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Victory for Electrical Workers Union

WAREHOUSEMEN WILL ORGANIZE FIGHTING UNION

Federal Charter Covers All Workers in Warehouses in the City

Many Plants Are Organized by New Local Union No. 20316

The Warehouse and Inside Workers Federal Local No. 20316 has got six months to go before it can even celebrate its first birthday. But in point of organizational achievement, this strapping youngster with its series of spectacular successes, is proving to be the infant prodigy of the Minneapolis labor movement. Working among the most exploited sections of the working class — the youth, the unskilled and the women workers, those who for the most part never had access to the ranks of organized labor — Local 20316 has grown to the stage where it has hundreds of members, to the stage where it already has achieved a firm foothold in the warehouse and retail store field. Almost unnoticed by the majority of the labor movement, the Warehouse and Inside Workers Local has grown so rapidly that the time is not far distant when it may actually become the largest union organization in this section.

Started at Sears

The story of the rise of Local 20316 is an object lesson of what can be accomplished by a correct and vigorous organizational policy and an energetic farsighted leadership. Prior to September, 1936, the Retail Clerks had made several attempts to organize the employees of the Sears-Roebuck store. A few hundred workers were organized, but became disgusted with the methods and lack of results of that organization; the Sears workers decided to form an organization of their own and applied for a charter. In the middle of November, Jimmy Bartlett, organizer for the new union, was arrested while passing out leaflets advertising a mass meeting for the Sears employees. This was an index of the lengths to which the

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LABOR SLAPPED BY WPA OFFICE

Wing's Removal Is Signal for Attack on Unions

The local WPA office has been given a thorough going over by the administration in regards to labor representation on the various boards. John Wing, who has been shifted to Brainerd, Minn., had taken care of the labor angle on local WPA projects for about two years.

While many representatives of labor have had occasion to find fault with Wing's policies, it cannot be denied that during his tenure in office labor has always been granted a hearing by WPA officials.

The local labor movement should be on the alert to insist that state administrator, Christgau, appoint a bona fide labor representative in Wing's place. Wing's removal is just another one of a long series of crimes that can be charged up against the Republican-colored administration of Victor Christgau.

Christgau and his representatives have stated bluntly several times lately that they were prepared to turn deaf ears to labor's voice in regard to policies on WPA projects. Minneapolis labor should insist that Christgau should be removed and that a member of the Minneapolis labor movement be installed in the job vacated by John Wing.



THE ETERNAL NIGHTMARE.

Newsboys Hold First Meeting To Form Union Organization

Minneapolis newsboys held their first union organizational meeting Sunday afternoon in the Mayor's Reception Room in the Court House.

Approximately 75 news vendors attended the meeting and keen enthusiasm was displayed by those present.

The meeting was addressed by Miles Dunne, editor of the Northwest Organizer. Dunne pointed out to the young workers that the trade union organization situation had changed completely in Minneapolis during the past three years.

He said that instead of this being known, as formerly, as the worst open shop scab town from coast to coast, it was now recognized as being one of the best union cities of its size in the United States.

Dunne urged the young workers to organize themselves, apply for a charter and proceed to give the newspapers here the licking of their life. Action taken by the meeting assures that Minneapolis will soon see a fine union organization of newsboys.

Furniture Workers Wish Luck, Success

The Northwest Organizer Minneapolis, Minn. Gentlemen:

Furniture Workers Union, Local No. 1859, wish to express our appreciation of the splendid work that has been done by the Northwest Organizer in assisting in the organization of the unorganized workers in this part of the country.

We know that without this publication constantly putting forward the viewpoint of the progressive section of the labor movement, gains that have been accomplished would not have been possible.

We think that the enlargement of the paper will open up even greater fields of service and will enable the publication to continue its task on a larger scale.

We extend to Teamsters Council and the staff of the Northwest Organizer the warmest brotherly greetings with all hopes of success.

Yours very truly,  
FURNITURE WORKERS UNION NO. 1859  
By John Janasco Secretary

SIT-DOWNERS SET STYLES IN NOVEL STRIKE

Sitdown Striker Chains Self to a Radiator; Wins Girl's Heart

Whenever a series of major controversies sweeps the country, the methods used by the victors to gain their ends, usually stir the imagination of the people, and prove a ripe ground for imitation. Such has been the case since the "sit-down" strike has proven such a forcible weapon in the hands of labor.

Harold Hulén, Excelsior Springs, Ark., refusing to take no for an answer, chained himself to the radiator in the foyer of his best girl's apartment house, and refused to leave until she relented.

John Coyle, Allentown, Pa., was arrested for panhandling. His sentence was ten dollars and costs. Indignant, John staged a "stand-up" strike. "More," he demanded. Twice he refused to sit down when ordered to. Twice he shouted, "More," and continued to stand. "Sixty days, and twenty-five dollars," the judge finally conceded.

At Smithville, Ont., George Shackleton, wearied by the troubling talents of his two maiden sisters, ordered them to leave his home. They immediately left the table, went to their room, to bed, on a hunger strike. Officials scratched their heads in an effort to evict the ladies without using force. On the tenth day the girls partook of a small breakfast.

Mrs. Nellie Brooks Shell, Ellyria, Ohio, national president of the Widows and Widowers club announced that on April 1, all the widows will "sit-down" on "all free home cooked meals for men without matrimonial intentions." The strike will be called at Kansas City, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, simultaneously.

At Rochester, N. Y., Mrs. Mildred Agness invaded her husband's dry cleaning shop and proceeded to initiate the first sit-down strike for alimony. For three days she sat. At night she slept on a desk, covered by her fur coat. She ate food that her friends and curiosity seekers brought her. On the third day she became hysterical and collapsed. Her ex-husband rushed her to a hospital where she is now recuperating.

Irate beer drinkers at Joliet, Ill., irked by the hiking of beer prices from a nickel to a dime, called a "sit-down" at Goof's tavern. Their efforts were entirely successful until their own friends, well intentioned but ill-advised, descended upon the tavern and bought all the strikers' beer. The tavern keeper had been feeding them pretzels and peanuts in an effort to make their thirst betray them. They drank water.

Greetings

The Northwest Organizer City Gentlemen:

Teamsters and Chauffeurs Joint Council No. 32 wishes to take this occasion to greet the new and enlarged Northwest Organizer on the occasion of its initial publication. We feel that with the enlargement of the official organ of the Joint Council, the paper will be able to render an even greater service to the labor movement in the future than it has in the past. Wishing the new venture luck and success, we remain

Fraternally yours,  
TEAMSTERS-CHAUFFEURS JOINT COUNCIL NO. 32  
By P. J. Corcoran, Sec'y-Treas.  
By P. J. Corcoran Secretary-Treasurer

Power Workers Move to Assure That Victory Achieved in Hard Struggle Will Not Be Snatched from Their Grasp

Two Signed Agreements Are Entered into Between Union and Northern States Power Company Which Outlines Wages and Work Conditions

The signing of the union agreement with the Minneapolis General Electric Company and the Northern States Power Company accomplishes another big stride forward for the Minneapolis Labor movement as a whole and is an outstanding event for the electrical workers.

The agreement entered into is in two parts: the international labor agreement between the "Northern States Power Company and all of its assigns, successors, or firms owned and controlled by it" and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, provides for union recognition for any and all local unions of the Brotherhood on any of the properties of the company. This agreement sets up the means of negotiating for local union contracts governing the hours, wages, and working conditions. The International labor agreement further provides for an arbitration board to settle any differences that may arise between the company or its subsidiaries and representatives of the local unions of the Brotherhood. This arbitration board consists of the president of the Northern States Power Company and the president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers or their representatives. In the event these two are unable to agree, they will pick a third wholly disinterested party to set with them and hear any and all cases that may be referred to them.

The International agreement is effective as of January 1, 1937, to and including December 31, 1938; covering a period of two years.

The local union agreement between Local 292 and the Minneapolis General Electric Company provides that the union will be the sole bargaining agent of all employees in the so-called operating end of the electrical utility business and covers all of the Minneapolis divisions of the company.

The wage clause of the local union agreement provides, "Employees covered in this agreement shall receive an increase in their wage in accordance with the amounts and percentages herein scheduled and agreed upon; such increases to be retroactive to and including January 1, 1937, based on wages in effect of November 30, 1936."

The amount of wage increase employees are to receive is as follows: "Employees receiving \$160 per month or more, to receive \$5 per month increase; employees receiving \$145 but less than \$160 per month to receive 5 per cent increase; employees receiving \$130 but less than \$145 per month to receive a 6 1/2 per cent increase; employees receiving \$115 but less than \$130 per month to receive an eight per cent increase; employees receiving less than \$115 per month shall receive a ten per cent increase." It is agreed that no employee... shall suffer a reduction in present wages...

The agreement further provides that monthly employees shall receive full-time employment when work is available and can be laid off only on a pay day. Hourly employees working 12 days in any calendar month are guaranteed a full month's work. The wage rate established shall be subject to review on or after January 1, 1938.

The working rules cover work to be done by apprentices and the ratio of such apprentices to journeymen. The work-day is established at eight hours per day and five days per week with provision to meet any need of work on the sixth day for day-time employees and further pro-

Greetings

Mr. Miles Dunne, Editor The Northwest Organizer Dear Sir and Brother:

The General Drivers and Helpers Union, Local No. 544, greets with deep pride and gratitude the bigger and better NORTHWEST ORGANIZER.

Since the days when the ORGANIZER was printed as a four-page leaflet up to the present time, it has been an invaluable asset to the organization work of the General Drivers Union.

With its increased size and widened circulation, it will be even more valuable to the labor movement in the future.

Fraternally yours,  
GENERAL DRIVERS UNION LOCAL NO. 544  
By Farrell Dobbs, Secretary

'American City,' Book on Local Labor Situation, Is Reviewed

Railroad Workers To Hold Meeting

Lodge 814 of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen will conduct a mass membership meeting on Sunday, March 14, 10 o'clock A. M., at 242 West Broadway, in Minneapolis. The purpose of this union meeting is to acquaint the membership with certain internal problems which have developed inside of the union, and also to discuss certain program proposals for the coming B. of L. F. and E. Convention at Milwaukee next June.

All B. of L. F. and E. members from the Twin Cities and surrounding terminals are urged to attend.

The presence of the Grand Lodge officers has been requested.

Work Deals With Unions in Minnesota and the Northwest

American City—A Rank and File History, by Charles Runford Walker. New York Farrar and Rinehart. \$2.50.

More precise and detailed studies of Minneapolis may be written in the future, but none more interesting and graphic than this "biography" of the city. Of all the journalists who have visited here in the last few years to capture for their readers the spectacular resurgence of the local labor movement, will all the consequent developments, only Walker has done a vivid and man-sized job. Most of the others did not rise above the level of personal impressions; or they were handicapped with such an obvious and deadening political bias (as was the case of Spivak) that the resulting distortions were not only worthless but senseless. Sometimes the story never got written at all (There are a half-dozen writers who meant to tackle the job that Walker has done in "American

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TEACHERS HOLD CONVENTION IN ST. PAUL MAR. 6

The Minnesota Emergency Teachers association, organization of adult education teachers under the WPA, voted to affiliate with the American Federation of Teachers in its annual state delegated convention held in the State Office building, March 6.

The action of the group was taken after delegates from all parts of the state heard Harold J. Gibbons, national vice president of the AFT, discuss the question.

The group will be granted a statewide charter and will in turn establish locals under the state unit. Negotiations will soon be under way for affiliation with the city central bodies in the metropolitan areas.

The Rev. Charles Swanson, Moose Lake, was elected president of the unit; Harry M. Lund, St. Paul, executive secretary, and Howard Rolfe, Duluth, treasurer.

Victory Club Will Hold an Affair

The Victory Club, an organization of union employees of the National Tea Co., will hold a smoker and social affair in Local 544's halls Saturday, March 13.

This club, which is purely a social organization, will use the funds raised by the affair for the benefit of members of the club who are ill. Tickets are 50 cents and the public is invited.

Sinnott Hits High As Bowlers Fight For Lead in Race

First Place Is Still Held by Independent Truck Owners

BOWLING

F. W. S. rolled 2,752 to take two from Con. No. 1. Ind. took a firm hold on first place as they won three straight from Con No. 2. The Meats were dropped from the lead as they lost the odd game to Nat. Teas. Dobb's fine bowling led 544 as they won three in a row over Joint Council. Sinnott also bowled well, hitting 217 in the last game.

Con. No. 1 820 836 880-2536  
F. W. S. 974 972 806-2752

Con. No. 2 801 861 879-2541  
Ind 849 1025 928-2801

Meat 866 868 798-2532  
Nat. 869 886 745-2500

544 898 967 988-2853  
J. C. 879 862 893-2634

Ind. rolled a new team record of 1,028. Some of the boys have a hard time keeping their minds on bowling with the many fair maidens in the galleries. Con. No. 1 has two new bowlers, Heilig and Robinson. Sinnott, Vincent, J. H. Johnson, Norman and McKean all hit "200" scores. Your secretary has been ordered to have write ups for the Minneapolis Bowling News edited by Cravens.

— J. H. J.



# WAREHOUSEMEN WILL ORGANIZE FIGHTING UNION

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 management was prepared to go to prevent organization among "their" workers. Bartlett was defended by the Workers Defense League and the municipal court judge later found him not guilty, stating he was well within his legal rights in distributing the leaflets. In the meantime, a successful open meeting of the Sears-Roebuck workers was held, with gratifying organizational results. The attempts to prevent organization only spurred on the union nucleus. From a group of thirty or forty, it has since grown to over four hundred in this plant alone.

**Get Federal Charter**  
 The month previous, in October, a federal charter had been granted the warehouse and Inside Workers. During the holidays between Thanksgiving and Christmas, an elaborate plan was laid for a huge organizational drive on a city-wide scale for all inside workers. In an attempt to prevent unionization, many employers worked their employees long hours so that the union meetings could not be attended. Around the first of this year, plans were perfected for a great citywide mass meeting. Having no place to meet and not yet having built up a treasury, a committee from Local 20316 consulted with the General Drivers Union. The executive council of Local 544 responded wholeheartedly, pledging full support to the young organization; it offered the use of its auditorium, speakers, etc. The meeting was well advertised, and over five hundred workers from a number of large plants throughout the city responded. Among the speakers were Judge Poirier, Farrell Dobbs, Robley Cramer and Miles Dunne. Numerous contacts were made with key workers in the largest department stores and warehouses. Scores of workers enrolled in the union.

**Contracts Secured**  
 Employees in the liquor industry demonstrated they were eager for the benefits that a union could give them. Local 20316 immediately set up the necessary machinery, completed organization in this field, and negotiated contracts with the employers which called for an increase in wages and improvement in working conditions. Striking while the iron was hot, the Union then drove ahead, directing its attention to the large department stores. A contract was subsequently reached with the Maurice L. Rothschild Company, on February 23, covering all eligible employees at this large department store, and laying the foundation which can unionize this entire field in the near future. This contract brought a 33 per cent increase in wages and a big reduction in hours—naturally it has stimulated organization of the employees at Dayton's, Donaldsons, Powers, and the other stores. What many skeptics thought impossible of achievement at this time is actually becoming a reality: the department stores are being organized, and rapidly.

**Establish Office**  
 When the Teamsters Joint Council took over the entire building at 257 Plymouth Avenue, the Warehouse and Inside Workers established an office on the main floor of this headquarters, and began to carry on its campaign with a full-time staff. And by this time, a full-time staff was required. So enthusiastic was the response to the successes of Local 20316 that it was necessary to hold meetings every night in the week for one or another group of workers. In clusters of fifty to five hundred, they would come to the union hall, wanting an explanation of the union program, demanding to know how they could receive the benefits of unionization. From the auto parts industry, from Buzzas, from the B. F. Nelson Company, from Jamney-Semple-Hill, even from Butler Brothers (the firm that certain cynical labor leaders maintained would never be organized), workers continued to stream into the union. In efforts to stave off organization, several plants such as Hears-Roebuck, have granted

March 9, 1937  
 The Northwest Organizer  
 Miles Dunne, Editor  
 Dear Sir and Brother:  
 The Warehouse and Inside Workers Union, Local No. 20316, wishes to take this occasion to congratulate the Teamsters Joint Council on the improvement and enlargement of its official publication, the NORTHWEST ORGANIZER.  
 The NORTHWEST ORGANIZER, since its very inception, has been an indispensable weapon in the hands of the working people of Minneapolis in their struggles to improve their wages and working conditions. This step forward in the history of your paper will prove its value many fold in the coming days of struggle.  
 Fraternally yours,  
 WAREHOUSE AND INSIDE WORKERS UNION NO. 20316  
 By James Bartlett  
 President

# POWER WORKERS TO HOLD GAINS

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 vides for meeting the conditions of all so-called "shift employees." Over time work is to be rated at time and on-hair except on Sundays and holidays, for which the rate is double time, and except that emergency overtime by monthly employees will be straight time. All over-time, however, will be paid for instead of taken off as heretofore.

An outstanding clause of the working rules provides that all contract work done by the company must be done under union conditions and that the union conditions are to be as provided in this agreement or an agreement established between the contractor and a bona fide A. F. of L. union that may be involved in the work.

Full seniority is established in the agreement and provides for seniority lists to be bulletined from time to time and in places accessible to the various department groups of men.

Rules are set up for leave of absence, for the furnishing of meals when working overtime and expenses when away from headquarters. A vacation and sick leave schedule provides for full vacation and sick leave to all regular monthly employees, and the establishing of vacation schedules for each year. The agreement provides that all hourly employees may choose to be employed on a monthly basis after two years of continuous service.

**General Drivers Prepare to Renew Union Agreements**

With the first hints of the arrival of spring, members of Local No. 544 are beginning to think about the contracts which expire on May 31. It is the intention of the Executive Board to exert all possible effort to have all the negotiations completed prior to that date. A special committee of the Executive Board has been designated to draft a schedule of negotiations for the various contracts expiring and to prepare standard clauses and general recommendations for uniform contracts.

Meetings of the various groups of members involved will be called according to the arrangements made in the negotiating schedule. It is important for all members to be on the alert for a notice of a special meeting of their group and to respond wholeheartedly to the task of preparing for the new contracts.


The closest possible co-operation will be arranged with Local No. 120 in St. Paul so that uniform contracts can be established for both cities. Small wage increases to its employees. Thill whets the appetites of the workers and impresses them the more with the need for union organization, with the mutual protection and improvement in wages and working conditions which unionization means.

**Time Is Ripe**  
 In the middle of February another industry was cracked—the Phillips Company signed a contract covering the 45 employees of that firm, granting union recognition, seniority, a 48-hour week, and wage increases. The conjunction of events—rising living costs, the strong sister unions already well established in Minneapolis, the wave of unionization that is sweeping the country, guarantees that a wide section of local workers who have never previously had access to the union movement will come to make up the membership of the Warehouse and Inside Workers. Three hundred of the 400 employees at Buzzas have now joined; the B. F. Nelson company is almost completely unionized; strong groups are functioning in a dozen stores and warehouses and growing every day. As far as the jurisdiction of the Warehouse Workers is concerned, there is little question but what Minneapolis will be a Union Town.

Local 20316 is primarily interested in bringing ALL the unorganized workers into the ranks of organized labor. For the first time in the history of the city, this is becoming a possibility. The very workers whom the bosses have taken most advantage of—the young men and women some receiving as little as 10 cents an hour—are seeing their chance to change the picture, and together with the Warehouse and Inside Workers Union, are determined to rise up and improve their conditions.

**Initiation Fees Raised**  
 The present initiation fee for the Union is \$2. Because of the growing organizational expenses, this fee will be raised on March 15 to \$3, and will be increased \$1 each month thereafter. Dues are \$1.25 monthly, including a subscription to the new and larger Northwest Organizer. Workers interested in receiving more information about the Warehouse and Inside Workers Local 20316 may do so by coming up to the union offices at 257 Plymouth Avenue North; every organizational assistance will be granted them.

**Bill Brown Says—**



The new and enlarged edition of the Northwest Organizer proves two things. It shows first that a plan and a program with people of courage to carry it out can accomplish the impossible. The paper has grown from a leaflet to a newspaper. It shows also that if Minneapolis labor could support one labor newspaper five years ago it is now more than able to support two labor papers now. We say not fewer labor newspapers but more, bigger and better ones.

**BILL BROWN**  
 President of 544

# 'American City,' Book on Local Labor Situation, Is Reviewed

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 City.") Charles Walker took the task seriously. Prior to coming to Minneapolis in the spring of 1936, he familiarized himself with the general history of this section—political, economic, social. He then spent six months in this city, during which he interviewed hundreds of people—bosses, bankers, unionists, political leaders, rank-and-filers. He lived, as far as anyone not a native can live, the lives of those about whom he writes. The result is an honest book, a book that will set a new style for sociological research. Unlike the more timid Lynds and their "Middle-town" (the work with which "American City" must invite comparison), Walker names names, does not hesitate to stick labels where they belong, to define that which should be defined.

There are few Minnesotans who, having read this book, won't gain a fresh and truer conception of themselves, their lives and their history, than they now hold. That's the test of a book of this sort and Walker's study passes it with flying colors. Almost every Minneapolitan will be more aware of the large and powerful forces which operate on his own life for having read the book. The author traces the history of the region from the reign of the Hudson's Bay Company, through Astor's American Fur Company, the historically progressive but abusive rapine by Jim Hill, the U. S. Steel Corporation's steal of the Mesabi, the rooking of the Northwest farmers by the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, the World War-time dictatorship of the Committee of Safety, down to the 1936 political campaign. He recalls the names of former great leaders, such as Charles A. Lindbergh and Ignatius Donnelly, who used to attract to their banners thousands of Minnesota's exploited and dispossessed. It is just this accent on the lives of the "rank-and-file empire builders" that makes Walker's history so much truer, and hence more understandable, than the third-rate stuff put out by the darlings of the Minnesota Historical society.

This book comes off the press at the right time. In five exciting chapters there is presented the most complete picture yet painted of the 1934 strikes. Everything is in its right place. The roles played by the Citizens' Alliance, by Olson, by the government mediators, by Olson's troops, are examined. "The Communist party of Minneapolis, none of whose members were either in the leadership of the strike or members of the union, denounced the (May) settlement violently as a sell-out to the Citizens' Alliance. . . Throughout both strikes the Communist party violently attacked the union's leadership." Walker, who is by no means unfamiliar with the union movement, estimates that in the leadership of the General Drivers Union are "several of the ablest trade unionists in the labor movement of America." He quotes figures of the Industrial Commission of Minnesota to portray what the establishment of union conditions in the field of motor transportation means. In May, 1934, the average weekly wage in this field was \$14.50; in May, 1936, \$32.16. He describes the workings of the General Drivers Union, that "dynamo of change," and tells of the 38 new unions that were formed in the period from the 1934 strikes to the writing of the book; he testifies to the assistance rendered by the General Drivers in winning the auto mechanic strike, the Strutwear and Flour City strikes. The writers of "I Accuse" leaflets aren't going to like Mr. Walker at all. His portrayal of the Farmers-Labor party in action under fire is going to make serious people all over America undertake a reevaluation of this political instrument, and help them to understand its uses and limitations. History is hell on the "Popular Front" idea! Because "American City" tells the truth there will be no end of critics who will come forward to damn it as a bit of malicious pamphleteering.

This book should be read by every worker. It's too bad that, like all books, it's priced high; perhaps a cheaper edition will appear later. In the meantime, potential readers can club together and buy copies jointly. It should be mentioned that there

are some points on which the General Drivers leaders are not in full agreement with "American City;" they are unanimous in judging it a serious, honest and valuable book.

The 32 photographic illustrations are vivid and well chosen. The biographical sketches of the late A. W. Strong, the late Governor Olson, and of Ray Dunne, are most interesting. As Walker says, "Labor has created in the midst of the city a dynamo which for three years has made change a fact of everyday life"—so swiftly do events move these days, that already there exists material for the first half of a sequel to the book. Walker's study (Adelaide Wilke did much of the research for her husband's book) will no doubt prompt or provoke others to write of the social and political happenings in Minnesota. These people will have to use Walker's book as a point of departure.

—C. H.

# On the Route With the Milk Man



Bill Sinnott, business representative of Local No. 471, Milk Drivers Union, had a real field day last Friday night. While bowling with the Milk Drivers Bowling team in the Joint Council league, Bill reached bowling heights he had never dreamed of. Bill rolled a score of 217. No, friends, that was not the total of three games but one.

Milk Drivers Union, through their officers, has extended greetings to the new Organizer and say they wish it the best of luck.

Ray Sawyer and Carl Johnson were delegates to the Third District Convention of the Farmer Labor Party at Cambridge Sunday.

Take a look at the Milk Drivers buttons this month. In the first place, they are green. But that is not all, imprinted under the number of the union is a little green harp, a tribute to St. Patrick's Day. But the Norse and Swedes get in their licks later. Their colors appear in May and June respectively.

Take a look at the Art Gallery in the Milk Drivers' office. They have about a dozen splendid labor drawings from the pen of Brother Johnson, the talented inside worker at De Sota Creamery.

The next regular membership meeting of Local 471 will be held on the third floor hall of the Council headquarters Tuesday, March 16. Members should bear in mind that this will be the fourth meeting at the new headquarters and fines will fall without fear or favor on those who haven't attended at least one meeting.

Edwin Dahlstrom, popular employee of the south Franklin plant, is desperately ill at the University Hospital. He has been confined there since December by The Milk Drivers Union, to a man, are pulling for his speedy recovery.

The furniture in the Milk Drivers office is being completely refinished. Yes, a union painter has been employed.

It's going to get serious at the Lond O' Lakes unless something is

# Ice and Coal Drivers Union, Local 221 Votes for New Executive Board

Local 221, Ice and Coal Drivers Union, Tuesday night took out a new lease on life when the local voted on a plan to completely reorganize the Executive Board in order that more efficient operation of the union would result.

During the past year internal friction has torn Local 221 into opposing camps and during the election period shortly following the first of the year, it was found it was impossible to conduct an election that would have the united support of both factions. After two unsuccessful attempts to hold an election the matter was turned over to the Teamsters Joint Council by the Executive Board of the International Union.

The Executive Board of the Teamsters Council deemed it wise that an Executive Board comprising an equal number of representatives from 221 and the Teamsters Council be installed in the Ice and Coal Drivers Union. It was further decided that all ice drivers who are now members of General Drivers Union be turned over immediately to 221 in order that all workers in the ice industry would be members of the same organization.

The Tuesday meeting O. K'd the plans of the Joint Council and, as a result, members of the new Executive Board are as follows: president, Ray Rainbolt; vice president, W. Jones; recording secretary, Kelly Postal; secretary treasurer, Richard Wilson. The three trustees will be Sherman Oakes, Bruce Vincent and A. P. Eberl.

Under the new setup two full time organizers will be assigned to the union who will be chosen from the ranks of the Executive Board. Rainbolt and Postal have been selected for this work.

It is expected that under the new arrangement the ice industry of Minneapolis will be completely organized and wages for these workers will be leveled for the first time in many years.

# Pauline Berg Breaks Leg Tuesday Night

Pauline Berg, office worker of Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees Union, and member of Stenographers Union No. 17,661, was victim of a serious accident Tuesday evening.

While visiting at a neighbor's house on Columbus avenue, Miss Berg slipped on an icy step and suffered a fall which resulted in breaking both bones in her right ankle. At the present time she is confined in the Asbury Hospital.

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Sister Berg, who has just purchased a new gas buggy, broke her ankle Monday night before she had the chance to give the new car a workout.

Milk Drivers Union has been having a scuffle with Petroleum Union in regard to milk deliveries.

Milk Drivers, along with other trucking unions, may leave the CLU flat. They don't like taxation without representation, either.

# Independent Truck Chatter

## ITO Election Results

The election at the last meeting resulted in a few changes in the lineup of officers for the Independent Truck Owners Section. Following is the new staff that will lead this section for the next year. Chairman, Axel Soderberg; vice chairman, Tom McCue; recording secretary, Eugene Lundholm; assistant recording secretary, Richard Hornig; Wager and Means committee, Curt Zander, Art Karlen, John Hough and L. P. Hagen; sergeants at arms, C. H. Quick, Ed Morstad.

At the final vote Axel Soderberg and Milton Hodson were tied for chairman, whereupon Hodson withdrew in favor of Soderberg.

After repeatedly being asked how come he had no emblem on his truck, Hornig (known as the fashion plate of Lilac Lane) finally confessed that he sold it for scrap brass now that junk metal prices are so high.

## To Avoid Accidents

A resolution was adopted by the section about carrying men in the trucks to and from work. On many projects like the belt line and airport the federal workers have to walk several blocks from the street car line to the job. Truckers naturally like to give the men a lift. The insurance companies frown on this practice and will take no responsibility in case of a lawsuit. Congestion is caused in the street with a possibility of accidents involving other traffic and also injury to the men themselves. The ITO section passed a motion that in the future no Independent trucker should stop on the road and give rides. This doesn't include a neighbor or friend that regularly rides to work in the truck cab.

B. G. Ambrose was officially voted out of the doghouse by the section at the last meeting. By the way, who knows what Ambrose' first name really is. You could never guess.

There are still approximately a hundred special ITO assessments that have not been turned in. Don't force the stewards to forever dun you for the money; pay it voluntarily at the first opportunity. If there is an idea of dodging this debt forget it right away, because a record is kept of each trucker's promptness of payment.

# DUNNE BLASTS LABOR ENEMIES FRIDAY NIGHT

All Minneapolis Workers to Be Told of Rift in Unions

In his speech at the mass meeting at the General Drivers Hall Monday night, V. R. Dunne gave one of the most informative and interesting talks that the workers of Minneapolis have ever had the good fortune to hear. His knowledge of the past and present, national and international, as well as the local labor movement is equaled by few in Minneapolis today.

That unique ability to analyze a situation, to find the real nut to crack, which so particularly characterizes the analytical mind of Ray Dunne, did not fall him on that night. He summed up the activities of those arch defeatists, disrupters and their satellites who, like cocks crowing from dung heaps of their own creation, disseminate the most vicious lies and propaganda against the leaders of Local 544 and the progressive labor movement of Minneapolis.

In his speech he methodically chose his opponents one by one, identified, indicted, convicted and, figuratively speaking, fried them in their own fat. We might feel disposed to conclude that this would end the matter; as one brother was heard to remark so aptly, "That ought to make them pull in their necks." But to dispose of the matter thus lightly would be to reckon without the wrecking policies of the present, so-called, Communist Party. This is evident in a glaring, conspicuous form in the entire international labor situation today. The C. P. takes its directions from the usurper, Joseph Stalin, of Moscow and subsequently filters down through his puppets even to the Minneapolis labor movement.

It behooves every honest, bona fide trade unionist to acquaint himself with the real issues so that the working class, not only of Minneapolis, but of America, may be better fortified against the machinations and connivings of these world wide betrayers of the proletariat class.

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The Editor Northwest Organizer Minneapolis, Minn. Minneapolis, Minn. My Dear Sir:

The Affiliated Schools for Workers is a pioneering and servicing agency in the field of workers' education and serves the labor movement in many ways. I am writing to you at this time about a particularly interesting phase of our work with which I believe you are familiar. The Affiliated Schools conducts a publications program through which printed and mimeographed material is prepared by teachers of workers classes who are well equipped to write these pamphlets and study outlines in terms which workers find useful. These publications are written on topics of vital interest to workers, such as the history of trade unionism, the worker and government, company unions, wages, unemployment.

Although this material is used extensively in workers' groups and trade union classes, we are making a special effort to acquaint new groups of workers and teachers with the material which we publish. To further stimulate the interest of trade unionists for whom these publications were specially prepared, we are offering an unusual reduction in price. This sale of publications is planned for the months of March and April only.

We are asking for the co-operation of the labor press in announcing this sale. We are hoping that you will be willing to carry a free advertisement, a copy of which is enclosed, and in this way help us acquaint your readers with this special offer. The publications program is non-profit making and does not allow for any paid advertisement. Your readers will want to know of this material. Will you tell them about this through an advertisement in an early issue of your publication? Mats have been prepared which we will be glad to send to you on request as soon as we hear from you that you wish to use the prepared mat in connection with such an advertisement in your paper.

Fraternally yours,  
JOHN W. EDELMAN,  
Publicity Chairman

Tell them that you saw it in the NORTHWEST ORGANIZER.

## Watt Notes

By J. J. Kitowski

Due to the growth of the union and to meet the future enlargement of the Northwest Organizer, we now have two scribes working on our column, Kitowski and Middleton. Please contact us for all items you wish to enter in the paper.

Who said Schultz is dead? He was very much alive the last two weeks and what an ovation he received around 6 p. m. Wednesday, March 3.

The full membership more than ever has the utmost faith in their leadership and we feel sure the new members, when they become better acquainted with our leaders, will put their o. k. on them.

We welcome the new members and believe they will take a real interest in the organization and be 100 per cent union men.

When deliveries are made to your homes ask for the union button.

With the victory of the utility section accomplished, let's get the inside section their 100 per cent quota. All together, boys, it's get our shoulders to the wheel.

Believe it or not, Brother Gilbertson of the overhead went to bed at 9 p. m. Friday, March 5.

For apprentices the boys were proved to be real veteran pickets and how they stuck to it willingly and sometimes without much sleep.

Some of the union wives were heard to remark, "We hope our husbands soon snap out of it and realize the strike is over." Reason—It seems the men prefer sleeping with their clothes on in chairs at home or on the floor. Now come on, boys, let us get back to pajamas.

Apparently some meters were connected during the strike.

The trouble department was absolutely 100 per cent during the strike, "checker board and all."

### Daily Star Workers Join Typists Union

Stenographers, Bookkeepers, Typists and Assistants Union No. 17661 reports that union organization of the office workers at the Daily Star is almost completed.

A union agreement covering wages and working conditions of the Star's office workers has been presented to the publishing company and efforts are being made to get their signature on a contract.

Don't forget—an ad in the ORGANIZER means that the advertiser is for us.

## New Policy of Northwest Organizer Is Set Forth by Editorial Board

After two years of continued growth and expansion, The Northwest Organizer, official organ of the Teamsters-Chauffeurs Joint Council No. 32, has embarked upon a policy of enlarging the size of the publication and going into the advertising field. The phenomenal growth of the Organizer with its rapidly expanding circle of readers has encouraged us in the belief that it should prove to be a splendid advertising medium.

The course of expansion was adopted only after a complete and thorough consideration of all of the issues involved. The Editorial Board, which is charged with charting the course of the paper, was confronted by a situation which always arises when the publication of a labor paper is undertaken.

Labor publications, like all biased organs of publicity which put forward the viewpoint of a certain section of the population, always must be subsidized. The publication of a labor newspaper is a task which entails a continued financial outlay by the organization or organizations which the publication represents.

The cost of publishing the Organizer has never been fully met by the subscription price. Its continued appearance has only been at the price of continued financial outlay by the organizations involved. Despite the fact that the Organizer has been published at the expense of continued financial sacrifice by General Drivers Union and later by Teamsters and Chauffeurs Joint Council No. 32, no thought has ever been given to discontinuing it. Rather, the Editorial Board felt that the continued appearance of the Organizer was the greatest safeguard for the continued safety, growth and expansion of the progressive section of the Northwest labor movement.

The Editorial Board, as a consequence, felt that they should take whatever steps necessary to ease the financial burden connected with the publication of the paper. Hereafter advertising matter from a carefully selected group of advertisers will appear in the columns of this publication. The Editorial Board, which has complete charge of the editorial and advertising policy of the Organizer, will select such advertisers as they believe to be honest business people and whose labor policy is one of cooperation with the labor movement.

We advise the readers of this publication to support the advertisers whose message appears in the columns of this paper. They are helping support it and so are deserving of your patronage. The editorial and news policy of the Organizer will be in no wise changed by the inclusion of advertising in its columns.

### With the Laundry Workers Union

the police or help of the labor movement.

We are happy to report that the decision of the compliance committee in the case of Martin Carlson versus the Pilgrim Cleaners was in our favor and Martin is back on the job, happy as ever.

Jack Strobel, our efficient member of the entertainment committee, accepted a position as manager of the De Sota Halls, 703 3rd Ave. S.

All indications point out to a very busy season in the dry cleaning industry. Numerous calls are coming in to the office for silk presses.

Lucille Geyer accepted a position as a head presser with Shapiro Bros. Good for you, Lucille.

Elsie Fosberg from Swartz Bros. St. Paul, has transferred her membership from Local 150 to 183.

Elvina McDonough of the Nevens Company, Nina Welch of the Nevens and William Brost of the Minneapolis Laundry are on the sick list this week.

We wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Squires and family in their recent bereavement of the loss of a dear father and husband.

A serious situation is threatening to develop, which may cause the breaking down of conditions and wage scales if something is not done to stop this vicious practice of some of the smaller plant owners who are taking in partners in their businesses and are selling stock thus depriving the regular union workers of their jobs and defeating the very terms of our agreement. The first example is the Flour City Laundry, 2611 Nicolet, who took in our ex-president as a partner. The union is determined to make a test case of this by submitting it to a Board of Arbitration and will stop this practice from spreading any further.

One more hotel agreement with Local 183 was signed, this time it was the King Cole who employ about 11 laundry workers. Mr. Edelman of David C. Bell Investment Co. signed for the owners.

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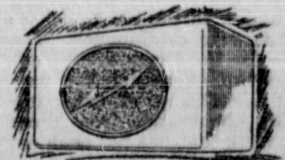


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When I ply my needle, trowel or pick  
 I'm a decent Sheeny, Wop or Mick,  
 But when I strike I'm a Bolshevik  
 I'm Labor.

## For a Labor Temple

The slogan carried on the masthead of the new Northwest Organizer calls for the building of a Labor Temple in Minneapolis. There is no reason for the Minneapolis labor movement to be divided and scattered over the entire city. The slogan "In unity there is strength" has been a motto of the labor movement for many years. Unity of organizational aims and policy is not enough, however.

The physical unity of being with your fellow workers, rubbing elbows with them and being in a position to consult with them readily and easily is just as important as to maintain unity of purpose. The importance of physical unity has been demonstrated by the Teamsters-Chauffeurs Joint Council who have recently taken over a headquarters at 257 Plymouth Ave. Since that time there has been ample demonstration that the ability of one union to confer with another and for all driving craft unions to have the opportunity to settle their problems in harmony with other unions is a valuable asset for the movement.

This move, however, settled this problem for only a small section of the Minneapolis labor movement. In a general way, the balance of the Minneapolis union movement is scattered in various places throughout the city. This need not be the case. The Minneapolis trade union movement owns a valuable plot of ground in a downtown location. It is valueless to the movement as long as the necessary improvements are not made upon it which would result in housing the entire labor movement under one roof.

It is only the defeatists and the old line reactionary trade unionists who look with a suspicious eye upon any move that would result in injecting life and vitality into those who are charged with the responsibility of building a Labor Temple in Minneapolis. What is needed is an entirely new outlook and viewpoint upon the whole question.

The Minneapolis labor movement has more than trebled its size the last three years. All the forces and all the finances necessary for the erection of a home for the labor movement are here and at hand waiting only to be put into action. A small assessment on every Minneapolis trade unionist would at once solve the financial problem. What is needed is that the labor movement be sold on the necessity and desirability of owning their own home.

A campaign oriented to that end must be gotten underway and a sentiment created for the building of a Labor Temple. Rather than being a hard job it is an easy one. Let's go forward with action for a labor home.

## The Steel Victory

The smashing victory of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Plate Workers Union in the midwestern steel centers is one that is too significant to be overlooked by those concerned with labor's progress. The winning of a union agreement by the steel organization from one of the biggest subsidiaries of the U. S. Steel Corporation is a victory for labor which may prove to be a double-edged sword.

It is almost impossible for one who has followed the developments of the American trade union movements in their efforts to organize the steel industry to conceive of the abject surrender of an industry which has always been the most violent and outspoken enemy of the organized labor movement. One has only to hark back to the Homestead slaughter and other places which have been battle grounds between steel workers and the companies, and which have resulted in the almost universal defeat of the workers to wonder what the recent steel victory means. Had it come after a violent head-on collision between the companies and the men, the recent action in steel would not be a cause of so much concern.

But it is only reasonable to assume that the surrender of the steel industrialists means that they are at least hopeful that some device is on hand to shackle the hands of the workers in steel and to render their unions impotent and harmless. The recent declaration of the Roosevelt administration that legislation is to be proposed regulating hours and wages has a sinister sound and is perhaps not entirely unconnected from the surrender in steel.

Is it possible that the steel and auto industry have been promised that a way will be found by the federal government to fetter the unions in those industries? This conclusion is not only possible but is very probable. It is to be hoped, however, that the attempt of the federal government to regulate, by legislation, hours, wages and working conditions of workers in the basic industry will not have the support or assistance of national leaders of the trade union movement.

Until the victory in steel is explained in some other manner, it is well for those who have the interest of the organized labor movement at heart to be on their guard.

## The New Organizer

The Organizer makes its bow this week in a new size and with a more or less new makeup. Before the change was made much time and thought was given to the expansion program. Over a three year period, the Organizer has experienced a continuous and steady growth.

From a few hundred that comprised its first circle of readers, the Organizer has now reached a point where it goes into the home each week of over 10,000 members of the Minneapolis trade union movement. In its tabloid size, it could no longer print news and comment that was of vital importance to its reading public. During the last year, it has been the rule rather than the exception that more material was left out of the paper each week than could be included.

With the rapidly expanding labor movement of Minneapolis and with the multiplicity and complexity of the problems that were continuously presented, it was considered impossible for the Organizer to continue with its small format. The work of expanding the paper, of changing its policy to include advertising, of enlarging the staff and securing the necessary cooperation from these various correspondents has been a work that has not been easy. The staff feels rewarded, however, with the enthusiasm that has been displayed by the subscribers when the change of policy was announced.

Our gratitude goes to all those who have cooperated with us so splendidly and to those who stuck by us through thick and thin during the past years when the going was rough. We plan to make the Organizer the kind of a labor paper that you

want. We will continue to fight for the organization of the working class and to defend their interests against all exploiters.

## The President's Committee

The report of the President's Committee on Farm Tenancy and the President's message to Congress do not say all that should be said. Nevertheless, the Southern Tenant Farmers Union considers it a step forward that the problem of farm tenancy should be placed before public attention.

This step forward would never have been accomplished, however, if it were not for the activity of the Union in demanding justice for the slaves of Kign Cotton. It was the pressure of the Union that resulted in the appointment of W. L. Blackstone to the committee, and it was his presence at the meetings that compelled the committeemen to face the real problems involved. Even though the majority of the committee refused to accept all of the proposals of the Union, much of what they decided was due directly to Blackstone's contributions of information on the basis of his own life-long experience.

Our fight for a decent life is not over. No matter what legislation is adopted by Congress and however helpful it might be, sharecroppers and tenants realize that their real protection must come from their own organized strength—the Southern Tenant Farmers Union.

The report of the committee and the President's message to Congress are new victories for the cotton-field workers. There are greater victories yet to be won. They will come in greater and greater number as the Southern Tenant Farmers Union grows stronger and stronger.

## Keeping Step With 544

By Mickey Dunne

What Eighth Street General has changed his mind about being His Honor?

Still having stormy sessions at the Central Labor Union.

Bakery Drivers are organizing inside workers in the industry.

The Editor was in California last week.

The Guild dinner, Monday, took a rib at 544.

A charter for retail clerks is in Minneapolis.

If they keep on growing, the Warehouse Union, will soon be the largest labor organization in the city.

General Drivers settled for drivers, helpers and warehouse men in all printing establishments here.

All Northern States workers are back to their wats and votes.

Oscar Coover is now on the staff of 292.

The furniture in the Milk Drivers' office is being re-finished. By a union painter, of course.

The new size of the Organizer meant lots of work for the staff last week.

The Petroleum Workers are conducting a dance in various places in town.

Advertisers are helping support our paper. Support them.

THINGS TO WORRY ABOUT  
 The State Dispensary Bill is in the ash heap.

Several new members of the Fourth Degree among the office force.

The Electrical Workers Union have a new steno. Union?

NOTE  
 Unemployed members of Local 544 should register at the State Highway department.

SPRING IS HERE!  
 Arny Johnson in a new hat.

Marvel Dobbs has an article elsewhere in this issue.

If you do not receive the NORTHWEST ORGANIZER by mail, at your home, notify the office of the Teamsters Joint Council.

LOVE IS GRAND!  
 Bill Brown was home one day last month.

Several members of the staff of 544 are sporting new glasses. All the better to see you with, you fink.

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## LABOR... Looks at the Press

By Carl O'Shea  
 John Bassett, Canadian newsman: As car-loadings go down, the importance of editorial columns goes up. And also the importance of the labor press—to expose the editorial columns.

Representatives Jencks, Indiana Democrat, draws a deadly parallel: I ask you to compare photographs and you will fail to find flagpoles on the buildings in Moscow, and you will fail to find them on top of the buildings in Washington.

There, President Roosevelt, I guess she's got your number now.

Guymon, Oklahoma, news item: Ministers here say the dust storms, drought and short crops are reprisals for fast living of Oklahomans.

The dust storms and short crops around New York City must be terrific.

Writer's Digest news item: Politically, the "American Mercury" might be called pro-Fascist in a rather sane and liberal way.

I bet they'd describe Mussolini as somewhat of a military man—in a mild and peaceful manner.

A Rotary club poet pens this song, which "Rolls with Rotary":  
 Let every good knight raise his helmet and glove,  
 Vive Le Rotary.

To carry our message of service and love,  
 Vive Le Rotary, etc., etc.  
 Take off those gloves and helmet—I know you.

Crack from Common Sense: Hitler has ordered his troops to stop doing the goose-step. Having them WALK like geese, he thought, was carrying a joke too far.

Washington news item: The A. F. of L. executive council absolved William Green of the charge made by

the United Mine Workers of disloyalty to labor.  
 Oh, well, if the A. F. of L. executive council says so...  
 Mayor Kelly of Chicago, on the 100th anniversary of that city: We live in the wonder city of the age... Our people come forward at the slightest call to carry our city ahead on the broad highway of progress. That is the I WILL spirit, that intangible something which is largely responsible for our greatness.  
 That must be the spirit that put through the Haymarket frame-up.  
 Whenever I hear someone talk of "intangible somethings," I always know he's in a corner.

Rome news item: Fascist Italy today decreed virtual lifetime military service for all citizens between the ages of 18 and 55.  
 There aint no olives on THAT branch.

NEW MEETING SCHEDULE FOR LOCAL 1859  
 General Membership Meeting, March 3.  
 J. R. Clark and Casket Workers, March 17.  
 Puffer Hubbard, March 19.

MEETING SCHEDULE Local 544  
 Monday, March 1—Package Delivery and Department Store; Coal Workers  
 Thursday, March 4—Independent Truck Owners  
 Friday, March 5—Job Stewards Sunday, March 7—Newspaper Drivers, 3 p. m.  
 Monday, March 8—General Membership  
 Wednesday, March 10—Market Thursday, March 18—Tent and Awning  
 Friday, March 19—Job Stewards  
 Tuesday, March 23—Taxi Drivers; night drivers, 1 p. m.; day drivers, 7 p. m.  
 Thursday, March 25—Transfer Grievance Committee—Meets each Tuesday, 7 p. m.  
 Executive Board—Meets each Wednesday, 9 a. m.

## Feinberg Sausage Signs With Drivers

The Jacob-Feinberg Sausage Co. signed an agreement with General Drivers Union Wednesday, March 10. The union contract entered into between Local No. 544 and the Feinberg Co. covers all sausage drivers and inside workers in this plant. The agreement provides vastly improved wages and working conditions for all. The Feinberg Co. is the first sausage firm to sign with Drivers Union.

Union agreements covering drivers, helpers and inside workers in all sausage plants will be submitted to employers shortly.

This industry has recently become organized. Smith and Skoglund are in charge.

## Local 131

The regular meetings of the Laundry and Dry Cleaning Drivers Union are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. All members are requested to be present. The stewards' meeting is held on the second Thursday each month.

## REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

Warehouse and Inside Workers Union, Local 20316  
 Regular membership meetings first and third Tuesday of each month at 8 p. m.  
 Executive Board meets every Thursday at 8 p. m.  
 All meetings will be held at the new headquarters of the Teamsters Joint Council, 257 Plymouth Ave. N.

## Ice, Coal Drivers Meeting Schedule

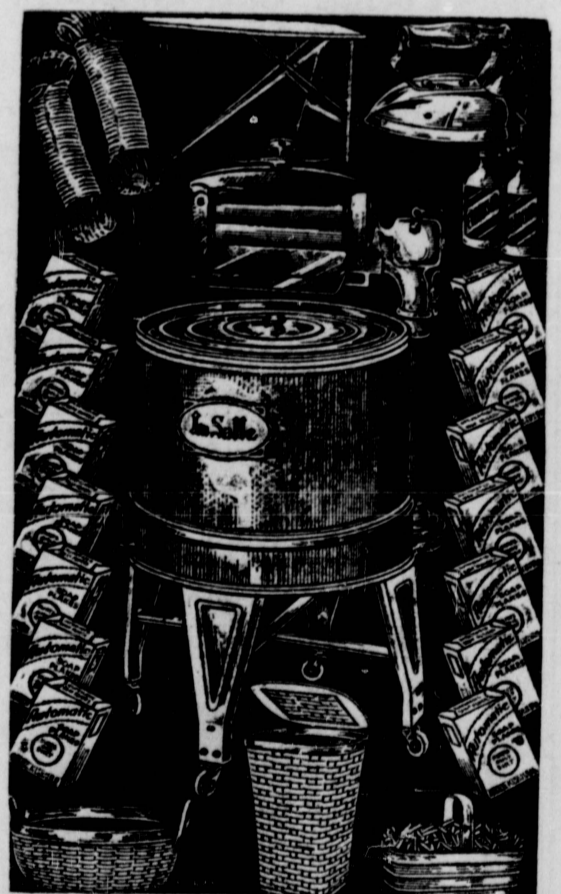
Local 221, Ice and Coal Drivers Union, will hereafter hold all of its regular meetings at the new headquarters of the Teamsters Joint Council, 257 Plymouth Ave. N. Regular Union meetings will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays. Executive Board meetings are subject to call. The Union office is now located at the above address.

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