known from time of the Milwaukee conven-

Refusing to endorse Martin's recent negotiations with Ford, the statement says on this point, "Now Martin has made some backstairs deal with Harry Bennett of the Ford Motor Co. We stand against negotiations conducted behind the backs of the membership."

The statement also points out



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on the Ford affair, that the "Sta accuses Martin of conspiring build a 'company union' at For themselves sanctioned the Martin negotiations and instructed him veral days previously to con

Positive Program Needed

cludes with a union building pro- Sunday, February 12th, at 3 p. m., gram which includes a plank to at 919 Marquette Avenue. abolish unemployment in the auto industry by pushing for the 30- ers are invited. hour week with no reduction in pay, a demand for a campaign for closed shop agreement with Genal Motors, an organizational drive on the Ford Motor Company, WPA jobs for all unemployed at a \$30 weekly wage for 30 hours work, the establishment of local union autonomy, the formation of union defense guard "to protect protect clique interests," and several other points.

It was announced that a confer ence will be held very shortly of representatives of locals support-bound to be brought out. ing the new group's program, to ing the union and instituting a union building campaign in the

With the

Limousines

"By Home James"

The dance committee reports

that the tickets are going fine, so

The president of what local is

Who is it that is really selling the dance tickets? You might ask

Why is it that some of the members "howl" when they have to atembers are duly bound to attend all the meetings. How some of you would have a chance to "yelp'

The pecans sent to the members by our good member Joe was sure appreciated by all the members. We sure hope Joe sends some more

while on his trip to the West he dance we are having Feb. 21, We are told that Jerry Cremers

as handed us recently. The Staff Club, a group of butlers and valets much larger. (for the Morgans, Vanderbilts, Whitneys, and other Elites) are secretly unionizing all dor help of the rich. One of those 912 guys in New York again.

dale Ave. S. this week.

Many new members were at the meeting. Be sure to have all the members and their friends attend

The drawings at the meeting ere won by members from the This bit of news from New York | Livery Co. but were not in attendso the next drawing will be

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FWS Demands Surplus Commodities For Aged

'Pudge' Heffelfinger Boasts
He Could Live on \$10 a
Month, Opposes Aid to
Old People "Because Most

Which are distributed by the Commissary of the WPR. None of
these items are delivered by truck
All clients must go down to the Bridge Square"

Relief Agencies Continue to Granting Needed Surplus Commodities to Aged— Every Other City in Coun-Except Minneapolis Furnishes Such Aid

When a representative of the fore the Hennepin County Welfare Board to demand that Old taken place. Assistance recipients be certified for Surplus Commodities she was met by the rigid, unaltering opposition of Commissioner Pudge Heffelfinger, representative of the

Mr. Heffelfinger opposed granting of Surplus Commodities to the old people in Minneapolis these Surplus Commodities. on the grounds that "most of them come from Bridge Square." to the board from the FWS of 544 demanding that there be a raise in the food budget for old men, single, who are getting their meals in restaurants. At present the grant is \$15 a month, or less than 50c per day. Mr. Heffel-know that the Jewel Tea Co. has finger made the boastful state-had the largest turnover of men ment that "I could live on \$15 a of any company in the Twin Cities month, in fact, I could live on \$10 and this includes all kinds of busi-

After much debate the matter wrong somewhere—and is. the refiguring of the budget for food was referred to a later plus Commodities was referred to workers' homes and ask for busi-a committee to "investigate" the matter and talk to Ole Pearson about who is going to assume the boys. cost of delivery of the commodi-

plied to the state by requisition lows miss him. foodstuffs are requisitioned by the State Relief Agency Surplus Com-the hospital and doing fine. Glad modities Department on a basis of case load. The commodities themselves cost the certifying agency a very small amount, only a few cents on the dollar. The main cost is in the distribution. Formerly there was a WPA project for dis all that is handled by the city

Aged Meet Buck-Passing

Every agency from the Henne pin County Welfare Board down to the Department of Public Reently on the question of granting these commodities to the aged. Old people forced to live on the wholly inadequate Old Age Assistance grants allotted them need the oranges and butter and cereal



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missary of the WPR. None of these items are delivered by truck. All clients must go down to the Them Come from Commissary on Fifth Street South

and get these articles themselves. ommodities to the old people is edged around the question of ost of distribution. Actually there ould be no cost-or such a slight mount that no one would be bur-

It is time that our Farmer Labor county and city officials took some action in this matter. Enough buck passing has already

The Old People of Minneapolis want Surplus Commodities. every other city in the United work in the last draft at the J. R. States, in every other area in the Clark plant. Lowry Hill section of Minneapolis. pin County the OAA recipients get Surplus. Minneapolis OAA re cipients want and intend to get

Coffee Cries Local 275

By Bill and Don

I wonder how many nesses. There must be something

The worst of it is this scab outmeeting, and the question of Sur- fit has the guts to come into the Especially when he walks on Wash-

Don't let them in your houses

Where has Hans Larson been Surplus Commodities are sup- keeping himself lately? The fel-

We hear Andy's wife is out of

Say, what is this talk about havng a shower on Vern Selgeby?

The Japan boys just had a

Crescent News The boys are sure proud of their ew plant and looking forward to the big party.

Paul Townsend is complaining cause the ladies call him "Kew-Never mind, Paul. If the world laughs at you it's just as

round as you are. Wonder if Joe Schmidt told the Mrs. he won \$2 at the meeting?

Kragness thinks Melvin is a big ot because he attends five meet-

"Baby Snooks" Herman attendthe meeting as usual. Why-y-y?

ies; but differ and separate, and ou are undone .-- AESOP.

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LOCAL 1859 Knots to You

the Deaconess hospital. He is get-

ting along very well.

Heigh ho! Heigh ho! to the friendship club we'll go. So what? So Ernest Trunan, Gust Zetter-

Carl Nelson who has been gone In for some time was called back to

Charles Asp, Simon Brendsness and John Strupstead who work in the lumber yard and are used to handling boards got a touch of cold sleet last we love to touch. cold sleet last Tuesday. The steel

John "Moonshine" Wicks wishes o announce that his spaniel dog has pups. Nine little doggies saw the light of day at the Wicks home stead one week ago come Monday. When interviewed by the press John said, (Quote) "Well, you see these puppies were born under conditions and came with their eyes open. That is why I think \$2 apiece is cheap." Shades of Trader Horn!

No matter if his daily walk Is subject for his neighbor's talk. ington Ave. Page Mike Nelson.

Oscar Pertinen became father of a 10 pound baby boy Tuesday night. We wish to extend our heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Pertinen.

Fred Rebosky had a bad fall across from the factory while coming to work Tuesday. Fred got badly shaken up and some cuts

From what we gather the Gla-

At the General Membership Klempa. meeting Wednesday, February 1: Called to order at 8 p. m. Report of recording secretary and reading of previous minutes

Financial secretary's report. Stewards' reports. Athletic director's report. Talk by Vern Eastmann.

Talk by the eminent economist, Mr. E. North. There being no further business

the meeting adjourned about 10 Answer to Last Week's Teaser

This column I think is swell; Who the reporters are I can't tell; They say I can make words rhyme, ou are a match for all your ene- And as for my looks-come up and see me sometime! -Ray Perleberg

Apologies to Leo Lowendosky. We had his name spelled wrong in the last issue. Bear with us, Leo, ing. turned to right the wrong we did

know what "otiose" means. But you know how it feels. That is the condition of the workers at one of the casket plants who didn't want to be connected with his fellow By Richard Gilmore

John Josephson is home from a Descenses hasnifel He is got.

That is, he didn't until he got laid off and then last week he high-tailed it down to the office with that if your salary is \$125 per was laid off and the union didn't to pay your union dues for a year So Ernest Trunan, Gust Zetterman and Klas Kalgren tripped the light fantastic last Saturday night, that's what.

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take his money which was a revelation to this "otiose" guy. He thought the way to get a job was to buy it. You can't buy Jobs. A Why they call him "wron" who was a revelation to this "otiose" guy. He thought the way to get a job was to buy it. You can't buy Jobs. A Why they call him "wron" which was a revelation to this "otiose" guy. He thought the way to get a job was to buy it. You can't buy Jobs. A job is a sacred and valuable thing and it is because we value our jobs Where and it is because we value
that we fight so hard for seniority
rights—inst another name for the
Why Walter Carroll does not right to work for a living.

Thought for the day: "'Tis a better dose to be otiose. See Bill Ingelbretson's pocket Webster which defines otiose (pronounce o-she-ose) as the state of being uno-she-ose) a mployed of idle.

Emil Carlson, second assistant nillwright in charge of lubrication of the wheels of industry at the J. R. Clark plant, had just got organized for his daily tasks when number 3. With his automatic slip joint drop forged pliers in his hand New members are always welcome and pocket full of rags, Emil advanced to meet the situation. A vanced to meet the situation. A little reconnoitering and Emil had the trouble localized to a belt on one of the larger motors. The belt proved to be ready to fly apart and proved to be ready to fly apart and with James Nevins. Granville with James Nevins Granville vin Rainford, business agent of was hanging by a mere thread which was what had been giving 6680. off the warning, slippety-slap. Having performed the diagnosis of the situation, the rest was mere routine and in no time at all the section and in no time at all the section and in no time at all the section of the Stores Department in his between the stores Department caused by the passing nd assistant millwright in charge of lubrication and general upkeep and repair had the wheels of industry humming again. "Aw, "Mid" will be a little better na heck," says Emil, "it's all in a tured now that the heavy work is duy's work."

The big punch press by the drinking fountain on floor number was moved down to the machine shop last week. Brothers Waino Suamoli and Dave Woods officizier box workers got plenty of pep-per.

Sdamon and Dave work a little help from Nick Masica and Frank

All attempts to find out what Dave has in that green box he carries around were repulsed.

Plumbing Supply Section of 20316 Meets Monday

The Wholesale Plumbing Supply Section of the Warehouse Union Local 20316 will meet next Monday, February 13th, at 8 p. m., to hear the report of the committee chosen to draft a 1939 working agreement.

The present pact with this sec tion of the industry expires March All members of Local 20316 in this industry are instruct ed to attend this important meet-

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Watt Notes

Little Willy says: "I wonder: Why they call him "wrong-way

Where Asa McCable got that

run for office? When Bill Unruh is going to get E. a different wagon?
Where Porky got his map?

Why Bud Teasdale isn't an al-When the guys that do the most

crabbing will speak from the floor others. at membership meetings? Gove The Auxiliary meets at the hom of Mrs. George Phillips, 2745 Lin-coln N. E. on Thursday, Februganized for his daily tasks when came the call for help from floor number 3. With his automatic dir folks are members of Local B-160

A First call for diamondball. All

We extend our heartfelt sympa Brother Middleton's wife hope

We noticed that Local B-160 had a full delegation at the last Central Labor Union meeting.

Won't be long now, we hope the dance that our local plans on putting on. Has anyone any goo uggestions that might help the

St. Cloud agreements. The membership gave a heary elcome to Brother Mike Boyle, ur International Vice President, when he appeared at our last meet

ng. Some of the brothers thought hey never would see him. The Seniority Board would like see a little better co-operation the part of the membership.

Don't wait until you are about to e laid off before you check up on your seniority. 'Tis said that in the spring a

ung man's fancy turns to love. Well, in the spring (or sooner, we hope) our Special Construction and Underground Department others' thoughts turn to work.

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Minot Labor Dedicates New Temple

tailed it down to the office with that if your salary is \$125 per slight to lay on the table. But it didn't work out that way. The man get paid for is more than enough

After months of effort and the spenditure of thousands of dol- in spirit. ars, the union movement in Minot as completely remodeled the

Among the speakers were Govof the North Dakota Federation of Labor, Henry Martinson, deputy state labor commissioner, and

are not made to realize that ed my cannot be purchased at the

kpense of human misery. R. E. James, AFL representave, urged the organization of the armers into economic groups. Unions Grow

With a new spirit in the Minot abor movement, all the local General Drivers Union Local 74.

Local 131 "Gas and Suds"

mplaining about working con-

Post mortems seem to be the pearing at that time and placing time, hot time, TWO TIME, 34 the same. Our federal government rost mortens seen the membership ratified the facts in the hands of the board. time, springtime, summer and state carry part of the amount few falls; in other words they and give in ratio to the amount given by the county. The total of the county are to be a sour employers to live up to the were tops and we recommend them Post mortems seem to be the pearing at that this and phasing time, springtime, summer and a the same. Our legeral government and state carry part of the load we would rather hear it at our terms of our contract. It surely highly to any other organization is a sad commentary on the spirit that is figuring on throwing a the government is not to exceed of unionism that there are large dance. Our business agents and the groups of our members who will company's representatives are still regularly and consistently violate one eting daily in working out the our contract by working too many Construction, St. Anthony Falls Water Power Company and the

our working agreement. writing a set of uniform working there shaking a mean and agile rules that are desired by the marity of our membership. Your oard and your business agent can finks who enter into collusion with Johnson is the proud poppa of a the boss to violate the agreement.

are not desired or wanted by the vast majority of the membership cute? and cannot make real union peo-

but our legislators have found that lings. by the same token our employers | George Praiss who recently took Minot, N. D.—Speakers from the members are a party to collu-four states and Canada particision and no member who is right other day. He was mixing around

Any member or group of memuilding at 23 Main Street North, the union is not doing anything freshments after the General ernor John Moses, R. E. James of Kansas City, personal representative of William Green, Mayor V. that the union the boss is dealing Also, there will be a meeting held with is not the executive board or for inside workers and night working of William Green, Mayor V. m Green, Mayor V. the business agent (a union of ers Saturday afternoon, February . Sandberg, Lieutenant-Governor seven men would not command 25 at 3 p. m. at which lunch and J. A. Patterson, Senator J. C. much respect or have great power)
Blaisdell, W. W. Murrey, president but YOU. You, the membership,

Local 131's basketball team defeated the Bakers 27-12 at Cenrould be a serious situation in the tate if the men in Washington four straight wins for the leagueon- leading Laundry Drivers.

The 289 Blab

ning, February 16, 7:30 p. m.

The dance was pronounced a attended, thanks to Loren Johnson chairman, who really figured all the angles necessary to having a good time. Thanks also are hearily extended to Leonard Hager and Mrs. Hagen and her sister (I freshment end of it. Also Frank This office received a communiation from one of our members the others who helped to put over omplaining about working con- the dance in such a land office tions in one of our major plants. way. No kidding, compliments are We wish to inform all our memers that the Executive Board, act
way. No kidding, companients with still pouring in, together with questions of when we will have another dance. Not a bad idea

way. No kidding, companients with of this state) that now they are too old to work, there is no place for them.

every Friday at 7 p. m. and we want any member who has any grievances of his own or who boys, put on a show that would do for their lives to the community in knows of anything that is wrong justice to some of these big name that of the plant or any other plant to help himself and his union by applications. They played every kind of music—old time, new time, big But to ask and receive are not best time. TWO TIME.

We were all glad to see four supervisors present appearance, namely, George Fisher and Ralph Sinclair of Continental, Percy Sorr working agreement. enson of Gladness, and Howie The contract merely puts in (she's crazy about me) Priehm was hoof or two.

Oh! oh! my goodness and stuff. 91/2 pound baby girl and a beauty, too. Born Thursday, January 19.

The bowling team is plugging the unemployed, too.

ple out of members who do not believe in union principles.

Society ostracized its criminals

right along being tied for first place with Gold Bubble and the Ice Drivers, each having won 28 and lost 23 as of last week's stand-

annot violate our contract unless over Continental's Glencoe run pects and demands that the con- result: three cracked ribs. Tough tract be lived up to in letter and babies, these country grocers. Eh,

Don't forget (how could you) bers who may think or feel that that we are serving lunch and refor them should stop and consider Meeting the 23rd of this month.

Correction on the accident I reported concerning Ole Roe: It didn't happen in the garage but out on 24th and Lyndale S. By the way, he'll still in the hospital.

Joe's wife, Em, says that the less I say about the cake and peanut cookies she baked for Joe, the better off I'd be.

The board has begun to take By A. M. Ogren

Next Meeting: Cake, Pie and Yeast Drivers meet Thursday evelone.

By A. M. Ogren

Next Meeting: Cake, Pie and says you don't work until you see him, you'll know why.

On WPA **Projects**

By Vic W. Nicholas

and Mrs. Hagen and Mrs. Hagen and Mrs. Joe O'Hare on the re-and Mrs. Joe O'Hare on the re-544, has organized a non-dues payforced them into organizing. They

\$15. A grand total of \$30 is the maximum for one person. But small as that amount is, these old folks in Anoka county are finding it necessary to fight for even half

of that. us that F.D.R. feels terrible about the \$150,000,000 cut in the WPA appropriation. Those same papers didn't say much Saturday, the day

forgot to announce that Loren ohnson is the proud poppa of a lock-out instituted by the WPA of-fice. This time it is the women The members of your board and your business agent cannot enforce a set of working rules that are not desired or wanted by the dance? In our safe! Ain't that



The perpetuation of wild life depends upon food, water and cover. The birds need food (you who read this try doing without food). The farmer and his boys and girls can do the job. But the sportsmen and state should provide the grain.

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When I ply my needle, trowel or pick I'm a decent Sheeney, Wop or Mick, But when I strike I'm a Bolshevik I'm Labor.



Looking Towards Detroit

Below we publish an editorial appearing in the current West Coast Sailor, weekly organ of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, AFL. The militant Sailors' Union has just narrowly escaped the disruption which the Communist Party wrecking-crew is preparing for the once-great United Auto Workers Union, and therefore the West Coast Sailor can speak with authority on the disastrous consequences of permitting the poison of Stalinism to filter into a union.

While placing the main blame upon the Communist Party for the present situation in the Auto Workers, the West Coast Sailor lambasts Martin for trying to fight the union-wreckers by himself

If there can be any consolation in the sad story of the Automobile Workers Union, it is that the Sailors' Union of the Pacific just barely escaped the same miserable fate.

of the Pacific just barely escaped the same miserable fate. Time and again true progressives in the labor movement have explained nearly to the point of monotony that the Communist Party will wreck any union that it can not control, and that once in control, it will ruin the union. It is not necessary to look far for proof. Pages and pages can be filled with the names of unions that have been destroyed by the union-wreckers.

The latest example, as well as the most far-reaching, is the Automobile Workers Union. This powerful organization, with its hundreds of thousands of members, and which inspired the whole organized labor movement in this country, is now staggering from the vicious below-the-belt punches delivered to it by the factional blows of

the Party-Liners.

That the Union is actually split in two cannot be denied. That the drive to completely unionize the industry has stopped dead is also undeniable. That the auto-

denied. That the drive to completely unionize the industry has stopped dead is also undeniable. That the automobile workers are threatened with a resumption of the open shop is equally true. And that this will set back trade unionism, not only in the automobile industry, but throughout the country, is a consequence that must be looked at squarely unless the membership of the union is able to break the Communist Party's death hold.

If anyone had any doubts about the CIO big-shots playing the old labor game by sticking with those that look the strongest and the most dangerous, as far as controlling the per capita income is concerned, then the action of Hillman-Murray in backing up the Party-Liners should be as awakening as a bucket full of ice cold water.

The present mess in the Automobile Workers could have been avoided if Martin had taken enough time and interest to study the experiences of the Sailors' Union with the Party-Liners. He would have learned that you do not fight wreckers by using the wreckers' tactics. He would have found out that a real, educational campaign, based on real issues of benefit to the membership of the Union is the only method of getting rid of the Party wreckers. He would also have learned that instead of making deals with the higher-ups in the CIO, and resorting to bureaucratic measures as a way of fighting the CP, it would have been much better to depend only upon the rank and file, by coming out openly, putting all the cards on the table, and realizing that fundamental principle upon which the Sailors' Union works—that it is never too early nor too late to tell the membership of the union everything.

Although the danger, for the time being, is behind

Although the danger, for the time being, is behind the Sailors' Union, it still exists. And if any sincere tradeunionist is ever tempted to listen to the siren voices of the Party-Liners, all he has to do is to look toward De-troit, and there he will see the answer. The Communist Party's role in the trade union movement is like that of a wild pig which devours everything in sight and can never have enough. And as to the "innocents" of the Party-Line, we would like to remind them that it is inglorious as well as thankless to be a tail to a gluttonous pig.

ADC Ruling Fought by FWS, CLU

(Continued from page 1) children with no outside help whatsoever. During the time they have been on WPA, they have been able to rehabilitate themselves and to win back a certain sense of secur-

Have Right to Jobs

The organized labor mov does not intend to stand idly by rights. The FWS says that these der investigation by ADC. women have just as much right to a job as any other group of work-

ers in the country.
Eligibles Have Troubles

The women who are actually dren have also been having their troubles. They are being squeezed in a vise, the innocent victims of the city relief department and the Hennepin County Welfare Board.

each additional child. If there is a death,

deficiency in their budget, it is supposed to be made up by the re-lief department.

ADC Set-up

pendent Children is under the jursdiction of the Hennepin County Welfare Board, which controls it policies. The County Welfare Board sets the operating budget for the department of ADC. Under the present budget the department allowed only 12 case workers. With such an inadequate personnel, only sixty cases a month car be investigated and grants made

Last Saturday the Minneapolis and watch the various politicians boot these women about. Defensemotion that the relief department Board of Public Welfare passed a less as these women may seem to will grant only that amount which the average relief official, they would normally be the relief dehave an organization behind them partment's supplement to an ADC which means to fight for their budget, in all those cases now un

In short, a family of five, with four dependent children would normally receive \$65 from ADC The relief department proposes to The women who are actually deduct right now this \$65 which the family is to get in the DIS-TANT FUTURE. The family will then be granted only about \$29 a month to live on.



Dead End!

The Private Chauffeurs are gong to jitter on the 21st. That's ust a day before the Lenten deadine. Better go. They are talking a nice dance.

We've Got One Now! Teamsters' International has been issued a label by the A. F. of L. It's going to cases . . . just in case.

Building Trades are still having rouble in that little nearby village of Robbinsdale.

544 bowling team may travel to St. Cloud soon to take on the teamsters there.

Coal and fuel oil drivers have had the worst season in years. Old Man Winter just won't bear down.

Do not be surprised if you are asked in the near future to join a new unemployed group, which, according to our spies, is going to be nei-ther fish nor fowl, man nor beast, but, to be Frank, is go ing to be something brand new under the sun.

Jack Smith may soon be back n the job.

Give Away Dept. A No. 1 drivers' union. Good as new. Nice, shiny charter. No members.

The state-wide tri-council comnittee will meet Saturday, Febru-

Attention, ITO's Independent truckers, now out of good standing can reinstate themselves cheaply for a 30-day period according to a new executive board ruling.

The score of the CIO Hopkins sit-down strike is: no hits, no runs | them.

-er, errors? Consult the box

Flash! Omaha bosses are down for Bakery drivers staged a nice

oings Saturday night. On the Contract Front All wholesale driving

agreements are settled. What About Labor Day?

The prize for long distance lance advertising goes to the Federal Section. They are already touting a brawl on St. Patrick's

Local 977 and the Sears-Roebuck gas station have both taken off their coats. Signs of Spring Dirt haulers wondering ho

Dirt hauserseep the frost goes. Dr. McCrimmon reports many 544 members have applied for free medical service.

This month's International Jour nal mentions the neon sign over the Minneapolis Teamsters Head-

Cab Drivers are still sparring with cab company owners.

just fine. Our "place" is out on streets, organizing workers and assisting them in getting better wages and conditions. So, thanks.

Famous Last Words To h-- l with the teamsters. We'll win the strike without

250 Turn Out To FCL Meet In Red Wing

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owerful enough to help him?" Dworchak, a member of the rectionary Farm Bureau, made an oblique attack on the Council, and uttered a lot of wild nonsense. At one point he claimed that most farmers would rather rent their farms than own them. A hearty augh went up from the audience.

When Cecil Crews and John osch pointed out the many contradictions in his talk, Dworchak wound up ingloriously by saying most farmers were dumb, including the audience.

to produce more. "What good would a big crop be to the farm-After three or four years on Local 544 does not think this is a would a big crop be to the farmers.

Would a big crop be to the farmers if they can't sell it? The only hope for the farmer is to work for After three or four years on WPA they are now suddenly thrown off and forced to apply for ADC. Under ADC they will get \$20 for the first child and \$15 for see women and children starve to \$100 for the first child and \$15 for see women and children starve to \$100 for the first child and \$15 for see women and children starve to \$100 for the first child and \$15 for see women and children starve to \$100 for the first child and \$15 for see women and children starve to \$100 for the first to work for more consumption," stated Crews in advising the farmers to study the progressive program of the Farmer-Cooperative-Labor Counter the first to work for more consumption, stated Crews set aftire to something inside the door so he rushed to a convenient firebarn for what it takes.

Prior to the speaking program, of the cooperative movement wa shown. After the program, coffee and sandwiches were served. Many farmers told Council representa tives they wanted many more meetings of this nature.

A committee of three, including Frank Koester, vice-president of the State Federation of Labor, was set up to further the work of the Council in the Red Wing area.

TAXI TOPICS

By Curly and Lunde

Local 544's Youth section bas too-simple advice to the farmers games under the coaching of Jack benefits that will accrue to paid "What good Herman. Bravo!

Curly had a hot cab last week

Did you know we have a "Joe

ay, also a shine; a lot of which ndicates a new girl or else his umbers came up on policy.

"Santa Claus" Hoggren wants a fence or something to protect his favorite cab stand; the lady drivers in the uptown district irk rease his fenders.

They say the way to a man' eart is through his stomach: If hat's true for the luv-a-mike let's ot have our next meeting near the kitchen, some of the boys have a good memory, and frankly, we don't think it's quite safe for the ex-chefs to even be around.

Independent Truck Chatter

By the Executive Board

Whom it may Concern On February 1st, the Executiv Board made a ruling in regard to delinquent ITO members and forner members which may have an important bearing on your case. The new By-Laws of Local 544 will probably go into effect sometime in March, 1939. As you are perhaps aware, the new By-Laws carry increased benefits for mem-bers who are paid up and in good tanding. Many Independent Truck Owners who are now members of the organization, some who are former members and a number A small faction in the CLU who have never belonged to which seems to be intent on quar-reling with the drivers, is reported become members in good standing as saying that they are going to prior to the time when the new By "put us in our place." Well, that's Laws are effective.

If you are a member who is behind in your dues, you can become reinstated by paying your current dues and a \$3.00 reinstatement fee which makes a total of \$5.00, to bring yourself in good standing. If you owe dues in excess of \$5.00 plus any fines, the foregoing will also hold true for you. To bring yourself in good standing you simply pay \$2.00, the current month's dues, and a \$3.00 reinstatement fee; your fines will be removed. At the present many truck owners are now paying current dues but owe to the union varying amounts of back dues. In accordance with the new ruling, such back dues owed the local would be cancelled.

To those truck owners who have not been members of General Drivers and Helpers Union, Local 544, for the period starting Febru-544, for the period starting Febru-showed up with a very sore arm, ary 1st until the new By-Laws go The cause being, he was bitten by into effect, you will be taken into a fink. We are sorry to report the death General Drivers and Helpers of the father of Charles Young-Union, Local 544 as a member in good standing for a payment of \$5.00. We believe that every mem- operators. Then they got OK and Crews challenged Dworchak's ketball team has won four straight realize that with the increased up members, it is important that everyone who is ineligible get themselves in good standing by that time.

> P. S.: For further particulars, contact Harry De Boer or Curt Zander at Union

With the **Dairy Workers** Local 471

By George Bergquist

Some of our members, bowling on the Shrine Patrol Team, journeyed to Duluth last Saturday for a match with the Shrine Team of that city. Our boys lost by a few pins but they promise to even up matters during Circus Week when the Duluth Bowlers will be down here. Harold Hurle reports that every man on that chartered bus had one swell time.

Last week Local 471 received a severe blow and shock in the sudden death of brother Fred Peik. A member of our organization for 15 years, he had always served as a good and true Union man. Funeral services were held last Sat-urday at North Methodist church. All available seats in the church were taken as his friends and brothers paid their last respects to him. Brother Peik practiced unionism and always kept his obligations up to date. We are happy to know that his family will receive a "full benefit," and to them we extend our deepest sympathy.

We take this last opportunity to urge you to attend your Local 471 dance at the Marigold ball-Wednesday evening, February 15. We know you will have a fine time and meet many of your old friends; Brother and Sister members. The tickets are free and admit just "one" this year. Each member will receive two from his steward. An attempt is being made this year to reduce the number of outsiders. We want a Local 471 dance as far as possible. Extra tickets must be obtained from those who cannot attend. you will be there one and all.

Brother Blosky has filed for Alderman in the First Ward and Brother Teiden in the Ninth. Members of Local 471 are up and com-

On Thursday evening, February the Farmer-Cooperative-Labor Council had a rousing meeting in the Red Wing Armory with an at tendance of about three hundred. The meeting included open discussion and questions from the audience. Already this movement has gained state-wide momentum.

There is no time like the pres nt for building unity and strength n our Local. During the next few months we will need lots of it. Whenever you pass a fello Brother with your truck or other wise, wave at him, salute him or say a good word. He might be your ompetitor but who cares, we are all Brothers of Local 471. Give him the "hi-sign" know him or not. Apply this tonorrow to ice cream men, commis sion salesmen, cottage cheese sales-men and milk haulers. I'll venture to say you are not personally ac-quainted with one milk hauler. And remember this, they control the source of supply for Minneapo

Sioux City 383

By Don Casper

One of the boys showed up at the union hall Saturday with a slightly discolored eye. And it vasn't dirt either!

A good job was done when we stopped one of the finks from haul-

Two brothers at Metz Bakery and one at Wonder Bread know no joke. If anybody else has any doubts-we suggest you see one of these brothers.

Steward J. Murphy at Continental Bakery has been selected as a delegate to the Bakery Drivers District Convention to be held at Des Moines, Iowa, on Saturday, February 11.

We wonder if Warren at the Iowa Bakery knows that Local 383 is situated at 410 1/2 Fifth Street

Clark, one of our members,

The Badgerow Building made a big mistake by using fink truck corrected same by using only union operators. The Sioux City Newspaper haul-

ers for country routes met February 4, to discuss the making of a expires June 1, 1939. One of the conditions to be corrected: overloading. They also changed their meeting date to every Thursday at

On the **National Picket** Line

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Bambrick issued a statement orderly manner in which they had conducted the strike, and thanked all the trade unionists who had supported the strikers. He said that the men were being returned to their posts as fast as possible.

Upon receipt of a telegram from the union LaGuardia sent a message to the attorney for the Realty Advisory Board, the employers' organi zation, advising him that he was expected to meet with the union's counsel as speedily as possible to work out the details of the agreement.

The agreement was not voted or favorably without a great deal of controversy and some fisticuffs of the floor of the meeting. The strikers were given three choices on the ballots—1. the \$1 a week raise with 47 hours of work; 2. general arbitration by a LaGuardia-appointed arbitor; and 3. rejection of both proposals. Many embers of the opposition left the hall without voting at all. There were several real fights between the oposing factions before the hall was cleared for the balloting.

In his speech Bambrick said "Mayor LaGuardia saved the life of this union. There has never been a better labor mayor than LaGuardia."

If there was space we could site many cases of LaGuardia's "friendliness" to labor. For instance, not long ago he had the entire New York police force on the could be stance. emergency basis so that they could Li club down the fur workers in their Le strike, even the while he entertained the negotiations committee BUY UNION LABEL GOODS

bor? This settlement an evidence of it? We wonder!

his offices.

President Roosevelt sent anothstirring appeal to congress on the WPA Defiviency Apropriations Bill which he signed last Saturday. Under the bill, with its \$150,000, 000 cut from the president's original \$875,000,000 it wil be necessary to cut more than a million persons off WPA by April 1. The president warned congress that the suffering is going to be horrible.

WPA has never been anything but Riot Insurance. Perhaps the president and those closest to him are beginning to realize that now is no time to stop paying premiums on Riot Insurance. When hungry people are pushed too far to the wall they are bound to rebel. Their lot can be no worse than it is now and will be in the very near future.

221 Bowlers Set Record, **Break Tie**

The Ice Drivers broke the threeway tie in the union bowling league by blanking Minkins Monday night. L. Mascoek had 607, and R. Hedin, 600. Liberty Cab took three from Soft Drinks to set a new high for three games: 2,816. E. Klein had the phenomenal score of 647. The Meat Drivers hung a few on Local 544, and the Gold Bubble took the odd game from

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UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

LOCAL 471 The Milk Wagon Drivers and Dairy Employees Union Local 471 meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.

LOCAL 131 Second Thursday each month, 8 p. m., third-floor.

LOCAL 259 Second Monday of each month

LOCAL 664

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he City and Sanitary Drivers will meet the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Park Board Grievance Committee — Monday night preceding the last meeting of the month.

The Retail Clerks Local 1086
will meet on the first and
third Tuesdays of each
month.

PETROLEUM DRIVERS Regular Membership Meeting— First Wednesday each month

LOCAL 977
General Membership — Second Monday each month, 9 p. m. Grievance and Seniority Boards — Each Monday, 8 p. m. Stewards—Fourth Monday, 9

FEDERAL WORKERS
Regular Membership Meeting—
Second Frida yeach month.
Stewards' Meeting — Every
Wednesday, 8 p. m.

Wednesday, February 1—Sausage; Petroleum
Thursday, February 2—Greenhouse; Independent Truck
Owners.

LOCAL 289
Retail Drivers—First Thursday.
Wholesale Drivers—Second
Thursday.
Yeast Drivers—Third Tuesday.
Cake and Pie—Third Thursday.
General Membership — Fourth
Thursday.

LOCAL 346
Regular Membership Meeting 2nd Monday each month, 8:30 p. m. 4th Monday each month, 1:30 p. m.

LOCAL 103
Regular Membership Meeting—
2nd Tuesdays.
Executive Committee Meeting—On call.

PRIVATE CHAUFFEURS
The Private Chauffeurs and
Helpers Local 912 meets the
first and third Tuesdays of each
month.

Day Laborer Section — First
Tuesday each month.
Independent Truck Owners Section—Second Tuesday each
month.

LOCAL 20316 Stewards — First and third Tuesday.
Regular Membership Meeting—
Fourth Tuesday.
Executive Board — Regularly
every Monday.

LOCAL 160
General Membership—First and third Thursday.
Seniority Board—Every Monday.
Executive Board—Every Tuesday.
Stewards — Wednesdays preceding first and third Thursdays.

LOCAL 1859 Casket Industry—Feb. 14.
J. R. Clark Section—Feb. 15
Puffer-Hubbard Section — Feb.
16

American Excelsior—Feb. 21 Twin City Stewards—Feb. 13 and 27

Grievance Board—Feb. 13 and 27 Executive Board, Local 1859— Every Friday night, 8 p. m. General Membership—March 1 Executive Board, Local 20481 —Feb. 6

General Membership-March 1

Night Drivers — 1:00 p. m. third Thursday each month. Day Drivers—7:00 p. m., third Thursday each month.

Friday, February 3-Job Stew-Monday, February 6—Package Delivery; Department Store Wednesday, February 8-Mar-ket; Wholesale Liquor

Friday, February 10-Whole-sale Grocery; Meat Drivers Monday, February 13—General Membership Wednesday, February 15 ---Building Material. Thursday, February 16—Tent & Awning; Printing; News-paper, 10 A. M. Friday, February 17 — Job Stewards

Sunday, February 19—Over-the-road, 10 A. M.

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Monday, February 20—Furniture Stores; Coal
Thursday, February 23—Transfer & Warehouse; Wholesale
Drug.
Tuesday, February 28—Sand
and Gravel.

Friday, February 24-Col Storage Monday, February 27—Spring Water

Seniority Committee meets each Tuesday at 7 P. M. in Hall No. 3 Grievance Committee meets each Tuesday and Friday at 7 P. M. in main office.

The Executive Board meets each Wednesday at 9 A. M. in the large hall on the first floor