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## AFL, CIO Conventions Open But No Unity Seen

### On the National Picket Line

Marvel Scholl

The future fate of millions of American workers lies this week in the hands of several hundred delegates who are assembling in two conventions—the AFL in New Orleans amid the vanishing splendor of the Old South, and the CIO in the seaside resort, Atlantic City. From out of the committee rooms and corridor caucuses of these two meetings will probably come some plan for the unification of the labor movement. Labor peace is the question which will receive the most attention at both of the conventions.

In view of existing circumstances it behooves the labor movement well to watch those conventions with an eagle eye. For—after five years of fighting, during which the rank and file, and the secondary leadership of both organizations have achieved a working peace with one another—suddenly all the top leaders, with the possible exception of Lewis, are hot to settle the fight and lie down together, in the interest of "National Unity" which can only mean, National Defense.

IN ADDITION ALL OF LABOR'S MOST BITTER ENEMIES ARE PRESSING FOR PEACE WITHIN THE MOVEMENT.

When our enemies begin to "help" us—watch out! When Roosevelt, Willkie, Ford, Girdler, Hillman, to name a few, begin to try to help the organized labor movement find a solution to its difficulties, then I say it is time that the workers looked the situation squarely in the face and reckoned the cost of any such peace. For it will not be an honorable peace. In all probability it will only be a peace which will mean the death of industrial unionism!

The CIO reports close to 4 million workers within its ranks—four million workers who, for the most part, were never organized before, yet who have shown more militancy, more aggressiveness, more ability to go after what they want and get it, than was ever dreamed possible—in fact the militancy and the stick-to-itiveness of these workers scared even the CIO leadership into a program of conciliation and backing-down. What these workers have won has been, in great part, in spite of their national leadership and not because of it.

Is this great movement then, to be discarded, cast into the limbo of the past, in order to achieve peace between the Lewises and the Greens? Is that to be the price the American labor movement is going to be asked to pay so that the government can have a nice, acquiescent labor movement which will take more kindly to registration?

Peace — YES. BUT HONORABLE PEACE. PEACE WHICH WILL LEAVE INTACT THE INDUSTRIAL UNION. PEACE WHICH WILL CEMENT THE MILLIONS OF WORKERS WHO NEED ORGANIZATION MORE NOW THAN THEY EVER NEEDED IT BEFORE. PEACE ON OUR OWN TERMS. PEACE WHICH WILL MEAN VICTORY

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### Local 289, Companies Present Evidence to Federal Commission

Last Tuesday and Wednesday an examiner and lawyer for the Federal Trade Commission conducted a hearing in the federal building in Minneapolis, on the citation of the Commission against the Minneapolis Bakery Drivers Union Local 289 and the nineteen Minneapolis bakeries. Examiner Chantland and attorney Furnas represented the Commission.

The citation was issued by the Federal Trade Commission on May 27, 1940, against the union, its officers and the local bakery companies, charging all with a "conspiracy to prevent peddlers and so-called independent route men or independent bread men from obtaining bread and other bakery products to sell either at wholesale or retail in said trade area."

The action was merely a civil one, similar to hearings before the National Labor Relations Board. The charge revolved around a clause in the union agreement providing that drivers be employees of bakeries, and not "bob tailers" or independents.

DeBoer Chief Witness  
Harry DeBoer, president of Local 289, was the first witness and presented most of the testimony to the Commission. DeBoer testified

at length, introducing the union agreements for 1938, 1939 and 1940. He showed that the clause questioned insures a union standard of wages and conditions to bakery drivers, that it has no other significance for the union, and that it was inserted in the agreement over the objections of the employers.

Employers told the Commission that no bob-tailers were working in inter-state commerce.

The government had almost no evidence to present to support its citation.

The Federal Trade Commission will return to Washington with the material gathered here.

### State Board of Education Continues Stassen Program

At its meeting last Thursday the four-member Stassen majority of the state board of education took the second step in what appears to be a long-range program to dismiss summarily a number of members of the staff of the state department of education, against the wishes of Commissioner of Education Rockwell and the one liberal board member, Mrs. Sarah T. Colvin.

At this meeting the board called in Harry Schmid, present director of vocational education who took the job of Eugene V. Carstater, and asked him his opinion as to the value of the services performed by Miss Louise Muller in the defense program. Miss Muller is senior research associate in the department of education, and extremely well qualified for her job. Schmid could make no criticism of her work, but saw what was wanted of him and recommended that "in the interests of economy" she be discharged so that the money appropriated for her salary could be used for other purposes. Later in the day the board acted on Schmid's recommendation and discharged Miss Muller.

Is Second Victim  
Miss Muller is the second department of education employee to be fired by the Stassen administration, which has now cleared the decks to replace all liberals in the department with followers of the Stassen machine. It is predicted that over a score more will walk the plank.

The state department of education has contracts with the federal office of education providing that all appointments to federally-aided positions shall be made by the state board UPON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION.

The state board of education violated these provisions on two occasions recently, in Schmid's case and in the appointment of a supervisor of trade and industrial education. The Washington office has since approved an amendment, requested by the state board, eliminating the provisions which require the commissioner to recommend appointments. It follows that the board may now appoint individuals for all these positions without any regard for the wishes of the commissioner. The state board has asked for the names of those staff members not protected

### TJC Locals Plan for Nominations

With the end of the year approaching, affiliates of the Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council are scheduling their nominations and elections of officers. Among the unions which have already set dates for nominations are Locals 131, 289, 359, 471, 544, 664 and 977.

The Bakery Drivers Union will nominate on Thursday evening, November 28th.

The Warehouse Workers Union Local 359 will nominate on Tuesday, December 10th. Elections, providing for two full days of balloting, will be held on Friday and Saturday, January 10-11.

The Milk Drivers Union Local 471 nominates on Tuesday, December 3rd, with elections scheduled for December 17th.

Local 544 will nominate at the general membership meeting Monday night, December 9th. On the same date the Filling Station Attendants Union Local 977 will accept nominations.

The City & Sanitary Drivers Union Local 664 plans to nominate at the meeting Friday, December 6th, with elections scheduled to take place two weeks later, on Friday, December 20th.

Members of the Laundry Drivers Union Local 131 will nominate at their meeting Thursday, December 12th, and will elect on the second Thursday in January.

### CLU Sets Up Political Committee

A union political committee representing the Central Labor Union was set up by that body at its meeting November 13th.

The following were appointed by President Boscoe: Roy Wier, Gene Larson, R. D. Cramer, L. Boerbach, Harold Seavey, Rubin Latz, Tom Pierce, Ed O'Neil, Mike Finckelstein, Ture Hendrickson, Peter Olson, Clair Johnson, Victor Nelson, John Sollie, George Murk and John Jones. The committee was to hold its first meeting November 20th.

The CLU passed unanimously the Teamsters Joint Council resolution calling upon the State Federation of Labor to institute court proceedings immediately for the purpose of testing legality of the Stassen labor law.

Organizer Wier reported that inasmuch as the Marigold ballroom was closed due to the storm, tickets to the November 13th dance would be honored November 20th. Brother Selenski was announced as the speaker on Monday, November 18th, over WLOL at 7 p. m. on the labor broadcast. The coming week R. A. Henning of the Machinists will speak for the shop crafts over WLOL.

### Cab Drivers Meeting Postponed To November 29th

Because the next membership meeting of the Taxicab Drivers Union Local 958 was scheduled for November 21st, which is Thanksgiving Day, the executive board has found it advisable to postpone this meeting to Friday, November 29. All members take note.

### Union Guard Will Stage Dance-Turkey Round-up This Saturday Evening

This Saturday night Local 544's Union Defense Guard will hold its annual dance and turkey round-up. Plenty of prizes, lots of turkeys, geese, ducks and chickens, and music by Pete Snapko's union orchestra will be available. The Union Defense Guard has a reputation for staging outstanding parties, and this year's Round-Up will be better than ever. Hundreds of friends of the guard are expected to attend.

The affair will be held in the third-floor hall at 257 Plymouth Avenue North. Tickets are only 25c which includes the checking charge. Come up Saturday night and get your turkeys and geese. Meet your union friends.

### Launch Fight to Save Sharecropper Sentenced to Die

The poll tax, that device used by Southern landlords to deny political liberty and democracy to Southern labor, faces a new challenge in the nation's courts. The Workers Defense League, non-partisan defense organization, has announced it has entered the case to save the life of Odell Waller, 23-year-old Negro sharecropper. Waller is scheduled to die on December 27th, charged with the murder of his white landlord, Oscar Davis.

Waller was convicted by an all-white jury drawn from the rolls of local poll-tax payers and consequently made up of businessmen and landlords. The League will appeal the decision on the partial basis of the defendant's "right to be tried by a jury of his peers." As further grounds, the League will cite instances of prejudice in the conduct of Judge Turner Clement and evidence that Waller fired in self-defense.

Last summer Waller's white landlord refused to pay his tenant for his share of work done on a tobacco crop which had been subsequently plowed under as part of the government's crop reduction program. Waller abandoned his claim and went to Baltimore to seek work.

Cheated Again  
He returned from Baltimore in July to find that the landlord, Davis, had evicted his wife and 65-year-old mother, both of whom worked on Davis' land, and was withholding the family's share of the wheat crop they had raised. Waller decided to visit his employer and demand satisfaction. He took along a gun because of Davis' repeated threats and his reputation in the community as a "bad man." Gun carrying is permitted by Virginia law where a man believes his life is in danger.

Beats Him to Draw  
Waller testified that Davis replied to his request for his rightful share of the wheat crop with "I won't give you a damn thing."

### J. E. McReavy Has Passed

Local 544 learns with regret and sorrow of the death of John E. McReavy. Mr. McReavy was a veteran of the transfer and drayage industry of Minneapolis.

From the days of the horse-drawn wagon to the super-powered tractors and trailers of modern hauling, the company founded by John McReavy has been a factor in the city's transportation business.

The union's association with John McReavy has always been of the pleasantest.

Members of Local 544's executive board attended the funeral Monday afternoon at the Scottish Rite Temple.

### CIO Resolution Would Guarantee Rights of Industrial Unionism—AFL Would Protect Jurisdiction of Crafts—Hillman for Unity At All Costs — Amalgamated Clothing Workers Presents Resolutions to CIO — ILGWU Back in AFL Convention—Lewis Will Resign, Probable Successor is Murray—Some Unions May Split from CIO

On Monday the AFL and CIO conventions got under way at New Orleans and Atlantic City, with the question of renewal of unity negotiations the major issue before both bodies.

The executive board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers headed by the pro-war Sidney Hillman has adopted three resolutions and submitted them to the CIO convention.

One resolution would bar members of the Communist Party from holding office in the CIO. It would amend Article IV of the CIO constitution by adding that "No person shall be eligible to hold any paid office or employment in the Congress of Industrial Organizations who is a member of the Communist Party, any Nazi or Fascist group or organization, or any other subversive group or organization."

Unity at Price of Industrial Unionism

A second resolution on labor unity declares that "in this time of national and world crisis it has become more than ever essential to have a strong, vigilant and united labor movement to protect the rights of labor. It calls for a single labor organization "united upon terms which sacrifice none of the gains won by the CIO"; it instructs the incoming executive board "to resume negotiations with the AFL and devote their best and most sincere efforts to unite the two organizations upon a basis which will not sacrifice any of the great gains made by the CIO or compromise the principles for which it stands, but which will end the division in the house of labor."

The third resolution, curbing the powers of the president, would by constitutional amendment constitute the president, the six vice-presidents and the secretary an executive committee that would meet quarterly or oftener on call of the president or a majority of its members.

### 3,000 Honor Floyd Olson At Meeting

An estimated crowd of three thousand gathered at the Olson Memorial Highway and Penn avenue last Sunday afternoon to give homage to the memory of Floyd B. Olson. The occasion was the unveiling of a large statue of the late Farmer-Labor governor.

Robley Cramer paid tribute to Olson's courage and expressed conviction in the future of the Farmer-Labor movement.

Attorney George B. Leonard, personal friend of Olson's, traced the governor's rise from a poor boy to head of the state.

The attractive monument, unveiled by Patricia Olson, was formally presented by Chief Justice Henry Gallegher of the state supreme court. Many speakers paid tribute to Floyd Olson.

The statue commands a view of the splendid new Olson highway, and is located not far from the north Minneapolis neighborhood where Olson grew up.

### 664 Members, Take Notice

The 90-day waiting clause that was written into the master policy of Local 664's insurance contract is now in effect. This provides that any member more than 90 days in arrears of dues will have his insurance cancelled and will not be eligible for any insurance benefits until 90 days after paying up all dues, fines and assessments.

Special notice is called to nomination of officers on December 6th. Any member wishing to run for office must have been in good standing for the 12 previous months. He shall also have attended at least one meeting each month in the past year.

Election of officers will be held December 20th. Polls will be open that day from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m. Members failing to pay their November dues will not be eligible to vote in the election.

ILGWU Is Back  
The numerically large International Ladies Garment Workers Union for the first time in years will be represented at the AFL convention. This convention will see a move to eliminate the one-cent special tax levied to provide funds to fight the CIO. The power of the executive council to suspend international unions will likely be eliminated or restricted.

Lewis Will Resign

Addressing the CIO convention on opening day, John L. Lewis announced he would adhere to his promise to resign from the CIO presidency. From all indications Philip Murray, Lewis's first lieutenant in the Mine Workers and the CIO, will succeed his bushy-browed chief to the presidency.

The AFL approached the pending unity negotiations with a cocky attitude. The current AFL membership has just been reported as over 4,250,000, an increase of 50 per cent over the membership figure when the CIO was suspended. As the majority of the AFL leadership supported Roosevelt for reelection, the executive council feels it has the edge over the CIO at Washington.

CIO May Split  
The CIO opens its convention in a turmoil. The forces led by Hillman—the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, the Textile Workers, etc.—are for labor unity "in the interests of national defense," and at whatever cost to the industrial union movement.

There is a strong possibility that these unions, together with the Rubber Workers and others, may bolt the CIO unless the CIO capitulates completely to the AFL.

Though Lewis will no longer

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# Boss' Letter Falls Into Hands of the Burlington Strikers

Letter from Starker to Beeman Reveals How Bosses Work Behind the Scenes to Crush Strikers—NLRB Capitulated to Republican Machine in Iowa, Fired Vogt—Starker Organizing for Violence Against Union Pickets—"Mohawk Plan" of Breaking Strike Is Postponed While Starker Plots with Walter Dunn, Bosses' Pal

Burlington, Iowa—One of the most astounding and revealing statements of the policy of bossdom to come before the labor movement in recent years has just accidentally fallen into the hands of the workers on strike against the Northwestern Cabinet company owned by E. A. Starker.

The statement is in the form of a letter from Starker to Mr. Lynn W. Beeman, representative of the National Furniture Manufacturers association.

The letter shows that it was the Republican machine in Iowa which has applied pressure successfully on the National Labor Relations Board to suspend Mr. Vogt, an NLRB examiner who investigated the labor situation in Burlington to the detriment of the open-shop employers. The letter further shows the close and scandalous tie-up between Mr. Dunn of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and the bosses. Finally the letter directly appeals for violence against the Northwestern Cabinet strikers.

In order that all workers may know how the bosses operate behind the scenes to crush strikes, we produce lengthy portions of Starker's letter, written on October 25th to Beeman at Winnetka, Illinois:

### Beeman Wrote Ad

"The newspaper ad (an ad in the Burlington Hawk-Eye Gazette attacking the strikers and John Janosco—Ed.) is being run practically the way you wrote it, in Saturday night's paper in a quarter page space. I understand that you feel that a second letter (to each striker—Ed.) should definitely be sent. Also that another ad should be run, but I presume the major point involved will first be to see how many favorable or 'yes' votes we receive in response to this letter enclosed.

### Republican Tie-Up

"I am asking our attorney, Mr. Cromwell (Republican state senator—Ed.) to request the two United States Senators and Congressmen to write Mr. Wiener (of the National Labor Relations Board—Ed.) asking why an election is not called, in accordance with my understanding from the fourth paragraph of your letter of October 24th.

"As I understand it, the second newspaper ad will be simply the notice you recommend in your letter of October 24th followed by the two letters. However, I suppose we will hear from you after you know how many 'yes' votes we receive.

"The weather has not been cold enough to call in the firemen but when we do we will endeavor to handle it as you suggest.

### Preparing for Violence Against Pickets

"I think our final ad or when we announce an opening of the plant depending upon the number of people wanting to go back to work, should definitely state the fact that we do not feel any responsibility for any violence that should occur and should specifically dwell on that point as to where the responsibility lies, because I noticed in the Tribune, I think it was yesterday, where workers stormed union pickets leaving one dead and thirty-four injured, while bullets and rocks fly as 250 battle.

"AND I THINK THAT THAT ANGLE SHOULD BE VERY WELL COVERED IN AN ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE PUBLIC BEFORE WE RE-OPEN THIS PLANT."

### Dunn Enters Picture

"Most interesting of all, Starker added in his own handwriting the following information regarding Walter Dunn, so-called organizer for the United Brotherhood of Carpenters: "Since writing the above information has developed via Mr. Dunn on Mr. Janosco. Mr. Cromwell is phoning you to see if the program as per above should be carried through as scheduled. Have held letters, cancelled ad. Signed: E. A. S., 10/25/40. 4:30 p. m."

### Gives Dirty Picture

This interesting letter from the boss to the chief strike-breaker of the National Furniture Manufacturers Association reveals about as dirty a picture of attempted union-smashing, political connivance, planned violence and plotting with a labor faker as a worker is apt to run across in a lifetime.

From this letter, and from the activities of the company, it is likely that Beeman and Starker are attempting to apply the notorious "Mohawk formula," a strike-breaking plan devised by Remington-Rand and the anti-union steel companies, to Burlington. However, the possibilities of cooperating with Walter Dunn to break the strike has caused a temporary postponement in the "Mohawk formula."

One phase of Starker's plan, that dealing with the attempt to discredit the strike leadership and the union by claiming the workers have no right to organize in a union of their own choosing, has turned out a flop. A statement of facts from the Minneapolis Furniture Workers Union Local 1859 of which John Janosco is business agent, and from the North Central District Council of Furniture Workers, of which Janosco is secretary-treasurer, has been presented to the county attorney. The charter of the District Council states plainly that it "is organized in conformity with the laws and constitution of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters in order that we may more completely organize the furniture and woodware industry in this district," and that "it is the duty of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners and the District Council to encourage the fullest possible organization of furniture and woodware workers in this trade area."

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Brother "Gravy" Davy Shea has been sick a few days but is back this Monday. J'ever hear about Davy's ride on a scoop shovel down the Columbia toboggan slide? Waiting at the end of the slide was a ferocious muskrat who went for Davy before he had even got off the shovel. Davy won the argument eventually but doesn't know now whether he dislikes walking more than fighting muskrats or vice versa. The old White got in its usual dirty work with Brothers P. Larson and Lorenson. Keep those cab windows open, boys, if you want to stay healthy.

Brother Harry "Honey-Chile" Steffy is getting a reputation at doughnut snatching. Ask Brother Baldy Ryan about it. Even the head foreman was among the "Honey-Chile's" victims recently.

Mrs. Parnell Larson is gradually improving at 500 or else I'm slipping. There are the ingredients for a darn good argument, Olga.

Many of the boys would like to see the foremen keep their hands in their pockets on all jobs.

Happy Thanksgiving.

### AFL Membership At Record High

The American Federation of Labor now has more members than at any previous time in its history, Secretary George Meany reports in the American Federationist.

On the basis of current per capita tax payments, the combined enrollment of all unions affiliated with the AFL is 4,247,443, almost a 50 per cent increase over three years ago, when the membership was 2,860,933.

Joseph Padway writes in the current Federationist to advise unions not to fix wage schedules in their contracts for long periods of time, foreseeing a sudden rise in the cost of living. Padway advises unions to include a clause in new contracts giving the union the right to re-open the wage question in the event living expenses substantially rise.

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### ANOTHER LOAD From City and Sanitary Drivers Local 664

By Wally Raze

The Armistice Day storm prevented the appearance of a column from Local 664 last week. Had to work that day and Tuesday morning is the deadline, according to Carlos Hudson, the editor.

Brother Al Mlynek had a tough time returning from Wisconsin the night of November 11. Brother A. P. Anderson reports he had no cinch getting back to Minneapolis that night. Several of the B.P.C. brothers had narrow escapes from drowning and freezing while duck hunting, among them Brothers Lanigan, Hoff and Lanigan.

According to report from Al Mlynek, Brother Horner is recovering at General Hospital from injuries received when partly run over by the tractor. Please excuse my not visiting you, Jack, but have been very busy the past 10 days. Am "baching" it at present and that alone deprives me of any spare time. How are you coming along at Deaconess, Tony?

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- Anderson, Henry W., 1839 East Lake Street
- Anderson, W. A. (Ehrenstrom), 1825 Riverside Ave.
- Billman, Dan, 2518 Central Ave.
- Burr Funeral Home, 3040 Lyndale Ave. South
- Davis, Harvey, 4084 West Broadway (Robbinsdale)
- Enga Memorial, 1300 Lowry Ave. North
- Enger Funeral Home, Grant at Park Ave.
- Elliott Mortuary, 1900 Hennepin Ave.
- Heinrichs Funeral Home, 902 West Broadway
- Johnson Undertaking Company, 1900 Hennepin Ave.
- Kozlak, Peter Funeral Home, 1918 University Ave. N. E.
- Kapala, Stanley, 230 13th Ave. N. E.
- Larson, O. E., 2301 Central Ave.
- Oakley, Otis H., Mortuary, 1900 Hennepin Ave.
- Peterson Funeral Home, 1838 Central Ave.
- Simpson, Kenneth, Mortuary, 1900 Hennepin Ave.
- Sullivan, Frank D., 2617 Hennepin Ave.
- Sundseth Funeral Home, 2024 Lyndale Ave. North
- Swanson's Mortuary, 1610 Lowry Ave. North

### Watt Notes

By Amps & Volts

The next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary to Local B-160 will be held on Thursday, December 19th, at 8 p. m., at Unity Hall, 350 North 17th Street. At this meeting we will be prepared to initiate new members to the Auxiliary who wish to take part in our Christmas festivities, and there WILL be festivities. A gala Christmas party will be given by the Auxiliary for its members and their children on Sunday, December 22nd. You will want to come. If you are not a member of the Auxiliary, join now.

At the last meeting of the Auxiliary held on Monday, November 18th, seven baskets of groceries were made up for distribution on Thanksgiving Day.

Don't forget about the Auxiliary's Card Party on Friday, November 29th, at 257 Plymouth Avenue North. Come and take part in the fun, prizes and refreshments.

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### With the Limousines

By Home James

Lest we forget, three years ago this week marks the tragic passing of our friend and brother, Patrick J. Corcoran. Let us all try and carry on as he would have us.

New laws by the international: Officers can be elected for from one to five years (and we can't have some do their job for five months).

Remarks from the livery section: "How could we be in any other local and wear those big buttons (dear me). Also: "I'll fix 'em. I'll join the CIO and take them all with me" (out Cedar Ave. way). Won't the CIO just love that?"

Not to change the subject, but we recommend listening to WL0L on Monday nights. It may help a lot of you guys that are too busy to attend your regular meetings.

From what we hear this next meeting should be good, and clear up a lot of things! Because of the elections, last meeting night's turnout wasn't so hot. From now on it should be better. (Less Willkie).

It has been brought to our attention again that a leading auto dealer who has a great knack of letting out cars to celebrators who come to our fair city, seems to forget that we have a union for drivers of said cars—or is this guy in the livery business? Also a few taxi drivers buy some cars from this outfit. A little more information on this phony lover of labor and we will give you the real news. A banner is the real answer to these kind of people.

After the snow storm we don't expect to hear from St. Louis Park members till spring. And to think that Ted Gardner hasn't been sewed up in his winter underwear yet.

The only Smith boys we have seen lately are those cough drop guys.

Make this next meeting for sure!

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The baggage department breeds them: Herman Rose and Big Eric took a gander at the trip-sheets the drivers brought in during the storm and filled in for a couple of shifts for old times sake.

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### Imperialist Clash In Latin America Is Forum Subject

By Home James

"Yankee Imperialism and Hitler in South America" is the subject of the talk to be delivered by Dr. Grace Carlson at the Sunday Forum on November 24th, 3:30 p. m., 919 Marquette Ave. Admission is 10c, the unemployed being admitted free. Coffee and doughnuts are served after each forum.

The membership also went on record with a motion that the penalty for non-attendance be placed on all those who should have attended that meeting but were absent.

The trouble with the Artistic is being ironed out.

Your B. A. missed the jack pot on last Saturday's game by the last touchdown and Minnesota didn't need that touchdown half as bad as your B. A. needed the jack pot, either. Darn it!

Emrich Ansher was laid off by Cross brothers last Saturday. They discontinued his route. Emrich has handled a laundry route for about thirty years and judging by his ability is a lot younger than some of us young squirts.

Love in a hut, with water and a crust, is—Love forgive us!—cinders, ashes, dust.

**Local 131 "Gas and Suds"**  
By L. Clair Johnson

George Myhre, Harry Millie and Ray Barthel (Waldron's) played the part of heroes in last week's storm. They went out to a tavern on Wayzata Boulevard last Monday night to pick up their Lake driver, Cliff Myhre, who was marooned there. They were told that an old lady, a mother and three young children were marooned in a car some blocks away so they took their truck which was equipped with chains and went to the rescue. The wind was so strong it was impossible for the women and children to walk against it to the tavern so they were sitting in the car. The mother was hysterical and her legs were partly frozen. With the help of Connie Ordeman, president of Milk Drivers, Local 471, who was also marooned at the tavern, they brought them safely in and no doubt saved these women and children from freezing to death through their heroic work.

Ray Dombeck (Troy) went up somewhere near St. Cloud to a wedding the day before the storm, got snowed in and didn't get back

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# Labor Press Would Cancel Defense Contracts Held by Violators of Labor Laws

Federated Press Monthly Poll

The labor press of the United States is almost unanimously agreed that defense contracts should be withheld from violators of federal labor laws, the Federated Press Monthly Poll of labor editors reveals.

No previous Federated Press poll has shown a greater degree of unanimity — or a point of view more bluntly opposed to that of the daily capitalist press.

Ninety-six per cent of all papers polled voted to withhold war contracts from anti-labor corporations. Eighty per cent voted in favor of cancelling any war contracts already granted by the administration to labor-law violators. Eighty-eight per cent voted that war contracts should be withheld as soon as the NLRB finds the employer guilty, without waiting upon the courts to confirm the findings of the NLRB.

### Labor Comes Before "Defense"

All in all, the poll indicates that organized labor as a whole is definitely interested in the government's policy of granting war contracts, and is hostile to the practice of granting such policies to anti-labor concerns.

Of the participating editors, 42% represent AFL papers, 39% CIO papers, 14% unaffiliated and 5% AFL-CIO papers.

Comments of some of the editors are published by Alexander Crosby, poll conductor.

"This union has had charges of unfair labor practices pending against Bethlehem since 1935, still tied up in litigation. Meanwhile the company gets \$\$\$," wrote the CIO SHIPYARD WORKER.

### A Test of Sincerity

"It is more vital now than ever before to safeguard labor's legislative gains, and if the New Deal is sincere it would favor such a drastic program," wrote the AFL UNION GAZETTE of San Jose, California.

"We are presumably spending money to defend our institutions. Law violators undermine those in-

stitutions. The least we can do is deny them profits for doing it." — RACINE DAY.

"It is a mockery for the government to say it is fighting for democracy and then bestow profitable defense contracts on the leading anti-democratic forces in the nation." — NORTHWEST ORGANIZER.

"Unless labor standards are preserved from the very beginning they are sure to be destroyed when we are openly at war." — CIO LANSING NEWS.

"Violation of labor laws, it seems to me, is every bit as unpatriotic as draft evasion, the penalty for which is \$5,000 fine and/or five years in prison." — CIO AIRCRAFT ORGANIZER.

## Packinghouse International Voted in Austin

The Packinghouse Workers Union Local 9 of Austin, Minnesota, voted last week to demand immediately of the national committee of the CIO's Packinghouse Workers Organizing Committee that action be taken towards establishing a packinghouse workers international union, manned and operated by packinghouse workers.

The resolution states that "we have frequently voiced our dissatisfaction with the manner in which the organizational affairs of the packing industry have been handled and . . . we feel that the PWOC has neglected the task of organization which it has assumed and has been charged with."

The PWOC is one of the many "organizing committees" set up by John L. Lewis and manned by Stalinists, purportedly to organize the packinghouse industry and develop into an international union. Like other similar committees, the PWOC has so far done neither.

My country is the world; my countrymen are all mankind. — WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON.

## Gassing With 977

If there are three more members who want to play basketball, and if they will call the office of the Local and leave their names and telephone numbers, the Local can have a fine team. This should be done within the next week.

The office received word this week that Bro. Stanley King (Shell, 941 Lowry Ave. N. E.) died two weeks ago from complications which followed an infected ankle. We regret the delay in making the announcement to the membership, and extend the sympathies of the Local to Bro. King's family.

The General Membership meeting was held last Monday evening, having been postponed from the previous Monday because of the storm. Mr. Stanley Stennes, from the Speakers' Bureau of the Hennepin County Tuberculosis Ass'n., spoke to the membership and showed a very interesting sound film, "A Cloud in the Sky."

Representing the Society for United Blind of Minnesota, Mr. Rude appeared before the membership and announced the benefit dance, which will be given at the Marigold Ballroom on Thursday evening, December 5th. Organized Labor is requested to support this movement and plan to attend this dance with your friends.

Bro. Jerry Rivet (Pure, 3601 Lyndale Ave. S.) won the door prize of a month's free dues.

Applications for Hospitalization Benefits should be in the office by the 25th of the month; if you do not have an application, call the office and one will be mailed immediately.

### SO SAY OUR PEEPLESS LEADERS

Of necessity, the work of an individual workman must be repetitive—not otherwise can he gain the effortless speed which makes low prices and earns high wages.

Some of our tasks are exceedingly monotonous, but then, also, many minds are monotonous — many want to earn a living without thinking, and for these men a task that demands no thinking is a boon. — HENRY FORD.

Look round the habitable world; how few know their own good, or knowing it, pursue it. — DRYDEN, Juvenal

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## Independent Truck Chatter

R. F. Hornig

SPECIAL NOTICE! Register for special Christmas work. All owners of flat racks who will be available for work around Christmas time should register by November 27.

So many instances have occurred in discussions about this column of the interest our men say their wives have in reading our stuff that our thanks are long overdue. I want to offer my regrets that notice of this has not been taken before. The members of the staff, Curt and Milt and the Committee and myself realize your friendly interest in our news not only assures your understanding and cooperation in helping our independents to maintain their loyalty to the union and carry out their duties as members but will also keep up the effectiveness of this column as a bulletin for messages of importance.

Last week's snowstorm furnished another occasion for taking a vacation from this job. Our deadline for press time was too soon, anyhow, to talk of any effects of the storm to us.

Most of those men who put their names on the coal list must have thought it might have been an invitation to dinner. Starting Tuesday the hall was swamped with calls for coal haulers and three out of four turned it down. Louis Groth was one of the few I saw up north helping out Carnegie, who even had an ad in this Sunday's paper for haulers. Drivers, helpers, shovelers, anybody, the exchange was swamped with calls for help.

We hope they retain their interest and devotion to organized labor during their stay in Glen Lake, and that they use their leisure to better prepare themselves to participate in the struggles of the working class of people for a better life.

Most of our boys on the city list put in all their available time driving city equipment, but very few independent trucks were called out.

It's a rumor that the park board may hire six or eight trucks in the next so and so . . . The snowstorm caught the city with many paving crews still on the job . . . It might just be the right time to ask about those famous Diamond T's, bought for snowplowing. Were they or was it all a gag?

Having laid myself open to the term of "rugged individualist" I suppose I have no complaint. Rightly or wrongly, however, it hurt no little to see one of the Belt Line boys right in the home territory heaving away double time on the night shift on a snow job last week. Tougher yet was the knowledge the man was an out-county trucker.

You have already heard the story of the hard luck loser in every jackpot coming in a winner in the draft lottery. Well, it's true, brother, too true! Every word of it. Can't win at poker, shooting crap's murder, never a jackpot winner or a grab on a chance-book. But wake him, boys, when the whistle blows No. 38—and the name (you guessed it)—is Hornig.

## Union Patients At Glen Lake To Get Paper

The forty men and women at Glen Lake sanitarium who are affiliated with organized labor have been placed on the mailing list of the Northwest Organizer, at the request of the Central Labor Union's visiting committee. These men and women represent 33 different AFL locals in the city.

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## FWS NEWS

On this eleventh consecutive thankless Thanksgiving we unemployed are as far from turkey as ever. Gleaning Thanksgiving proclamations sound hollow to the still remaining jobless millions who have seen relief whittled down year after year. No high-phrasing from either the re-elected president or the re-elected governor changes the fact that millions of workers in the country and thousands in this state, wholly lack turkey or other motive for feeling thankful. This is the forceful status after eleven years of Republican and Democratic promises to restore prosperity and end unemployment and needless privation.

Of course, some other thousands in this country are sure of turkey, trimmings and big juicy melons being sliced and fed to these insatiable coupon-clippers. For instance the U. S. Steel Corporation gleefully celebrates a 1740% profit increase in the first half of 1940 over 1939. General Motors stockholders are cramming down net profits of \$113,575,460 for the first six months of 1940. The Libby-Ford Glass monopoly really enjoys its 96% profit increase promised for this year. Owners of corporate wealth loom fat as war orders plop into their laps. No body questions their cause to give thanks. Their stomachs are full, their pockets bulging. There is the Happy Thanksgiving.

But the other side of the picture has become worse than chronic. The Heller Committee for Research in Social Economics at the U. of California currently estimates the cost of maintaining a family of five in health and decency at \$2,184 per year. A recent U. S. government survey shows that one-third of the nation's families average only \$471 income per year, and that the next one-third average only \$1,076. Thus two-thirds of the nation's families live on LESS THAN ONE-HALF the minimum standards of health and decency. Happy Thanksgiving, baah.

Hopkins local FWS will hold its meeting (postponed from last week because of the big storm) next Tuesday evening at John Speck's home.

Forty WPA workers and ten of their teachers on Defense Training projects at South High School, who found their projects closed because of the big storm, were about to lose a day's pay due to a federal rule prohibiting making up lost time on such projects. A committee from the job asked and received the aid of the FWS and within a few hours the rule was interpreted by the State WPA administration as not applying in these circumstances. The time had already been made up—and within the same pay period.

FWS members will see Ed Palmquist about cooperating for a good time at the Union Defense Guards' annual Turkey Round-up this Saturday evening in the third floor hall.

THE BOSSES' LAW  
Ignorance of the law excuses no man; not that all men know the law, but because it's an excuse every man will plead, and no man can tell how to refute him. — JOHN SELDEN.

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## With the Dairy Workers Local 471

George Bergquist

A program has been launched by the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor and the Wisconsin Farmers' Equity Union whereby farm products produced by the Farmers' Union members and processed and distributed by labor union members under a label bearing the inscription, "Wisconsin Farm Labor Cooperation." One concern in Madison, the Consumers Co-operative Dairy, has already qualified for the label and it appears on the bottle caps of the milk distributed by that organization. Future plans of the group have not been announced. Neither has there been any indication as to the extent of the contemplated program. The plan got under way a year ago when the state boards of the Federation of Labor and the Farmers' Union met at Chippewa Falls and later the state conventions of both organizations endorsed the joint label program.

Local 471 expresses its deepest sympathy to Brother Tom Ammerman in the loss of his father last week. For several years past his father had been in Florida and we are glad Tom was able to visit there this past September.

Brother Clarence Schwab has made a "Minnesota Shift;" he now is in the ice cream end with his fine line of "frozen food." His job is to put over fresh vegetables as we have put over fresh milk.

Our union finds enjoyment when its members can better themselves so at this time let's give Brother Schwab the boost that we have owed for such a long time. Insist on fresh vegetables from your grocer, develop the frozen food idea with storekeepers on the route and when you have a lead built up, call our brother member.

An interesting report of how the Floodwood Co-operative Creamery provides bull service to the dairy farmers in its territory is published in the June 1st issue of The Farmer. Its author, H. R. Searles, reports that the creamery owns two pedigreed Guernsey bulls which are being used to improve the offspring from the five thousand cows owned by the members of the creamery. Artificial insemination is used for the most part.

Winners in the Northland Stillicious contest went to town at Hotel Radisson last Thursday evening. It was an affair of swell eats and pointed entertainment. In the money were Brothers Villam Bell, Dr. Jackson and Honest Bloomberg.

Here is hoping that when we get our next "big snow" Local 471 will function as one. Possibly we need a few words in the right instrument at the opportune time.

De Soto News  
The snowstorm inconvenienced a number of people; but ask Dorothy Kenney and Genevieve Julkowski how they would like a permanent residence at the Commercial Hotel.

We wonder if Mrs. Olson and Mrs. Anondson missed their husbands Monday night? They spent a nice quiet night on a hard bench in the locker room covered with overalls. Minus victuals. In fact all the wives were worrying about their husbands, but the storm was to blame for that. They arrived home late but safe.

Roy (Father) Anderson is now the father of a baby girl, born on Nov. 2. Thanks for being on the

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job with the cigars but we must mention again that it took you a long time to become worthy of your nicknames.

Draft Board number 17 on which Brother Gene Larson serves employs only union clerks and stenographers. We question whether there is another like it in the U. S.

We are glad to report that Brother Ed Olson is home from the hospital and that he is coming along nicely.

We said so many unfavorable things before election about the Republicans that now we can mention some of their fine qualities. Above all, they are good payers: Bernice Iverson received her delicious chocolates, William Sinnott got his bucks and the writer is to have an extra day off which we assume Curran Nielson will write off as campaign expenses.

In these days of the big snow we could make good use of Brother Joe Kirby. We have it straight from the western part of the state that his left leg possesses all the qualities of a fine fence post.

It seems like Santa Claus knew his stuff when he gave wooden cigars last Christmas to our Brother Carlyle Johnson because Carlyle is such a hard loser that he pays election bets with pennies.

Armistice Day for dairy workers came on the 12th of November and we are wondering if the holiday will be a yearly affair.

According to a consumer survey recently completed by Daniel Starch, research authority, glass bottles are still preferred over paper containers among women purchasers. In New York, only 17.5% of the women interviewed were induced to use the paper containers, according to the survey. Reasons given by the women for their refusal to change, were lack of visible cream line in the paper containers, and also the claim that they could detect the taste of paper from the containers. Dr. Starch concluded that if distributors were to give housewives free choice, they would favor the glass bottles almost four to one.

Those who in quarrels interpose, Must often wipe a bloody nose. — JOHN GAY

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"Whereas, a struggle is going on in all the nations of the civilized world between the oppressors and the oppressed of all countries, a struggle between the capitalist and the laborer, which grows in intensity from year to year, and will work disastrous results to the toiling millions if they are not combined for mutual protection and benefit.  
"It, therefore, behooves the representatives of the Trade and Labor Unions of America, in convention assembled, to adopt such measures and disseminate such principles among the mechanics and laborers of our country as will permanently unite them to secure the recognition of rights to which they are justly entitled.  
"We, therefore, declare ourselves in favor of the formation of a thorough Federation, embracing every trade and labor organization in America, organized under the Trade Union System."

## National Guardsman Writes On Army Life in Camp Today

What is it like to be in the army today? Have things changed for the better since 1918? One of the few personal letters from new army recruits on this matter appeared in the November 1st issue of the Tri-County Labor Herald in Jamestown, New York.

The writer is a national guardsman in the 44th division at Fort Dix, New Jersey. The letter reads in part:

"There are not yet enough warm wooden barracks to house all of us 12,000 men during the raw nights. Most of us still huddle during the eight or nine hours 'bunk fatigue' around stoves in the 'winterized' canvas tents.

"Carpenters are banging away all day long constructing World War style pine and tar paper barracks. They tell us that December 15 is the deadline to get the men out of tents and into barracks. Cold weather, however, appears to be winning the race and it is questionable to this soldier's opinion whether there will be barracks enough for all the draftees who will soon be coming in droves.

**A Bit of Stew**  
"The biggest beef around here is about the food. We get stew regularly for dinner and supper. Every day, like clockwork, it's stew, stew, and stew. Most of it isn't very well prepared and it is rumored that the companies did not receive adequate stores.

"Most of the boys think they're in for a war. They are not quite clear where it will be or why.  
"Our first thought when we came to Camp Dix a few weeks ago was that the army was going through a demonstration process. We were in for a disappointment. The caste system flourishes and is still the order of the day.

**Officers Enjoy Life**  
"The National Guard officers are business men chiefly from the upper class and they continue to live and enjoy life much the same as they did in civil life. It is the enlisted man who must drastically change his mode of life.

"Under the very shadow of the Stars and Stripes is the executive officers club, into which sacred precincts no buck private may saunter. Nor may he park his car, if he has one, in the vicinity of the club. There is a sign saying 'Parking for Officers Only.'

Trade union control of a universal military training program at the government's expense would do away with the conditions mentioned in the above letter.

## French Unions Are Abolished, Leaders Starve

On November 12th the French government of Marshal Petain issued a decree formally abolishing the Confederation Generale du Travail, the body of French trade unions. The Confederation is the equivalent of our American Federation of Labor and CIO.

Actually ever since the start of the Second World War the Confederation of the French workers has been powerless, its strikes prohibited. Now it is wiped out completely. Its leaders, once as prominent in France as William Green, Sidney Hillman and John L. Lewis here, are reported to be begging on the streets for bread, or imprisoned.

The fact that the French unions and their leaders submitted to the war and the war dictatorship and groveled before the French employers and the government helped them not one whit. Today there are no unions in France.

The law is a sort of hocus-pocus science that smiles in your face while it picks your pocket.—CHARLES MACKLIN.

## AFL and CIO For Unity on Own Terms

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speak as president of the CIO, his strength is not greatly lessened. He still controls the United Mine Workers, his word carries tremendous weight with Philip Murray, thousands of paid CIO officials still identify their interests with those of Lewis. And the Communist Party still backs Lewis in the hope their special position in the CIO will be protected by Lewis.

**Pressure from Roosevelt**  
Though it is unquestionably true that the overwhelming majority of the rank and file of the AFL and CIO desire labor unity, chief pressure for unity at this time is coming from Roosevelt. The president is looking ahead to war, and feels that a united labor movement will be easier to control than a movement divided.

The chief reason the ranks of labor have not been able to make their desires felt with the AFL and CIO top leadership is because the policy-making powers which rightfully belong to the membership have been usurped by the leaders of both labor federations.

Should the rank and file have their say as to unity, they would vote with both hands for a complete unification, embracing the AFL, CIO and railroad brotherhoods, on the basis of full guarantees for the preservation and extension of the industrial union method of organization.

Should the AFL craft union diehards have their way and be able to force unity at the expense of industrial unionism, or to split the CIO, unionism in the basic industries will be struck a hard blow. Such a blow will not only harm the CIO, it would likewise weaken every single local union in the nation.

That William Green is half expecting a split in the CIO is indicated by his observation made last Friday in New Orleans that "developments may show some CIO unions may withdraw from that parent body and remain independent or turn to the open door of the AFL. . . This gradual sifting may draw a line between the left-wing group of Lewis and the right-wing of Vice-President Sidney Hillman. Out of this may come a Communist-controlled fellow-traveler membership in the CIO under Lewis."

**To All Trade Union Members**  
So many workers applying for unemployment insurance or relief have been rejected through their own negligence and misunderstanding of the law, despite the fact they are clearly eligible to receive such aid, that the Federal Workers Section of Local 544 has set up a special department to deal with this problem.

All workers seeking unemployment insurance or relief are asked to get in touch with Ed Palmquist before applying for aid. Palmquist is in the office of the FWS from 9 a. m. to noon, Monday through Friday each week. The office is on the second floor, 257 Plymouth avenue north.



## Keeping Step With 544

By Mickey Dunne  
According to the latest quarterly financial report of the International union, Local 544 is the largest union in the AFL Brotherhood of Teamsters.

**DEER HUNTING**  
There are more deer killed with dollars than with bullets.

The revised constitution and by-laws of the International are here. There are many changed.

Despite the fact that the late storm was unseasonable and regardless of who was at fault, the snow removal job, not half done yet, would be a disgrace to a village of 2,000 population. Four days after the storm subsided huge piles of frozen snow still blocked streets in the loop. The residential streets received a lick and a promise which left them in worse shape than before in most cases.

Presumably the old cry of no funds will be raised by those responsible. Such a defense, in fact any excuse, is an abject confession of failure to provide a service that is just as much of a static need, in this part of the country, as water and sanitation.

Hundreds of ITO trucks registered with the city engineer's office and were available. Thousands of laborers for shoveling could be had for the asking. What is the answer? We would like to know.

Local 544 will provide about 75 men for the Christmas rush at the Post Office. Men

who are sure to be without employment between the 18th to the 27th of December are asked to register at the union office. Do not register if you will not be available for post-office work in this period. The local union MUST provide the members when called upon.

The Union Guard's TURKEY ROUND-UP, held annually, will be on Saturday evening in the third floor hall. Anyone that has attended these affairs in the past knows that it is the real McCoy. Plenty of turks, chickens and everything. Come and have fun.

**B. Ambrose tells one story of how he shot his 150-pound doe. But Dale Burchett and L. Davidson have a different version.**

Ted Neal, International representative, met with the Bakery Drivers executive board and the writer Sunday morning.

We hear with real sorrow of the passing of John McReavy. He was an honorable, upright human person. His word was as good as a signed contract. A deep vein of humor was part of his make-up and many times a pungent remark from John served to break the tension of a deadlocked meeting. Union representatives, as well as the transfer industry, will miss him.

Keep in mind the Kiddies Christmas Party in December. It will be held in the Armory, and as usual everything will be free.

## Cooperative Hosiery Mill Owned by Union Is a Flop

The Philadelphia Hancock Knitting Mills, created last November by unemployed members of the American Federation of Hosiery Workers, took a powder last week. Six major creditors moved in by initiating receivership action against the \$250,000 co-op.

The mill was abandoned months ago by the Interstate Hosiery company because of its antiquated machinery. The employees decided to go into business for themselves and took out a loan. Thus they became economic half-breeds—half-workers and half-bosses.

By March they were unable to pay the union scale of wages, and started to picket themselves. The strike against themselves was successful and they signed an agreement with the Hosiery Workers Union to pay themselves union wages. By May, unable to fill orders and pay union rates, they shut down the factory.

The workers sat down with themselves and argued whether they should cut their own wages below the union scale. Out of one corner of their mouths (the tight employer corner) they claimed they had an investment at stake. Out of the other corner of their mouths (the healthy workers' corner) they contended that a wage reduction would undermine standards throughout the industry and make all their brother hosiery workers suffer. The worker-part

## Launch Fight To Save Sharecropper

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When the white man reached for his gun pocket, Waller shot him. Armed planters went after Waller, who fled to Ohio, from which he was extradited in August. Despite the lynch spirit in the community the judge refused a defense motion to move the trial to another city.

Medical testimony which would absolve Waller from a first-degree murder charge was disregarded by the court.

**Is Labor Case**  
Waller was not tried for the murder of Davis. He is condemned to die because he defended himself against a white landlord and because he is a colored man and a sharecropper. Waller's case is a labor case. His release would be a victory over lynch law and a blow against the poll tax which has long been a major obstacle to the emancipation of Southern labor.

The Workers Defense League estimates that at least \$2,000 is needed to carry the appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. He can be saved from the chair only if \$350 is raised by November 26th for appeals in Virginia courts. Funds to support Waller and the vital issues involved should be sent to the Workers Defense League, 112 East 19th street, New York City.

**721 AFL Officers Hit War Orders To Labor-Haters**  
A petition signed by 721 AFL officers of local unions in New York protesting the granting of government war orders to labor law violators has been sent to President Roosevelt and Sidney Hillman. The petition urges Roosevelt to issue an "executive order directing that all contracts for government purchases contain a stipulation that the contractor shall not be in violation of any provision of federal labor legislation."

Hillman was urged to "take steps to insure that the recent statement of labor policy of the (National Defense Advisory) commission shall no longer remain a dead letter."

The petition was initiated by the Building Trades Union Press and the Trade Union Record, papers of AFL unions. It is indication of the growing realization by labor of the extreme danger to union conditions that will result from the government's announced policy of awarding war contracts to corporations regardless of the fact such corporations are violating federal labor laws.

There has been no direct reply from either Roosevelt or Hillman. Since the petition was delivered a contract for \$122,000,000 of planes has been awarded to Henry Ford.

and bus employees whose work affects safety operation, retail and service workers, domestic and farm employees.

Altogether Fleming estimates 12,611,700 workers are now covered by the Federal Wages and Hours Law.

**ON BOSS MORALITY**  
3 Fish: Master, I wonder how the fishes live in the sea.  
1 Fish: Why, as men do a-land: the great ones eat up the little ones.—SHAKESPEARE.

## New Champ Crowned at Truck Rodeo

Los Angeles, Calif.—The fourth annual Truck Rodeo is over and 26-year-old Orville Hoffer of Indianapolis, Indiana, has been crowned Grand Champion Truck Driver of the Year. Hoffer, a 165-pound driver who has been with the Trans-American Freight Line for over five years, piled up a total of 109 1/2 points to receive the championship trophy and a cash prize which will bring him \$50 each month for the next year. In addition he received other cash awards.

Second and third places went to Charles Zimmerman of Chicago and R. A. Hall of Baltimore, Maryland. Emery Manuel of Minneapolis piled up a sizable number of points but failed to place in the finals.

The rodeo competition is becoming more severe yearly is indicated by the failure of Edson Smith, champion in 1938 and 1939, to place in the finals.

The championship truck rodeo was held last Wednesday, November 13th, in the McLaglen Sports Center Stadium before several thousand spectators and delegates attending the annual convention of the American Trucking association. Fifty-one drivers from all sections of the nation competed in this year's rodeo.

So far as could be ascertained, all prize-winning drivers were members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

Incidentally, this company has contracts with our own government and with Great Britain amounting to \$84 million. Yet they claim that the additional building expansion which they will have to indulge in in order to take care of the orders will cut their

## \$750,000 Willed to Unionism

A bequest of \$750,000 to educate the people of the United States to the need and desirability of trade unionism, and a bequest of \$375,000 to defend civil liberties has just been announced by administrators of the will of Robert Marshall, one of the heads of the U. S. Forestry Service, who died a year ago.

In his will drawn July 12, 1938, Marshall directed that his estate of \$1,534,070 be divided into four parts, two of which are to be used to establish a trust for "The education of the people of the United States to the necessity and desirability of the development and organization of persons engaged in work or of unemployed persons and the promotion and advancement of an economic system in the United States based upon the theory of production for use and not for profit."

That is the liberal's way of saying he wants the money used to build trade unions and advance the cause of socialism.

One-fourth of the residue is to be used for the "safeguarding and advancement of the cause of civil liberties in the United States." The remaining fourth is to be used for the preservation of wilderness conditions in outdoor America.

Among the trustees named by the late Mr. Marshall are Gardner Jackson, Heber Blankenhorn, Edwin Smith, Roger Baldwin, John Finerty, well-known liberals.

The Marshall bequest to labor is believed to be the largest since the famous Garland fund of several millions was set up over twenty years ago to advance the cause of civil liberties and socialism.

Sometimes millionaires DO have consciences.

## Canadian Labor Editor Is Jailed

Montreal—David Sinclair, editor of The Searchlight, official organ of the Canadian Seamen's Union, has been interned for the duration of the war under the Defense of Canada Regulations. He was interned under a new law whereby the federal authorities act without trial. He was taken into custody by police in a raid on the Seamen's Union office here. Two other union officials were also interned at the same time.

A large but undisclosed number of Canadian trade unionists have been arrested, given star chamber trials, and tossed in jail since the war started. Officers of the AFL Carpenters, the Upholsterers and the Amalgamated Clothing Workers are known to be interned.

Protests from the labor movement have gone unanswered by Canadian authorities.

## On the National Picket Line

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FOR THE WORKERS, NOT FOR THE BOSSES.

The strike against the Vultee Aircraft Corporation at Downey, California, called last Thursday evening by the local chapter of the UAW-CIO, is still in full force, despite the convergence upon Downey of representatives of the War and Labor Departments, and the Defense Commission.

The strike was called, after weeks of futile negotiations with the company for a raise in the minimum wage scale from 50c to 75c per hour. Lou Michener, UAW West Coast Director, said in a statement to the press, that during the negotiations the union had "continually capitulated," had reduced its demand from 75c to 65c, had agreed to give up its demand for job classifications, but that now they were standing firm on the demand for not less than 75c per hour. At present the Vultee workers make between \$20 and \$22 per week. Brother Michener said, "That is not enough to live on. . . . We would be willing to turn out government planes and live on relief standards if the company would give up its profits. . . . but that is not the case. Vultee will make twelve million dollars profit in the next three years. We feel justified in asking for a living wage."

By the way, shortly after he was elected to his third term, Roosevelt made a statement in which he said that 50% of all war implements manufactured here would be sold to the English. All this concern about speeding up the national defense program, not striking, etc., to hinder it, brings up another interesting question — which 50% are they interested in? The United States or England's?

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**ON WORK**  
You take my house when you do take that prop that doth sustain my house; you take my life when you take the means whereby I live.—SHAKESPEARE.

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<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 275</b> Tea and Coffee Drivers, Local 275, meets the first Friday of every month.
<b>LOCAL 131</b> Second Thursday each month, 8 p. m., third floor.	<b>LOCAL 160</b> General Membership—First and third Thursdays Stewards—Second and Fourth Thursdays. Seniority Board—Every Monday Executive Board—Every Tuesday
<b>LOCAL 958</b> Night Drivers — 1 p. m., third Thursday each month. Day Drivers — 7 p. m., third Thursday each month.	<b>LOCAL 221</b> Day Laborer Section — First Tuesday each month. Independent Truck Owners Section — Second Tuesday each month.
<b>LOCAL 664</b> General Membership—First and third Fridays. Park Board Grievance Committee—Monday night preceding last meeting of month.	<b>LOCAL 1859</b> Stewards—October 28 General Membership — November 6 Executive Board — Every Friday
<b>LOCAL 1086</b> The Retail Clerks Local 1086 will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.	<b>Notice</b> The Grievance Board will meet once a month (on the third Thursday of each month) until further notice.
<b>PETROLEUM DRIVERS LOCALS 544 AND 977 AND WAREHOUSEMEN</b> Regular Membership Meeting—First Wednesday each month.	<b>LOCAL 259</b> Second Monday of each month, 8 p. m.
<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 544</b> November, 1940 Friday, November 1 — Job Stewards Monday, November 4 — Package Delivery; Department Store Wednesday, November 6 — Sausage; Petroleum Thursday, November 7 — Greenhouse; Independent Truck Owners Friday, November 8 — Wholesale Grocery; Meat Drivers Monday, November 11 — General Membership Tuesday, November 12 — Lumber; Raymond Bros., 9 p. m. Wednesday, November 13 — Market; Wholesale Liquor Friday, November 15 — Job Stewards Monday, November 18 — Furniture Stores; Coal; Paper and Printing Thursday, November 21 — Tent & Awning; Newspaper, 10 a. m.; Ways & Means ITO Friday, November 22 — Cold Storage and Produce Monday, November 25 — Spring Water Tuesday, November 26 — Building Material Wednesday, November 27 — Sanitation Thursday, November 28 — Transfer & Whee.; Wholesale Drug Seniority Committee meets each Tuesday at 7 p. m. in Hall 3 Grievance Committee meets each Tuesday and Friday at 7 p. m. in Local 544 office, first floor The Executive Board meets each Wednesday at 10 a. m. in the large hall on the first floor. All regular meetings start at 8 p. m. unless otherwise indicated.
<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 103</b> Regular Membership Meeting—Second Monday of each month. Executive Committee Meeting on call.
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<b>LOCAL 359</b> Stewards—Second Mondays, Executive Board — First and third Mondays General Membership — Second Tuesdays	