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On the National Picket Line

Marval Scholl

It seems everyone is trying to get in a kick at the unfortunate unemployed these days. Mayor Leach of Minneapolis has served notice he will seek to spread the ban established by the federal government on "subversive elements" on WPA, to all those on direct relief.

Reactionaries tried the same stunt in New York City, but the laws prevented them denying direct relief to "fifth columnists."

Organized labor cannot afford to look on complacently at the denial of relief and jobs to "subversive elements" and "reds." Tomorrow the war-mongers and the American fascists will aim to bar ALL union-minded individuals from relief and jobs.

Four of the Communist Party gang that attempted to assassinate Leon Trotsky in Mexico City on May 24th have admitted their complicity. According to the New York TIMES, thirty persons implicated in the attempt are under arrest; four other Stalinists, identified by the confessions as leaders of the armed band, are fugitives from justice and are being sought by Mexican police, together with a number of foreign agents of the GPU. All the men involved were active in the Communist Party armed forces in Spain.

David Alfaro Siqueiros, painter and Mexican Communist Party member, has been identified as the leader of the armed attack by confessions of four prisoners. David Serrano, another Stalinist bigwig in Mexico, provided the police and army uniforms in which the assailants masqueraded.

One of the arrested assailants admitted that all the group were receiving pay from the Communist Party.

Discovery of the identity of the group that attempted to murder the exiled Russian revolutionist marks the first time in the Western hemisphere that the GPU has been caught cold-handed in the use of assassination as a political weapon. The French and Swiss governments had previously caught the Communist Party at the same bloody work. Reverberations of the Communist Party assault in Mexico City will have deep effects on the political situation in Mexico, news correspondents forecast.

It is now learned that voluntary enlistments for the United States army and navy are way below schedule. The armed forces got less than half the number they sought last month. Both the Republican and Democratic parties have come out for compulsory conscription for military service. This fact certainly exposes all the hypocrisy about democracy! Everything is so dog-gone democratic that they have to FORCE the unwilling young men of America to undergo military training.

And it isn't that the youth of this nation are cowardly. The youth are plenty courageous. They just can't see that fighting another boss war will do them or this nation any good.

For over a year now the national administration has been crusading against the union movement, under the guise of enforcing the Sherman Anti-Trust Law. Thurman Arnold's campaign has received enough publicity na-

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Sixth Column Inc. Will Send Pigeons Into Labor Groups

A pair of vigilante-minded lawyers and a former special deputy who describes himself as the head of the "Universal Secret Service Bureau" are the front men for a new organization that greeted Minnesota last week—the "Sixth Column, Incorporated." Ostensibly the corporation will "combat fifth column and un-American and subversive activities." However, union leaders in Minneapolis expressed the belief the outfit would turn out to be directed principally at organized labor.

Certainly the records of the heads of the Sixth Column merit the suspicion that the new organization is just another union-smashing group. Donald M. Wakefield, lawyer with offices at 346 McKnight building, organizer of the Sixth Column, will be remembered by many workers as active in the leadership of the "Minnesota Law and Order League" formed after the 1934 truck strikes. Marshal Henson, the third leader of the Sixth Column, claims he conceived the outfit. He says he read about the fifth column activity in Europe and it inspired him to the feeling that "it shouldn't happen here." Henson is a former special deputy who led raids on gambling houses in the Bemidji area last year.

Will Work with FBI Last Tuesday evening the Sixth Column held its first public meeting in the Hodgson building, attended by about fifty persons, mostly young men around 21-24, with a sprinkling of elderly persons. There Wakefield announced his program. The Sixth Column, he said, will be organized by counties, with not more than 500 in any county. It will cooperate with the FBI and other agencies fighting "subversive" activities. Eventually, he hoped, the Sixth Column would become nationwide.

Membership sells at \$1 a year, surely a nominal figure. When questioned as to how the organization could support itself on such low membership fees, Wakefield intimated that a number of public-spirited American businessmen were interested in the Sixth Column. No doubt the outfit is one of those mentioned recently by the Minneapolis Better Business Bureau to which many local business firms are contributing.

Pay-triotic Stool Pigeony Wakefield intimated that members would be trained to turn in all rumors to the Minneapolis executive board, who would send out trained investigators. He said members would be sent into workers' organizations to spy out "fifth column" work. This appears to be nothing but the organization of stool pigeony in unions and other working-class organizations, of the type practiced by Big Business for decades. With this difference, that the stool pigeons will now work for nothing, under the delusion they are engaging in patriotic activity.

As an organization which claims to be interested in preserving American democracy, the Sixth Column hardly practices what it preaches. Wakefield announced that the executive board of the outfit had already been chosen, a nice "democratic" way of running an organization.

Organized labor would do well to keep its weather eye cocked on the Sixth Column. Unquestionably, this is just one of many organizations, most of them shake-down groups, that are forming throughout the nation to solicit large funds from Big Business under the pretex of saving the country from the "fifth column." Most such outfits are fly-by-night organizations, but no doubt a few of them will secure substantial financial backing and may well become the nucleus of a native American fascist movement.

Milk Drivers 21st Picnic July 17th

The Twenty-first Annual Picnic of the Milk Drivers Union Local 471 will be held at Webb's Place on Bass Lake Wednesday, July 17th, with an unusually attractive program, the union picnic committee announced this week. All drivers will take the day off and take their families to the picnic grounds for an outing of races, games and luncheon.

The program of events includes races for small boys and girls, sack races, races for young men and women, three-legged races, wheelbarrow races, a rooster chase for the ladies, a special 100-yard dash for members of Local 471, a tug of war between the drivers and inside workers and a diamondball game between the champions of the Milk League and the Ice Cream Employees.

Dancing will be offered from 8 p. m. to midnight in the pavilion. A number of attractive prizes have been donated by the Milk Drivers Union and friends.

Conrad Ordeman, William Sinnott and George Bergquist are head of the Sports and Games Committee for the picnic. Gene Larson is in charge of finances, and Fred Thompson, Gust Anderson and Martin Rasmussen are in charge of the dance hall, parking and tickets.

Local 544 Signs with Chippewa

Monday morning the General Drivers Union signed a new contract with the Chippewa Water company. The Glenwood-Ingleside company is expected to sign the same agreement before the week ends.

The new pact calls for wage increases of 5c hourly for all inside men. All employees are guaranteed a 44-hour week instead of a 40-hour week. Whereas formerly the workers have had to pay one-half the cost of uniforms, the company will now stand the full cost.

As in other Local 544 agreements signed this season, the Chippewa pact contains a war clause protecting the seniority of any

Purge of "Subversive Elements" From WPA Starts; Blow at Unemployed

Throughout the nation last week the federal government and the WPA administration began the purge of all those who believe in the overthrow of the United States government from WPA rolls. Colonel Harrington has ordered that the purge be completed by July 1st.

All WPA workers are required to sign an affidavit that they are United States citizens or owe allegiance to the United States, that they don't want to change the United States government, and that they are not or will not be-

Two More WPA Strikers To Be Freed Wednesday

William Riley and George Totino, two of the fourteen WPA strikers victimized by the national administration and sentenced last February 3rd to prison terms, will be freed from the Sandstone federal prison this Wednesday, the Federal Workers Section announced this week. Families of the two men will drive to Sandstone to welcome them.

Both men have been invited to address the meeting of the FWS Women's Section next Tuesday evening, July 9th. They have served the six-months' sentences handed down by Federal Judge Joyce.

Four government strike victims are still in Sandstone—Ed Palmquist, Max Goldman, Charles Grider and Les Wachter.

Bakery Drivers to Hold Annual Picnic At Costello Grove

The Third Annual Picnic of the Bakery Drivers Union Local 289 will be held at Costello's Grove on Sunday, July 14th, and scores of tickets have already been sold. A. M. Ogren, picnic chairman, announced Monday.

Costello's Grove is a beautiful private park near 92nd and Cedar avenue. It is easiest reached by driving out Cedar to 92nd, and turning left for a few blocks. The park has a large pavilion, and a union orchestra will be on hand to play for dancing both afternoon and evening.

A full program of entertainment for young and old will be presented, including races and games of all sorts. Free coffee will be served to picnickers. Tickets sell for 50c each and may be obtained from Local 289 stewards. They are redeemable in trade at the picnic grounds.

544 Stewards Will Meet July 8th

Because the first Friday falls on the 5th of July, following a holiday, the executive board of Local 544 felt it advisable to cancel this meeting. However, stewards wishing to turn in their accounts or receive their commissions will find the office open for such business.

The executive board requests all stewards to meet in the union hall Monday, July 8th, 7 p. m., before the general membership meeting in order to discuss important questions that must be brought before the membership.

On behalf of the picnic committee, the board asks all stewards to dispose of as many picnic tickets as possible before Monday, and to be on hand Sunday, July 14th, at the picnic grounds to help serve the union.

worker drafted into the military. About forty men are covered by the contract.

Anti-Trust Law Claims 26 Drivers

New York City—On June 19th Federal Judge Murray Hilbert passed sentence on the New York Drivers Union Local 807 and 26 of its members, charged by the federal government with conspiracy to violate the Sherman Anti-Trust Law.

The judge fined Local 807 \$10,000. He sentenced each of the

26 members of Local 807 to five years in prison. The 26 members of Local 807 were fined notices of appeal from their convictions in the federal circuit court of appeals. Judge Hulbert has permitted those sentenced to remain at liberty, under bond, and has announced October 1st as the date when the record on appeal must be filed.

26 drivers to a 3-year probationary period. Three of the 26 received suspended sentences. The rest were given prison sentences of from one month to two years.

Under the law, the men are also denied jobs in the trucking industry for the rest of their lives, as they will not be able to renew their licenses under a rule that bars a license to anyone convicted of a felony. That the "felony" is nothing more than a frame-up engineered by the government to weaken the union makes no difference.

The "crime" of the drivers was that they worked for over-the-road trucking companies, handling and unloading out-state trucks in New York City.

There are thousands of unorganized people who would appreciate our side of the story... if they KNEW it. Pass your Northwest Organizer along to them.

Convention Calls Arrive from I. B. T., State Federation

977 and 958 Both Win in Sunday Play

Local 977's Oilers took the Mose's Place nine to the cleaners by a score of 13 to 6 Sunday to win its sixth straight game in the Federal league and practically assure the Filling Station Attendants Union of a championship and a shot at the city title. Bunching their hits in the fifth inning to push in six runs, and adding four more in the seventh, the game was hardly in doubt from the start. Nichols went the full route for the Oilers, striking out 11 batters, and getting two hits for himself at the plate. Roth and Joketty each tripled for the winners.

The Cab Drivers Union team finally pulled itself out of its early season slump by whipping the Lake Street Merchants, 7 to 4, behind the pitching of Ramsdell, Ramsdell, Landis and Griggs shone at the plate for the winners, Landis getting four out of four. This Sunday at Farview Park, 26th and Lyndale North, the 977 Oilers will take on the Lake Street Merchants. The game starts at 2:30 and all union fans are again urged to come out and see a championship team in action.

KSTP Unfair To Organized Labor

Though Station KSTP is still managing to stay on the air, all working-class families should remember that this station is unfair to the American Federation of Musicians and to organized labor. The station has refused to sign a new agreement with the local Musicians Union, and throughout the nation musicians are refusing to play for remote control programs that KSTP is seeking to broadcast.

KSTP is part of the NBC hook-up. Apparently there is a concerted drive against unionism on the part of the huge radio broadcasting trust. The NBC hook-up is also cross-wired with the American Federation of Musicians, Station WRVA in Richmond, Va., having refused to sign a new contract.

If the American Federation of Musicians is not able to bring the anti-labor stations to heel, organized labor on a nationwide scale will probably institute a huge boycott against the stations and all advertisers who support the stations.

International Brotherhood of Teamsters Calls All Drivers Union Delegates to 14th Convention in Constitution Hall, Washington, D. C., Starting September 9th—General Secretary Hughes Lists Convention Regulations—Minnesota State Federation of Labor To Celebrate 50th Anniversary at Convention in St. Paul September 16th

The Fourteenth convention of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters will convene in the city of Washington, D. C., on Monday, September 9th, at 10 a. m., affiliates of the Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council were notified this week in a letter from Thomas Hughes, general secretary-treasurer of the International.

Brother Hughes quotes from Section 6 of the union constitution which establishes the basis of representation: "Each local union having two hundred members or less shall be entitled to one representative and one delegate for each additional two hundred members or majority fraction thereof, but in no case shall a delegate have more than one vote. No proxy votes shall be allowed."

Each local union shall pay the expenses of its delegates to the convention, and no local union that owes back per capita tax or that is in arrears for more than two months will receive credentials until such time as all per capita tax has been paid, Mr. Hughes pointed out.

The sessions of the convention will be held in the historic Constitution Hall, and the headquarters of the International Union will be located in the Mayflower hotel.

At least a score of delegates from Minneapolis drivers' unions are expected to attend the Teamsters convention.

State Labor Meets Sept. 16 The Minnesota State Federation of Labor also sent out its convention call Monday, notifying all AFL trade unions and central labor bodies in the state that the 58th convention of the state organization will be held in St. Paul beginning 10 a. m. September 16th.

This convention marks the fiftieth anniversary of the organization, the Federation having been formed in the summer of 1890. President William Green is expected to address the convention.

Representation at the State Federation of Labor convention is on a different basis than at most labor conventions, in that larger unions are denied full representation. Each local union is entitled to one delegate for every 25 members or major fraction thereof, but no union is granted more than five delegates.

The headquarters of the state executive council of the Federation will be in the Hotel St. Paul for the duration of the convention. The state convention is expected to consider legislative matters that may come up at the regular session of the Minnesota legislature which convenes next January.

The State Federation requests that all resolutions and legislative proposals sponsored by local unions be in the hands of Secretary George W. Lawson, Labor Temple, St. Paul, at least one week prior to the convention.

While no word has been received from Secretary Wallace, it is understood one of his representatives will be sent to Minneapolis to investigate the relief slash.

1859 Meetings Are Postponed

The general membership meeting of the Furniture Workers Union Local 1859 has been postponed from July 3rd to the third Wednesday, July 17th.

The executive board meeting will not be held on Friday, July 5 and 12, because of the vacation schedule. The next executive board meeting will be held Monday evening, July 15th.

664 Members Attention!

The next regular meeting of the City and Sanitary Drivers Union Local 664, scheduled for Friday, July 5th, will be dispensed with because of the 4th of July holiday. The union will hold its next meeting on Friday, July 19th. All members are instructed to be present at this meeting.



The 289 Blab

By A. M. Ogren

Next meeting will be the General Membership meeting on Thursday, July 26. All other section meetings are postponed until October.

The delegates to the two conventions to be held in September as elected at the General Meeting Thursday night are as follows: for the International Convention to be held at Washington, D. C.—Loren Johnson, James Hanna and A. M. Ogren. For the State Convention at St. Paul—Chet Ryan, Sam Ash, Mel Edstrom, Morey Locke and Harvey McKinney.

The International Convention is held every five years. The last one was held in Seattle in 1935. The State Federation of Labor Convention is held every year.

Bob Stubblefield, Purity North Plant, left Sunday for North Dakota, as his father who lives there suffered a stroke.

Reuben Gehring, Excelsior, received a neat little Fathers' Day present, as his wife presented him with a 7 pound 10 ounce baby girl on that day. Nice timing.

Rodney Tindle, also of Excelsior, has been on the sick list for the past two or three weeks. Wish you luck, Rod. Hope you're feeling better.

Frank Gates spoke last Thursday in the interests of the Boy Scout movement and was well received. I might add that with Frank Gates a scoutmaster, it makes two in our organization. Bing Crosby of Zinsmaster is also a scoutmaster.

Mickey Danne gave a very pointed and appropriate speech as he always does.

The boys down at Zinsmaster were talking of going fishing and they had decided on the time of the morning in which to meet when Art (Sleepy Time Gal) Wigen broke off negotiations by saying, "Why not go in the afternoon, because I don't get up till one o'clock on Sundays."

Hey! hey! One week from Sunday is the big Third Annual Local 289 Picnic, to be held at beautiful Costello's Grove at 92nd and Cedar. Drive out Cedar to the Black Cat night club and turn left. Don't forget the date: Sunday, July 14. We will have for your enjoyment: free coffee, free dancing, skeet shooting, bingo, entertainment, athletic games, races, etc. Dancing afternoon and evening till 2 o'clock. Come one, come all. Bring the neighbors. The committee will see that everybody is taken care of. The biggest one-day holiday of the year: Local 289 Picnic, Sunday, July 14.

ATTENTION PICNIC COMMITTEE: A meeting will be held Friday, July 5, at 7 p. m. It is very important that you attend.

Warren Dawson, son of Art Dawson, who is a piano player extraordinary, has been looked over lately by several big name orchestra leaders. He entertained us several times when he played with Bobby Phillips' orchestra, if you will remember.

To the Ladeez: With all those war taxes coming on, I suppose you'll have to clip the old man's spending budget something scandalous. Nice thought for the day, boys.

New Truck Terminal Planned in Midway

The Merchants Motor Freight Corporation is considering building a \$50,000 truck terminal in the midway district between Minneapolis and St. Paul, it was announced recently. The terminal would be a block at St. Anthony and Hamline avenues.

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Labor in Canada Wakes Up to 7-Day Week

Without notifying the labor movement of Canada, an emergency order has been issued instructing all Canadian contractors now engaged in the manufacture of aircraft, munitions, ships and war materials to operate immediately on a 7-day week basis.

The first thing the union movement heard about the lengthening of the work week, which applies to practically all industry in Canada, was when the Minister of Munitions announced it to the press.

Union officials in Canada expressed themselves as "shocked" at the way in which the work week was lengthened.

Independent Truck Chatter

By Curt Zander

NOTICE: Remember the next regular section meeting will be Thursday, July 11, at 8 p. m.

New numbers for trucks will be passed out at the next meeting, July 11. Bring your due book.

The Excavating Contract has been signed by the larger companies. Strike notices are going out to the smaller companies, so don't be surprised if a banner is put on one of these jobs.

We want to quote just one paragraph out of the excavating Contract which reads as follows: (6a) In the event the Employer makes individual agreements with their employees in regard to wages and hours of work of which wages are less and hours are more than what the contract provides, the Union will have the right to remove all such employees and replace them with men furnished by the Union, and, also to collect the difference between wages received and the wage scale provided by the contract and enforce the double penalty clause as provided in Paragraph 6.

Sunday, July 14, is our Annual Picnic, you know. Come early—stay late! The extra heavy members of the section better be there by 10 so that we can keep the trophy in the tug-of-war event. Remember, last year we had to pull it over the line—three times—before the judge would award the decision to our section.

Have you ever been out with D. H. when he is spending asphalt money? What a boy. I still think he works in reverse. At least, he shows more pep from 12 midnight to 3 A.M. than at high noon.

Won't be long now until we will hear from the employers and their stooges that anyone contemplating a strike is a member of the "Fifth Column."

Looks like a hot campaign is under way in the ninth and second wards for County Commissioner.

No volunteers as yet on the question of a guest writer for this column. How about it, boys?

Rex Bar Announces Music in Evening

Rex Hamilton, proprietor of the Rex Bar and Cafe at the corner of Washington and Plymouth avenues, announces his establishment is now featuring dancing to the music of Loyal Boles and his Three Peas.

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GAS LOG

By Bob Fitzsimmons

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED WEDNESDAY, June 26, to serve for the year, beginning July 1: William J. O'Donnell, President Edward Nygaard, Vice President

Robert F. Fitzsimmons, Recording Secretary Will Thompson, Financial Secretary Al Danens, Treasurer Henry Walker, Sergeant-at-Arms Clayton Cook, Guard Charles Wilder, Trustee Morris Olson, Trustee Keith Graves, Trustee To complete department representation, James Mooney from the collection department and Roy Hook from Main Office Janitorial department were elected to the Executive Board.

All stewards and board members are reminded to attend executive board meeting Tuesday night, July 9, at 7:30 p. m., 703 Third Ave. S.

Prosperity has hit the collection department. Harrison, Engquist, Wamsley and Mooney trading for newer four-wheelers.

With the announcement of the company-sponsored picnic for Saturday, August 10, at Excelsior, new fathers Argo, Madison, Russell Swanson and others should start lobbying for a baby contest.

Boys coming back from their vacations with a coat of tan must have got it under a sun lamp. Frank Kessel, newly elected member of the Grievance Committee, from Utilization, has left for two weeks' vacation, destination unknown. Probably to build up his resistance for the new toughest job.

Just wait till those new aquatennial slack suits appear on our members. Really a nice layout and a good price deal. Wonder how our diamondball and golf players are coming along. Let's hear from you fellows.

Wanted: City map compass. Street car map. See Joe Levinson, care of Meter Reading Department.

Well, brothers, with our two-year contract signed, the franchise renewed and the election over, let's all cooperate to make our efforts produce a stronger and more successful union.

Your cooperation towards the continuance of this column appreciated. Phone your news or gossip of interest to our members or give it to your steward. The number to call is Hyland 3390.

Brother Ray Garrison was operated on Wednesday, June 26, and is getting along as well as can be expected.

Thought for any day: Be glad you're an American.

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Sullivan, Frank D., 2617 Hennepin Ave.
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Swanson's Mortuary, 1610 Lowry Ave. North

Watt Notes

By Amps and Volts

Glad to report that Brother Pearson of the Meter Department is back on the job after a long illness.

Brother Baldus has moved into his new home on Glenwood Avenue and the Belt Line. Congratulations, Jerry.

Brother Thomas contemplates moving into his new home about August 1st.

And if this column seems short this time, blame it on the B-23 (St. Paul Utility Local) party. After getting away from the Pioneer Hall in the wee hours and having to get this column in on Tuesday morn—well, it was just too, too much.

Talk about a feed—and liquid refreshments for an army—everybody happy and either singing, talking or playing cards.

And the writer ran across one of the shining lights, Emmett Calalzy, foreman of the Gas Street Department, and was invited to visit him and partake of some Italian spaghetti made as it should be made. This is my idea of Heaven, and Emmett, it's a date. And, by the way, we understand Calalzy is one of the best Italian cooks in the Northwest.

A burning question is whether or not those operators got enough sandwiches.

Those St. Paul boys sure can throw a party. Oh-h-h, my head.

Lieutenant Hanscom is due back from his vacation. Wonder if notice of an army career is awaiting him?

Executive Board elected its officers Tuesday night.

What a fight it's going to be—Roosevelt and war or Willie and slave labor.

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ANOTHER LOAD From City and Sanitary Drivers Local 664

By Wally Raze

Tonight's regular meeting will be dispensed with due to the Fourth of July holidays.

Heard Stinky Stassen's keynote "speech" last week and must admit that it was tops in general all-around inanity and insincerity. He repeated over and over that "social mal-adjustments must be eliminated at once and for all time." Yet, made no comment at all on the additional "mal-adjustments" that he, personally, added to the already overloaded Minnesotans. I refer to the 36% loan law, the old age pension cuts, the state employees' pay cuts and the renewal of iron ore leases to the steel trusts at 1% increase in state tax. Just what the G.O.P. hopes to gain in prestige by selecting a two-timing conniver such as Stassen to broadcast the party platform is beyond my comprehension. Throughout the United States, Stassen's name can be made to smell to high heaven if organized labor in every state be made aware of his contemptible actions against the people of his own state. With the common people properly posted as to the type of man who endorses Wendell Wilkie the G.O.P. candidate will be tarred with the same stick in the minds of the voters. This tirade may be in bad taste in the opinion of many of you, but it's sincere and true and I'd like nothing more than to see Stassen's conference, we wonder if they want us to "protect" them in a military and economic way or if they are a little in doubt themselves as to who is going to benefit the most, the "protector" or the "protected."

On to the picnic, July 28, at Webb's Place, Bass Lake.

We have some picnic tickets at the office—only 10c each. Ten to a book. Stewards please call for them.

Be careful over the Fourth.

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ing better than a chance to tell Stinky so to his face.

Russia, Hungary and Rumania are now taking part in the European free-for-all, with no holds barred. Why do hundreds of millions of working people permit themselves to be set at each other's throats? They are the inevitable losers. Do they so love their chains of physical and mental as well as vocal restrictions that they have all become as cattle or horses? A man might better be dead at birth than go through life afraid of everything, particularly the displeasure of his "betters." It is up to organized workers and farmers in the U. S. A. to see that no such shackles shall ever be placed on Americans. The only way to accomplish that is to strengthen the union movement and keep out of foreign wars.

Brother Al Mlynek took his first trip Tuesday in the B.P.C. sea-going hay-mower. Keep that pre-server handy, Al.

Brother Otto Johnson is now on vacation. Little Joe and the press spent last Sunday fishing near Willmar. Had swell luck, too. Got 11 crappies, all of which were over a foot in length. Got home 1:30 a. m. Monday (today) all in but happy. All fishermen are crazy in a nice sort of way.

United Blind Baseball Game Sunday at Fort The United Blind will play the Fort Snelling Third Infantry baseball team at the Fort stadium Sunday, July 7th, proceeds to be used for the benefit of the recreational program of the blind. Five hundred reserve tickets are available. Tickets are on sale at the Down-Town ticket office, selling for 25c and 35c. The Minneapolis Board of Union Business Agents has endorsed this game and the general program of the United Blind.

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81% of U. S. Farmers Are Opposed to War

Privately the U. S. Department of Agriculture has distributed a report on "Attitudes Toward the War" among the farmers. The results, sent to 23 government officials, were NOT released to the nation's press but have been uncovered by Gilbert Seldes, author and editor of IN FACT.

The undercover report reveals that "81 per cent of the American farmers want us to stay out of war."

Twenty per cent said: "Big shots have control (bankers, millionaires, etc.) and seek to make profits and loans—trying to maintain our foreign trade." Fifteen per cent said: "Administration foreign policy—diplomatic entanglements—loans to Allies and Finland." Nine per cent said: "Allied propaganda."

Many farmers felt that "regardless of whether agricultural prices rose or not, the war would have a detrimental effect on agriculture."

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### More Truck Companies In Merger

Among the new companies to be swallowed in the proposed merger are Atlantic States Motor Lines; Branch Motor Express; Davidson Transfer; Hampton Roads Transportation; Hertz Drive-ur-Self; Jay Bee Corporation and Shein's Express; M & M Transportation; McCarthy Freight; Middlesex Transportation; M. Moran Transportation; Nutter's System; Pyramid Motor Freight; Smith & Solomon Trucking; Southeastern Motor Lines; and the Wright Lines. These companies showed a net profit last year of \$722,000. It is understood the gross annual income of all the companies involved in the merger will approximate \$40,000,000.

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After years of taking people to and from hospitals, Bob Zimmer-scheid decided to try hospital life. He is now recovering nicely from an appendectomy and most likely will have left Swedish hospital by the time you read this column.

Have you heard about the development of a new branch of science and a new kind of specialist called an odor engineer. The present state administration is in very dire need of such a man. But judging by things in general, by the time they hear of this new science we will have a new administration.

Walter Lippman in his column writes: "Wake up America and organize." Well!

The accident toll on the Fourth will no doubt be much smaller and that is some consolation for having a holiday in the middle of the week rather than a longer weekend. Of course, to a lot of us holidays still mean nothing but more work. To you more fortunate ones, safety and caution will pay.

The livery contracts are still hanging fire but there has been considerable progress made towards a settlement.

All unemployed members should be very sure to register for driving during Aquatennial week.

We have more new members this week. It seems that the idea is finally sinking in.

In some countries education is

the principal used. In this country the prime need is the education of labor to the benefits of organization.

Where there is no vision the people die and where there is no organization they starve.

The Plaza Cleaners and Dyers at 1418 Third Avenue South are unfair to the Laundry Drivers Union Local 131, it was announced by L. Clair Johnson, union business agent, this week. This company is distributing circulars advertising free pick-up and delivery service.

All working-class families are urged to keep this in mind when sending clothes to the cleaners. The Plaza company is unfair to organized labor.

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### Firms That Are Unfair

To Laundry, Linen and Dry Cleaning Drivers Local 131

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 Rustic Lodge Tailors and Cleaners, 4811 Nicollet.  
 Sir Knights Cleaners and Dyers, 2403 Lyndale Ave. S.  
 Universal Cleaning and Dyeing, 4504 Nicollet.  
 Thrifty Cleaners, 1104 Hennepin.  
 Busy Bee Cleaners, 4752 Grand Ave.  
 Penguin Cleaners, 714 W. Lake St.

Note: Some of the drivers at the Liberty Cleaning and Dyeing company are UNFAIR TO LAUNDRY, LINEN AND DRY CLEANING DRIVERS LOCAL 131. If you patronize this firm be sure to ask the drivers for his union book or button.

### Gamble-Rob Is Cited By NLRB

A hearing upon the complaint issued by the National Labor Relations Board against the Fargo branch of the Gamble-Robinson company opened Monday morning in the Fargo courthouse.

The Fargo General Drivers Union Local 116 has charged that the Gamble-Robinson branch in that city has intimidated and coerced employees to prevent their joining the union, and has refused to bargain with Local 116 as the exclusive representative of its drivers and warehousemen despite the fact that they are active members in the union.

Early in April the company discharged Carrol Dietz and Ernest Remboldt because they are active unionists, Local 116 charges.

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### Gum Workers Win 11-Week Akron Strike

Akron—The 11-week strike of 1,200 rubber workers at the General Tire & Rubber company plant here was settled last Tuesday when the men voted, 545 to 119, to accept a new one-year contract bringing paid vacations and some improvements in working conditions.

Employees with 3 years' seniority will get one week's vacation with pay; employees with 7 years' seniority will receive two weeks' vacation. Next year those workers with 2 weeks' seniority will get a week and those with 5 years will get two weeks. Grievance procedure is revised.

The Reverend Father Haas, well known to Minneapolis truck strikers in 1934, was sent in as special mediator and helped effect a settlement.

Strikers returned to their jobs last Wednesday, just eleven weeks since the strike began over the company's refusal to settle various grievances. During the strike the company, the Akron Chamber of Commerce, and the cops made several unsuccessful attempts to engineer a "back to work" movement.

### 2 Contracts Signed by Local 359

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### Haldeman to Speak Here July 11 On Technocracy

A talk on Technocracy, "The Impact of Technocracy on Our Social Order," will be given by J. Haldeman of the Haldeman-Sykes Technocracy lecture tour. The lecture will be given Thursday, July 11, 8 p. m. in the auditorium of the YWCA, Minneapolis.

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### Pulp Workers Sign with Rapinwax

A new agreement has been signed between the Pulp & Sulphite Workers Union Local 259 and the Rapinwax Paper company, Elmer Meinz, union business agent, has reported. The pact provides an increase of 2c hourly for all employees not on piece work, and a general increase of 1c hourly for piece work employees. Other wage adjustments were made ranging from 1c to 3c hourly. A vacation clause calls for one week's vacation for all employees of one year's service, and two weeks for those of five years' employment.

A special clause protects the seniority of any employee drafted into the army.

### F-L Veterans Picnic July 21

The Farmer-Labor Veterans Club will hold its monthly meeting Friday, July 5th, 8 p. m. at 818 Hennepin avenue. The club is making plans for its annual picnic to be held at the Olson memorial park on July 21st.

A man was given a bottle of whiskey by a friend who couldn't drink it. The next day he saw the friend and asked him how he liked the liquor. "Exactly right," was the answer.

"What do you mean, exactly right?" the man asked.

"Well, sir," was the friend's reply, "if it had been any better, you wouldn't have given it to me, and if it had been any worse, I couldn't have drunk it."

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

## More Proof That Unionism PAYS

It is not often that the government presents information disclosing concretely how the union movement brings to the workers of the United States a greater share of the wealth they produce, more of the good things of life. Therefore the recent bulletin (No. 669) of the United States Department of Labor, entitled "The Wage and Hour Structure of the Furniture-Manufacturing Industry" is a particularly welcome bit of evidence.

This 121-page bulletin contains a fairly comprehensive survey of the industry throughout the country, as of October, 1937. The government found that furniture workers organized in trade unions averaged hourly wages of \$.583; unorganized workers averaged only \$.452.

"... the differential in favor of trade-union over non-trade-union plants in wood household furniture was 13.1 per cent (per hour) for the country as a whole," reports the bulletin. "The differential was greatest for skilled workers, namely 14.9 cents, while the figures were 11.1 cents for semi-skilled and 11.7 cents for unskilled employees."

Could any clearer proof be needed of the obvious advantages of trade unionism to the working class of people? We recommend this U. S. Labor Department Bulletin to the Furniture Workers Union Local 1859, the North Central District Council of Furniture and Woodenware Workers and to furniture workers everywhere, organized and unorganized.

## The Workers Pay for War

Since Monday, the start of the government's new fiscal year, you may have observed that cigarettes have risen a penny or two, gasoline is a bit more costly, the beer comes in smaller glasses or costs more per glass.

In a few months single workers earning as low as \$800 yearly, that is, \$66 per month, will find themselves subject to a direct income tax.

With increasingly relentless pressure, the masses of the United States are just beginning to wake up to the fact that it is THEY who have been chosen to pay for the huge war machine which Roosevelt, with the 100% support of the Democratic and Republican parties, is building.

And we haven't seen anything yet. The magazines of Big Business predict that the federal sales tax on articles of mass consumption, such as beer, cigarettes, gasoline, etc., will be hiked again next year—and the year after. The prices of food, clothing and shelter will start to rise swiftly.

At the same time that the poor are being squeezed to pay for a war machine that will only be used to protect and extend the privileges and interests of Big Business, the nation's industrialists are assured that their profits will continue and EXPAND. The Senate Naval Affairs Committee has voted a GUARANTEED profit of at least 7% on war orders.

While the workers and poor farmers of the United States have no possible interest in any war the United States government might conduct, it is the poor who are being made to pay for the war machine. It will be the sons of the poor who will be told to fight the war.

Is there one good reason why the masses of this country should not be permitted to VOTE on the war that is being prepared. Again we cry: LET THE PEOPLE VOTE ON WAR! DEMAND A NATIONAL REFERENDUM ON WAR! DOWN WITH THE WAR-MAKERS! FOR A NATIONAL LABOR PARTY BASED ON THE TRADE UNIONS THAT WILL OPPOSE WAR AND THE WAR-MAKERS!

## The Farmers and the Workers

National Dairy Month has passed, but the need for developing close and sympathetic relations between the workers of city and countryside is as pressing as ever.

When one realizes that the farmers represent 25% of our population and yet receive only 11% of the national income, one realizes just how desperate is the plight of the overwhelming proportion of the farming population.

It is no mere agitational phrase that the interests of the city workers and of the overwhelming majority of farmers are parallel. The Northwest Organizer soon will publish a series of articles setting forth the farm problem and its relation to organized labor, and showing this community of interest between the two major producing groups of our country.

During National Dairy Month the Minneapolis Milk Drivers Union while urging all workers to use more dairy products, pointed out to the farmers that it was in their interest to support every move of the workers in the cities to win higher wages.

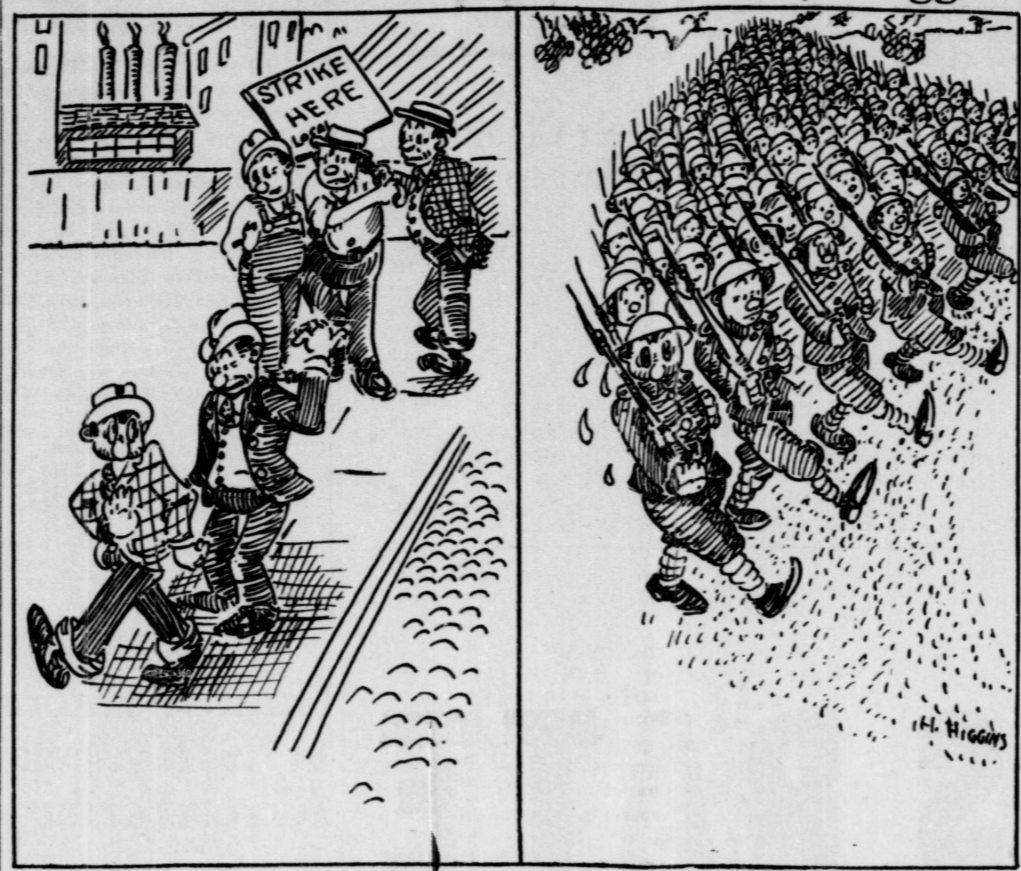
Now from the United States Department of Agriculture, in a pamphlet entitled "The Challenge of Under-Consumption," comes concrete proof of this claim.

This pamphlet points out that one of the major causes of farm surpluses has to do with industrial unemployment and low wages in the cities, and quotes extensively from the recent study of family incomes in the United States made by the National Resources Commission.

Pointing out that "about 85 percent of the farmers' income is derived from the production of commodities used for food, the bulletin shows that the 42% of the people most poorly paid provided only 26% of the food market. Families receiving average yearly incomes of \$312 spend only slightly more than \$1 per person per week for food. With an increased income to an average of \$758, the weekly per capita expenditure for food rose to about \$1.62. With an average income of \$1,224, people spent about \$2.18 per person per week for food.

"If all families getting less than \$100 per month had been able overnight to increase their incomes to that level,

## AIN'T IT THE TRUTH — By Higgins



The scissorbill who refuses to join the union and march on a picket-line in his own interests... Often winds up marching on a foreign battlefield in the interests of the BOSSES.

## Keeping Step With 544

By Mickey Dunne

Building Construction industry contracts, approved by employees in this line, are ready for signing.

Letter from Office Workers Union reopening agreements with teamsters' unions. A long struggle in the offing.

About twenty delegates will go to the International convention in September.

A combination of Local 544 and 120 will soon tackle one of the big wholesale distributing firms who operate in 15 northwest states.

What Now, Joseph? If you feed relief clients enough, you spend too much of the taxpayers' money. If you don't, they are too weak to shoulder a rifle.

Over-the-road drivers are urged to report all violations of the agreement to the Grievance Board.

Workers at a large downtown wholesale house who have been flirting with the CIO will soon be members of 544.

Our vacation starts July 8 so we will be off the air for a couple of weeks.

Warehousemen, helpers and platform men employed by long distance trucking concerns will soon be placed under the wage and hour act. Reduced hours will mean reduced wages unless you are protected by the union. Join now!

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See you at the picnic.

## Big Shot Boss Flays Peacemongers

It's nice now and then to hear a man speak his mind, and we are therefore grateful to Mr. Bache, the banker and director of the Bache collection. According to a recent United Press dispatch, Mr. Bache, who is 78 and senile, in a recent address at the annual meeting of a Canadian mining company of which he is president, denounced "professional isolationists" in this country for being "simply after the votes of parents who do not want their sons to go to war," and stated that we should back the Allies "if for no other reason than that of good business." This is a forthright remark, and should be widely broadcast.

Mothers reluctant to take a chance on having their sons killed or maimed for some remote ideological or spiritual reason will surely change their tune when they realize that the boys are really fighting for the Ann Arbor Railway company, the American Indemnity company, the Cuba Distilling company, the Empire Trust company, the New Amsterdam Casualty company, the New River Collieries company, the United States Industrial Alcohol company, the Tennessee Corporation, the Manhattan Elevated Railroad company, the Chrysler Corporation, the Domes Mines company, the Motor Products Corporation, Julius Kayser and company, the Tennessee Copper and Chemical Corporation, and the Interborough Rapid Transit company, of all of which Mr. Bache is director or trustee.

If this doesn't bring the obstructionist parents of America to their senses, and their boys to attention, they bear in minds that in the absence of "good business" it may prove difficult for Mr. Bache to keep up his dues in the New York, Lotos, Bankers, Century, Country, Pilgrims, Economic, City, Midway, Hudson River Country, Oakland Golf, Sands Point, Bath and Tennis, and Seminole Golf clubs in this state and Florida. It will be an ugly day for the peacemongers when Mr. Bache gets posted at Sands Point. THE NEW YORKER.

\*Mr. Julius Bache, listed by Ferdinand Lundberg, in his "America's Sixty Families," as a member of one of the Sixty Families which own and control the United States.

this would mean an increase in expenditures for food of approximately 1 billion 900 million dollars. The expenditures of these people would have been increased by 51 percent... Farmers would have received directly nearly 1 billion dollars more in income.

As Minnesota is largely a dairy-farmer state, the statistics on the relationship of yearly income to consumption are interesting. Families receiving under \$500 income yearly use only about one-fourth as much bottled milk as families receiving from \$1,000-\$1,499 yearly; one-seventh as much cream; one-fifth as much ice cream; and less than half as much butter.

A family with a yearly income of \$5,000 drank SIX TIMES as much milk as the family receiving \$500 or less. Is it not clear that the vast majority of farmers have every interest in seeing the workers in the cities improve their incomes?

Naturally, this is only one small way of aiding the farmers. He is still oppressed by the banks, the insurance companies, the railroads, the farm implement companies, the fertilizer trust, etc. But these are part of the very forces of capitalism that also oppress the workers in the city.

## ... the last word

By B. G.

Countess Haugwitz Reventlow—just Babs Hutton, to you—is trying to get back the citizenship she renounced not so long ago in order to escape the inheritance taxes of this country. Now that England is in a bad way she wants to call the whole thing off and come back to the U. S. where her property will be safer, at least for a while. Barbara inherited the accumulated profits of the 5 and 10 cent stores, where working girls slave for as little as \$10 a week. These people—with all the money—are always the ones who yell the loudest about patriotism. They are the ones who always want us to fight for democracy. But in time of danger they always manage to be on the safest side of the fence—like the Duke and Duchess of Windsor and Queen Wilhelmina and King Albert.

In Oklahoma a zinc miner delivered his wife's 13 pound child in a chickenhouse— their home. And the American Medical Association continues to tell us we do not need government-sponsored hospitals to provide low-cost hospital care. Not much!

A little 14 year old New Jersey school girl was beaten and slashed with a razor blade by several companions because she objected to their Nazi and Fascist views only a few days ago. Where did these children learn to oppose another's ideas with fists and razors? At least in school most of us were taught that we could say what we thought and attempt to change our opponent's ideas through debate and conference, even though we found out that this system usually doesn't work in the world where we earn our living. If Fascism—the philosophy of brutality, subjection, race prejudice and death to the trade unions—appeals to our youth, our educational system is backward and our teachers dishonest.

The mother of two grown children and a resident of Washington state was refused citizenship papers because she wouldn't bear arms—if that meant she "might have to go over to Europe and shoot people." This is progress. Today we want as citizens of our fair country only those who have no qualms about shooting other human beings in cold blood. Peace-loving people who are horrified at the slaughter of their fellow men just don't count.

To soften the hard city water rinse out all of the soap when you wash clothes, add a cup of milk to the blueing water. It's a helpful trick—until we get a municipal water-softener.

## St. Paul Drivers Sign New Pact, Get War Clause

The St. Paul General Drivers Union Local 120 has signed a new agreement with city truck operators. The contract is similar to last year's and clarifies some of the clauses, such as those dealing with seniority and the work week.

A provision protects seniority rights of any employee called to any branch of the naval or military service in the event of an official declaration of war or compulsory military training.

## A DICTIONARY OF LABOR TERMS

Industrial Workers of the World, the I.W.W. or "wobblies," an organization of workers and radicals created in 1905 in Chicago. Among early leaders were Gen. Debs, Bill Haywood, and Vincent St. John. Before the war it gained some strength among the migratory workers and miners of the West, and in the textile industry of the East. During the war over a hundred of its leaders were arrested by the United States government and given long prison terms. Since the war the I.W.W. has lost most of its strength. Its principles are those of syndicalism, which preaches the organization of revolutionary industrial unions aiming at the overthrow of capitalism without political organization. The "wobblies" preach industrial unionism, direct action, and the general strike. In the pre-war days they conducted militant fights for free speech in many cities.

Injunction, an order issued by a court restraining individuals or organizations from committing certain acts, on the theory that an emergency situation exists and that an injunction will maintain the status quo until the issue can be decided by the usual slow court procedure. The injunction has been used by the courts mainly as a means of strike-breaking. Injunctions are issued ordering unions not to strike, to picket, to hold meetings, etc. Practically all injunctions against unions are illegal; though this capitalistic weapon has been outlawed by federal and state courts, it is still resorted to.

Insurrection, an armed uprising against "law and order." To be successful, an insurrection must be based on broad sections of the rising class, must be based on a revolutionary upsurge of the masses, and must come at the crucial point in the history of a maturing revolution, when the masses are most firmly united behind militant leaders, when the vacillations in the ranks of the enemies and in the ranks of the undecided are at their highest point. The first task of every insurrection throughout history has been to bring the troops over to its side. The chief present-day means of accomplishing this are the general strike, mass processions, street encounters. The aim of the insurrection is to break down the barriers which cannot be dissolved politically. Not to be confused with a revolution, which is a vast social change starting long before the insurrection and continuing long after it.

International, a world-wide organization of working-class political parties adhering to the same body of ideas. Many trade unions are also called "internationals" because their memberships include the workers of more than one country.

Internationalism, a radical working-class doctrine aiming at the abolition of separate nations with their national tariff walls, national armies and national passports, etc. It would abolish imperialism and would free the colonial peoples, aiming at world cooperation among free peoples with freedom for the international exchange of products and ideas. The capitalists cannot accept internationalism because the rivalry between them forbids international cooperation, and because they benefit from tariffs and militarism and a nationalistic spirit.

International union, the most important trade union organization making up the AFL or CIO, consisting of local unions in the United States and Canada. Each international union has jurisdiction over a certain craft or industry, and has considerable self-government in matters of dues, officers and activity. The international unions have voting control at the conventions of the AFL.

Jingo, a 110% flag-waver and patriot who has no intention of going to war himself but works feverishly to induce the workers to shed their blood in capitalist wars. Jingos are anti-labor, pro-Big Business, Big Navy, Big Army, and are always urging that the nation go out and clean up on the foreigners.

Jurisdiction, in the labor movement this refers to the trade or industry in which a given union has the exclusive right to organize and recruit members. A jurisdictional dispute arises when two or more unions each claims a certain group of workers, or types of work.

Kick-back, money returned to the boss by the worker from his wages. A form of chiseling on the union wage scale.

Knights of Labor, a trade union organization which started in 1859 in the United States and which attained considerable strength, finally giving way to the American Federation of Labor. Chapters of the Knights of Labor existed until the beginning of this century. The Knights conducted many great railroad strikes. Their outstanding leader was Terrence Powderly.

Kulak, the word for "fist" in Russia, a nickname for the rich peasant with a grasping nature. Has come to be a slang term for one not well-informed about life.

Klans, a secret organization formed in the South after the Civil War to terrorize the freed slaves and oppose the intruding Yankees. Since then the Klan has spread and has opposed Catholics, Jews, aliens and (more recently) unions. The Klan has many characteristics of the fascist movements of Europe.

contempt. The first Labor Day celebration was held in 1885 on a local scale, and gradually the various states granted this day to labor, partially as an antidote to May Day, the day the workers take for themselves.

Labor defense case, a court case involving the defense of a unionist or militant worker being prosecuted by the employers or the government. The law in general is constructed to protect the rights of property, and therefore stands ready to be used against any worker who challenges capitalist privilege. In the United States the courts try to lump labor defense cases in with criminal cases. The criminal, however, is interested only in his own welfare, whereas in a labor case the worker is fighting a social or political fight on behalf of his class.

Labor lieutenant of capitalism, a phrase coined by Daniel DeLeon, early American socialist, to describe those union officials who function in the organized labor movement, consciously or unconsciously, as lieutenants of the employers.

Labor lobby, a lobby maintained by union organizations in the various state capitols and in Washington, under the theory that workers can gain more by paying lobbyists fabulous wages to seek behind-the-scenes dickers with legislators and congressmen, than the workers can gain by forming an independent labor party of their own to protect and advance their interests.

Labor movement, the sum total of labor organizations, such as trade unions, working-class political, cultural, defense, cooperative and sports organizations, in a healthful, progressive Labor's Non-Partisan League, a political organization formed by the CIO in 1936 for the purpose of swinging the labor vote behind one or another of the candidates of the two employer-controlled political parties.

Labor party, a political party based primarily on the trade unions, whose purpose is to elect representatives of labor to public office to enact a program believed to be favorable to the working majority of the population.

Labor power, the term used to describe that labor which the worker who is without any

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tionally to lead the people to believe that the United States government is certainly down on trusts.

Now all of a sudden President Roosevelt comes out with a proposal to include the whole Western Hemisphere in an international trust—a trade cartel that would rigidly control all buying and selling among the nations of the hemisphere, and between this hemisphere and the rest of the world. What a laugh! It seems that the only "trust" the bosses and the government object to is the control that organized labor has been able to win over the jobs and working conditions of its members. Anything else goes.

### BUY UNION-MADE GOODS

means of production is compelled to sell to an employer in order to exist. The price paid for the commodity labor power is known as wages, and labor power is measured by the hour or task.

labor press, the newspapers, magazines, pamphlets, leaflets and books published by the labor movement.

left wing or leftist, in the French parliament the political parties were seated from the most radical on the extreme left to the most reactionary on the extreme right; thus left has come to denote radical politics.

liberalism, the point of view that something should be done for labor, but that under no circumstances should labor take matters into its own hands and do something for itself.

local union, the smallest unit of union organization embracing the workers of a certain craft or industry who live close enough together so that they can meet frequently together.

## UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

<b>LOCAL 471</b> General Membership—First and third Tuesday each month, 7 p. m. Girls' Section—Second Tuesday each month (7:30 p. m.) Milk Haulers—Fourth Tuesday, 8:30.	<b>LOCAL 160</b> General Membership—First and third Thursdays. Seniority Board—Every Monday. Executive Board—Every Tuesday. Stewards—Wednesdays preceding 1st and 8th Thursdays.
<b>LOCAL 131</b> Second Thursday each month, 8 p. m., third floor.	<b>LOCAL 221</b> Day Laborer Section—First Tuesday each month. Independent Truck Owners Section—Second Tuesday each month.
<b>LOCAL 259</b> Second Monday of each month.	<b>LOCAL 1859</b> General Membership—May 1 Northland Mfg. Co.—May 14 J. R. Clark Section, June 19. Air-Loc Seat, Inc.—May 21 Grievance Board, June 20. Executive Board, Every Friday, 8 p. m. Twin City Stewards, June 24. General Membership—June 5 Notice The Grievance Board will meet once a month (on the third Thursday of each month) until further notice.
<b>LOCAL 664</b> General Membership—First and third Fridays. Park Board Grievance Committee—Monday night preceding last meeting of month.	<b>LOCAL 20481</b> Grain King Co.—June 18, 4:15 p. m. Twin City Lumber—June 18, 4:45 p. m. Twin City District Council Hall Hastings Section, June 18, 8 p. m. Hastings, Minn.
<b>LOCAL 1086</b> The Retail Clerks Local 1086 will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.	<b>LOCAL 958</b> Night Drivers—1 p. m., third Thursdays each month. Day Drivers—7 p. m., third Thursdays each month.
<b>PETROLEUM DRIVERS LOCALS 544 AND 977 AND WAREHOUSEMEN</b> Regular Membership Meeting—First Wednesday each month.	<b>LOCAL 544</b> JULY Monday, July 1—Package Delivery and Department Stores, Greenhouse Wednesday, July 3—Sausage, Petroleum Monday, July 8—General Membership Tuesday, July 9—Lumber, Raymond Bros., 9 p. m. Wednesday, July 10—Market, Wholesale Paper, Wholesale Liquor Friday, July 12—Wholesale Grocery and Meat Drivers Monday, July 15—Furniture and Coal Thursday, July 18—Tent and Awning, Newspaper, 10 a.m. and Ways and Means, ITO Friday, July 19—Job Stewards Monday, July 22—Spring Water Tuesday, July 23—Building Material Wednesday, July 24—Sand and Gravel and Excavating Thursday, July 25—Transfer and Warehouse and Wholesale Drug Friday, July 26—Cold Storage and Produce 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 Local 544 office, first floor All regular meetings start at 8 p. m. unless otherwise indicated
<b>LOCAL 977</b> General Membership—Second Monday each month, 9 p. m. Executive Board—Each Monday, 8 p. m. Lessee Section—Third Wednesday, 9 p. m.	<b>LOCAL 346</b> Regular Membership Meeting 2nd Monday each month, 8:30 p. m., 4th Monday each month, 1:30 p. m.
<b>LOCAL 289</b> Retail Drivers—First Thursday, Wholesale Drivers—Second Thursday. Yeast Drivers—Third Tuesday, Cake and Pie—Third Thursday, General Membership—Fourth Thursday. Inside Workers—Last Saturday, 3 p. m.	<b>LOCAL 103</b> Regular Membership Meeting—Second Monday of each month. Executive Committee Meeting on call.
<b>LOCAL 275</b> Tea and Coffee Drivers, Local 275, meets the first Friday of every month.	<b>LOCAL 359</b> Stewards—Second Mondays, Executive Board—First and third Mondays. General Membership—Fourth Tuesdays.