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New Revision Of Tyrant List

Popular Demand For Second Publication

Because of the popular demand from all over the state for information as to just who is forcing the strike to go on, **The Organizer** today prints again the first half of the list of firms which refuse to sign the Haas-Dunnigan plan. The rest of the list, all of which is revised and up-to-date, will appear tomorrow. The recalcitrant tyrants are:

- Acme Transfer and Storage Co.
- American Fruit and Produce Co.
- American Lumber and Wrecking Co.
- Armour & Co.
- Atwood Coffee Co.
- Atkinson Company
- Armstrong Transfer Co.
- Aslesen, K.
- Brugger Bros. Transfer Co.
- Buckingham Transfer Co.
- Each Transfer and Storage Co.
- Bruer Lumber Company
- Bennet-Bailey Lumber Company
- Baker Importing Co.
- Bearman Fruit Co.
- Belzer Fruit Co.
- Bergseth Fish Co.
- Booth Fisheries
- Boutell Bros., Inc.
- Boyd Transfer and Storage Co.
- Brooks Co., H.
- Colonial Warehouse Co.
- Cameron Transfer and Storage Co.
- Canadian Fish Co.
- Commercial Transfer & Storage Co.
- Chicago Avenue Transfer Co.
- Crane Co.
- City Builders Service
- Central Supply
- Cooperman Fruit Co.
- Casey-Hoban Transfer Co.
- Chippewa Springs Corp.
- Cardoza Furniture Co.
- Cudahy Pkg. Co.
- Delaittre-Dixon Co.
- Dakota Packing Co.
- Jacob E. Decker & Sons
- Deere and Webber Co.
- Dayton Co.
- Davis and Ruben Co.
- Davis Manufacturing Co.
- Donaldson Co., L. S.
- Elbert Coffee Company
- Empire Wrecking and Salvage Co.
- Eide-Swanson Co.
- Engstrom Lumber Co.
- Elsholtz Transfer Co.
- Erickson Transfer Co., J. E.
- Ferrin Transfer Co.
- Fish Brokerage Co.
- Friedman Fruit Co.
- Ford-McNutt Glass Co.
- Faldt Paper Co., Harry
- Falk Paper Co., Martin
- Feinberg and Co., Jacob
- Fanny Farmer Candy Co.
- Forman Ford Co.
- Foot Lumber Co.
- General Paper Corporation
- Glenwood Inglewood
- Glidden Co.
- Gamble Robinson Co.
- Herk's Transfer
- Hanson Motor
- Hedstrom Lumber Co.
- Hall Hardware Co.
- Ottis F. Hilbert Co.
- Hopkins and Co.
- Geo. A. Hormel & Co.
- Hatch Delivery Service
- Holstad Coffee
- Hemple Transfer Co.
- Jensen Lumber Co.
- Johnson Lumber Co., Gust
- Johnson Paper and Supply Co.
- Janney Semple Hill & Co.
- A. S. Johnson Fish Co.
- Jordan Stevens Co.
- Kedney Warehouse
- Katz Packing Co.
- Katzmarek Co.
- Klingelhult & Martenson
- The Kildall Co.
- Levine Bros.
- Landry Transfer Co.
- Lambert Transfer
- LaBelle Safety & Storage Co.
- Leader, Inc.
- Luger Furniture Co.
- Leslie Paper Co., John
- Landers Morrison Christenson Co.
- Log Cottage Co.
- Land-O-Nod Co.
- Lyon Fish Co.

(To be concluded)



Minneapolis Communism—42½ Cents an Hour

The Real and the Fake Issues

The mass meeting on the parade ground last Monday night, when more than 40,000 people turned out, was another proof that the great mass of working people of Minneapolis understand what the fight is all about and stand solidly behind Local 574. The Citizens Alliance gang is on the defensive.

It certainly is amusing to see this bunch of highbinders compelled to put a speaker on the radio every night to try and convince the public that the workers are perfectly satisfied and that the real issue is Communism. The workers KNOW what the real issues are; and that is why the strike holds solid after nearly four weeks and public sentiment for the strikers grows stronger all the time.

The issues are clear and simple—even a lawyer for the 'Employers Advisory Committee' should be able to understand them.

The first issue is wages. The truck drivers, helpers and inside men have the idea in their heads that they are entitled to enough wages to live like human beings, and they haven't been getting them. They want a minimum of 52½ cents per hour for truck drivers and 42½ cents for helpers and inside men. This is the central issue, and the employers and their lawyers shy away from it as a cat shies away from a plate of hot milk.

The simple fact of the matter is that the Citizens Alliance thinks 42½ cents an hour is too much money for a family man in Minneapolis. But they haven't got the nerve to say so openly. They ramble all over the world and talk about everything else under the sun, but they don't answer the simple question: What's wrong about a wage scale minimum of 42½ and 52½ cents an hour?

They try to make out that this question of wages is a secondary matter. If the "Communist agitators" would get out of the way they could easily come to an agreement on this little point, they say. The fair-minded workers who are worried to death already with the problem of investing their extra cash would step forward and say: "We're getting too much money now; what we really want is a wage cut, if we could take a secret ballot without the interference of Local 574." Or, the big-hearted bosses would say: "Boys, you've got to take a wage increase as a favor to us. We're willing to let you work overtime every night if you insist on it, but you've simply got to take more money."

That's the way they would dispose of the little question of wages if Local 574 were eliminated. In a pig's eye.

The second issue is organization. The money sharks want sauce for the goose but not for the gander. They are organized under the control of a little clique that doesn't allow the individual employers involved in the strike the

right to say a word or cast a vote. They threaten any employer with financial ruin, boycott and the shutting off of credit if he comes to an agreement with the union. The controlling power rests with the chain banks which in turn are controlled from Wall Street. They spend money like water importing strike-breakers and finks from the P. L. Bergoff strike-breaking and murdering agency of New York City.

But when the workers decide that they want to organize into a union of their own, and to be represented in collective bargaining by officials of their own choosing, these organized exploiters throw seven fits and begin to bellow about Communists, Reds, Russians and foreigners.

Most of the progress that has been made in this world for the past hundred years has started from organized labor. Section 7-a of the National Industrial Recovery Act expressly guarantees the right of independent labor organization. Every worker who has cut his eye teeth knows that without a union he can't get to first base. The workers must organize—that's the starting point of any move to improve their conditions and standards of life. They must insist on this right and defend it with their lives. They must insist on the right to have their own unions, not company unions; to have officials of their own choosing, not chosen by the bosses.

The attempt of the Citizens Alliance to deny this right of organization, plus the refusal to pay living wages—these are the two real issues behind the strike. They are too simple and too clear to be obscured by lawyers' arguments over the radio. The masses in Minneapolis understand the issues. That's why the strike gets such widespread popular support.

The third issue which is assuming the greatest importance is the issue of the Citizens Alliance. How long are the workers and the rank and file of the general public going to stand for the domination of this rotten clique of imitation Hitlers who boss the town and seek to crush and destroy, and even murder, anybody who stands in the way?

Local 574 is leading a fight against this reactionary gang in the open.

They accuse us of wanting to make Minneapolis a union town. Right! We want to see the workers of every craft and industry banded together in their respective union organizations for mutual protection. What's wrong about that?

That idea inspires every intelligent worker in Minneapolis with the prospect of better times and happier lives for all of us. Every time the exploiters accuse our organization of wanting to make Minneapolis a union town they only convince the workers that old 574 has the right idea and deserves support in its struggle.

574 Is Ready For Anything

Suit Outcome Not Primary Concern of Union

No decision on the bosses' injunction suit against martial law had been reached by the Federal judges at the time of going to press. Sources close to the judges, however, are reported in the boss press as stating that a verdict might be expected within 24 hours. At 2 p. m. the Judges went into another conference on the question.

Questioned as to their views on the outcome of the matter, Union and strike leaders stated that they were in no position to tell on what side of the Olson-Citizens Alliance spat the Judges would fall. They affirmed, however, that whatever the verdict the Union would continue to demand and to exercise to the fullest extent of its ability its right to strike, to picket, to assemble and to carry on other activities supposedly guaranteed by the Constitutions of State and nation.

The Strike Committee is prepared for either eventuality. If the martial regime is sustained, they will continue to fight along the lines of the past week, as well as to demand the release of all prisoners from the stockade. If martial law is suspended, pickets will immediately take the field in force and tie up all trucking as Local 574 has repeatedly shown it can do without difficulty and without violence.

"We are not primarily concerned with this argument between the Governor and the bosses," said one strike leader. "The bosses, of course, prefer the tactics of Bloody Mike. But they can change mediators a dozen times and move troops out and in a hundred times before the Strike Committee of 100 will alter its position. We accepted the Haas-Dunnigan plan, making a compromise in doing so. That is our minimum. We will not be budged therefrom, and we will fight until the bosses have been forced to accept it."

Four-Page "Organizer" Will Appear Tomorrow

Tomorrow's edition of **The Organizer** will be a four-page affair, the biggest and best in the history of the world's first local union daily newspaper.

In addition to the usual news, editorials and cartoon, **The Organizer** tomorrow will contain a number of interesting special feature articles. One of these will deal with the role of the unemployed in the present strike and in labor's struggle in general. Another, by Albert Goldman, attorney for Local 574, will discuss legal questions connected with the fight of the trade union movement.

Two thousand extra copies will be printed for the picnic at Pine City, where a delegation from the Union led by President Bill Brown will distribute them to members of the Farmers Holiday Association.

By decision of the Strike Committee of 100, **The Organizer** will continue to appear as a daily for the duration of the strike. There will be no Sunday issue.

Brown to Address Farmers

President Bill Brown of Local 574 will address a picnic at Pine City Sunday at 1 p. m. The picnic is under the auspices of the Pine County Farmers Holiday Association. This organization has contributed generous quantities of fresh food-stuffs to the Strike Commissary and Local 574 is profoundly grateful for the co-operation. A truckload of 574 members will attend the picnic, bringing with them the loud-speaking apparatus now in use at Strike Headquarters. All 574 men are welcome.

