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FIVE CENTS

350,000 Drivers Covered by New Area Pact

One Woman To Another . .

By Marvel Scholl

They say of a woman when she does things which are contradictory that she is "charmingly in-consistent." There was nothing ernment ordered three thousand artificial limbs from a city limb manufacturer for the War Department . . . for use in the coming ment . . . for use in the coming the coming the coming of the coming war when our soldiers get their arms and legs blown off. Two . . . son Transportation, Omaha; B. D. Erickson for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Blaney, M. K. & C., Kansas City; sponsored their annual Forget-Me-Bernie Boher, D. M. Transporta-Not Day to raise funds to help tion, Des Moines; R. B. Godfred-take care of the victims of the son, Trans - American, Detroit; last war . . . men who went to Walter Mallody, Decatur Cartage, France to make "the world safe Detroit; W. J. McCarthy, Brady living death . . .

Fashion note . . . There will be no "war toys" for the Christmas trade this year . just toys of "national de-fenss." I wish someone would explain to me the difference between a toy cannon or lead roldier which is a "war toy" and a toy cannon or lead soldier which is a toy said, not so long ago, that "national" means anywhere in the world where Ameri-"interests"-oil in China, Egypt, Mexico, Rumania tea in Ceylon . . . rub-in Africa and South merica . . . coffee in Brazil . . sugar in Cuba . . . automobile plants in every country on the globe . . .

press says that the War Departent will "look to" the Civilian Conservation Corps for swelling the ranks of the army and navy ... the CCC camps contain hun-dreds of thousands of our youth, all of them the sons of workers and farmers. Some time ago, last spring to be exact, the New York spring to be exact, the New York
State Department of Public AssisBakeries On tance got the War Department into a real jam by announcing publicly and prematurely, that they were cooperating with the War Department by "inviting" the WPA and relief workers to join (The invitation conthe army. tained a slightly veiled threat of the loss of WPA jobs and relief checks if the recipients refused to accept the bid.) The War Depart-ment had to sharply deny that it had any designs at all on any of the relief classifications, because great . . . today war is much Workers Section of Local 289

An obscure item in Monday's

In a radio broadcast last week, Mrs. Roosevelt urged the women of America to 'make peace your crusade." We heartily agree that it is up to the women to keep this country out of war. But we do not agree that talk alone can do the trick . . . talk is cheap . . . words are plentiful . . . action is needed. Elsewhere in this issue, is a any other petition you may have signed. It offers a concrete method by which America can be kept out of war. It demands of the congress that they submit to the per ple a new amendment to the Constitution which will provide that any proposal for the declaration of war against any nation be submitted to a direct referendum vote of the people of the United States.

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Now Over-Road Agreement — Contract Calls for Higher Wages and Better Conditions—Will Run for

Chicago, Ill.-Early this week a new two-year working agreement covering all over-road operations in the Middle West was signed between the Operators' Area Committee and the Union Ara Council. More than 2,000 motor carriers and 350,000 drivers in 12 states are covered

by the agreement.

The new pact calls for better wages and better contency of two events which took place in Minneapolis last week. One . . . the United States Government and and a state of the states of two events which took ditions. Full details on the agreement, which is to go into effect next month to replace the present pact, will appear in next week's paper.

son, Trans - American, Detroit;

For the Union Council of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters were Farrell Dobbs, International or-200, Milwaukee; Frank Brown, Local 710, Chicago; Joseph O'Laugh-further shown by the fact that lin, Local 299, Detroit; Ted Neal, Local 41, Kansas City, Mo.; Jo-364. South Bend: Tom Smith, Local 554, Omaha; Miles B. Dunne, Local 544, Minneapolis; Carl Keul, Local 90, Des Moines.

Negotiations With Retail

Wednesday morning negotia tions started between the Bakery Drivers Union Local 289 and the Excelsior, for a new working agreement

The union will serve refreshments and lunch at the next general membership meeting of Local 289 set for Thursday, October

Saturday, October 28th, lunchwhich will meet that day at 3:30

160 Member To Receive Honor Medal

ern States Power company and last Wednesday when the wages of an active member of the Electric and the Elect

resuscitation to the woman for 23 minutes and revived her breathing, bringing her back to life.

In announcing the new cut Colohave been doing, despite their change in classification,' the announcing the new cut Colohave been doing, despite their change in classification,' the announcing the new cut Colohave been doing, despite their continuing to rise daily.

Whether or not the Roosevelt vide for the unemployed.

Agreement

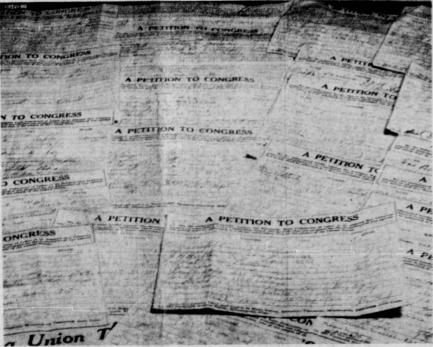
Following up its victory over the attempted injunction move of the Erickson Oil company, the for democracy' and came back to Motor Freight, Chicago; Ben Spector, Spector Motor Freight, Chicago; Ben Spector, Spector Motor Freight, Chicago; Ben Spector, Spector Motor Freight, Chicago; Ben Spector, Specto cago; E. C. Lacy, Shippers Dispatch, Chicago; H. H. Hiland, Informal agreement with the comterstate Dispatch, Chicago; H. J.
Lee, Lee Bros., Chicago; F. P.
Raymond, Raymond Bros., Minand attendants and provide for neapolis; E. W. Krause, Silver company-wide seniority. The com-Fleet, Louisville; C. H. Ozee, pany is still seeking to squirm out John Cooper, Holland Motor Freight, Holland, Mich.; John Got-Hayes Freight Line, Mallom, Ill.; of a fair agreement with Local lieb, Pioneer Motor, Chicago; and announced there will be no let-up E. A. Murphy, Gateway, Madison, in the fight until a complete victory for the employees is won.

Signing for the Union Area the imported strike-breakers at two stations and to hold them in the CIO. That the company is ganizer; Joseph Scislowski, Local thereby seeking to play the CIO further shown by the fact that Erickson has seen that its St. Paul seph Williams, Local 135, Indian- driver, a brother of the company apolis; Jack Maloney, Local 383, auditor, is enrolled in the CIO Sioux City; Thomas Flynn, Local The management is hoping that in case of trouble, the CIO finks can be shifted around from station to station, with the CIO driver deliv-

> Needless to say, Local 977 has not the slightest intention of permitting such a situation. Plans are being readied to clean up this

> A meeting was held last week between Local 977 officials, Ja-cebson of the CIO and Haney to discuss the situation at the Emerson and Plymouth station of the company. Haney nounced he was awaiting Judge Rue's court decision on the injunction suit before offering his deci-

> The company is also moving to take over two of the leased Erickon stations. Local 977 has no obing that Erickson sign an agreement covering all lessees and at-



mailing in the signed petitions calling for Congress to amend the Constitution to let the people vote on any proposal for the declaration of war against any

apolis Teamsters Joint Council to the National Committee for a War Referendum, in New York City,

sections of the United States are supporting this move for a popular referendum on war as a mean to tie the hands of the war-makers.

ntation of the petitions to Congress, and of the reception they receive. In the meantime continue sota State Federation of Labor in its stand for a

You'll Meet Your Friends at Drivers Boo-ya October 22

Plans are virtually completed to the last detail this week for the great BOO-YA to be given by the family of Teamsters unions at Costello's Grove, 92nd and Cedar, on Sunday, October 22nd.

The huge Boo-ya will be one of the most amazing affairs ever presented by any organization in any part of the United States. The finest Boo-ya cook in the Northwest is already ordering whole cows and flocks of chickens and an immense supply of fresh+

vegetables in preparation for the are planning to bring their entire delectable and tantalizing dish to families to Costello's Grove for be served October 22nd.

The Boo-ya Committee of the Teamsters Council, made up of and pop have been ordered. jection to this move, but is insist- representatives of all drivers' day. A report on ticket sales in-dicated that thousands of drivers Hunters will have a chance to Teamsters Joint Council Boo-ya

the Boo-ya. Tremendous quantities of beer

Bobby Phillips Orchestra will

to be set up on the grounds. The Iowa corn game will be played and a large assortment of prizes will be available.

To top off the afternoon, the Committee is arranging for a diamondball game to be played be-tween two leading teams from the Drivers' movement.

The Boo-ya will start at noon and continue far into the night. Rain or shine, it will be held. All drivers are urged to come out October 22nd and prepare for than \$83.75. These workers show unions, met Monday night to plan the finishing touches for the great dangers in the pavilion at the family. Bring your friends. Meet than \$83.75. These workers show ed their deep understanding of the need for the union movement to

Big Business Wants More Armaments; for participants in the Tag Day derstand if anyone gets tough with New WPA Wage Slash Starts in N. Y.

Possibility that the national administration may be preparing to provoke a new nation-wide proverhead department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided the provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and let Walnut and provided department of the Northern States Power company and l

Neither Colonel Somervell nor an active member of the Elec- 13,000 WPA white collar workers \$68.90 to \$57.20. Stenographers, the administration have made any behind the cut is that Roosevelt, trical Workers Union Local 160, in New York City received new junior clerks and guards-3,740 pretense that the new wage slash in his mad drive for funds for was in New York on Wednesday wage cuts up to \$20.80 monthly. in all—will receive the biggest was necessary to conform with the lash was in addition to a cut cut, from \$89.70 to \$68.90, a cut Roosevelt-Woodrum relief law. In "shake the baby's bank"—that is, where he was to receive the Thomas McCarter medal from the American Gas association.

This honor comes to Wright because last November he saved the life of a neighbor, Mrs. Effrem Oneinik, who had been overcome by gas. Wright applied artificial resussificiant resussification resussification resussification resussification resussification resussification resussification resussification resussificant resussification resussificant resussificant resussification resussificant resussifican

The nearest guess to the reason

Defense Shatters Government Case In WPA Trial

Testimony of Defendants Shatters "Conspiracy" Charge, Claims of Intimidation—The Fink, Slaughter, Shown to Have Started Violence Against Pickets—Govern-ment Backs Down on Intimidation Charges—Popular

As the first trial of eight WPA workers entered its second week Monday, the defense began to get in its innings, with the result that the government's case was shattered into a hundred pieces. The conspiracy charge, the intimidation charge, all the innumerable dirty innuendos against the trade union movement made by the federal attorney, Victor Anderson, were smashed by testi-

Tag Day for WPA Defense Nets \$1089

The pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters of the poor fell into the supervisors and scabs collection cans of hundreds of the witness stand by A day and Saturday in the citywide Tag Day sponsored by the WPA Defense Committee of the Amerinesday morning the Tag Day lief cuts, and that reports of the had been counted, with 11 more cans and a few checks still to swell the total. The committee estipersons contributed.

About 400 union men and wo men participated in the Tag Day. On Friday evening there were 111 ing, 166; on Saturday afternoon volunteers aided in the office.

Rose Seiler, chairman of the praise for those who cooperated to organize and carry out the Tag Day. Organizations singled out for special honor were the Women's Auxiliary of the Electrical Workers Union Local 160, which brought in the highest average re-ceipts; the Farmer-Labor Women's ciation and Hilda Humpfner the Bartenders and the Miscella neous Workers Unions, who took care of solicitation among their

Especially high praise was earn ed by the workers in the J. R. Clark plant. These men, all members of Local 1859, took charge of their own Tag Day for the WPA defense and raised no less need for the union movement to jobs. You have a right to strike

were the Cooks and Waiters Union, the Milk Drivers Union, the Bakers, and the Meat Cutters.

Free Want Ad Column to Start Next Week

One of the many fruitful suggestions that came out of the recent dinner for the columnists and editorial board of the Northwest Organizer was the proposal that our paper start a free classified section as a service to our 25,000 subscribers.

we are going to give this proposal a fling, and readers who have anything to sell, swap or buy, etc., are invited to send in their ads. We shall print them, free, in a special column. Keep your ads short and to the point.

Support Heartens Defense

mony of the defendants.
Star defendant on the stand was Carl Pemble, steward of the Federal Workers Section. Pemble,

Laundry Workers Union, is a graduate of the chemical engin-eering college of the University of Minnesota. His testimony riddled the lies of the cops, project supervisors and scabs paraded on the witness stand by Anderson last

ed that the WPA protest in Min-neapolis was part of a nation-wide ent against the re nittee reported that \$1,089.01 protest throughout the nation were been counted, with 11 more published in the daily press-

A "Conspiracy" of Strangers As for the ridiculous charge of conspiracy," Pemble showed that

he did not know any of the seven other defendants save Wachter until the strike began, and that he had not discussed the strike with Wachter. Connell and Phillips, two other defendants, also later testified they knew none of the other defendants until after the strike began. "conspiracy" charge of the gov-ernment will make tough headway against such testimony.

At one point in his testimony Monday, Pemble used the impressive device of standing in the courtroom and delivering a 10minute speech identical to the talk he delivered July 10th before his fellow WPA workers.

He told of coming to work and finding other workers inspecting the bulletin board notice inform ing them their wages had been cut and their hours lengthened.

"You workers must go out and protest this action," he said. "I urge you to come to a meeting of WPA workers and vote on the question of striking. The papers tell us that WPA workers all over the country are walking off WPA example is an inspiration to the labor movement. Organizations who contributed heads around, not to mention the you, you have got to take it . . .

Explaining to the jury, Mr. Pemble declared that he and the other WPA workers were protest ing in the best tradition of the American working class against the savage attack on their living standards. "We were only exercising our constitutional right to strike and picket," he explained, adding that the issue of free speech and other civil liberties

was also involved in the protest.

Pemble stated that workers in certain essential projects such as nursing were not asked to go on strike and were allowed free exit and entry to their projects-

Finks Started Violence 'There was no violence until Slaughter (government witness and a fink) drew a knife on Phillips and stabbed him," declared
(Continued on page 4)

Make Minneapolis a Union Town

544 Gains in New Market Agreement

With the

Limousines

By Eskild Nielsen

Another week around again be

ore we know it and seeing that

Galloping Poll Chauffeurs Institute of Public

Opinion, Galloping Gallop (N. D.),

asked around by old nosey Gallop is as follows: "Do you believe

Results: 33 per cent . . . sure

ous "Bo-ya" on October 22 at

Johnson is on the committee and that in itself ought to guarantee a

Haven't seen anything of the

dnight station-wagon of late. We

ust wonder if the "ducks" got the

est of those fellows and you know

of those fat birds yet. But then

had to row as hard in the mud as

he did, we'd probably eat them

While on the subject of the

roaming "ducks" we'd like to know now Ed Litfin came to call in the

ectrician for his hunting party

Didn't he charge you for his les

sons last year? Oh, yes! And also

Eddie Forster's ducks haven't ar-

rived at this office yet. But we're

Found out the other day why

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still hoping.

ve don't blame him because if we

owling success.

ourselves.

George?

low got.

you fellows have been pretty stin-

Paid vacations, strict seniority and the provision that if hours are shortened weekly pay will remain the same, are contained in the new agreement signed late last month between Local 544 and firms operating on the market. Text of the new contract follows:

It is mutually agreed between the Minneapolis Market Firms and the General Drivers Union, Local No. 544, that the 1938-39 contract will remain in effect with the fol-

lowing changes:

1. All employees covered by this agreement, who have completed one year of service with the company shall receive four days vacation before June 1, 1940. Commencing June 1, 1940, all such employees shall receive one week's vacation with pay each year.

2. No hyperificat time with new

2. No breakfast time with pay.
Employees starting work at 6 A.
M. or after, shall have their breakfast before coming on the job. Employees starting to work before 6
A. M. shall be given one half hour
off for breakfast to be taken on
their own time. gy with the low-down, you will just have to take what we give director. Today's burning question

their own time.

3. Seniority rights shall prevail in all matters relating to employment except where special qualifications or training is required. The senior qualified man on the job from point of service shall be given the regular job and shall be provided full time work, if work is available. In reducing the personnel because of lack of work or other legitimate cause, the last man hired shall be the first man laid off, and in returning men to work, the last man laid off shall be the first man rehired.

The senior qualified employee

them! So you see now for yourself what you see and, as we have said before, this is the only real dope and don't believe in any other trash.

The senior qualified employee self what you see and, as we have said before, this is the only real dope and don't believe in any other trash.

Expect to see you all out at the Teamsters Joint Council's now facility of the management.

nanner other than that set forth elow:

(a) When a regular job becomes open for any reason in any classification of work covered by this agreement, it shall be bulletined by the Employer. All qualified employees in the order of their seniority standing are eligible to accept or reject this job without jeopardizing their present or future seniority standing. A reasonable time not to exceed thirty days shall be allowed for the employee to qualify on the new job or return to his former job, unless because of obvious physical or mental infirmities the trial of such employee on such job would entail serious danger of financial loss to the employer, in which case the employer shall immediately notify the Union of such fact together with a statement of the infirmities of which said employer complains. Any controversy over the qualifications of the employee to handle a job during the trial period shall be settled as provided in Article 7 of the 1938-39 Market Agreement.

Seniority for new employees shall begin after they have worked

Market Agreement.

Seniority for new employees shall begin after they have worked a total of thirty (30) consecutive working days, seniority to start from the first day of employment, provided, however, that the employer will not circumvent the intent of this clause by deliberately arranging intermittent employment in any case so as to keep the employee from becoming eligible to seniority.

seniority.

A list of the employees arranged in the order of their seniority shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the job.

4. The Union and the employer agree that the shipping clerks will be exempted from Article 3 but agree to choose their shipping clerks from their employees on the interest of the shoots of their shipping clerks from their employees on the interest of the shoots of their shipping clerks from their employees on the interest of the shoots of their shipping clerks from their employees on the interest of the fatted calf now. Among other loss brothers we extend our well-one home to Bob Evans. How

seniority list.

5. In the case of classifications, which have been affected by the Wage and Hour laws, or which are later affected by those laws, the signatories hereto agree to maintain a regular schedule of hours which shall produce the regular weekly wage paid by the individual signatories on October 23, 1933, for senior employees, if and when the signatories on october 23, 1935, for senior employees, if and when the signatories on october 23, 1935, for senior employees, if and when the signatories of the signatories on october 23, 1935, for senior employees, if and when the signatories of t

om their employed in the case of classifications, in have been affected by those laws, the and Hour laws, or which are regular achedule of hours which shall produce the regular weekly wage paid by the individual signatories on October 23, 1938, for senior employees, if and when work is available, except in weeks in which holidays occur. In that event paragraphs six, seven, and eight would apply.

6. In the weeks in which the six national holidays occur, employees shall be guaranteed the equivalent of a 40-hour work week, if and when work is available.

7. Effective October 24, 1939, and until October 23, 1940, the work week shall be 46 hours and the hourly rates of pay for the first 42 hours worked shall be ame as in the old contract, and time and one-half will be paid for the next four hours worked in order to produce the same case in the old contract, and time and one-half will be paid for the next four hours worked in order to produce the same case when the same as in the old contract, and the hourly rates of pay for the same as in the old contract, and the next four hours worked in order to produce the same total order to produc

worked shall be the same as in the old contract, and time and one-half will be paid for the next 5% hours worked in order to produce the same total weekly pay for 45% hours work as formerly paid for 48 hours work.

9. This employment agreement shall become effective as of September 26, 1939, and shall continue in full force and effect until May 31, 1941.

Card of Thanks

Your kindness and sympathy at this time is more deeply appreciated than any word of thanks can ever express.

Mrs. Webber

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.

lem.

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.

Donaldson's, 359, Resume there is any war propaganda in our daily papers?" Believe it or not, this is the result the old fel-

week between the Warehouse 67 per cent . . . didn't know there Workers Union and the Donaldson the circuit court. was anything but propaganda in store. The Donaldson employees' "The decision was anything but propaganda in store."

Costello's Grove. Our own Mel FDR Mediation Of War Is Forum Topic

is the timely subject of a talk to be given by Michael Freed at the Jack Kartes hasn't brought us any of those fat birds yet. But then Sunday, October 15th, at 3 p. m. on is 10c and the public is

DEMAND UNION CLERKS

nies in St. Louis about the labor

Speaking about labor problems we see where Stassen's man Haney claims that the Minnesota Slave Law settled 161 labor disputes. We admit we don't remember back much over forty years but even in that small space of time we fail to putes." recollect any one year we ever had that many labor rows.

our good brother George Liebl has been missing meetings this sum-Seeing as how we figured out now what caused all this labor trouble (the Slave Act) we think it's well to keep in mind that the Ball Team mer. If you go out and look at 4019 Quentin Ave., St. Louis Park, you'll see the reason and so far as we can tell it's a good one. real reason for settling all this (You guessed it.) It's a new home commotion brought on by this he built. When is housewarming, labor-hating act of our state legis lators was and is the combined strength of organized labor. If It's a cinch we'll have to butcher you don't believe that, we'll call to your attention the fact that labor got what it wanted in every case.

safe for that time we went across agrice to choose their shipping clerks from their employees on the tain old style furniture revived dispatches that the Communist seniority list. called "pigeon stools" and they are are getting thrown in jail and allow though we're not in accord with played by the 544 team.

Party representatives in France are getting thrown in jail and allow in large measure to the role inique, I beg to be excused.

> and better our own particular kind of democracy. We can make blood.—Henry Ward Beecher. a good beginning by obtaining the right to Vote on War. And that, dear friends, would be part of

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They tried to sell me one of those Labor Defense Tags last Saturday, and said that the WPA workers were fight-ing the battle of all workers against wage cuts. But you can bet I didn't bite.

Tobin and AFL Will Appeal **Decision on Brewery Drivers**

Last Friday Judge Goldsbor-ough of the District of Columbia Federal Court ruled that the Brewery Workers Union could not be compelled by the American Federation of Labor to turn its drivers over to the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. Goldsborough, in a reactionary decision charging the AFL with being a "despot," granted the Brewery Workers an injunction against the Teamsters and the AFL.

The judge denied that the AFL had power to change the jurisdiction of international unions.

President Daniel J. Tobin of the International Brotherhood Teamsters announced both the Teamsters and the AFL would immediately appeal the decision to

"The decision will not stand be committee will sit in on these fore the Federal Court of Appeals," said Tobin. "Federal Judge The Dayton store agreement has James of Los Angeles in a similar case returned an adverse decisiand the Appellate Court reversed

Would Cripple AFL

"Judge Goldsborough expre prejudice of the most brutal type against the teamsters and the AFL throughout the entire case. granting the injunction, he ties the hands of the AFL and prevents it from carrying on func-tions which it has carried out for more than fifty years, and limits its power merely to the granting of charters and prevents it from amending jurisdiction set down in charters once the original charter issued

"Such a rule if allowed to stand ould destroy not only the powers of the American Federation of Labor but those of any other volun-

tary association."

Judge J. A. Padway, general counsel of the AFL, agreed with Tobin, saying "Judge Goldsbor-ough's decision is unsound and contrary to law . . . No court has the lawful right to enjoin the AFL

544 Gives Ball Team

V. R. Dunne, Miles Dunne and What was it that made the world afe for that time we went across the ocean? We see by latest news the ocean? We see by latest news the ocean? manship, and attributed the success of the 1939 park baseball sea-

> Small gold baseballs, appropri ately inscribed, were presented all team members by the union.

Oil Heat

YOUR HOME



ANOTHER LOAD From City and Sanitary Drivers Local 664

By Wally Raze

Well, now that Minneapolis has safely passed the hundred year than the first. Hope there's s truth in that old gag "the first 100 "was" advisedly because Ernic years are the hardest." However, ain't gonna do it no more. if organiezd labor lies down on the job that first 100 will be a pink tea compared to what will follow.

derhorn finally was decisioned by Cupid. Brother Holmgren put up a game fight, however, for fifty years. Congratulations, John.

Brother Steve Jenson is doubtless mulling over the thought that dead men's shoes and duck boats are hard to fill. Steve bought one (a boat) from the former owner's widow and it turned over at the first shot. Brother Steve fired, throwing him via a reverse somersault into the cold and clammy. Luckily the water wasn't deep and Steve recovered his gun and other equipment. But, so far not much confidence in the boat. Maybe an cutrigger will do the trick.

I know just how you feel Brother Ogren, about that parade busiss, having pondered the subject on many occasions. In the few occasions that I have marched in a parade I've been so far back I uldn't even hear our own band. Ain't that somepin'?

Brother Brick Heller doesn't

Brothers, you are reading the big-gest and best labor publication in of Europe. country. Don't confine your attention to just your own local's column. Read all of it, from beginning to end, and develop an understanding of the problems of our brothers in other locals.

Brother Gilmore of Local 1859 brothers and sisters—unless the is coming out soon with another organized labor movement shows satirical masterpiece entitled "Pa- a strength and solidarity beyond pionship ball team of the General Drivers Union Local 544 were feted by the union at a dinner held Saturday night in the Nicollet Hotel. Speakers were W. H. Fox, director of Park Board athletics. see, most of my attempts at fiction story-telling have been directed toward the skeptical ear of my good spouse, in numerous attempts to escape the doghouse and I must confess I didn't get by the review-

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of which will go to defray ex-penses and half to cover possible bad loans. Carlos Hudson, editor of the Northwest Organizer, gave a talk n M-Day. The points brought out in this talk were very pertinent and will be given careful consid-

eration by the membership.

LOCAL 1859

Knots to You

By R. B. Gilmore

At the general membership meeting our local credit union was installed and the officers elected. Membership in the union

will require a fee of 50 cents, half

I have always wanted to know the difference between a hobo, a tramp and a bum. Joe Lazarowitz who was elected president at the last hobo convention explains it this way: A hobo will work, a won't work, a bum can't work. This clears up the situation

The swiss bell ringer or Mama, here's that man again. Brother mark, let's make the second hundred easier for the working man wide and handsome on upper Nicollet the other evening. We say ain't gonna do it no more.

Lest we forget - a reminder The TJC is giving a grand and Brother John Holmgren of Powand half the night. Go out Thirtyfourth Avenue to Ninety-second Street. Come one. Come all.

> Brother Bill Boe is back at work again. A riddle within a puzzle, wrapped up in an enigma. became of Bill's razor?

> Cold beans for John Eriesor last Monday. John spent a couple of hours fixing up his busted trailer so he could haul home a load

The press gave a talk on

Years of Progress with Minne-apolis" at the general membership

Eternal vigilance is the price of iberty. Brothers and sisters of the labor movement are becoming preparations and forces at work in our United States which are are much for coot-shooters. in our United States which ar just as surely as God made gree Allow me to remind you again, apples drawing us closer and closers. just as surely as God made green

> Leon Trotsky, in a statemen recently published in the local pa pers, states emphatically that the entrance of the United States into the war is only a matter of time and is inevitable unless-get thi

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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.

American labor movement

Eddie Rickenbacker, a war ac in the last European conflict, has this to say: "The United States of America can reap nothing but bankruptcy and death from taking sides in this European war."

Colonel Lindberg, in a radio adiress to the citizens of this coun try, points out that we have everything to gain and nothing to lose by having nothing to do with England and France or Germany

The famed Third Infantry at Fort Snelling is going to be transferred to South Carolina and the reason has not been revealed even to our so-called civic leaders.

It is intimated that Fort Snelling will be used as a training ground for numerous new recruits. Seventy new members are to be added to the medical staff of the

It is apparent beyond the slightest molecule of doubt that if the United States of America is going to be preserved as a free and dem ocratic nation it will have to be the organized labor unions who No other power on the of wood. "Looks," said John, face of the earth but organized "like dirty foot awerk." labor can save our democracy labor can save our democracy from the stupid, blundering mething a living. Don't gamble your lords of finance are blindly foljob for a few drags. Try snoose. lowing. We have got to depend on and a German. They smell

> Gunpowder Gulch, Colorado-A ragged, half-starved man was picked up by forest rangers near here today. He explained that his town was divided into two factions, half pro-German and half pro-British. When they found he was pro-American they united and rods him out of town on a rail

Boot Hill, Oklahoma

Tribune Did NOT Answer Our Letter

So many friends have writ-ten in or phoned in asking if the Minneapolis Tribune an-swered the Open Letter from the Northwest Organizer expos-ing the phony pacifist campaign of the Times-Tribune, that we are taking this means to inform are taking this means to inform all readers that the editors of the Trib DID NOT answer our letter. We mailed them a copy of the letter, but they have been silent as the grave.

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125 Labor, Farmer Leaders Gather at Alexandria Supper

Over a score of trade union leaders from Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth met with one hundred cooperative and farm leaders in Alexandria, Minnesota, last Thursday evening at a dinner meeting sponsored by the Minnesota Farmer-Cooperative-Labor Council. The meeting was emi-nently successful and further cemented friendly relations between the workers of the city and the countryside in this section of the state.

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local committee arranging the dinner were Senator Wincher, co-op leader in that area; Charles Coy, editor of the Park Region Echo, a paper owned by 500 farmers; Fred Foslien, manager of the Produc-Hove, Judge Edward Barsness of Glenwood, and others.

Visit Co-op Center

Thursday afternoon the local committee played host to the visiting trade unionists by taking ble from Local 221. them for a visit to Garfield, an Team unused community center a few Local 289 miles from Alexandria. Garfield Local 359 is a complete cooperative village. Kenzie's

The group visited a cooperative Meat Drivers creamery, a co-op produce plant, a Oasis Bar co-op meat locker, a co-op feed Local 221 and elevator-everything in the town was organized on the co- Soft Drinks

ead

The dinner was held in the Alexandria Hotel at 6 p. m., followed by a spirited and friendly discussion of farmer and worker problems that lasted well after 11 o'clock. The evening was so intersting that not a single guest left series of card parties Saturday

Among the trade unionists who Hall, 42nd and Cedar. Cash prizes spoke were Gene Larson of Min- will be given and a lunch will be neapolis, William Wright, Robert Rooney of Duluth, Ray Wentz of St. Paul, Miles Dunne, and Paul nussen, executive secretary of Minnesota Farmer-Coopera-

Work of Council Endorsed The achievements of the eve ning in clarifying the aims of or-

ganized labor and the organized farmers were heartily praised by all present, and the work of the Farmer-Cooperative-Labor Council was wholeheartedly applauded. This is one of an ambitious series of such meetings being held in all sections of the state by the Coun-

Furniture Council Will Meet Here

The North Central District Council of Furniture and Wooden-ware Workers will hold its quarterly meeting in Minneapolis on Saturday and Sunday, October The official call for the ap gathering has been sent to all eligible unions in the area.

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Attention—All 471 Members

In accord with the instructions voted at the last meeting, Mr. Paul Rasmussen, executive secretary of the Minnesota Farmer - Cooperative - Labor Council, has been invited to speak at our next membership meeting Tuesday, October 17th.

Mr. Rasmussen has agreed to speak and his talk will be a special order of business at 8 p. m. He will discuss "The Farmer - Cooperative - Labor Council and How it Can Aid Organized Labor in the Rural Areas."

Local 131 "Gas and Suds"

By L. Clair Johnson

Local 289 kept their winning streak by winning a double from contract are dragging a little Kenzies. F. Stanley led with 547. Curran had 524. Soft Drinks The employers have turned their part of the job over to Lloyd took the odd game from Meat Drivers. El Klein's 504 led the meeting. At present, we have had Oasis Bar into taking a pair from Local 544. Local 359 took a douments for the next meeting. In St Paul there has been no further progress.

We were faced last week with a peculiar situation — making a choice of protecting one or the other of two finks.

Some members, when sum moned before the Executive Board, have ignored the summons. Our by-laws plainly provide for a penalty of \$10 for such an of-

bor Club will hold the first in a You will be able to obtain tickets for the Boo-ya from your stew evening, October 14th, at the Fire ard or at your union office. They are 25 cents each.

Jack Schmidt of Garbers is back

We appeared before the labor STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACTS OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AND MARCH 3, 1933, of The North-west Gryaniter, published weekly at STATE OF MINNESON Oct. 1, 1936. onciliator again today. We have been informed by a man who just came here from Los Angeles that truck chassis, the company owns These stockmen intend to have the body and the driver pays the their wages brought up to the level truck expense.

routes is \$250 and the driver re-ceives 25 per cent commission or \$66 for \$250 and his truck expense is 15 per cent per week, leaving a net of \$51. He purchases the chassis from the com pany, paying them \$8 per week for same, leaving him \$43 net until the truck is paid for. On the other ten routes the company owns the trucks and the average volume is higher. On those rout straight commission with a guar

The cheapest inside female help receives 40 cents per hour, sor his 29th day of Sept., 1939.

HELEN H. HANIFAN

Notary Public, Hennepin County receiving as high as 60 cents. The price of laundry is about what it is here. A driver here receives \$38.50 for \$250.

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Strike Machinery Is Set Up For Gamble-Robinson Strike

A union committee representing Gamble - Robinson employees in five states set about to establish strike machinery this week for the pending show-down with the Gamble-Rob company. The three Teamsters Joint Councils in Minnesota—in Duluth, St. Paul and Minneapolis—have approved strike action against the company. The Iowa Drivers Council had previously endorsed such a

The 289 Blab

Next meeting: Thursday, Octo

It's finally happened; our bowl-

The record is eleven wins and only

one loss. They're just like the

Quite a few men were stopped

a few more won't be able to pull out one of these fine days.

* * *
It seems like we'll have to

change the retail meeting night

or else some of these bakeries will

have to change their bowling nights and sales meetings nights

as quite a few of our "good'

Joe was up in St. Cloud last

Good news! Next General meet

ng we will have sandwiches and

refreshments as voted by the stewards. That will be Thursday

evening, October 26. So here's th

ineup: sandwiches and refresh-

ments and also a chance to get your next month's dues free.

What do you think of that? Let's

Meanwhile preparations are go

To the ladies: After elever

are, ladies. Make the most of that,

By the way, I would appreciate

items from you women that I could put into this column. Af-

others' problems.

have a full house-

meetings.

A report on the relations with the Gamble-Rob firm has been drawn up and sent to the Area Drivers Committee and to the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, accompanied by a request for strike benefits.

A meeting of union representatives from the three Teamsters ber 19, Cake and Pie men will Councils in the state was held meet at 4:30 o'clock. This is the Tuesday night in Minneapolis to first sectional meeting so let's see discuss plans for the strike. The all of you out for this meeting. same committee that has handled negotiations with Gamble-Rob will serve as the Strike Committee in ing team lost a game, the rats

the five-state area. The 10-day waiting period expired some days ago. During the Yankees. They have to lose once insatisfactory negotiations with in a while, I guess. the company, incidentally, even the state labor conciliator agreed the state labor conciliator agreed that the union's demands were Plant, made a slight error on his moderate and just.

Workers to Meet
All Gamble-Rob employees in outhern Minnesota have been pretty slick again. summoned by the union committee to a special meeting next Sunday afternoon in Mankato where a report on the final negotiations married a week ago last Sunday. will be presented. A meeting for employees of Gamble-Rob houses in northern Minnesota will be held

Snyder Drug, 359, in Negotiations

The Warehouse Workers Union Local 359 and the Snyder Drug company have opened negotiations for a new working agree-The company has already offered a slight increase in wages non-union and has 120 routes, that However, the workers involved do not feel the increase is sufficient 110 routes the driver owns the for the type of work they do. of men doing similar jobs in similar industries.

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> is that delivery cost is too high, and that they must have relief if Maybe soap is cheaper in Los An-

IBT Gains 30,800 Members in Year

of Teamsters again reported the TJC Boo-ya will be just a week largest single membership gain of from Sunday, so see your steward any union for the past year, an now for those 25 cent tick increase of 30,800 members since which are redeemable for the last convention of the AFL.

What's wrong, anyway? The bosses here say they are going broke and they say the reason broke and they say the reason by 383.267 during the year to be say they are going broke and they say the reason broke and they say the reason broke and they say the reason broke and they say the year to be featured Sunday, October 22, at Costello's Grove, 92nd and Ce-383,267 during the year to dar. reach a paid-up membership for August, 1939, of 4,006,354.

Other unions to report large years of total blindness, 20-year gains were the operating engineers old Harold Blakely of Pittsburgh (28,000), the electrical workers had his eyesight restored and hi (25,300), movie operators (14,- first comment was: "Aren't wo 200) and the retail clerks (18,- men's hats ridiculous?" There you

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Gassing With 977

By John Eidsvold Help!

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Brother Braunsworth is for work.

Charles Hafey, attendant at the Pure Oil station, 50th and Xerxes Ave. S., will be absent from the station October 28. No, he isn't at the union hall, and voted to acgoing to go duck hunting. He intends to be married Good luck, present pact with some wage ad-

We are wondering whether vacation recently. He shot himself instead of the ducks. He's back at work now, however, feeling Wesley Merritt, Purity North Plant, another Benedict. He was choice game policemen was watching nearby. For advice on early from going to work last week on him at his Texaco station, 2801 account of not having their dues paid and it looks very much like

A note of interest. Your bookkeeper and columnist is John not Jon — this week, anyway. Jon Conder is on his vacation. Jon the Leamington hotel, blasting away in a recital last Tuesday eve-

What tire company gave a be oved brother's wife only four days' vacation pay because he had only worked part of a year?

Thursday and reports that the con-Don't forget the big Boo-ya tract will be signed very soon He also attended the Farmer-Co consored by the Teamsters Joint ouncil. It is to be held Sunday, rative Labor Council meeting October 22. For the time of you at Alexandria and things are com life, be sure to reserve October 22. ing along fine in that field, too Fun for all! Tickets may be ob-This movement is great stuff be tained from your steward or colcause it draws the Farmer and ector, Carroll Melloy.

Jim Nielson, at the Standard Oil Labor together on common ground so that they both understand each

tation, West 50th and Bryant South just received a bounding His wife is home fro the hospital and doing very well. Remember, if you are interested

the cooperative group Health Mutual insurance, call your loca office so we can hold a special neeting on this important matter Don't forget the Boo-ya. David-

on will have his trap shooting at the Boo-ya, October 22, at Cosing steadily forward for what looks like one of the biggest get-Barney Stoltman, working at

Diamond Tire company, was grinning from ear to ear last Monday night. He was the winner of the now for those 25 cent tickets door prize-one month's dues, at our monthly general membership neeting You know Barney!

"THE WHITE MAN'S BURDEN' Take up the White Man's bur-

den; Send forth your sturdy sons, And load them down with whiskey
And Testaments and guns.
Throw in a few diseases
To spread in tropic climes,
For there the healthy Negroes
Are quite behind the times.
And don't forget the factories
On those benighted shores...
They never work twelve hours

And live in strange content. fairs of the heart excepted, and I didn't say accepted. War is the ignoble trick of slit-There never is a war and never ting open the blood vessels of the

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1859 Busy In Many Negotiations

The Furniture Workers Union Local 1859 was active on many fronts this week as it sought new greements from local manufacturing concerns.

Puffer-Hubbard strike situation as

Workers of the American Excelor company met Tuesday night Brother Braunsworth is according to the management calling for the manageme voted to ask for a new clause that ary withdrawal card and place in case of a rise in living costs the your name on the unemployed list pact can be re-opened for wage egotiations. Negotiations still being carried on.

Wicker Pact Ready The American Wicker Work workers also met Tuesday night cept a one-year extension of the justments upward. This contract should be signed by press time. The J. R. Clark Section of Local

ohnnie Crews' watch gained 1859 will resume its sectional meeting schedule next Wednesday, little over-anxious last Sunday October 18th, where workers will while duck hunting. To top it all review the present pact and set off, Johnnie bagged two birds with up committees to draw up deone shot while one of Stassen's mands for a new working agree-

Watt Notes

Hope to see all of you brothers at the next membership meeting Thursday, October 19. The Ex-ecutive Board announces that this was exercising his vocal cords at will be one of the most important meetings of the year, so every-

> Don't forget the stag for the diamondball team Friday, October 13, at 8:30 p. m. The price is 50c and the place is at 203 East Henavenue. Everyone is assured of a swell time.

> Brother McMullen of the Trouble Department is up and around and is expected to be on the job

> Brothers DesRosiers and Gilbertson report getting their limits of ducks, mostly mallards, up at Baldy's so-called "lodge."

> Who was the guy who posed as carecrow in the cornfield to get is bag of pheasants? Who said 30 hours a week is too

uch time to work? Looks funny that the big boys re supporting Roosevelt now or

he embargo issue. Satisfactory labor relations be ween employer and employee de pend on sincerity, honesty and open-mindedness.

Why should we try to solve Eur pe's problems and neglect ou

Let's see you brothers who wan o squawk do so at the next mem ership meeting. One good squawl always deserves another. Protest ng on bids for the state out of before things happen, not after- Duluth- Nice job the boys say.

Fenton Brice is growing one of those things on the upper lip.

A hint to members wanting to ave money on laying in their winter supply of potatoes - "See Shorty Wear in the Arc Depart-

served Friday afternoon in front down 20 to 30 numbers, and those of Stanley's at Broadway and around the 100 mark now will cut Second Street North rattling a the mustard 10 numbers. couple of WPA Defense Tag Day

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Independent **Truck Chatter**

R. F. Hornig

Too much time has been taken up lately in meetings by our city group arguing over their plans for protesting the purchase of additional trucks by the city. We cannot expect any consistent atten dance by other members interested in any different class of work. It for the ITO and for these individuals to get together in small groups and plan out a program for in a large meeting to such a length is to invite trouble because too many personalities react unfavorably against many indifferent members whereas they might work and cooperate more successfully with smaller sympathetic commit tees. This seems to be the general opinion, but true or not, your ideas on this matter would be wel-

Although we have previously reported Kenny Schiebe had left for Arizona, we are very sorry to hear that he was forced to remain in Minneapolis due to a very serious accident suffered by his sympathy to Kenny and his family and hope for a speedy convale cence for Mr. Schiebe. Kenny is going to remain in town for indefinite time to take care of his father's affairs.

Newspaper Clippings-WPA favors defense jobs! . . . F. R. appointing all army men to high-up federal positions. (What's it going to be, another Hitler 'putsch' a la Nazi?) . . . Store sales gains here lead the nation. (Can it be that the powers that be will have to recognize the value of unionism in raising the Am. St. Liv. . . Of course, the General Drivers will not be given any credit for starting the ball rolling . . . Hennepin County is third in the nation in annual per family income

A word to you bowlers. You have done nothing yet worth publishing, but you have already gained enough experience so your improvement is showing on the score sheet. Don't get discouraged too easily. You can be the poorest man in any one week and come back the next, get hot and ride on the top of the heap and break all your old records. If you cann be there any evening please call your captain so he can arrange for a substitute. You are supposed o pay for bowling and the money both even though you aren't there. This ruling is in effect in every alley in the city, but if you arrange for a substitute you are required to pay only your share of the prize money. Failure to pay will only cause the loss to be charged against the winnings

Contract trucks stand at 106 oday . . . Park board has five mall dump trucks working . . . The county is getting like the dyng duck . . . And on the duck ubject we report that luck was noor over this weekend. Hatcher and several other ITO are work-. City and others bid on the Sixth Avenue North job next Friday, the 20th . . . The postoffice deal will not be forgotten this

Although you filled out new ap-plications for the city contract list you will not be issued new numbers until the end of the year. One of the Executive Board tions were returned. My best guess

The first four lucky comers will call Ch. 8988 and be able to buy a B-K vacuum brake booster fro Hornig for the modest sum of \$6.

Last Tuesday Harry Leonard got hooked in a speed trapmiles per, they say-Sounds like Harry is going to part with some of that hard-earned lucre.

Owing to pressing business, the Executive Board meets every Tuesday promptly after 5 p m.

If you are interested in your vages and working conditions, attend the meetings regularly. you are not, stay home.

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For the Goose, Not the Gander

A particularly striking example of the state of justice in the United States is provided by contrasting the fate of the conspiracy indictments against Minneapolis WPA workers, and the conspiracy indictments against 52 coal

mine owners in Harlan, Kentucky.

In the Kentucky situation, the federal government had issued the indictments after an 11-weeks' trial had issued the indictments after an 11-weeks' trial had shown that the coal bosses were guilty of perpetrating a reign of terror in which organizers were shadowed, beaten and fired upon; union meetings were dispersed, union sympathizers beaten and imprisoned and the son of a union organizer slain. But Harlan County is an old story in the United States—Harlan County is an outstanding example of the bosses' idea of industrial democracy.

Indictments Against Bosses Are Dropped
Did the federal government press the indictments against the coal bosses? IT DID NOT. On October 2nd this year the federal government moved for a dismissal of conspiracy charges against the fifty-two coal companies and operators named. And did the federal judge chime in with this move? HE DID. "The propriety and wisdom of the government's action (in moving for the dismissal of the indictments) seems so meritorious I have no other action to take," said Federal Judge Ford.

But in Minneapolis federal indictments for conspiracy are being placed against poor people, against jobless work-

are being placed against poor people, against jobless workers. It was these jobless workers who were sinned against by the government, who were shot at and gassed and wounded and slain and thrown in jail at outrageous bail and treated like felons.

Indictments Against Workers Are Pressed Yet, has the federal government moved for a dismissal of the indictments against the Minneapolis workers? IT HAS NOT. It is pressing them ever more harshly.

Justice is of two kinds in these so-called democratic United States. There is the kind of justice the employers and there is the kind of justice the workers are

receive. And there is the kind of justice the employers receive. And there is the kind of justice the workers get. It is this sort of "democracy" that the war-mongers are preparing to ask us to defend. Ugh!

Defense Shatters Government Case In WPA Trial

(Continued from page 1)

Pemble. Testimony of other defense witnesses supported this

Contrasting the time-honored policy of the WPA administration, to close down all projects where labor disputes existed, with the policy followed in the July protest, Pemble said there was no doubt that spies and provocateurs were on the picket line to incite violence and discredit the strikers.

Anderson Exposes Self

That Anderson is wholly ignor ant of the principles and prac-tices of organized labor was shown when he tried to show that Pemble must live in grand style from the 10 percent of dues which he received from dues collections as a Federal Workers Section

Pemble quickly replied that no legs. man in his right mind took the responsibilities of union stewardship to make money. 'The 10 percent dues money hardly permits me to break even on the expenses I incur on union business," the defendant explained to the court.

While Anderson continued to belabor the point that Pemble and the other defendants were guilty of depriving WPA workers of the benefits of WPA, he studiously explaining the deprivations of the federal government in denying jobs to millions through its 18-month rule and its inadequate relief appropriation.

Several Charges Withdrawn

As a result of the government's inability to support some of its charges with evidence, intimidation charges against John Marshall and Gordon Smith, two defendants, were dismissed Saturday morning.

Attempts of the government to prove intimidation and conspiracy Harrison, in charge of all campus hand. WPA projects, was trotted out, for instance, to show she had been threatened by pickets. The best she could testify that a group of days to place its evidence before WPA workers came to her office the court and present witnesses. on July 10th, and again on July At the rate the first trial is pro-11th, to request she close down ceeding, the nine other trials

Slaughter the Aggresso

All along, the government and the boss press have pretended that Philip Slaughter, knife-wielding scab, was attacked by WPA workers. Defense Attorney Tom Davis was able to bring out the true verion through interrogating the defendants. Defendant Richard Connell, 26, and Robert French, both substantiated Pemble's testimony that Slaughter was the attacker.

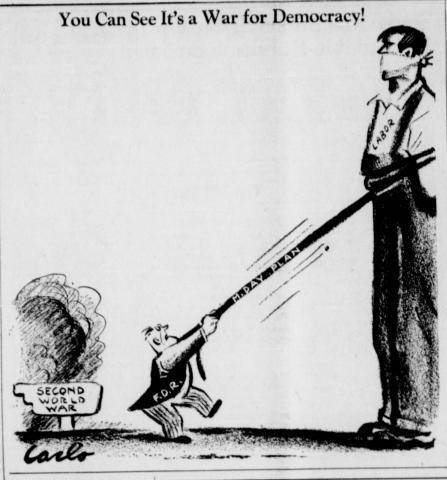
"I was standing in the center of the walk leading up to the Harvard Street WPA office when Slaughter came slanting across the can Federation of Labor convengrass headed for the porch. asked, 'Where are you going?' and he replied, 'What the hell is that to you?' and then he hit me on the mouth. I fell and grabbed his As I came up I saw him pull a knife with his left hand from a book held in his right hand. Phillips (another defendant) rushed in between us and was cut or the arm."

French related the same verion of Slaughter's knife attack on the defendants. Earlier, Myron Phillips rolled up his sleeve show the jury the ugly wound on his arm where Slaughter had slashed him. The wound we closed with 14 stitches, he said.

"Conspiracy" Blows Up Additional blows were dealt the government's "conspiracy" charge Wednesday morning when two more defendants, Gordon Smith and Arnold Mullen, testified they knew none of the other defendants before July 12th, the day of the clash at the campus. It will be interesting to watch the government seek to prove that eight men, strangers to one another, "conspired" together.

Mullen recalled seeing Slaugh ter standing on the steps at 200 were pitifully weak. Miss Ethel Harvard Street with a knife in his

Trials Will Be Lengthy Indications were that the de fense would require several more



New Trial

Sioux City Drivers Union Local 383. Fouts and Ralph Johnson, another union official, were convicted recently on a frame-up charging them with destroying a ruck in Sioux Falls.

Judge Wall denied a new trial o Ralph Johnson. Both victims are free on bonds.

Commenting on the case, Wall "There seems to be a total lack of evidence that Fouts was near the truck . . . Keeping in mind that a defendant must be found guilty beyond reasonable doubt, I do not believe the evi-dence is sufficient as to Fouts and therefore his motion for a new trial will be granted."

There was even less evidence that Johnson was guilty of the crime he allegedly committed. The Sioux City Drivers Union immedi-ately announced Johnson's case will be appealed to the State supreme court. Fouts' new trial is expected to be held at the January term of circuit court.

would carry the Minneapolis asstrike well into next year-if the government indeed plans to proceed with its case.

Defense Cheered by Support Defendants were greatly cheer-ed by the fine results of the Tag Day sponsord by the AFL WPA Defense Committee last week, and the evidence that thousands of Minneapolis citizens were supporting them in their stand.

No news had been received at press time of action by the Ameri-I tion on the Minneapolis strike de-

NAME

WPA Strike Defense Notes

grand style, is doing a wonderful job as trial lawyer for the AFL WPA Defense Committee. Some of his asides are priceless. FOR INSTANCE-

One day last week Davis happened to block the view of the jury which was observing one of the trial exhibits. Victor Anderson, U. S. district attorney, remarked in an an-

noyed tone: "Remember, Mr. Davis, the jury can't see through you." "I am sure," replied Davis, "that the jury can see through you."

WPA supervisor. Upon learning she has charge of a law research and three children. project, Davis turned to Anderson

A SCAB IS WORSE When Carl Pemble was asked by Anderson if the terms scab and rat were synony. mous, Pemble replied: "No, a scab is worse."

Robert French, WPA worker arry the Minneapolis as-the nationwide WPA and defense witness, acted out for the jury how Slaughter, government witness and knife-wielder appeared at the campus WPA headquarters. Half rising from his chair in imitation of Slaughter, said: "I saw Slaughter with a knife six or seven inches long, ready to put on a butcher act. He was crouching and waving his head to and fro, threatening to cut out somebody's guts. He connell, "I have received three weaved his head and body like a pounds of butter—in the last six eyes.'

Slaughter testified Phillips, one of the defendants, had

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had tried to kick him. The fink failed to observe, however, that Phillips is the unfortunate victim of infantile paralysis and crippled in one leg. Yet he was sent out on laboring jobs by WPA.

The jury really began to understand the cause of the WPA protest when Richard Connell replied to Tom Davis's questions concern ing his living expenses. Over the objections of Anderson, Davis brought out that Connell received \$60.50 a month which was expended thus: rent, \$16; milk, \$6; gas and lights, \$3; groceries, \$28; car-fare, \$3. This left slightly over \$4 monthly for himself and his family. No money was available for Another time Davis was ques-ioning Miss Harrison, campus education, medical care, insurance, amusements. Connell has a wife

Anderson, who had sought to and said: "Here is your chance to learn some law."

Anderson, who had sought to show that Connell was wasting his pay in riotous living, looked glum during the testimony. during the testimony.

> The government attorney's face feil still further when Connell explained that the Roosevelt - Woodrum relief law cut his wage to \$59.80 and the increase in the num ber of days to be worked meant more money needed for carfare and lunches. He testified that the money simply didn't stretch that far, no matter how his wife and kids cut the corners and scrimped.

Anderson made a dying effort to save his point by asking Connell if he didn't receive surplus commodities. "Yes," testified snake and there was fire in his months. I got some flour once but it wasn't fit for human consump tion."

The trial has brought out

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National Biscuit to Sign Pact

The Warehouse Workers Union working agreement covering the men employed as freight handlers and loaders at the National Biscuit company, 258 Third avenue north.

The men will work under the union standard agreement and will receive wage increases and a reduction of the work week. agreement is retroactive to Sep-tember 18th and will run for one year.

Wholesale Grocery Drivers Meet Friday

The regular meeting of the Wholesale Grocery Section of Lo-cal 544 will be held this Friday evening, October 13th, at 8 p. m.

that of the 370 workers on the WPA campus projects, 200 attended the strike meeting and voted to strike, with only 20 against.

Anderson objected to testimony from Pemble that the Federal Workers Section is an affiliate of the General Drivers Union Local 544 which is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

The hostility of Anderson to the defendants is patent throughout the trial. He bullies and shouts at the defen-dants most of the time, as though they were indeed the criminals he has failed to make them out to be.

The trial was postponed Mon-day morning while Judge Joyce heard the case of a young bank clerk who was sent up for one year for appropriating \$4,000 of the bank's money. Upon hearing tion in the outlying districts: driv-that the clerk was paid only \$60 ers are "signed up" to stands on that the clerk was paid only \$60 ers are "signed up" to stands on a month by the bank, the judge a rotating schedule, giving each into another slaughter. It's up to the stated that such a pitiful wage was man a shot at all the stands and the women to see that the job is an invitation to crime.

With its WPA wage slash, the

government seems to be doing its est to provoke crime.

The tag day participants had a real experience, Every-one commented afterward that it is certainly the powho help the poor. Several reported that well-dressed persons became angry with them, asked them why they didn't go back where they came from, and said of the victimized WPA workers: "I

hope they hang."
Other similar Christians commented that they "only gave to the Community Fund."

This trial has already served as sounding-board to air many of the grievances against WPA felt by the unemployed all over Amer

Many workers indicated their deep understanding of the necessity for coming to the defense of the WPA workers, by their quick response to the appeal to buy a

"Sure thing," was the sentiment often heard. "These WPA workers are fighting our fight, too. The wage scale of all employed persons is threatened by the govern-ment attack on relief stand-

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TAXI TOPICS

By Curly and Lunde has completed negotiations for a a-year-meeting-attenders" take no-

Arthur "Red" Woodruff is glad er was cold he also received a to be back on the dispatch-board charcoal burning foot-warmer and

Ed "Judge" Harlan is commita lot of time and money to make lot of time extolling the late

It pays to advertise: The cabmen have received a lot of compliments for their contribution in the centennial parade.

* * * Howie Miller and R. Holder did the coachman and footman act up swell, it bothered "Howie" not a little bit when some wags had him half-believing he'd have to drive goats in the show.

Sylvester "D" Hall wants a mattress to fit the front fender of a "punkin" so he can get more rest without running the risk of going asleep.

Otto Krenke (who isn't that old) celebrated a hundred years of progress by buying a pair of

George "Two Ton" Taylor missed his morning coffee when some "Santa Claus" rode his cab from Arcola, Mtka., to St. Paul. The change in the weather put

'change" in our pockets.

The Liberty Cab-men are tryng a new system of cab distribumaking for better cab service.

While the centennial spirit is in the air it might be well to present a few highlights on the hack situation in the good old days. For instance; all of the livery stables had a long drivers "extra list" to Don't fail to attend our near regular meeting, this means all meeded for parties, weduings needed for parties, and the parties of the pa silk hat and a whip. If the weathafter a short stay in the hospital. robe, for the exclusive use of the passengers, however, and not the driver. All funerals were held tee-man from the Y. C. unit for in the morning so they would be the Kids Christmas party to be finished the same day. Maybe the held at the Armory, December 23.
The TJC and affiliates have spent anyway the preachers used up a this the biggest and best ever, and parted, often keping the hacks every taxi company and driver will waiting three or four hours at the do their bit to help make it that church. Next the slow drive to the cemetery and distributing the mourners to their various homes For this service the drivers were paid sixty cents if the funeral was in the city and seventy-five if in St. Paul, St. Louis Park or Hop-kins; if lucky enough to go to Minnetonka the driver's share one whole dollar. Good old days, but definitely.

> Sympathy with war is a juvenile and temporary state.-Ralph Waldo Emerson.

. One Woman To Another ... By Marvel Scholl

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Sign that petition. Get your friends to sign it. Your tradespeople. Add your voice to the hundreds and thousands who believe that this is the only way to keep us out of not only this war, but the future wars which are bound to come. Our boys died in 1917-1918 to "make the world safe for democracy." Don't let done. I believe we can do it.

day Executive Board—Every Tues-

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

LOCAL 1859 10—Casket Industry 17—Box Industry 18—J. R. Clark 19—Puffer-Hubbard 9, 23 — Twin City

1 -- General Mem-

Board Every Friday, 8 p. m.—Execu-tive Board

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

LOCAL 544-OCTOBER, 1939

Monday, Oct. 9—General Mem bership Meeting

Wednesday, Oct. 11—Market, Wholesale Liquor, Wholesale

Tuesday, Oct. 10-Lumber

bership

Petroleum

day tewards—First and third Wednesdays

UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

General Membership — First and third Tuesdays each month, 7 p. m. Girls' Section—Second Tuesday each month (7:30 p. m.) First General Membership—First and third Thursdays
Seniority Board—Every Mon-

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

LOCAL 259 ond Monday of each month.

certain the control of the control of the control of the certain the record and fourth Thursday of each month. Park Board Grievance Committee — Monday night preceding the last meeting of the month.

October 9, 23 — Twin City Stewards October 5, 19 — Grievance LOCAL 1086
The Retail Clerks Local 1086
will meet on the first and
third Tuesdays of each

PETROLEUM DRIVERS egular Membership Meeting— First Wednesday each month.

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

day, 8 p. m. essee Section—Third Wednesday, 9 p. m.

FEDERAL WORKERS
Regular Membership Meeting—
Second Friday each month.
Stewards Meeting — Every
Wednesday, 8 p. m.
Veterans Meeting — Every Saturday, 10:30 a. m. Monday, Oct. 2—Package Delivery, Department Store
Wednesday, Oct. 4—Sausage, Thursday, Oct. 5—Greenhouse, ITO Friday, October 6-Job Stew-

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.

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

LOCAL 275
ea 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.

Wholesale Liquor, Wholesale
Paper
Friday, Oct. 13—Wholesale
Grocery, Meat Drivers
Sunday, Oct. 15—Over-theRoad Drivers, 10 a. m.
Monday, Oct. 16—Furniture
Stores, Coal and Printing
Tuesday, Oct. 17—Building
Material
Thursday, Oct. 19—Excavating
Drivers, Tent and Awning,
Newspaper, 10 a. m.
Friday, Oct. 20—Job Stewards
Monday, Oct. 23—Spring Water

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Tuesday, Oct. 24—Sand and
Gravel
Thursday, Oct. 26—Transfer
and Warehouse, Wholesale
Drug
Friday, Oct. 27—Cold Storage
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.
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.

PETITION TO CONGRESS

We the undersigned hereby support the Minnesota State Federation of Labor in its demand that Congress prepare an amendment to the Constitution which will provide that any proposal for the declaration of war against any nation shall be submitted to a direct referendum vote of the people of the United States.

Have this petition filled and mail it to Miles Dunne, Secretary-Treasurer, Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Coun cil, 257 Plymouth Avenue North, Minneapolis, Minn,