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# Jury Finds All 25 Strike Defendants Guilty

## On the National Picket Line

Two months ago it was almost impossible to find anything in the newspapers except war news. Labor seemed to be asleep, resting on its laurels. Today, in spite of the fact that there are three wars being waged in the world, American labor has come awake. In spite of, and maybe because, of the tremendous forces now being concentrated by the United States government to crush the organized labor movement, the Giant that is Labor is awake and preparing to fight back.

The longest labor controversy in the history of the auto industry has just been concluded, by a compromise agreement, both sides claiming victory. The union gained a 3c per hour raise for its membership, but lost its demand for a closed shop and also for a voice in production speeds. The new contract provides that any grievances regarding the speed-up will "have the careful investigation of the management." The new contract provides that there shall be no slow-down, stay-in, or sit-down strikes during the life of the contract.

Federal Conciliator James F. Dewey and CIO Vice-president Philip Murray participated in the final negotiations. The contract was signed Wednesday, November 29, and within a few days the men were all back at work. Chrysler is now working full time. Auto production records for the past week topped the 100 thousand unit mark.

Ever since its birth the United Auto Workers Union has been the target for every imaginable kind of blow—external and internal. It weathered a 43-day strike against General Motors in 1937, a 39-day strike against Chrysler in the same year; a six-week strike against General Motors in Canada. Briggs Manufacturing has been tied up so many times during the past four years that it is hard to count. Ford Motor turned all its vengeance and hatred full blast on the new union. Internal forces tried vainly to tear the union down. Homer Martin, expelled, turned with his small remaining group in to a dual AFL organization. The top CIO leadership has, time and again, sabotaged the gains made by workers on strike, signing agreements far below what they should have been. The membership of the union spends a good third of its time on the relief roles, because of seasonal unemployment.

Yet through every fight they have come out, stronger and more militant than ever before. How is this? I asked this question of a man who knows both the UAW and its rank and file membership. And he answered me briefly and very much to the point. "These workers are the real proletariat. They own no property. They live in congested areas with their own kind. They are out of work from twelve to twenty weeks a year. Their salaries in no way compensate for the many weeks of idleness. They HAVE to fight. Their union is their only hope. They have nothing got lose but their chains."



## Listen Kids—

If your daddy is a member of the Drivers Union, or Local 1859, or Local 160—and  
If you want to have the time of your young life—and  
If you like clowns and ventriloquists and troubadours and birds and monkeys and dogs and music and dance—  
Then the place for you to be at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, December 23rd, is at the Minneapolis armory where the Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council is giving its First Annual Christmas Party for Kids.

I'll be seein' you there.  
BOZO

## Lund Ski Workers Win Pact After 32 Months

The 36-months' struggle of the ski workers employed by the two plants owned by C. A. Lund—the Lund Manufacturing company in Hastings, Minnesota, and the Northland Ski company in St. Paul—for a union contract was finally crowned with success early this week when the Woodenware Workers Union Local 20481 signed an agreement as exclusive bargaining agent for all production employees.

The union contract calls for a 41c hourly minimum in the lower brackets, a 45.5c minimum in the second brackets, and a 47.1c minimum in the upper brackets. This scale meets that paid by the Strand Ski company at New Richmond, Wisconsin, and represents a 6c hourly increase over the previous 35c hourly minimum. The pact provides for plant seniority, has a good arbitration clause, and will run until February 1st, 1941, when it can be reopened for negotiations with a 30-days previous notice.

All those workers discriminated against and fired for union activity, and not yet rehired by Lund, are to be rehired first of all at Hastings and St. Paul and will be called back according to seniority. Such workers will be rehired in Hastings even if it means that finks hired since March 25, 1937, must be displaced.

Local 20481, now that it has at last achieved a signed contract, has agreed to drop all charges against Lund pending before the National Labor Relations Board.

The fight of the ski workers for unionism at these two plants, despite the small numbers involved, is an epic of labor's struggle for justice. During the long battle, which has lasted from March 25th, 1937, to the day the pact was signed, these workers underwent great privations. The company sought to form a company union against them. It tried to engineer back-to-work movements. It sought an injunction in the courts. It tried for over two and a half years to starve the strikers out, but they clung to their cause with a tenacity and devotion that parallels any of the great military epics of history.

## Laundry Drivers Make No Progress In Negotiations

On Wednesday and Friday last week two more meetings were held between the joint union committee representing the Minneapolis and St. Paul laundry drivers and the Minneapolis employers committee, and no progress was made towards achieving a satisfactory new agreement.

The Minneapolis laundry bosses are still holding out for compulsory arbitration of disputes and are demanding a stretch-out of hours. They have made not a single concession to the union's demands.

The St. Paul laundry drivers' demands have met the same fate. The laundry employers of that city are backing a fancy plan to cut the wages of drivers. Last Friday a counter-proposal was received from the St. Paul laundry bosses and presented to the men that evening. The counter-offer drew only laughter from the drivers.

To Try Again This Week  
This Wednesday a meeting is scheduled between the committee representing Minneapolis Local 131 and St. Paul Local 319 and the St. Paul employers. On Thursday, December 7th, another meeting will be held with the local bosses. Leaders of the laundry drivers' unions expressed themselves as skeptical of any good results coming from the meetings.

As a result of the agreement of the employers to meet with the Joint Union Committee, the 10-day strike notice was suspended last Tuesday after two days expired. It is understood that should the negotiations again break down, the unions can renew the strike notice which will then have only eight more days to run.

## Death Claims Two 471 Men

The membership of the Milk Drivers Union Local 471 mourned this week at the loss of two old-time members of the organization.

Hjalmar Olson, 4049 21st Avenue South, died November 27th after a short illness. This brother was initiated into Local 471 in March, 1921. He is survived by a wife, Alma, and three sons, Arnold, 21, Donald, 16, and Clifford, 14.

On December 4th the union heard with sorrow of the death of Edwin Dahlstrom, 2318 Taylor St. Northeast, who died after a long illness. This brother had been a member of the union since December, 1926. He is survived by a wife, Victoria.

## Three All-Star Matches On TJC Show Next Friday

Young Dusek of Chicago, 175-pound grappler, will engage Jim Morgan of Kansas City, 173 pounds, in the main event of the second Teamsters Joint Council wrestling card to be presented next Friday evening, December 15th, at 9 o'clock in the Drivers Hall, third floor. The main event will have a one-hour time limit.

The semi-windup will see Chief Little Wolf of Oklahoma take on Curley McGee of St. Cloud. The Indian weighs 190 pounds and Curley weighs 183. A thirty-minute opener will start the evening matches.

Wrestling fans who attended the first TJC card were loud in praise of the quality of sport offered. "I haven't seen real wrestling like this since Hector was a pup," one enthusiast said.

If you want to see real wrestling again, get up a party for Friday, December 15th. Admission is 40c for adults, 25c for children.

## But Organized Labor Says: "All Defendants Innocent"

### Chauffeurs Union Comes Through for WPA Defense Fund

Pursuant to the action taken by organized labor at last week's special meeting at the Minneapolis Central Labor Union, the members of Private Chauffeurs Union Local 912 have voted to assess themselves 25c each month for four successive months, as a donation to the WPA Defense Fund.

In view of the Defense Committee's appeal for immediate funds, Local 912 has already sent a check for the full amount covering the 4-months' assessment to the Committee.

This is an action becoming real union men and it is hoped every single local union in Minneapolis will do likewise. Answer the "conspiracy" convictions by rushing funds to the AFL-WPA Defense Committee, Clair Johnson, secretary-treasurer, 18 N. 8th street, Minneapolis.

### 977 Strike Vs. Erickson Will Spread

With the Erickson Oil company continuing to stall and to reject the demands of the Erickson attendants and lessees, it appeared quite certain that the strike of Filling Station Attendants Union Local 977 would spread to all Erickson stations.

The union received a letter from Erickson's attorneys this week, refusing to meet the union wage scale of \$180 for managing operators and \$110 for senior operators. The company did not even mention Local 977's demands for back pay due many workers.

Local 977 went to the public this week with the story of the treatment it has received at the hands of the labor-hating Erickson Oil company. Huge quantities of attractive match packs advertising the fact that "Erickson Oil company stations are using strike-breakers in their Minneapolis stations" are being distributed locally.

The inside cover of the match pack asks the public: "Do not betray your union principles and your sense of fair play and justice for cheap gas. Stay away from the unfair stations of the Erickson Bros. Oil company."

The match packs and their messages have been very well received by thousands of Minneapolis car-owners.

Parents driving their own cars will find plenty of parking space available around the Minneapolis armory on the afternoon of Saturday, December 23rd, day of the huge party.

Verdict Rendered at 10:30 A. M. Monday—Jury Can't Look Defendants in Eye—No Worker Surprised at Verdict, Understood that Defendants Never Had a Chance—Trial End Spurs Union Support to WPA Defense Committee—State Federation Donates \$1,000—So Does Central Labor Union, Local 544

"We, the jury, find the following defendants guilty of conspiracy: Eddie Alberts, Victor Nicholas, Margaret Schoenfeld, Ralph Core, Max Goldman, Oscar Schoenfeld, Frank Stevens, Edward Palmquist, Floyd Hurley, Leslie Wachter, Pearl Richards, Ida Dunlap, Harriet Munson, Anna Wisdom, Stella Ross, Lois Viens, Charles Grider, Minnie Kohn, Myrtle Squarcello, Sigrid Asumna, Dorothy Green, Bertha Gates, Marie Morgan, Nellie Wallbridge and George Totino."

Shortly before midnight Sunday jurors in the third trial of WPA strikers arrived at their decision, 36 hours after receiving the case. The court was notified Monday morning at 10 a. m. all defendants took their seats in the federal courtroom. Ed Palmquist, leader of the Federal Workers Section, addressed his fellow defendants, instructing them to remain silent at the verdict and not to express themselves until they were in the Union Hall.

At 10:30 the jury filed in and it was immediately apparent it had heeded the plea of the district attorney and the instructions of the judge.

NOT A SINGLE JUROR COULD LOOK ACROSS THE COURTROOM AT THE DEFENDANTS SITTING OPPOSITE.

The jury foreman—L. H. Rouse, Minneapolis accountant, the only local person on the jury—handed a sealed envelope containing the verdict to the clerk of court. The clerk opened the envelope, showed the verdict to Judge Joyce, turned to the court and quickly read the above verdict.

All 25 Found Guilty  
Twenty-five defendants in the third conspiracy trial! And all 25 were found guilty!

There wasn't a sound in the courtroom. Not a single defendant, man or woman, batted an eye. Reporters for the boss press tiptoed hurriedly to the judge's chamber to phone their papers.

The robbed judge turned to the defendants and told them what he had told the eight defendants found guilty in the first two trials: That he was referring their cases to the probation office prior to passing sentence. Counsel for the defense and the United States government were asked if they were satisfied with the verdict, after which the defendants filed silently from the room past the jury box. Still not a juror could look the defendants in the eye.

The judge was praising the jury as onlookers filed out after the defendants.

No One Surprised  
It would be an exaggeration to say that the verdict took any union man, any worker, by surprise. (Continued on page 4)

## Liberals Win City Pension Board Vote

Ray J. Helvig of the city engineers department led the liberal slate to a 100 percent victory in the vote of city employees last Friday for posts to the municipal pension board. Helvig received 378 votes to win the post of presidency by a comfortable margin over his nearest competitor, Louise Kraft.

Chester Roan of the Park Board won the post of vice-president with little opposition. Others chosen were Lois Johnson, secretary; and Howard Peterson, treasurer.

The seven chosen to the executive committee were Oscar Berg, Edward Broderick, William Callinan, Harry E. Erickson, William Lyness, Herbert Nimmo and Edward Pearson.

A legislative committee of seven city employees was chosen, consisting of Henry Patrick Goodin, William Horan, George Lieb, Joseph Moskalik, Lawrence Pratt, Henry Ross and Ernest Wennerlind.

All the victorious candidates received the backing of the unions representing the city's employees.

## Local 359 Gains in 2 New Pacts

The stockmen at the Snyder Drug company have received wage increases and concessions on hours as a result of a new pact negotiated between their union, the Warehouse Workers Local 359, and the company. The matter of one day off each week has also been clarified.

Workers at the Grace Lee company have also received higher wages and shorter hours through a Local 359 pact. Both agreements are retroactive to October 1, 1939.

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# Make Minneapolis a Union Town



# "Anti-Trust" Drive On Organized Labor Is Intensified

**Assistant Attorney General Tips Hand, Ready to Crack Down on Labor's Long-Established Defenses—Would Aid Company Unions by Outlawing Jurisdictional Disputes — William Green Writes Sharp Letter to Frank Murphy, Claims Administration Has Adopted Policies Hitherto Used Only by Most Reactionary Enemies of Labor — Murphy Says Government Will Proceed with Anti-Union Drive Anyway — "New Deal" Discussing New Moves to Tie Labor's Hands—Praises Stassen Slave Act**

The recent exchange of letters between the United States Department of Justice and the American Federation of Labor has only heightened organized labor's apprehension that the Roosevelt administration is in dead earnest about its union-smashing program and is determined to drive ahead with the use of the most discredited and reactionary weapons hitherto manipulated only by openly anti-labor forces.

Letter number one is that written by Assistant Attorney General Thurman Arnold on November 19th to the Central Labor Union of Indianapolis. Arnold left no doubt that he intends to prosecute unions even when they engage in legitimate functions. Briefly, he maintained that the following five practices "are unquestionable violations of the Sherman Act" and would be prosecuted as such:

1. Unreasonable restraints designed to prevent use of cheaper material, improved equipment, or more efficient methods;
2. Unreasonable restraints designed to compel hiring of useless and unnecessary labor;
3. Unreasonable restraints designed to enforce systems of graft and extortion;
4. Unreasonable restraints designed to enforce illegally fixed prices;
5. Unreasonable restraints designed to destroy an established and legitimate system of collective bargaining, that is, jurisdictional disputes.

A study of Arnold's interpretation of these practices indicates that he intends to prosecute unions even when they carry on practices having to do directly with wages, hours, and the right of collective bargaining.

**Would Justify Scab Products**  
When Arnold states he is going to prosecute unions if they oppose the use of cheaper materials, he is attacking one of labor's oldest weapons of defense — organized labor's solidarity in refusing to use products of fink and scab labor.

According to Arnold, if a building trade union refuses to work on non-union sweatshop material, the U. S. government is prepared to prosecute that union for "illegal restraint of trade."

Arnold's phrase about "restraints to compel hiring of useless and unnecessary labor" is followed by his example of the practice of various drivers' unions in placing a union teamster on trucks entering a city. This is a union practice designed to ensure employment of union workers, and to prevent chiseling by non-union operators.

Arnold's fourth charge concerns "illegally fixed prices." Actually, this refers to union agreements aimed to prevent the undermining of union wage and work standards by chiseling employers who use non-union and sweatshop labor.

Arnold's attack on jurisdictional strikes overlooks one little factor: That many times an anti-labor employer resorts to the device of evading a union's demands by forcing his workers into a fake company-union set-up. Under the Department of Justice's ruling, any time any stooge union connives with a boss to prevent real unionization, if the real union fights back it is liable to prosecution under the Sherman Anti-Trust Act.

**Graft Change Is Smokecreen**  
Arnold's talk of using the Sherman Act to link organized labor with "systems of graft and extortion" is just as phoney as his other charges. Every chiseling labor-hating employers' association has contended for decades that the very idea of union dues is "graft and extortion" and Arnold's entire attitude indicates that he and the federal government are ready to use the same interpretation. If he is speaking of genuine graft and extortion, the sort systematically practiced by gangsters and by big business, there are any number of criminal laws under which such activity can be punished.

What Thurman Arnold is really seeking is to place the organized labor movement under the paralyzing provisions of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act, a piece of legislation that was never meant to be used against organized workers and farmers but against the blood-sucking trusts and monopolies.

On November 21st William Green, head of the American Federation of Labor, wrote to Attorney General Frank Murphy, inquiring whether Arnold's statement that labor could be prosecuted under the antitrust laws correctly portrayed the policy of the Department of Justice.

"I am making this inquiry," wrote Green, "because the position taken by Mr. Arnold constitutes a grave perversion of the law and runs directly counter to the clearly expressed intent of the congress of the United States when it adopted the Clayton Act. That act specifically and completely exempted labor organizations and members and officers thereof from prosecution under the Sherman Anti-Trust law on any grounds or pretexts."

The AFL does not contend that illegal acts of any union should go unpunished, stated Green. "But we do insist that the antitrust laws cannot and must not be invoked against labor organizations because these laws themselves do not permit such prosecution."

**Claims Clayton Act Protects Labor**  
Green quoted sections of the Clayton Act, and further quoted from the Congressional Record of May, 1914, when the Clayton Act was passed, to prove that both House and Senate understood that by passing the Clayton Act they were clearly and expressly exempting labor and farm organizations from liability to prosecution under the anti-trust laws.

Green called attention to Representative Henry's statement to the House of Representatives during the final debate on the Clayton Act:

"In my judgment, when congress was dealing with 'combinations in restraint of trade' it never intended that the law should apply to labor organizations or farmers' organizations without capital and not for profit. The courts took a different view of it and construed the (Sherman) act as it was never intended that it should be interpreted. The time has come when we can correct that error and write the language in the law as those gentlemen insist that it should be and should have been. They (the heads of the AFL) have said that when we are dealing with conspiracies in restraint of trade and combinations and trusts it was never intended that the man who sells his labor should be classed as a conspiracy against trade or any unlawful combinations against the antitrust laws. WE ARE NOW ABOUT TO CORRECT THE ERROR AND MAKE IT PLAIN AND SPECIFIC, BY CLEAR-CUT AND DIRECT LANGUAGE THAT THE ANTI-TRUST LAWS AGAINST CONSPIRACIES IN TRADE SHALL NOT BE APPLIED TO LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AND FARMERS' UNIONS."

Green pointed out to Murphy that after this explanation, the House and the Senate both adopted by overwhelming votes the Clayton Bill.

**Links Administration With Reaction**  
Informing Murphy that the AFL would be glad to submit to the Department of Justice a more detailed analysis of the faulty reasoning and uninformed statements contained in Arnold's letter, Green closed with a stinging last sentence: "IT SEEMS INCONCEIVABLE TO ME THAT AN ADMINISTRATION NOTABLE FOR ITS FRIENDLINESS TO LABOR SHOULD ADOPT A RETROGRESSIVE POLICY ADVOCATED HITHERTO ONLY BY THE MOST EXTREME REACTIONARY ENEMIES OF LABOR."

Green's letter must have surprised even Murphy with its sharpness. The Department of Justice immediately announced that Mur-

phy had left for his Thanksgiving vacation and was not available for an answer.

However on November 29th, Murphy let it be known, through a story in the New York Times, that "The contention of William Green that labor is immune from prosecution under the antitrust laws will be denied by the government. . . . Instead, the government is prepared to proceed with further prosecutions of labor organizations whenever further evidence is uncovered. . . ."

**Labor Accepts Challenge**  
The news story said that pending a reply to the AFL, "the Attorney General would not discuss the subject, but other officials pointed out that the Department of Justice felt itself on firm ground in seeking indictments against unions engaged in practices it regarded as illegal."

This is nothing but a new declaration of war against the trade union movement.

The following day the national administration indicated that it is preparing to go even further in its fight against unionism, even to the extent of putting through a national "Stassen labor law."

**Concerned for "Industrial Peace"**  
A United Press dispatch from Washington on November 30th stated that "President Roosevelt's chief labor advisers may propose extensive changes in conciliation and strike prevention machinery at the next session of congress" and went on to state that Attorney General Murphy, William Leiserson of the NLRB, Senator Wagner and U. S. Conciliation Director John Steelman "all believe changes can be made which will improve prospects for industrial peace."

In passing, it is worth while to note that Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini have discovered the best method yet to "improve prospects for industrial peace"—by simply smashing the trade unions.

**Murphy Likes Stassen Slave Law**  
The United Press dispatch went on to say that "Murphy said yesterday he saw 'merit' in the 'cooling off' period under which some states have required unions to serve notice of intention to strike. This plan has been tried in Minnesota and Michigan. . . ."

**Murphy Favors Extension of Stassen Law**  
This is nothing more nor less than a proposal by the federal administration to extend the infamous Stassen Slave Labor Law, unanimously condemned by the Minneapolis Central Labor Union and the Minnesota Federation of Labor, to the entire nation.

There could hardly be a better measure of the rightward swing of the Roosevelt administration than this—that is "sees merit" in the Stassen Slave Act and is thinking of extending it to tie the hands of unions throughout America.

The drive of the Department of Justice against the unions under the pretext they violate the Sherman Anti-Trust Act—the activity of the G-men against trade union leaders in Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska and elsewhere—the latest praise for "strike-prevention" machinery and for Stassen's Slave Law—all this against the background of the sinister M-Day dictatorship plot, constitutes the gravest danger that organized labor in the United States has faced since this nation was founded 139 years ago. Either organized labor will act immediately to protect its rights, or resign itself to being pushed into slavery along the bitter path taken by the unions of Italy, Germany and France. The choice must be made. The time is growing short.

**Card of Thanks**  
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## LOCAL 1859 Knots to You

By Richard B. Gilmore

Don't forget the union Christmas party at the Armory. It will be a regular circus with clowns, animals and music. Candy and stuff for the kids. Plenty of interesting and amazing entertainment. Every boy and girl absolutely guaranteed the time of his life. If transportation is a problem, phone John Janosco and arrangements will be made to bring the children down and bring 'em back safe, sound and stuffed full of Christmas cheer.

The old philosopher, Ed Kirby, sez: The rich have all the ice they want i the summer but the poor get more ice than they want in the winter so it all evens itself up in a year's time.

The Union Guard dance was a big success for Vern Eastman. He won a turkey.

With our belly full of turkey, our ear to the ground and our eye looking back, ahead and "askance" what do we see and hear? We hear that the false pretense by which members of the upper layer of the faking and taking class obtains its livelihood is based on the premise that some must own what others must use and they, owning what others must use, are entitled to superior treatment from the hands of their workers.

These babies are the chief exponents of the theory that capital and labor are partners whereas they have merely separated capital from labor and are employing capital to deprive labor of the major portion of its product.

And in addition to that, the point to remember is that in all the calculations of the taking and faking class is that they add to the total cost of operation, renewal and extension, the item of net profit. This net profit, along with the interest on bonded debt, is absorbed by a comparatively small class that with the best of their intentions, they cannot spend, use up or waste the tremendous values they take away from the farmers and laborers. These values they accumulate in the form of capital, that is, more, bigger, and better institutions for separating the farmers and laborers from the fruits of their toil. In this manner, there has arisen a monstrous capitalization and monopolization of the means of life.

What the cigarette said to the bartender: Put me out before I make an ask of myself.

Brothers and Sisters of Local 1859: We don't want to burden you with our troubles and pecuniary deefewkulties but the truth is this column is very nearly on the rocks. We are all out of stamps and stationery and lead pencils. We had to write this one with burnt matches on an old paper sack and then walk down to the printers with it. If we don't find an angel soon we will have to scratch with nails on old paving bricks and we don't see as how we have enough strength to carry a load like that.

P. S. Believe me, this is serious.

The J. R. Clark section boys are good at heart and quick to respond to a brother's call for help. At last Wednesday's section meeting the strike chairman of the Puffer-Hubbard company mentioned that the boys there were on their uppers for smokes and haircuts. Some of the brothers who had received their training in the Methodist church jumped up and started to pass the hat, with the

## With the Dairy Workers Local 471

By George Berquist

Have you ever tried to put the Golden Rule into actual operation? The next time some brother on your string has lost three or four days on account of sickness, tell the boss you are "trading" days so your fellow worker will get his full pay check. The favor will certainly come back to you; besides it is rather hard to pay bills with a "short" pay check.

Brother Hjalmer Olson, age 52, passed away and was buried last week. He was a former "Met" man but for many years past had been with Franklin. By action of the Executive Board, Brother Olson's death assessment will be held over until January. Our union sends its deepest sympathy to his family and friends.

D. A. Mather and Co. has signed with Local 471. They are located at Stubbs Bay, Lake Minnetonka; they do a cottage cheese business in Minneapolis and a milk business around the lake. They will add seven new members in January.

Chester Delmonico, brother member of our local, now has a 100 per cent union orchestra and will be glad at any time to be of service to our union or any of its members. The orchestra is a seven piece affair and can function for any occasion. Already they have completed some lovely recordings and have been on the air a great deal. In January you will hear them on WEPS, the new radio station sponsored by organized labor. Brother Delmonico will welcome an opportunity to serve you; his number is Granville 5944.

The State Federation is checking all unions in the state to get a report on how the Labor Relations Law helped or hurt them in their negotiations. We learned that some unions pat the law on its back; Local 471 sent in a report that as far as we are concerned, the whole law is one big flop.

We have a nice long "ice fishing season," until February 15, but to date are unable to find the ice. Rumors have it, they are fishing at North Long, Pine City and Marine. If some brother member knows for sure, we would buy you a little Brown Jug in exchange for reliable information.

The Boston symphony orchestra is the only fink musicians organization of its class in the United States.

result that \$20 was handed over to the P. H. strike chairman. Think nothing of it, you Puffer-Hubbard workers. We remember when you did the same for us and we are glad of a chance to show we remember.

When a man is out of work for 13 weeks and turkey walks right into your hands, it is time to celebrate. Last Wednesday night Fred Diedrick won a fine big turkey on a Spino card. Fred took the turkey and turned around and presented it to Ray Perleberg with compliments and best wishes. Wonder which one of Mrs. Perleberg's three little pearls got the wishbone.

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## Independent Truck Chatter

R. F. Hornig

In your own best interests it will be necessary for everyone to attend the next three or four membership meetings. We have now achieved certain conditions throughout the industry that we may for the first time receive the full benefits for everyone for which the union was organized. In so far as is humanly possible, if all of you help, we shall be able to make "the last even as unto the first."

Your Ways and Means Committee will face your ballot approval at the next two meetings. If, somehow, your committee has not satisfied you this year, it is your duty to change it and look for a better. Should only one or more members not measure up to your demands then get a more conscientious member or one who you believe can do more for you or get better results.

Please attend the next regular meeting of the general drivers on the second Monday of December the 11th. Nominations for officers for the executive board of Local 544 will be held at this meeting. Elections for many of the TJC unions have already been held and ours will be conducted in January.

If you want to have some fun just get a Republican congressman started on the administration and listen to him snort. Youngdahl and Alexander were kind enough to give us an hour of our time so we could give them the a-b-c of this bidding deal on WPA. They suggested we should mail them a program for action and would do what they could to put our suggestions into a new relief appropriation act.

Despite all rumors of a Belt Line windup about April or May the new trucks are still a'comin' out Lilac Way. The last five on the job where laid off last Tuesday. Three more followed in the same week.

Red Larson is now demonstrating his new winch line. It is a sweet piece of equipment. . . . Ray Nelson says the WPA put on the heat for booster brakes on 5-yard hauling. Which reminds me that I am still in the vacuum booster business. Two more B-Ks left for Fords with mechanical brakes or can arrange a trade and substantial discount for units on hydraulics for either Chevies or Fords.

Your executive board has recognized your efforts in organizing a bowling league by donating a prize for the winning team. . . . Is it a wild rumor that over a hundred trucks will at one time ride the payroll on the Olson highway? . . . For coal men it is tough but with the mild weather it may be possible to coax a sponsor to set up a heavy grading job so that a few trucks might be put to work.

544's postoffice crew was sworn in last week. Postoffice Christmas work has become a lost hope for the ITO because of requirements for vans or large stake bodies. Toohy reported last year earnings of only \$45. That is hardly worth the work of changing boxes and few ITO showed up this year. CCC and National Guard trucks put

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Welander Quist, Hennepin at Dupont, Chicago at 19th, West Broadway at Fremont  
Albinson Mortuary, Chicago Avenue at 17th  
Fox-Sullivan Mortuary, 113 S. E. 4th  
Washburn-McReavy Mortuary, 412 Central Ave.

**To All Friends of Organized Labor—In case you have the misfortune to have a death in your family, please telephone the Private Chauffeurs Union Local 912, at Geneva 4691, for a list of the undertaking establishments on Local 912's fair list.**

the monkey wrench in the old gray bowl.

We welcome the return of that old favorite column "On the National Picket Line." And guess what, the B.&C. on the woman's column are a twosome from around the office.

And now you can rush that order for your new Plymouth since that CIO strike is settled. . . . Better check your alderman on buying those trucks. . . . The administration has now gone all fink by declaring the prevailing wage provision in the WPA bids is illegal. So Stolle's office says. Also from this office comes the correct report that forty-five Dempster Dumpsters were bought for use in the state. And a treasury man laughed when we asked him about the deal. He says they are not his babies, only that the WPA ordered and the treasury department had to buy them.

Don't forget your park board job history reports. A definite and final seniority list will be drawn up after the first of the year. A couple of coal men are flirting with their seniority somewhere by trying to work both ends from the middle. . . . Must be gravy on the Sixth Ave. job, not a word from that new highway crew. . . . Wonder how our riding academy bosses have done this year?

## Gassing With 977

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Local, cards were mailed to each member in good standing, notifying them of the nomination of officers for the Local for the coming year. Nominations will be held at the General Membership meeting, next Monday, December 11.

Should there be a death in your family, we request that you call the office of the Local, to find out which funeral parlors are Union operated. Your cooperation in this regard will be appreciated by the entire labor movement in Minneapolis.

Again we remind you that the dues books of all members in good standing with the Local, are being called in by the Executive Board, and should be in the office now.

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# Two Defendants Faint From Hunger, Strain As Trial Nears End

The final week of the third WPA trial contained many moments of excitement and much interesting oratory before the case was given to the jury by Judge M. M. Joyce shortly before noon Saturday. On Thursday and Friday final arguments were made to the jury by United States District Attorney Victor Anderson and his assistant, James Giblin, and by Tom Davis, chief defense counsel.

During the last week, two of the women defendants collapsed in the courtroom from strain and malnutrition, the fancy word for starvation. On Tuesday afternoon, during a particularly grueling cross-examination by the U. S. District Attorney, Mrs. Sigrid Assuma, one of the 25 defendants, collapsed in court, forcing adjournment of the case.

This 47-year-old woman, it was discovered, had been living on crusts and coffee since the trial started, and had hardly any soles to her shoes.

Defense counsel several times objected strenuously to Anderson's tactics of lengthy questioning, and the court twice rebuked Anderson for covering ground over many times before. Anderson persisted, however, until finally the defendant crumpled in her chair. The examining physician attributed her collapse to hunger. Like most of the defendants, she is in desperate circumstances.

**Second Defendant Collapses**  
At the court's insistence, the trial was convened on Thanksgiving morning, but was adjourned abruptly when another of the defendants, Mrs. Lois Driscoll Viens, wife of George Viens, a leader of the Federal Workers Section, collapsed as James Giblin began his argument opposing dismissal of the charges against the defendants. Mrs. Viens had been under a physician's care because of illness.

**Court Rejects Dismissal Motion**  
Earlier Thanksgiving morning Tom Davis presented a brief list

ing 42 reasons for dismissing all charges in the third trial. Davis held that the evidence was insufficient to sustain the government's charge of conspiracy. He also attacked the prosecution on grounds the Roosevelt-Woodrum bill was faulty as a criminal statute, and that the defendants had been denied a fair trial, trial of 25 persons at one time violating the constitutional rights of each defendant. The court over-ruled the defense's motion.

**Stresses "Conspiracy" Angle**  
Friday morning the federal courtroom was packed as Giblin concluded his closing argument. Giblin's approach indicated the government's eagerness to justify its "conspiracy" charge. "Don't be frightened by the term 'conspiracy,'" said Giblin to the jury. "This is a familiar word in terms of law. The law says that when two or more persons conspire in the United States, they are committing a crime. . . . Every civilized country has a conspiracy statute on its books. From time immemorial sovereign states have looked with great disfavor upon any number of people combining to conspire against the state, because of the great danger to the state.

"Do you not see the great potential harm to the state in this strike? Why, a movement like this in Minneapolis could sweep the country. So every government has on its statutes a conspiracy law. These defendants have combined to DEFY the government itself, they have done a daring unheard-of thing."

Both Giblin and Anderson defended the Minneapolis police in their murderous assault against strikers and bystanders.

**"The Very Fountainhead"**  
Giblin named Max Geldman and Ed Palmquist of the Federal Workers Section of Local 544 as "the very fountainhead of the Minne-

apolis WPA strike conspiracy." The assistant district attorney made quite a point of the fact that 24 of the 25 defendants were members of the FWS, that the FWS was the backbone of the strike, and that Workers Alliance leaders, on the other hand, had sought to call off the picketing at the sewing project.

**Were Only Police Court Cases**  
In his final argument, Tom Davis told the jury that "While some of the defendants may have been guilty of individual acts, they could not be found guilty of conspiracy against the government. All that could be laid against the defendants could be covered by assault charges to be tried in state or city courts."

Davis pointed out that the FBI had instructed Minneapolis police against making arrests during the strike.

Describing the trial as the most unusual case ever tried in the United States, he defended the right of workers to protest wages and working conditions and contended these were the issues involved in the strike. "If there was any conspiracy in this case, it was a conspiracy of the Department of Justice to fasten a crime against these helpless defendants," Davis stated.

**Anderson Waves the Flag**  
U. S. District Attorney Victor Anderson put on a typical act during his summation. After paying his respects to "our forefathers whose plows broke the virgin soil," Anderson, parading before the jury, boasted that "Minneapolis, so long as I am here, is not going to be the Moscow of America," inferring that Communist influence caused the strike.

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**7th Ward F-L Club to Hold Party Dec. 9**  
The Seventh Ward Farmer-Labor club will give the last in the current series of card parties Saturday night, December 9th, at the fire hall, 42nd and Cedar Avenue. Cash prizes will be given and all are welcome.

## To All Trade Union Members

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

All workers seeking unemployment insurance are asked to get in touch immediately with Ed Palmquist before applying for such insurance. Palmquist will be in the office of the Federal Workers Section from 8:30-10:30 daily except Saturday and Sunday.

## TAXI TOPICS

By Lunde and Hubbard  
Our "ace reporter" Curly Goodnooh, after two years on this column is taking an indefinite vacation. We both introduce George Hubbard, a well known night-driver, to carry on till he comes back.

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Society note: Mr. and Mrs. Russ Wallace were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin "Banjo" Miller for a Thanksgiving feast. . . . We'll bet bicarbonate topped off the repast.

The names used in this column are not fictitious, any similarity to actual persons dead or alive is purely deliberate.

Do not be alarmed these days by all the noise in the skies; it is merely C. C. (Smitty) Smith, "Wild Bill" Rankin, Archie Nordstrom and Vern Evesson and their cohorts becoming air-minded. We are happy to announce that Vern and Archie "Soloed" last week and are "on their own" piling up time in their log-books.

Famous last words: Wotta' nite, and me on commission.

It seems some of the fellas have been unlucky enough to pick up some unwanted tickets around the Radisson lately; "Think nothing of it boys, it's only money."

According to some of the more out-spoken flag-throwers Europe isn't the only place where they need gas masks. Cheer up! The mechanics are doing their "stuff" and 'sides, maybe new automobiles, s-o-o-o-o-h, huh!

Our genial claim adjuster, by name Ed Irving, has a new responsibility to carry on his capable shoulders, he supervises the vaillant girls of our "Front Office" while setting mechanical mouse-traps so no injuries result. We suggest that Cy (guard of the treasury) Passolt pay a bounty on the "varmint" to encourage "The

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## Kenzie's Trail 289 Bowlers in Union League

Local 289 took two games from the Warehousemen to stay in the league leadership by a comfortable margin. N. Hawkinson had 546, and F. Stanley 533 which lets him bowl three weeks in a row, a record for Frank. Kenzie's blanked the Ice Drivers, D. Curran having 526, and L. Anderson, 496. The Meat Drivers took the odd game from Oasis Bar, E. Klein bowling 511. The Soft Drinks took a double from Local 544, L. Nalling leading with 526.

Team	Won	Lost
Local 289	28	8
Kenzie's	21	15
Soft Drinks	19	17
Oasis Bar	18	18
Meat Drivers	17	19
Local 221	16	20
Local 359	13	23
Local 544	12	24

## SLP Will Honor Daniel De Leon

A free lecture on the life of Daniel De Leon will be held by the Socialist Labor Party, Tuesday, December 12, at 8 p. m. at 1500 E. Franklin avenue. The meeting will commemorate the birthday of De Leon, great pioneer American socialist. All are cordially invited.

## Card of Thanks

To Local 544:  
We thank you gratefully for your kind expression of sympathy.  
Miller family

Cat Sandburg and "The Dog" De Garro to rid the place of rodents.

Thanks to "Home James" Neilson, for the subtle hint to his "boys" about the ever-present cabstand evils. We also will co-operate with any union private chauffeur about "making room," etc.

William "Curly" Goodnooh's All-American Taxi-Drivers Football Team

As a final gesture before taking a couple of months' "Sabbatical," your weary reportorial prognosticator, Curly of the shiny dome will present for your perusal his idea of an All-American Taxi Men's Football Team . . .

First to be mentioned will be our own "Four Horsemen," all four being triple-threat and ten-second spot runners.

"Cyclone Edwards" — L.H.  
"Flash" Harlan — R.H.  
"Broncho" Bingham — F.B.  
"Pug" O'Brien (Tom) — Q.B.

Then our tackles, famous for their blocking and irrefutable interference.

"Stonewall" Wiggins — L.T.  
"Stopper" Rollins — R.T.  
Now a real pair of dynamic guards, who need no "build-up."

"Killer" Krenke — L.G.  
"Rowdy" Russell — R.G.  
The "ends" of course could be none other than . . .  
"Rough-House" Riley — L.E.  
"Hi-Speed" Castner — R.E.  
And of course, the remaining position could only be filled by . . .  
"Two-Ton" Taylor — C.  
Now, there is a long list of rough and ready substitutes who shall receive honorable mention.

"Dynamite" Duncan  
"Power-House" Powers  
"5&10" Penrith  
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## Over-Road Men Meet Sunday To Plan Action

A special meeting of all over-road drivers, pickup men, dockmen, warehousemen and shipping and receiving clerks involved in over-road work has been called by the General Drivers Union Local 544. The meeting will be held this Sunday, December 10th, at 10 a. m. in the union hall. A similar meeting will be held in St. Paul.

The meetings will consider the counter-proposal from the employers for a Twin City rider to the area pact. A discussion will be held and a plan of action reached. All workers involved are instructed to attend without fail.

## The 289 Blab

By A. M. Ogren  
Next meeting: Wholesale drivers. Thursday afternoon, December 14, 4 p. m. This is an important meeting.

Fred Wildemuth, Continental, has forewarned the bread business and is now working with Manchester biscuits.

Chester (What-A-Man) Disch is the proud possessor of a new son and hereby draws the compliments of this column and the whole local.

Be sure to attend the next meeting and see Joe in his new hat—complete down to the feather.

Loren Johnson reports that plans are fairly complete for the 289 dance to be held January 20, which is a Saturday night affair and 50 cents per couple as usual.

This includes a vaudeville show and dancing. Start rounding up your friends now for a honey of a time—Saturday night, January 20.

H. Tomte, Regan's, is wishing he was on his vacation now instead of two months ago, as he was picking oranges down near Phoenix, Arizona, and slipping over into Juarez, Mexico, for a look at the senoritas and stuff.

It looks very much like our local will have its first major strike against the retail bakers, mainly Excelsior and Eggekvis, as they refuse to see eye to eye with our negotiating committee. The hooker in the negotiations is that the employers want a clause whereby they can fire the men at will. As I see it, there is very little sense in having either a union or a contract unless we can have job security and seniority, to which I know all of you members will agree.

The date for the Kiddies' Christmas Party is definitely set for the Saturday before Christmas, December 23. You will be notified in the paper where to bring your kiddies, as I understand Ray Rainbolt, the chairman, has arranged for cabs to transport the children back and forth to the Armory at Fifth avenue south and Fifth street.

After picking the bowling team to win three last Monday they went out and got dumped one game. So here I am picking them again for three games, tonight, December 4.

To the ladies: If you really want to please your kiddies, bundle them off to the Christmas Party, Saturday, December 23.

James Patrillo, president of the Chicago musicians' union, received in 1938 \$26,000 salary, a \$25,000 house, \$12,000 for home furnishings, \$1,700 for a garden, \$16,000 extra to cover his income tax, \$25,000 for an armored car and guards, \$5,000 for incidental expenses—all adding up to \$100,700.

BOSS: So you want to quit, eh? Aren't the wages all right?  
PAT: Sure, the wages are all right—what there is of it—but I know I'm doing a horse out of a living.

**With the Limousines**  
By "Home James"  
Never a week goes by but what the old maker of opinions is busy making more and better viewpoints, and so here he is again, the one, the only  
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## Week's War News To Be Analyzed At Sunday Forum

An analysis of this week's war news will be presented by Carlos Hudson at the Sunday Forum on Sunday, December 10th, 3 p. m., at 919 Marquette avenue. Come, hear, and discuss the truth behind the news headlines.

## Watt Notes

By Amps and Volts  
Thanksgiving was all right for some folks, but to Grover, Larson, Cormier and young Skwarek it was just another day. A couple of blown splices were the cause. Larson said he had just got two bites at the turk when he was called. Of course, the old O. T. helps a little bit, but missing the yearly feed gives any man a right to growl.

The M. G. E. Co. had quite an increase in load last year. If it is the same percentage increase in 1940, somebody will have to do some thinking about additional capacity.

It is rumored that S. Satz is no longer foot-loose and fancy-free.

Congratulations, everybody! According to an item in the Star-Journal of November 25th, the N. S. P. Co. has an earned surplus of \$1,993,942 after dividends, adjustments and miscellaneous items have been paid.

Nice job, Harvey; we'll keep it in mind.

Just a thought brought back from the Farm-Cooperative-Labor Council meeting at Blue Earth is the remark one farmer made as follows: "The newspapers and radio had led me to believe that 'union leaders' had hogs, horns and a tail, but I find they're people with problems like ourselves and pretty nice fellows at that."

If any member has not a copy of the I.B.E.W. and E.W.B.A. Constitution and By-Laws, he can and should obtain these copies from the office.

Brother Hewitt of the Meter Department passed away Saturday, December 2nd. Members of the Meter Department attended the funeral in a body Tuesday. The Union extends heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved.

Local B-1034 of the I.B.E.W. is putting on its annual dance on Friday, December 8th, at 720 South 4th St. Tickets are twenty-five cents, and there are door prizes.

Yes, that guy Teasdale sure can eat.

Where was the Working Rules Committee from the Arc Department last Saturday morning?

Have you made your voluntary assessment payment to the WPA Defense fund yet?

Those thirty-hour-week buttons look real nice, and don't forget the unemployed situation must be taken care of.

We will be seeing you at the membership meetings from now on.

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## Local 359 Members December 26th Meeting Postponed

At the November membership meeting of the Warehouse Workers Union Local 359 it was moved to postpone the meeting scheduled for December 26th as it falls between the two Christmas holidays.

All members of Local 359 are requested to attend the regular January meeting when the new executive board will be installed.

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After all, these men and women are your neighbors and pretty nice people too, and also, we repeat; they are being prosecuted for a crime they didn't even know existed.

So, for the sake of our own survival, let's put our shoulder to the wheel and do all we can to aid these, our brothers and sisters in their hour of need.

And so to our own local matters, as most of you no doubt are aware, we have a new "Educator" out among the prospects, and according to latest reports, we have two new members this week already, and several more in the very near future.

This new Educator, by the way, is not so new to most of us, he was a private chauffeur for many years, knows all the answers and his name is Jack Wynn, so give him a hand boys and show him where all the prospects are, and let's hope we get rid of the old finky argument, that we hired an outsider.

Following is the result of the election of officers for the year 1940; president, Gene Nelson; vice president, Ray Hedin; recording secretary, Lyle Lilly; financial secretary, Bud Gable; secretary treasurer, J. J. Cremers; trustee, 3 years, Eskild Nielsen; William Hines and Joe Fredericks being the carry-over trustees.

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

## What's Happening to America

Here are the annual appropriations of the United States government for the army and navy, from 1933 to the present:

- 1933—\$667,893,000
  - 1934—\$479,694,000
  - 1935—\$533,598,000
  - 1936—\$764,437,000
  - 1937—\$856,112,000
  - 1938—\$1,027,842,000
  - 1939—\$1,162,575,000
  - 1940—\$1,760,000,000
  - 1941—\$3,000,000,000 (estimated)
- And here are the annual appropriations of the United States government for WPA from 1936 to the present:
- 1937—\$2,200,000,000
  - 1938—\$1,750,000,000
  - 1939—\$2,225,000,000
  - 1940—\$1,477,000,000
  - 1941—\$1,000,000,000 (estimated)

## WPA Jury Says 'Guilty' But Labor Says 'Innocent'

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prise. There was no report of any worker clapping his hands to his head upon hearing the verdict. No worker refused to believe the news when he heard it. No person blinked his eyes at the headlines and re-read them.

At the Union Hall later Monday morning, no defendant expressed himself or herself as taken unawares by the sweeping verdict. They understood, just as does the Minneapolis labor movement which has supported them from the beginning, that they never had a chance. The method of jury selection, the law's definition of conspiracy, guaranteed that in advance. There was just quiet, bitter laughter at the farce.

At the meeting which followed, George Murk, chairman of the AFL-WPA Defense Committee, V. E. Dunne of the General Drivers Union, spoke.

Murk pledged the group that organized labor would continue to support them to the bitter end, would stand by them, would carry their case to the highest court in the land, and would not stop until it had vindicated them, if not before the rulers, at least before the people of America.

Defense counsel had already announced the convictions would be appealed to the United States circuit court of appeals.

Labor Support Grows  
Spurred on by the denouement of the third trial, organized labor quickened its support of the WPA Defense Committee. A number of the unions immediately paid their pledges, and though the Committee is still in the red, it was cheered by the reaction of the local unions.

The Minnesota State Federation of Labor has turned over \$1,000 to the AFL-WPA Defense Committee, plus over \$500 collected from a number of unions throughout the state. The central Labor Union and the General Drivers Union Local 544 have each donated another one-thousand dollars to the defense.

Defense Did Excellent Job  
Monday afternoon the Defense Committee met to survey the results of the trials to date. It was unanimously felt that the defense counsel and the defendants had done an excellent job in the trial just concluded. In this trial, the longest to date, the defense really made the record, and proved beyond the shadow of a doubt to any person of open mind that all defendants were innocent of conspiracy. That the verdict was otherwise casts no reflection on the defendants but rather on the quality of justice labor is subject to. Another meeting of the Defense Committee will be held, with defense attorneys present to plan the strategy to be followed in succeeding trials. The hopelessness of presenting an elaborate defense, such as marked the third trial, is generally understood.

Record to Date  
In the three trials to date, 5 out of 8 were convicted in the first trial; 3 out of 4 in the second; 25 out of 25 in the third. One hundred

seventeen of the 162 indicted remain to be tried. Of these 65 are still to be tried under one conspiracy indictment naming 90 persons, including the 25 convicted Monday. Each defendant faces possible prison terms of two years on each count, in addition to a fine of \$10,000 on each conspiracy charge, and \$2,000 for each assault.

No definite date has been set for the fourth trial, though District Attorney Victor Anderson indicated it may start the middle of January.

Probation reports on the eight men convicted in the first two Minneapolis WPA trials have been turned over to the judge and there is some pressure being exerted to have him sentence the men next Monday.

### Local 131 "Gas and Suds"

By L. Clair Johnson  
The progress of the negotiations are certainly far from satisfactory at this time. We have a meeting with the St. Paul bosses set for Wednesday p. m. and one with the Minneapolis bosses for Thursday. We hope we can report something favorable next week.

Be sure to attend the next meeting. It will be very important.

We still have two members on the sick list, both of whom are drawing sick benefits.

A certain dry cleaner has now gone in the laundry business, too! Boy, oh boy! The burn is really on the drivers there to be cringed in some laundry. No alibis accepted. It will be worth that extra five bucks on the check each week just to take the heat. There's one thing sure; the other employers in the industry will be glad to give their brother employer part of their surplus business just to give him a good start. Brotherly love and stuff. "Peace, ain't it grand?" We all gotta stick together, don't we? The Axter laundry fired one of its drivers, you say? The union wants a hearing? What for? Mr. Axter says the guy was no good? Sure, I'll sit on the committee, but if Ax says the guy's no good, well he's no good. We gotta stick together, don't we?

I never could understand the popular belief that because a man makes a lot of money he has to have a lot of brains. Some very rich men who made their own fortunes have been among the stupidest men I have ever met in my life. Don't confuse wealth with brains.—JULIUS ROSENWALD.

THE WORLD DOES MOVE  
Radio biggies have discovered that the kiddies just won't send in any more box-tops, labels, etc., for trivial gifts the broadcasters offer.

## Keeping Step With 544

By Mickey Dunne

IT GETS 'EM ALL  
Monday afternoon we saw a squad car with two coppers inside watching a steamshovel work on the new Olson Memorial highway.

This week brought a new batch of out-of-town complaints against the Gamble Robinson company. Perhaps this firm has forgotten that it recently signed a new union agreement.

Violations of the transfer agreement in regard to the four-hour guarantee should be reported to the Grievance Board without delay. Some employers are getting away without paying it. This is contrary to the new contract which clearly provides four hours' pay for a call to work.

Victors in the ITO bowling league will receive a nice prize from the committee in charge.

Negotiations are under way for the Twin City Rider to the over-the-road agreement. Meetings are being held with the Regulated Motor carriers.

Chief Rainbolt says if the kids fill the Army at the Christmas party this year, the next one will be held in the auditorium.

BUSINESS AS USUAL  
There was nothing unusual about a batch of WPA truck bid invitations that were delivered at the union hall the other day, except that they were brought from the WPA office by a non-union ITO. The bids were turned back. Nick Wagner was the reception committee.

Many unions are voting the assessment recommended by the CLU for the WPA defense.

There are prospects for a bowling alley in the basement of the union headquarters.

According to a recent ruling of the Wage and Hour Division, the act may soon apply to thousands of truckers now working forty-eight hours per week.

Don't look now, but the man following you may be a politician for a union office.

Private Chauffeurs have a membership campaign under way. Give them a hand!

Koal Men Continue to Kurse

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK  
Union dues are premiums on an insurance policy that pays dividends as long as you live.

## The Last Word

By B. and C.  
Please note our new title. Many suggestions have been offered during the week, but so far we like this one best. Do you?

After five weeks of comfortable living at the Andrews Hotel a federal jury convicted 25 PA defendants of conspiracy. These 25 are themselves the victims of a ten-year-old conspiracy against the unemployed which keeps millions of them jobless and without relief.

Fourteen of these 25 people convicted of high crimes against the government are ordinary housewives, mothers, and even grandmothers. At least one of these women lived on nothing but bread and coffee during the trial and walked to and from the courtroom every day, without soles in her shoes, to save the Defense Committee's money. It wasn't until she fainted last week in court that anyone knew she was going hungry. This woman is Sigrid Asumma, a resident of Minneapolis for ten years, who has raised and supported a family of six by her own labor.

We talked to Minnie Kohn, too—that "terrible" woman who had 17 indictments against her. And we found out that she is just a pleasant, middle-aged, good-natured woman who has lived in Minneapolis for 40 years and operated a beauty shop the last ten before she went to work on WPA. When we asked her about her family, she said: "I'm single. I'm lucky I haven't any children to support. I don't know what I'd do with them now."

Did you know that Scissorbill Sam has a wife in Lexington, Kentucky? She appears in the Unionist Advance, bulletin of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers. They call her Scissor-Faced Sadie, Sam's Old Lady.

We opened the question last week as to whether married women should work. In a debate at the University Forum Mrs. Marian Le Sueur, former member of the state board of education, said: "The old idea that the man is the head of the family doesn't count any more. It isn't the woman in industry who is bringing down the wages. It's the economic need that forces her to accept lower wages. She is the greatest exploited worker among us."

Here are some figures on working women, compiled in a survey made by the Women's Bureau of the U. S. Department of Labor: Out of 519 married women workers in a sample area, the overwhelming majority preferred to remain at home but continued at their jobs because the husband's income was non-existent or insufficient for the bare necessities of life. Only one-third—or 3,070, 000—of the total number of employed women in the U. S. are married. Further, 3,166,603 women workers are domestic and personal employees such as maids,

housekeepers, etc. In other words, competition in industry is between one man and another rather than between men and women. At most, only one million of the jobs now held by women could pass to men. And there are some ten million unemployed men in the country at the present time! Of the three million or so jobs held by married women, only 300,000 could be satisfactorily or willingly held by men. Ousting married women, then, would provide jobs for only three per cent of the men now out of work.

In a questionnaire issued by Current History magazine, all of eleven prominent women, from Mrs. Roosevelt to Kate Smith, agreed that married women have a right to work and that some other solution to the unemployment problem would have to be found.

Good things at the store don't always come in small packages. Nor do they always come in large ones. In other words, if you want to be sure you're getting your money's worth, first look at the label carefully to see what the actual contents are. All containers are required by law to be accurately labeled. Consumer Notes for this week warn against deception through large-looking boxes with false bottoms, over-size cartons containing small bottles and tubes.

Here's a recipe for an inexpensive Saturday night supper or for a tasty lunch some evening after a game of cards. They're called Mexican Hamburgers:  
1 1/2 lbs. ground beef  
1/2 can water  
Pepper sauce  
1 can chili  
1 head lettuce  
Salt and pepper  
1 dozen sandwich buns  
Mold meat into 12 thin patties. Fry slowly over a low fire. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Put chili in saucepan. Add 1/2 can of water. To this mixture add 4 dashes pepper sauce and salt and pepper. (Remember, the tang of the chili depends upon the seasoning, as the chili comes unseasoned.) Heat to the boiling point. Slice buns in half. Butter bottom halves, put lettuce leaf on each. Put one meat patty on each half. Pour some chili on top of the meat. Put on top halves. Pour more chili over all. Serve piping hot.

These are good with pickles, olives and a cup of hot coffee. After the first bite you'll be singing "South of the Border."

C. F. Teller, 544 Member, Is Dead

Members of the Minneapolis General Drivers Union mourned the loss of C. F. Teller, 193 E. Xerter Place, St. Paul, old-time member of the union and driver at the Mohawk transfer firm, who died November 24th after a long illness. The burial was held Sunday at Taylors Falls. Deceased is survived by a wife, Margaret; a daughter, Mrs. Frank Kelly, and a brother, George.

BUY UNION LABEL GOODS

## Pfaff Unfair To Fort Dodge Labor

Fort Dodge, Iowa.—The executive committee of the Fort Dodge Trades and Labor Assembly met Monday night with Carl Keul of Des Moines, president of the Iowa State Drivers Council, and Ray Mills, secretary of the Midwest Bakery Drivers Council, to discuss the refusal of this anti-labor bakers company to meet their drivers' demands.

The Trades and Labor Assembly, following the meeting, announced the Pfaff Baking company would remain on its unfair list.

A strike of bakery drivers in three Iowa cities pends against the Pfaff outfit, and labor throughout Iowa is rallying to the defense of the bakery drivers.

## ANOTHER LOAD From City and Sanitary Drivers Local 664

By Wally Raze  
Brothers, it is time we all gave some thought to the defense of WPA-ers just convicted for conspiracy. This is our fight as well as theirs, and we may reasonably expect a concerted attack on all organized labor in Minneapolis as a result of these trials. There will be, no doubt, a request for additional defense funds from every local union in Minnesota and the least we can do is to subscribe 100 per cent as many times as is necessary.

Brother Gilmore has mentioned in last week's Organizer that Anheuser-Busch Brewing company has gone anti-union and requests all union men to refuse to drink their products. I concur heartily in this sentiment and hope all union men in Minneapolis and elsewhere feel as we do and act accordingly.

Commissioners Quist and Armitage have taken the attitude that our local is not to be consulted in such matters as installing WPA in the maintenance of warming houses and rinks. We have in the interests of peace, given the B. P. C. considerable leeway in using WPA on certain types of maintenance work in the past but the time has come when we MUST and WILL call a halt, regardless of Quist and Armitage. So, you may expect trouble in the near future, should these two commissioners fail to come to their senses between now and December 15. A Grievance Committee of park employees will meet Monday night to discuss proper and effective ways and means of dealing with the situation.

Rumor has it that the election of pension board and committee members went over as we would have it. There will doubtless be some whole-hearted attempts to better our pension in the near future.

Another missive, printed in blue pencil, arrived at my humble domicile last week and, as usual, was unsigned. The senior hints that the wedding bells will ring in the spring, tra! la! for Brother Marv Giving and also that "Hizzoner the Mayor of West Broadway" Joe Knight will probably be best man. That may all be so, but Joe had better quit saving cigarette coupons if he harbors a desire to be in on it.

Incidentally, the thought of marriage inspires my muse, as follows:

"It's a Dog's Life"  
The lads who live without a loving wife  
Are the guys with whom I sympathize the most.  
I've often watched them leading their dog's life  
Staggering and lurching on, from pole to post.

There's many a sober lad, complete with spouse,  
Who, after each session of domestic strife,  
Is kicked outdoors, into the old dog-house,  
Cribbed, cabbined and confined there by his loving wife.

This doesn't always fill his bitter cup.  
To escape her caustic tongue, here's nothing loath.  
But here's the thought that really burns him up—  
While locked in THERE he pays the rent on BOTH.

Ain't it the truth?  
Don't forget the children's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 23, at the Armory. It is sponsored by the Teamsters Joint Council. Bring the kids and let them have a time to remember.

## On the National Picket Line

(Continued from page 1)  
The unemployed and relief clients of Ohio are faced with actual starvation, bitter hunger. For many weeks now the Cleveland relief clients have been living on a much reduced food budget. Last week all single persons and all couples who are childless were cut off the food lists. Sixty thousand relief workers are faced with like treatment unless a solution to the problem is found by December 10. WPA Administrator Harrington has eased the situation somewhat by sending in surplus commodities, and promising that immediately several large WPA projects will be reopened.

Toledo closed its schools early in December, sending 40 thousand children into the streets. There wasn't sufficient money to heat the schools and pay the teachers, so school is out for 40,000 Toledo youngsters until January. Five thousand nine hundred thirteen unemployed and their dependents face the same fate as do their brothers in Cleveland, Columbus, Lima, Youngstown, all urban centers in Ohio are likewise broke.

Time magazine reveals some very startling facts regarding the whole relief situation in Ohio, "one of the wealthiest states in the Union." Laws now in existence prohibit the urban centers from taxing themselves for relief purposes. One million dollars in delinquent tax bonds, held by the city of Cleveland, may be bought by one of the state's wealthy sinking funds. Even with this million dollars there will not be enough to feed the unemployed in that city.

When the federal government was paying the relief bill for Ohio, it was spending 80 million dollars a year. After the burden was dumped into Ohio's lap, the rural-dominated legislature appropriated only 15 million dollars, then cut this miserly amount even more. Counties receive their appropriation not because of need, but geographically. For instance, Munroe county, rural, gets a per acre allowance of \$44.43 per month, pays out only \$21.17 and pockets the rest. Cuyahoga County (Cleveland) gets a per acre allowance of \$5.99, pays out \$24.40, has a deficit of \$18.41. Lucas County (Toledo) ended the year with a deficit of \$900 thousand and Cuyahoga was behind \$1,250,000. Many rural counties ended the year with a big surplus.

Urban centers are pleading with the Republican governor John W. Brickner to call a special session of the legislature. So far he has refused. Said Cleveland's mayor to labor leaders who have been conferring with him on the situation, "Labor can go to the governor independently of the city. You can give him the devil far better than I can."

Cleveland officials announced that although the single and childless couples have been cut off the food lists, they will continue to receive rent, lights and gas, as will all the other classifications. This seems fine. It must be a relief to know that they will have houses, and utilities. But—the inconsistency! Money for the landlords, and the utilities! But no food! Money for the Wall Street barons who control utilities! Money for the large landlord! But none for the corner grocery store! Lights to see by, and gas to cook with, but nothing to cook, and no strength to care to read!

## Kresges Get New Pact From 359

Early last week the Kresge five-and-ten-cent store chain received proposals for a new union contract from the Warehouse Workers Union Local 359. The union represents the majority of the workers in the stock department.

The Warehouse Union is demanding a shorter work week and increases in pay.

## Two-Fifty-Nine

Try to imagine, if you can, a more contemptible polecat than the fellow who joins the union, pays his dues for the first few months, then, when the negotiations have been completed, the contract drawn up, signed and put into operation, he is sure of his raise, his paid vacation or bonus and whatever other benefits the union may have gained for him, he stops paying dues to save the miserable little one dollar and forty cents per month and depends upon the rest of his fellow-employees to carry the financial load of keeping the union alive!

On second thought, I apologize to the polecat! The fellow of whom I speak is several degrees lower than a polecat. He is meaner, even, than the fink. The fink, at least, refuses to join the union in the first place.

The union has ways and means of dealing with such people. But, owing to the fact that the rest of the membership is composed of persons who are less mean than the above-mentioned critter, we hesitate to take such drastic measures. However—!

Everyone has pronounced the party a big success. Did you enjoy it? We did! It was nice of the St. Paul members to come over.

Some very interesting discussions are coming up at the next meeting. Make a point to be there so that we may take such action as will be best suited to the greatest possible number of members.

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HELL ON EARTH  
RASTUS: Just what is this here status quo?  
RASMUS: Why, dat's Latin for de fix we's in!

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## UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

- LOCAL 471**  
General Membership—First and third Tuesdays each month, 7 p. m.  
Girls' Section—Second Tuesday each month (7:30 p. m.)
- LOCAL 131**  
Second Thursday each month, 8 p. m., third-floor.
- LOCAL 259**  
Second Monday each month.
- LOCAL 664**  
The City and Sanitary Drivers will meet the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Park Board Grievance Committee—Monday night preceding the last meeting of the month.
- LOCAL 1086**  
The Retail Clerks Local 1086 will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.
- PETROLEUM DRIVERS**  
Regular Membership Meeting—First Wednesday each month.
- LOCAL 977**  
General Membership—Second Monday each month, 9 p. m.  
Grievance and Seniority Boards—Each Thursday, 7 p. m.  
Stewards—Fourth Thursday, 9 p. m.  
Executive Board—Each Thursday, 8 p. m.  
Leasee Section—Third Wednesday, 9 p. m.
- FEDERAL WORKERS**  
Regular Membership Meeting—Second Friday each month.  
Stewards Meeting—First and third Mondays, 8 p. m.  
Veterans Meeting—Every Saturday, 10:30 a. m.
- LOCAL 289**  
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.
- LOCAL 346**  
Regular Membership Meeting—2nd Monday each month, 8:30 p. m., 4th Monday each month, 1:30 p. m.
- LOCAL 103**  
Regular Membership Meeting—First Monday each month.  
Executive Committee Meeting on call.
- PRIVATE CHAUFFEURS**  
The Private Chauffeurs and Helpers Local 912 meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month.
- LOCAL 275**  
Tea and Coffee Drivers, Local 275, meets the first Friday of every month.
- LOCAL 359**  
Stewards—First and Third Tuesday.  
Regular Membership Meeting—Fourth Tuesday.  
Executive Board—Regularly every Monday.
- LOCAL 160**  
General Membership—First and third Thursdays  
Seniority Board—Every Monday  
Executive Board—Every Tuesday  
Stewards—Wednesdays preceding 1st and 3rd Thursdays
- LOCAL 221**  
Day Laborer Section—First Tuesday each month.  
Independent Truck Owners Section—Second Tuesday each month.
- LOCAL 1859**  
November 15—J. R. Clark  
November 20—Casket Industry  
November 21—Box Industry  
December 6—General Membership  
Nov. 16, Dec. 7—Grievance Board  
Nov. 27, Dec. 11—Twin City Stewards  
Every Friday night—Executive Board
- LOCAL 20481**  
December 6—General Membership
- LOCAL 958**  
Night Drivers—1:00 p. m. third Thursday each month.  
Day Drivers—7:00 p. m., third Thursday each month.
- LOCAL 544**  
DECEMBER, 1939  
Friday, December 1—Job Stewards  
Monday, December 4—Package Delivery, Department Store  
Wednesday, December 6—Sausage, Petroleum  
Thursday, December 7—Greenhouse, ITO  
Friday, December 8—Wholesale Grocery, Meat Drivers  
Monday, December 11—General Membership  
Tuesday, December 12—Lumber  
Wednesday, December 13—Market, Excavating Drivers, Wholesale Paper, Wholesale Liquor  
Friday, December 15—Job Stewards  
Monday, December 18—Furniture Stores, Coal, Printing  
Thursday, December 21—Tent and Awning, Newspaper (10 A. M.)  
Friday, December 22—Cold Storage  
Monday, December 25—Spring Water  
Tuesday, December 26—Sand and Gravel  
Thursday, December 28—Transfer and Warehouse, Wholesale Drug  
Seniority Committee meets each Tuesday and Friday at 7 P. M. in Local 544 Office  
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 designated