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lair's Refusal to Grant Drivers' Elections Is Challenged by 544-CIO in District Court

On the **National** Picket Line

land of "democracy" we still have, ostensibly, m of the press, there is cenip. I give you two examples:

The Rockford Labor News, AFL organ, carries a boxitem this week which tells own story. The only head the word "Censored!" "Ernest R. Quick, OPM

to ma official, informs us that to this paper would interfere COO, a to with the settlement of the strike at the Rockford Drop Forge company if we rinted anything which night 'iritate' officials of

for him to preview any and a news copy going into this polition, at which he flew into a rage, making threats If they interfere with dethe United State fense production."

U. S. Government agen-

man, Council sere cles are aware of the pawas a messer is ford Labor News, through interestina its columns and etherwise. e of the Cated les The truth of the strike at Emispe (M) the Drop Forge plant-the workers side of the story apace as intended, not beat a te im cause of the bluster of Mr. Quick, but because we de-COL Trime of sire an early settlement of the controversy so that the men can go back to work if our silence is necessary to bring it about.

"Mr. Quick, with his flash of temper, is not bulldozing us. We feel that there is still a free press in the United States.

"(Note.) A printer's galley proof of the deleted story is pasted in the window of the Labor News of-fice for those who wish to read it.)"

e other item was printed in CIO Union News Service, d July 26, from Charlestown , and I quote -

You read what the U. S. stmaster likes in this outhern city and if you n't your name goes down a confidential list accordto the periodicals you reve through the mails.

"This startling example of pato tactics in the U. S. was seen in a time clock tice posted in local postces, by J. G. Thomas, surintendent of mails, which

'All employes at this of-Station A and the Navy d branch are requested to a very careful watch on following newspapers, to furnish me with the s and complete addresof all persons receiving s of any of the papers." 'This information should treated as confidential and no circumstances ald the addressees be adthat this list of subers has been recorded.

under cover." Three periodicals that (Continued on page 4)

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ned, it should be sent to

New Republic Magazine Says

Indictments Here Are Most Serious Issue Civil Liberties

Liberal Magazine Calls Department of Justice Action Against Local 544-CIO "One of the Most Extraordinary Affairs in the Whole History of the Department of Justice"-Such a Violation of Democratic Rights as Appears to Be Involved Would Be Worth Ten Divisions to Hitler, New Republic Writes

(In its issue of July 28th the New Republic, liberal magazine, carried the following editorial entitled "Civil Liberties in Minneapolis." The New Republic in its editorial comment joins the Nation magazine in pointing out to liberals throughout the United States the grave abuse of civil liberties threatened in Minneapolis.)

Twenty-nine people have been indicted in Minneapolis on the ground of advocating the overthrow of the government of the United States by armed force. This is one of the most serious issues involving civil liberties to arise in the United States in vears.

Whether the action was politically motivated or not, it is one of the most extraordinary affairs in the whole history of the Department of Justice. One has to go back to the Great War and the hysteria of the years just following for any sort of parallel. It is tacitly admitted in Washington that this is a prosecution for opinion only. The action is taken partly under a law governing "seditious conspiracy," enacted during the American Civil War, and partly under the Smith Act, introduced in 1939. The Smith Act makes it illegal to advocate "the overthrow of the government by force or violence," even though you never do anything to put your ideas into effect. Spokesmen for the Socialist Workers' Party insist that they do not even engage in such advocacy. Invariably it has been found in practice that such laws could be stretched almost indefinitely.

For many years Justices Holmes and Brandeis voted for the defendants in cases like these, on appeal to the Supreme Court (usually in the minority). In a famous phrase, they held that men should not be

punished for advocacy of revolution unless there was "a clear and present danger" to our society. Mr. Justice Holmes in a historic dissent in the Abrams case, in 1919, spoke approvingly of "free trade in ideas -that the best test of truth is the power of the thought to get itself accepted in the competition of the market, and the truth is the only ground upon which [men's] wishes safely can be carried out I think we should be sternly vigilant against attempts to check the expression of opinions that we loathe and believe to be fraught with death unless they so immithe law that an immediate check is redecisions, Justices Holmes and Brandeis repeatedly held that members of various revolutionary sects had not placed the country in any "clear and present danger."

dously important goes without saying. President Roosevelt and Acting Attorney General Francis Biddle have repeatedly promised that there would be no such violations of civil liberties as stained the honor of America in the last war. For a country preparing to fight for the principles of it would be worth ten divisions to Hitler, and Tobin. For that reason we ask our readers to suspend judgment until the facts are a little of reasons- that 544's strike no- ployees had changed their affiliaclearer. We promise to report fully and tice was "illegal" because the promptly on those facts.

Reprinted from Austin Unionist

Austin Drivers Dispose of Thugs Sent In by Tobin

Under the heading "AFL FAKERS CRASH CIO MEETING," the Austin Unionist in its August 1st issue describes the unsuccessful efforts of Tobin thugs to gain a toehold among the drivers of Austin, Minnesota, all of whom followed Local 544 into the CIO. The Austin Unionist story follows:

Some weeks ago Local Union 778. General Drivers, voted by called Tobin strong arm organizers unanimous ballot to call a special in Austin at one time. meeting to consider to disaffiliate with the AFL and to affiliate with the United Construction Workers Organizing Committee, CIO.

past relations of Local 778 with of union dictatorship.

charter under the CIO.

into signing back with AFL. It is long to the AFL." believed, and not without reason. That is the sum and substance that since June 16th there have of what they had to tell the work-

"Tobin Owns Drivers"

On various occasions, these thugs have burst in on the CIO 778 The special meeting was held on union office with threats of bodily June 15, 1941. At the meeting, injury to union officials in an atthe AFL were reviewed in detail tempt to force them to withdraw lowed Red O'Laughlin and Fritz appropriate at that time. Immediately Tobin and his first Snyder to enter the meeting. They lieutenants shipped an army of were introduced and given the sixteen or more thugs to Austin floor. They made this statement: to threaten and intimidate work- "Tobin owns the truck drivers and ers on the job and on the street by God we will see that you be- a little longer.-FRIDTJOF NAW.

On Tuesday night, Tobin's boys Every member at the meeting deleave. However, Tobin's men displayed their gangster breeding by request for a secret election ture employees into signing AFL that there has never been citywide placing their backs to the wall and whereby the workers themselves acclaiming that they were our superiors and that they would not gaining agent. leave! The rank and file then, up on their feet, began to yell, "Throw them out!" At this point Oilman in an attempt to avoid of the United Construction Worktrouble called the local police and ers had the AFL thugs removed.

Every man in the meeting August 3rd. voiced his intention of remaining loyal and defending the right of Local 778 to be CIO.

they will use all means within the ruling against the petition of Loand the rank and file were in from active membership. On Fri- law to defend themselves against cal 544-CIO for a collective bar- support of the United Construcunanimous accord with a motion day, July 25th, a band of the To- the threatened action of Tobin's gaining election in the Minneapo- tion Workers Organizing Committo disaffiliate with the IBT-AFL bin pugnacious labor fakers came chosen riffraff, but they also wish lie retail furniture stores is a gross tee, will continue to vigorously and the Tobin strong-arm method to the union hall during a meet- to inform the union members and miscarriage of justice. ing, pounded the door, gave forth the public of Austin that if seri-It was then decided by unani- a series of vile threats and de- ous trouble starts they will defend is not true that the furniture emmous ballot that 778 apply for a manded admittance. The union al- themselves in whatever way seems ployees struck without first serv- the employees in the furniture technicality seized upon was that 6.5 per cent for independent

> The difficult is that which we can do today; the impossible takes begin until 17 days had elepsed, defend the legal rights of the em-

Motor Transport and Allied Workers

All Out Monday Night for 544-CIO Membership Meet

A number of important reports are listed on the agenda for the regular membership meeting of the Motor Transport and Allied Workers Industrial Union Local 544-CIO, to be held next Monday, August 11th, in the union headquarters, 1328 Second street North, 8 p. m.

All union members-drivers, helpers, warehousemen-are urged to attend this important meeting.

Frank Barnhart, regional director of the United Construction Workers Organizing Committee and personal representative of John L. Lewis, will report on the progress of the CIO campaign in organizing its new industrial union among the nation's motor transport workers.

Union attorneys will report on the hearings on the 544-CIO election petitions, and on recent court actions initiated to force Blair to abide by the law and to order the elections. A report will be made on the federal" compiracy" indict-

ments against sixteen members and leaders of the union, who will be arraigned next Monday prior to the meeting. Other important reports packed with information that every driver should have will be delivered by V. R. Dunne and Farrell

Drivers, plan without fail to attend your membership meeting Monday night. Hear the latest developments on our successful fight to maintain our union against the machinations of

with the lawful and pressing purposes of the law that an immediate check is re-

Dictator Dan Tobin and his hoodlums and political cronies.

That the Minneapolis case is tremen- Regional CIO Director Frank Barnhart Joins Local 544-CIO Executive Board in Blast Against Blair--Stassen's Labor Conciliator Seizes Upon Flimsy Technicality to Deny 544-CIO Petition for Democratic Election Among Furniture Drivers-Union Will Continue to Press Its Demand for Elections

State Labor Conciliator Alfred Blair last Saturday Carlson and William K. Thomas, unlawful labor practice to "unlawdemocracy now to violate those principles ruled against Local 544-CIO's petition for a collective either in hysterical fear of a little handful bargaining election in the Minneapolis retail furniture of theoretical Communists, or as part of a stores, and thus openly joined Tobin and his henchmen he disqualify the AFL in the sordid political maneuver to help the AFL in seeking to deny the Minneapolis furiture drivers a wholesale grocery houses because transcript of the testimony of and hurt the CIO, would be unforgivable; democratic solution of the dispute between Local 544-CIO of the unfair labor practices of Harold Fisher, employee of West-

Blair seized upon the flimsiest union had switched from the AFL to the CIO-to deny the 544-CIO tion of the character of Tobin's petition. At no time did Blair inform Local 544 that its switch to the CIO invalidated the strike notices sent out by the union June again burst in on a union meeting. 1st, before the membership voted to leave the AFL and join the CIO. Yet he pointed to this as his can choose their collective bar-

The executive board of Local 544-CIO, in a joint statement with Frank Barnhart, regional director from being the bargaining agent? Organizing Committee. promptly answered Blair's unjust ruling, in a press statement issued

Following is the text of the union statement:

"The action of the State Labor The membership of 778 declare Conciliator, Alfred P. Blair, in playees of the industry.

ing the necessary strike notice, stores and all other sections of Such notice was filed and accepted the motor transport industry. by the Conciliator on or about "We shall use every available June 1st. Since the strike did not channel in our vigorous efforts to cause of the switch from the AFL as against the AFL's 75,478. all the objectives sought by the ployees against Mr. Blair's obvi-'cooling off period' requirement of our bias toward the AFL and the the State Labor Act were fully unfair decision which he has renbeen as many as forty of the so-ers and certainly is a good indica- the truth is putting on its shoes. | the flimsy pretext that the em- ship."

tion from the AFL to the CIO as the basis of his ruling that they fair labor practice.'

"Moreover, overwhelming evidence was produced in the hearings proving the AFL, between June 20 and July 10, by force and authorizations. Upon this record, why has not Mr. Blair, in accordance with his broad investigative powers, also disqualified the AFL Impartial enforcement of the law would compet disqualification of the AFL if the CIO is to be disqualified. Such a decision by the State Conciliator is an open invitation to the AFL to continue its terrorist tactics against the em-

"Local 544-CIO, with the full press its demand for democratic "Contrary to gress accounts, it elections by secret ballot to de-

Stassen Man's Ruling Rejecting 544-CIO Petition for Elec-tion in Furniture Industry Is Taken to District Court for Review—Local 544-CIO Demands of Blair That He Exercise Even-Handed Justice by Denying all Tobin Petitions on Grounds of Illegal and Unfair Labor Practices by Tobin Hoodlums-Motions Put Blair on Hot Seat - Local 544-CIO Planning New Moves to Expose Star Chamber Proceedings, Win Democratic Right of Elections, Speed Contract Negotiations

In a move calculated to break out of the Star Chamber proceedings engineered by Alfred P. Blair and the daily press in the labor board hearings on Local 544-CIO's petitions for industry-wide elections, the union on Monday went into District Court and obtained a writ of certiorari from Judge Mathias Baldwin. The

election in the local furniture in- practice. dustry.

The Blair decision Saturday flimsiest technicality. Blair's rank weaker and boss-minded union. decision will be called into ques-

has engaged in since June 9th testimony to this effect. when the drivers left the AFL and joined the CIO.

Let Blair Apply His "Logic" Blair and submitted a motion that pursuit of lawful employment." pointed to the evidence whereby proved by the Tobin men. the Tobin men used threats and warehousemen to pay dues and

sign AFL pledge cards. A second motion was also filed are those of Brother Fisher: with Blair by 544-CIO, demanding of Stassen's conciliator that he dismiss the petition of the AFL tually signed (with the AFL)? for citywide certification, on the grounds that Tobin's forces have been guilty of unfair labor practices, and on the further grounds labor relations covering the Minneapolis motor transport drivers. the men in each industry being covered by a separate contract.

Again on Tuesday, attorneys for Local 544-CIO moved, at the cement block hearing held in the Nicollet hotel, that Blair disqualify the AFL from any further participation in the cement block hearing and that the AFL has no place on the ballot because of its unfair labor practices.

Blair took all motions under ad- CIO Scores 2-1 visement.

urday to rule against the 544-CIO NLRB Elections thought it a clever move last Satpetition for elections in the furniture industry, on the basis of a legal technicality scored as an of the NLRB elections as against the strike notice mailed Blair and unions during the three-month pethe furniture bosses on June 1st riod ending June 30th. by Local 544 was "illegal" beto the CIO.

now disqualify and dismiss all rubber.

writ, returnable September 15th, AFL petitions demanding certificalls for a review of Blair's brazen cation, on the same grounds he decision of last Saturday denying used unjustly upon Local 544-CIO Local 544-CIO's petition for an _ the grounds of unfair labor

Stassen Law Up For Judgment Blair is now placed in the posiwas a move calculated to aid the tion before the public where he AFL and the employers against must either apply the Stassen the Minneapolis drivers, and to Slave Labor Law impartially to throw consternation into the both sides-or admit that both the ranks of the union. Frank Barn- law and himself are instruments hart, regional UCWOC director, whereby the bosses and Governor immediately joined Local 544- Stassen can intervene in the labor CIO's executive board in a public movement to exercise gross bias statement condemning Blair for against the stronger and more his unjust ruling based on the militant union in favor of the

Enough proof of illegal and un-Tobin's hoodlums has been pre-By Blair's own "logic," if he is sented in the hearings to date to to disqualify one union for an al- disqualify them from the slightest leged unfair labor practice, he consideration in the hearings. The must also disqualify the other whole labor movement knows this, party, Tobin's union, for the many despite the efforts of the daily concrete unfair labor practices it press to boycott the majority of

As an example, in the 544-CIO memorandum accompanying its motion to disqualify the AFL in Attorneys for Local 544-CIO the wholesale grocery proceedwere not slow to drive home this ings, 544-CIO cites the provision point with Blair. Monday Gilbert of the Stassen law making it an union attorneys, went before fully threaten any person while is

The union then points to the Tobin's goons, CIO attorneys ern Grocer, testimony never dis-

Part of that testimony, taken intimidation to compel drivers and from the official transcript, is hereby reproduced. The questioner is Mr. Thomas. The answers

"Q: Did anyone do anything in your presence before you ac-

"A: Well, I'd say there was one thing that really scared me there. This Charlie Hathaway and I were going to work in front of our place. We parked the car across the street. There was a National Tea truck there. We got out of the car, and our car and wanted to know if we were ready to sign up with the AFL. We told him 'yes' and as we were going across the street in front of the building, across from 500

No doubt Blair and his advisers Over AFL in

CIO unions won 50.3 per cent

The CIO led with 147,230 votes

The CIO unions won more than Actually, through this unjust half of the elections in such haste ruling, Blair has permitted 544- industries as auto, building and CIO to turn the tables on him and conscruction, electrical equipment, A lie can cover the earth while served. Yet Mr. Blair seized upon dered because of this partisan- the AFL by demanding that he glass, leather, meat packing and

We Made Minneapolis a Union Town - - - Let's KEEP IT That Way

Strutwear Lay-Off Highlights Growing Industrial Dislocation in United State

175,000 Hosiery Workers in Nation Face Loss of Jobs-Jobs of 215,000 Auto Workers Thrreatened by Pending 50% Cut in Auto Production—Twenty-four Plants in Illinois Face Shut-Down—Gas Station Attendants, Refrigerator Workers, Rubber Workers Threatened —Impact of Second World War on American Economy Being Felt-Many Shocks Due-Crisis Confronts Labor Movement with New Problems-Shows Inability of Government, Industry to Plan

The notice received last Friday by about six hundred

A resolution will be placed be

Same Story Repeated

In Illinois, for instance, a gov

New Blattlenecks Appear

materials but in all types of raw

defense manufacturer, may be

By now it is becoming clear

to millions of people that the

switchover from a relatively

peaceful to a war-time econ-

omy is oresting a wary

"bumpy" and uneven situa-

tion. While centain war in-

dustries boom, other indus-

tiries suddenly confront a com-

plete stoppage due to lack of

yaw materials, or the diver-

sion of the supply of raw ma-

terials to war production.

Even huge industries such as

At the bottom of this tle-

veloping dislocation of indus-

try lies the stark fact that

Big Business, because of its

prime need to seek profits at

all costs, is incapable of con-

ceiving and executing plans to

utilize to the best advantage

auto are not exempt,

turn out the goods."

the country.

workers at the Minneapolis Strutwear hosiery plant that

they face loss of their jobs within ten days brings home with startling suddenness and tragedy the impact of World War II on the economy of the United States. The order of the OPM freezing thet processing of raw silk in the Unit- ler, and other sections of the auto ed States, besides affecting at industry. least six hundred Minneapolis workers, will bring unemployment fore the Auto Workers convention. to 175,000 more throughout the

The nation's hosiery workers are not the first, nor will they be the last, of the millions of men and women to feel the economic effects WOULD HAVE RECEIVED HAD for refusing to take the necessary of the diplomacy and warring of THEY BEEN PERMITTED TO steps to avoid the present silk American and world imperialism. CONTINUE IN THEIR PRESENT shortage. The article points out The United States is not yet even JOBS." a participant in the second world slaughter, and already the effects of the war are dealing shock after shock to the economic and social structure of this nation.

In industry after industryhosiery, auto, steel, rubber, consumers' goods--millions of workers will shortly be let out of their jobs for the same reasons given the Strutwear workers.

Hosiery Union Protests The silk shortage will fall with particular force on the large silk centers of the East. In Philadelphia, where the jobs of 12,000 such diverse products as road mahosiery workers are threatened, chinery, oil burners, gas stoves, the president of Branch 1 of the American Federation of Hosiery livestock equipment, kitchen uten-Workers said last week: "I canslack left when the remaining silk dating and lighting. supply is absorbed. This silk shorteral years and our manufacturers, ens the gobs of tens of thousands than 25 per cent." have been experimenting with all of workers. Should the gas sta-

protect those affected by its action dants will fane loss of their jobs. Fast." by using its full powers to step up production of mylon, rayon and production to 150,000 units a fit's for workers affected until they credit organizations. are re-employed in other indus-

infustry is the threatened 50 per full the building trades workers, cent curtailment in the mation's who have by now practically comproblem to come before the United required for the army. Auto Workers Union, now meeting in annual convention in Buf-

tors workers in Buffalo have been industry when he points out that which will receive new solutions. laid off recently, not to be recalled "Within the next sixty days, strinuntil 1962, according to the car gencies not merely in with way rent issue of the United Automo-

Should the plan to halve auto sharply reduce production of comproduction, put forward by OPM sumer goods and at the same time carried out, the UAW estimates defense program. EACH DAY that about 215,000 workers direct. BRINGS DE VELOPMENT'S 367 editorial employees of the down members of his own union oners, my streets of beggers; the ly engaged in the manufacture of WHICH CREATE A BOTTUE New York Times, a counting of when they are victimized by list aged are not in want, the taxes automobiles, bodies and parts NECK. would be laid off.

Reliable estimates indicate that bottlenecks are not confined to the in Michigan alone about 120,000 material or production end but are and 202 for the "American Newsauto workers will be unemployed spreading out to cover shipping paper Writers association." an by the first of the year. This esti-materials, transportation space in AFL dual union. Only 38 water mate assumes a 50 per cent cut, both ships and railroads, electrical for no union. dependent on the auto industry may be delayed. The receiver of editorial and commercial departsecurity in Michigan.

"The situation in General Mo- hort of oil or gas and not able tors illustrates the problem. In GM, as of June 1941 about 250,-000 workers were employed. About 34,000 of these held jobs on defense work for GM at this time.

"A 50 per cent cut will mean a reduction of GM employment from 250,000 to about 156,000 by December. About 94,000 GM workers will lose their jobs. How large a portion will be re-employed on GM's defense work? At present, with orders amounting to one billion dollars, GM is creating only 5.000 new defense jobs per month. There is no evidence that the corporation has any intention of moving more rapidly on a defense tooling program. THIS WOULD TAKE GM a FULL 18 MONTHS. OR TO THE MIDDLE OF 1943, TO RE-EMPLOY ITS LAIDOFF WORKERS"

Approximately the same situation would hold for Ford, Chrysthe raw materials, the skilled workers and the machinery available.

Each industrial giant is battling with its competitor for materials, each industry fights with rival industries for preferences.

The fact of the World War underscores the impossibility under capitalism for the great nations to agree to a broad world-wide economic plan. The fact of the present and threatened dislocation of industry in the United States underscores the inability of Big Business to plan for the needs of the American people.

demanding that should workers be What Is Government's Game? The N. Y. Times for August 3rd thrown out of work by a cut in production, that the government carried an article expressing the make provisions to pay such workbitter criticism leveled by the silk industry against the government ers "THE SAME WAGE THEY that "Under legislation passed shortly after Hitler's march into Poland, the government was au-Situations like those developing thorized to accumulate stockpiles n hosiery and auto, pregnant with of strategic materials which are tragedy and misery for millions of American homes, are developing imported. Silk was specifically in many industries in all parts of mentioned among these, but no silk went into the strategic materials stockpile It was learned yesnament commission reported last terday that repeated attempts had been made by silk interests over week that 24 thems, employing approximately 3,569 workers, will the last nine months to get a sat have to close their doors within isfactory answer from government officials as to why silk was not the next 90 days unless they receive the needed material and acquired under the stockpile legisequipment. These companies make lation."

a similar dislocation threatens the of \$45,000. rubber industry in this country. heating apparatus, overalls, pianes, "The efforts of the grovernment to sils, electrical units, telephone build up a reserve of 400,000 toms not understand why the du Pont equipment, clock and watch parts, of this essential material have so nylon plant cannot be completed outboard motors, radway cars, alw. far failed. As a consequence, durin time to take up some of the ningm alloys and castings, metal ing the last half of this year manutacturess of all vubber products have been told that they must re- fler trucks was destroyed by fire, now faces expulsion at the hands The pending vestrictions on gas age has been threatening for sex- and oil stations in the East threat- doce consumption a little more and to solve the mystery, the State of Dictator Day.

types of substitute fubrics . . . It's lions remain dosed 12 hours daily, flatture of the government to pile members of this Local Union, nine tional ruion, and specifically foronly a question of getting enough as is contemplated, station owners up the necessary silk and rubber of which are being held under a bids local unions to solicit aid form only a question of getting enough as is contemplated, station owners up the necessary silk and rubber of which are being held under a bids local unions to solicit aid from bond of forty-five thousand dol-sister locals without his own prior Says Local Negro Paper up to the government to see that from one to three men on the gential incapacity of a capitallist lars (\$45,000). average. In the New York metro- government to plan. Or it may be "It is our from belief that these approval. The executive board of Minns- politan area alone, this would that by creating crises in several men are immocent and did not parapolis Branch 38 of the Hosiery throw about 5,000 men out of large industries, the national ad-Workers Union wind Russevelt work. If the order takes in the ministration is seeking to build up but through the political string, and the OPM last week, that "It is entire Eastern seaboard, from 35, public sentiment to back its im- we have been muchle to furnish the duty of the government to 000 to 20,000 filling station attent perialist war designs in the Far bond to these boys due to the fact Warehousemen and Helpers, so Deciple.

The order to our refrigerator Whatever the answer, it is cerother replacement yarns. It is also month (a decrease of more than tain that the growing dislocations the duty of the government to pro. 50 per cent) will immediately at of American industry are going to wa'e federal unemployment bene- fect retail stores, salesmin and have a profound effect on millions minum. This has been professed of washers, and that the dislocat against from every legal angle, but Certain grafts and industries tions are going to be reflected imwhich have up to now enjoyed a mediately in the union movement. certain artificial "war-made" poos- Should the bulk of the hosiery and Even more catastrophic than the perity, will soon see jobs taper off auto workers sudderly lose their impact of the war on the hosiery and disappear. In this category jobs, for instance, one can understand what new problems this will raise for the union organizations auto industry. The most pressing pleted the rush of new buildings With some industries throng mass shut-downs, and others ballcoming the war preduction, with hundreds A writer in the July 27th issue of thousands of workers being falo, is that of the pending cut in of the financial section of the New shifted from one industry to an-York Ilines sums up the drautic other, the union newement of Already over 3,200 General Mo- condition confronting American American configuration new purchase

News Guild Whips and semi-manufactured goods will AFL in Times Vote

The CIO Newspaper Guild of tine ballots cast in a recent NLUE coar's emenires. "The trouble is that new election revealed last Frider,

The vote was 295 for the Child

in auto production and makes al- power, natural and manufactured A year ago the Newspaper Guill peals for financial aid and tolid the lowance for employment on all degras. Thus, a supplier may have was chosen as the collective burfense work now contracted for. the necessary raw materials for a gaining agent for the 720 commer- take care of the fight themselves. No allowance is made in these fig- plant but he may be short on ship- cial employees of the Times. As a Only thanks to the aid of Local ures for the thousands indirectly ping containers, or his shipment result of the recent election, the for their employment or financial the materials, if he is a non-ments will be combined as one bargaining agent.

Though the AFL through its "Writers association" tried to raid the CIO Newspaper Guild, President Roosevelt did not see fit to issue a statement against this raid.

544-CO Grievance Committee Meets Tuesday, Friday

Attention of all motior tivansport and allied wonten is collect to the fact that the regular meetings of the Grievance and Seniority Committees of Local 544-CIO are being held in the union hall at 1028 Sec-ond Street North.

The union Seniority Committee meets each Tuesday at p. m. The union Grievance Conmittee meets each Tuesday and

Friday at 7 p. m.

If you have grievances of questions on seniority to take up, the place to discuss them is before your union committees.

Ten Reasons Why You Should Vote for Local 544-CIO

1. Local 544-CIO stands for higher wages to meet the rising cost of living. Tobin stands for "sacrifices" on the part

of labor, but not on the part of the profiteers. 3. Local \$44-CIO furnished the leadership that has raised the wages, shortened the hours and won job security for the

drivers and warehousemen of this city. 3. Local \$44-CIO stands for honest, democratic and militant unionism. Tobin stands for dictatorship, thuggery and horse-and-buggy craft unionism,

4. Local 544-CIO elects its officers in free and democratic elections by secret ballat. Tabin's raceiver appoints officers for the AFL.

5. Local 544-CIO has the backing of the great progressive CIO industrial union movement, the dominant respondent in America today.

6. Local 544-CIO has always insisted that the employers live up to the union agreements. 7. Local 544-ClO protects its members on the job, and settles their grievances.

8. Local 544-CIO fights all finks. Tohin imitates them, 9. Lucal 544-CIO symbolizes the future of American unionism. Tobin and the AFL represent the dead and dving

10. Local 544-CIO is the union that Made Minneapolis a Union Town and means to Keep It That Way!

AFL Drivers in Charlotte Ask Aid to Fight Frame-up, Face Expulsion by Tobin

Leaders of the Minneapolis motor transport and allied workers last week received a plea for financial aid from camental liberties and to labor's the AFL Drivers Union Local 71 of Charlotte, N. C., nime basic rights. The pattern of ac-The same paper points out that of whose members are being held on a frame-up for bond tivity is the same as in Palmer's

The frame-up is the outgrowth of a strike called June 7th by Kansas City and elsewhere was Transfer company of Statesville, the victims

"Buring the strike," writes Lacal 71, "one of the G. & M. Trans aid in this labor case, Lecal 71 politicians directed an investiga Tobin ruthlessly restricts free

the parte in any part of this action piles \$25 per thousand for the pre Board"—that is, from Tobin. the politicians are so well onganlized that it has been impossible for us to receive any flavorable werdicts as far as the counts are

Tobin Turns Men Down

"On different carasions this condition, which exists throughout the South has been explained at mass meetings of local unions and also to the General President of the International Union, and we as Theamsters, appeal to our sister Locals for financial aid in order that we may have the nights and finedom of members of the Teamsters throughout the munters."

ers strike, wherein seven officers a friend of its happiness when of AFL Drivers unions im Sioux these things can be said, them may City, Des Moines and Omaha were time country basse of its constituframed and savrested, it is recalled tion and like government." I homthat Tohin Hundly rejected ap as Paine. Mid-West drivers' movement to 544 and other unions in Detroit.

We Made Minneapilis a Unim Town-Letin KIERP St That Wang.

Local 71 against the G. & M. ball bond raised to gain release of

Fice Tobin's Wrath

By circularizing its appeal for

this point: "All local unions affili- meapolis Spokesman, leading Negro weekly newspaper in ning. One man attended! ated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. Chanffeurs, ment of instice have fought for democracy for the Negro companies are the Mine that all Bonding Companies have liketing financial aid from sister requested that the amount of the local unions, must first receive of bond (\$45,000) be deposited in ficial approval and enforcement credit of the Bending Company, from the General Executive

The penalty for exercising free ers Party, but we do know that peech within Robin's international many of its leaders have nepeatedis receivership or expulsion.

It is to be hoped that all unions ored people in this area. receiving Local 71's appeal for funds to fight this frame-up (or and the all-out labor war between they KNEW it. Pass your linderganized incidentally, by politicians belonging to the same progeneral public has not had an oplitical party of which Robin and portunity to get at the real basis Roosevelt are leaders) will disre-for the infictments voted by the gand Tubin's distates and responds Federal grand jury. generously to aid their fellow workers. H. M. Houston is seonettary-treasurer of Local 71. The urion address is 1.96 Builders

Let's Not Boast

letter that the union askal aid country in the world, "My poor from follin and that he rejected are happy; neither imporance nor administrator Leon Henderson, he may hamper the acceleration of the Niew York has been drosen as fire their request, in the same callous districts is to be found among odlerctive barganing agent for the and quited way the dlways turns them; my fails are empty of prisme not oppressive; the rational In the Sicust City Edkery Enity world is my friend, because I am

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Text of Non-Partisan League Recklessness of Statement Backing 544-CIO **Against Tobin Indictments**

Below is the full text of the release from Labor's Non-Partisan League protesting against the government gro neighborhood, in an persecution of those indicted in connection with the with- to capture a speeder, drawal of Local 544 from the AFL. John L. Lewis is cized in the last issue of the chairman and John T. Jones, director, of the LNPL.

"Washington, July 28-Witchhunting tactics of the Justice Department under A. Mitchell Palmer in World War I are being revived here as history repeats itself in World War II,

"The Palmer period in the Justice Department has long been recognized by all Americans with any respect for human freedom as one of the blackest in our Government's history, yet one of the kay figures of that time is still functioning in a high Justice Department post, He is J. Edgar Hoover, now chief of the FBI.

"It was Hoover who was behind the recent Administration move to jam wire tapping legislation through Congress and which was defeated only after the CIO became active against it. In the postwar era. Hoover's bureau stooped to searching private Senatorial mail and even tried to frame a U. S. Senator on immped-up charges.

"Today, Justice Department activities again are a manace to funday and Hoover has forgotten none of it.

Persecution for Opinions "Out in Minreavelis a few days ago a large number of CIO union members were indicted for holding affectedly subversive op!nions. The indictment went back to 1938 in strained efforts to find some incident on which to base its action. Not what there men did, but what they thought, formed the real crime charged against them.

"in this particular case, the Justice Department did not art against these allegedly embyersive persons until three years after the deed complained of and only after they had framsferred their membership from the AFL Teamsters Union to the CIO's United Construction Workers Organ: zing Committee.

"In many observers here, both in and outside the labor movement, this is a clear case of Justice Department interference in a trade union mate fer. By its action, the Justice Department seeks to discourage teamsters from joining the CIO.

"The incident is recorded generally here as an attempt by the Justice Department to establish a presedent, if it is successful, many intermed observers are expecting other indictments of labor figures who do not too the mark in the way some bureaucras would prefer that they do.

"If Minneapolis teamsters can be jailed for their opinions, so can approdu. That is why the case is of national importance as civil fibercion."

been indicted are proven false

and that they will be accome-

There are thousands of unor

ganized people who would appreci-

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the poor main's wisdom.

Indicted Men "O. K." by Us"

this area, points out the unionists indicted by the Depart-

"With developments in this case ate our side of the stay

factions occurring so regidly the trial Organizer along to them.

the Minnewroll's Spokesmen is reprinted:

"We are not familiar with the

merits of the case of the govern-

ment against the Socialist Work-

ly attacked the enemies of the oal-

"The Socialist Workers Party

might be proven to be a wolf in

sheep's cluthing but most of its

campaigns on public measures

have been open as far as we have

seen. Our faith in most political

parties is limited. We still have

faith in democracy working and

are not interested in the revolu-

"We connot: however, denv

that members of the SVP and

itts leadership orratt leest many

off those manned in the indict-

ments have flught anti-Negro

programs and racial biggiey

wherever tihey found it. That's

enough for us to hope the

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A police squad car was young speeder along Four nue the evening of July 266 cops forced the speeder curb, and when he sough cape on foot, opened & sawed-off shotguns, "win . lutely no regard for the st persons who might be in cinity. Three residents were during the bombardment windows were broken, and a ing on two of the houses tured . . . Shots were fired the yard of the Cornelius Home with no regard for the that a number of seriously i chronic invalids are housed

"After the capture of 1 Moses, he was marched be the street at the point of witten by C. with his hands in air. While were holding him, according merous witnesses, he requ that he be permitted to low hands. One of the arresting cers replied, "No, you blad

A protest meeting agains It Cart when ricious recklessness of the was held at the Hosmer B servility to wealthy white adding data relati breakers, and an entirely different as of June and vicious attitude toward groes, strikers and the unemi

Heavy Hardware M storm Union SSI Have Good Meet

A special meeting of the Hardware Section of Local CFG was held last Wednesds ning. The good attendance pronclusively that the CEO rethe allegiance of the men. the allegiance of the men.

The AFL tried to hold a language of the Under the heading "Leaders Q. K. by Us," the Min- ing of the same section that Among the heavy hard from Store and Williams Below the aditional in the August 1, 1941, issue of ware.

A full discussion on the el petitions and conditions in t dustry today was held. Effe the AFL to collect dues t coercion and intimidation boomeranged here as in other tions. The majority of the are paying their dues to their union, Local 544-CIO.

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AFL Driver in East

Tells of Tobinism

"Knowing of your trouble with

the AFL, I can sympathize with

you," writes a member of Private

Chauffeurs Union Local 800 of

New York City, an affiliate of

Teamsters Council No. 16 of To-

"Our local is three years old.

During this time we have tried to

get the sanction of Joint Council

16 to organize the rental drivers

of this city. Did we get their OK?

Certainly not. We were told an-

other local has jurisdiction over

this field-yet no one else is in-

terested or will make any attempt

"For months we have been try-

ing to get permission of Joint

Council 16 to organize drivers of

new cars to docks for shipment,

These men have been doing this

work for years and have never

been approached by any repre-

sentative of any local union. We

were told we have jurisdiction over

this field, but other than that we

"We were told by these drivers

that we could never organize them

because a certain Dr. Johnson of

General Motors had too much in-

fluence in certain Teamsters lo-

cals. Such proved to be the case

for we can get no cooperation

"It is a queer state of affairs

when certain officials of the

Brotherhood of Teamsters deliber-

ately obstruct our efforts to or-

ganize a group of men simply be-

cause a man of influence employed

from Joint Council 16.

were given the run-around.

to organize the rental drivers.

bin's organization.

tal Tobin Slander ness Against Tibbetts Papes Nailed Down

Dictator Dan Tobin of the AFL Teamsters believes, th Hitler, that if you spread enough lies and slander out your enemies, some of the mud will stick. He teachhis agents to practice the technique.

The men Tobin sent in here, and the local Quislings, eve told an awful number of whoppers in their efforts

have been entered in my aud-

it as cash on hand amounting

to \$649.16 in addition to what

I showed, and which would

completely exonerate Mr. Tib-

"I am very sorry that this

error has occurred and I can

say that it is the first time in

twenty years' experience that

I have had to apologize for

an error on my part. At any

rate, I am very happy that

this clears Mr. Tibbetts on the

point set forth in my audit

Knowing the methods of Tobin's

men, knowing they haven't the

basic decency to retract their slan-

der of Tibbetts, or of any other

Local 544-CIO man, we herewith

Erling Nelson, former board

member of the AFL Warehouse

Union who has come over to the

week by the AFL and also quickly

cleared himself of the slander by

Ole Ogg that there was any short-

age in Nelson's steward accounts.

Nelson is steward at Wheeler-

give this letter to our readers,

discredit Local 544-CIO in the of July andreds of slanders have been he some t in circulation by Tobin and agents that they can't possibly ferreted out and answered im-

for the But one of the rottenest slanders inst Bob Tibbetts, former offiidents werel of the AFL Warehouse Union now organizer for Local 544roken, and io, is herewith nailed down. For the house the Ole Oggs have been the how the Ole Oggs have been the Cornel ats left Local 359 Tobin found egard for a hortage in the union's accounts. of serious; For the scissorbills who haven't are housest learned how to estimate Tobin apture of all his agents, we are glad to remarched bint herewith excerpts from a letbe point or written by C. Ward Clarke, air. Whi countant for Local 359, to the according anding company's attorney. The s, he reater completely exonerates Tib-ted to lowests from the vile slander spread te arresting Tobin and his Quislings. The you blacter, incidentally, should not be warded as casting any suspicions CIO, was hailed into court last ting again Mr. Clark, whose integrity is

Hosmer Mr. Clark's letter follows: mmonly a request per our telephone ve an attractory conversation I am herewith althy who enclosing data relative to my entirely caudit as of June 30th, in tude town which I found an unaccount-d the une ed-for difference in the cash accounts of Warehouse Em-

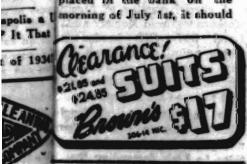
dware playees Union 359. d Met "Since Mr. Robert Tibbetts ting of the this union, it was assumed that this difference would be charged against him and according to my audit report this was the position we took.

"I am pleased to report that we have reconciled the bank account of this organization as of July 31st and

found today that a deposit the Min was made up on June 30th Williams which included everything in the cash box except \$50.

"This deposit was placed in the safe in the afternoon of on on the held. Eff to reach the bank, and when ect dues 1 counted what was on hand as in other impression that this deposit ues to their was in the bank.

"Since the deposit was placed in the bank on the



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544-CIO Drivers **Attend Your Section Meetings**

Attention of all Local 544-CIO members is called to the need of attending your union section meetings, in order to hear and discuss the reports, and keep up with developments in the successful fight being waged to defend our union.

Below is a list of the meetings scheduled for the month of August:

Stewards Friday, August 1st; Friday, August 15th Greenhouse; Independent Truck Owners Thursday, August 7th

Wholesale Grocery Friday, August 8th Over-the-Road Men Sunday, August 10th, 2 p. m.

General Membership Monday, August 11th Lumber Tuesday, August 12th

Market; Wholesale Liquor Wednesday, August 13th Furniture; Coal; Paper and Printing

Monday, August 18th Tent and Awning; Newspaper Thursday, August 21st Cold Storage and Produce

Friday, August 22nd Spring Water Monday, August 25th **Building Material**

Tuesday, August 26th Transfer and Warehouse: Wholesale Drug Thursday, August 28th

Warehouse Stewards

Ice Drivers Monday, August 11th Warehousemen Tuesday, August 12th

Monday, August 25th Seniority Committee Each Tuesday, 7 p. m. Grievance Committee

Each Tuesday and Friday, 7 p. m.

Sometimes it takes time. But every last lie and slander put out by Tobin and his dishonorable Quislings is going to be pushed right down their throats.

Donaldson Men In 544-CIO Hall

An enthusiastic meeting of the ber of victories. Local 544-CIO, was held Monday growth of the union, and the threat and other plants have received of aiding national defense. night, August 4th, in the union of a 50 per cent cut in auto prohall. Men and women of this com- duction which the OPM has repany have signed application cards quested in order to give defense in the CIO, and have also signed orders priority in materials and the entire year was the successful right to organize, bargain collecthe petitions requesting an elec- labor.

the Donaldson employees are for 000 workers. This total of workfor Tobin and his tactics.

These workers understand that May, 1940. they could not possibly go forward under a Tobinized leadership that would leave the women out of the agreement. They appreciate the soundness of the industrial union policy followed by the CIO, and and the union has now signed conits policy of taking in all workers, tracts in 80 of these plants, as men and women, and winning better conditions for all. They have pledged their solidarity to the CIO and intend to go forward under the banner of Local 544-CIO.

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Auto Workers Convention Hears of Mammoth Gains

The United Auto Workers of America (CIO) meeting Philip Murray declaring that the in their annual convention this week in Buffalo, N. Y., have a year filled with many great victories, and several And Women Meet militant strikes, upon which to look back. Judging from turbed but the rights of labor are the tone of reports which have come out of the convention to be abolished. so far, the coming year promises to be filled with just as many fights, and an equal numas against 94c for the previous

of union organization.

and that it had been "brushed

aside with kind words." If the

OPM is allowed to force the shut-

ting down of auto production by

50 per cent 250,000 men will be

This UAW-CIO convention i

the largest in the history of the

union. Over 3,000 delegates have

registered from every part of the

country. Such a convention, com

posed as it is, of worker-delegates

with a year of victories behind

them, with the membership grow

ing until now the UAW-CIO is one

the largest national unions in the

country, can and must lay down a

program which will insure the

workers at home of a plan of ac-

tion with which to face the coming,

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turbulent year.

forced into unemployment.

President R. J. Thomas' annual year.

During the past year the memclaimed these workers as mem-grown to 528,413. The union holds headquarters left no doubt that aircraft plants, covering over 700,the CIO and have only contempt ers covered by contracts represents a gain of 93 per cent over

Year's Accomplishments The union has won every NLRB election in which it was a participating party. Elections in 81 GMC plants were UAW-CIO victories, contrasted to only 60 plants covered last year.

Twenty-seven per cent of all contracts now include the union shop. And 58 per cent of these same contracts bring paid vacations to the workers, opposed to only 34 per cent of last year.

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by all who knew him. Funeral services were held last Shirley, and son, Frank, **CIO Defeats**

Anti-Strike

Amendment

Labor Mourns

R. F. Bunnell

Passing of

Washington, D. C .- Last Tuesday the CIO and Labor's Non-Partisan League successfully campaigned to have the House vote new "election?" down, 255 to 114, the Connally amendment to the Selective Service Act which would have granted President Roosevelt the strikebreaking powers he sought.

The national administration backed the Connally amendment authorizing the government to seize and operate plants where production was held up or threatened with a stoppage. The vote on the Connally amendment followed by three weeks the defeat of the anti-labor May amendments to the Selective Service Act, also backed by Roosevelt.

by a letter from CIO President avoid the test. amendment means that "profits of management are not to be dis-

The House vote knocking out the amendment was hailed by the the amendment was halled by the CIO as "a gratifying response to Civil Rights Defense Group the urgings of CIO and LNPL that bers of the Motor Transport and Allied Workers Industrial Union

Thousands of workers in Chrysler, GMC, Ford, Hudson, Packard, labor's rights under the pretense

Set Up to Defend Workers

Thousands of workers in Chrysler, GMC, Ford, Hudson, Packard, labor's rights under the pretense and other plants have received of aiding national defense.
wage increases of from 8 to 10c "The CIO and the League have Indicted for "Conspiracy"

consistently opposed all attempts Probably the greatest victory of to pass measures restricting the strike and resultant contract with tively and strike," the statement the 29 defendants in the federal prosecution instigated the Ford Motor Company which said. "The House-Senate confer-On occasion Tobin's agents have bership of the UAW-CIO has brought upwards of 100,000 new ence report would have permitted members into the union, raised the the use of the Army and Navy to bers. The meeting held at CIO signed contracts with 982 auto and pay of these workers from 10 to break strikes and could have been 18c (and in some cases as high as used to force compulsory arbitra-53c) per hour, gave them a closed tion on labor."

Defeat for Roosevelt, Tobin shop, grievance machinery, senior-Of the 114 votes to retain the ity, and all of the other benefits union-smashing Connally amend-Both President Thomas and Sec- ment, 113 were Democrats, memretary Treasurer Addes voiced the bers of the political party led by union's opposition to the govern- Don Tobin and Roosevelt.

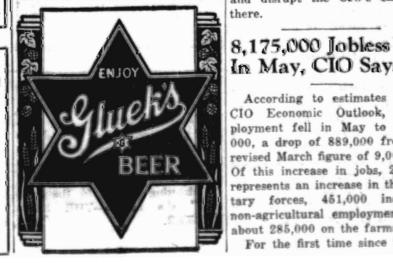
ment's plan to curtail auto pro- An Associated Press report of duction by 50 per cent to release the House vote points out that materials and power for defense "The action was interpreted as a industries. Thomas labeled the rebuke to Mr. Roosevelt for his plan a crime, and Addes said "it is seizure last month of the North a crime and an unnecessary one American Aviation corporation at that." In his report Thomas plant in Inglewood, Calif. Admintold of a plan devised by the CIO- istration leaders have been frank they voted CIO in an NLRB run-UAW to turn the present auto to admit that one of the aims of off election July 30th. The vote plants into aircraft plants, and to the measure was to validate the step up the production of steel taking over of the plant at bayonet Workers at the McCormick plant He said that this plan had been point during a strike. presented to government officials

Drivers Don't Pay Dues To Tobin's Goons

Local 544-CIO advises all drivers, warehousemen and inside workers to continue to refuse to pay dues to Raw Deal Neal's set-up.

Though legally your payment of dues to the AFL will not interfere with your right to vote as you choose in the labor board elections, yet the Tobin attorneys and Nexl are attempting to use this as an argument to further confuse and postpone the elections. They point to the dues their hoodlums have been able to collect at the point of club and fist, and argue that this proves the men want their brand of unionism.

You will be acting in you own best interest and that of your union if you refuse to pay all dues to Tobin.



Thoughts While Reading The Minnesota Teamster

His host of friends in labor's ranks mourn the death of Rollin Not one month has passed, and much as the real election test. (Bunny) Bunnell, 54, who passed away July 29th at St. Mary's hos-Neal's already held a new "election" in his ghost Local 544-AFL pital, from a heart ailment. For With no explanation to the Minmore than twenty years Bunny Bunnell had been advertising manneapolis drivers-who really don't care much what Neal does-we ager of the Minneapolis Labor Review. He was a member of the read in the August 1st copy of Casey's rag that Raw Deal's latest Office Workers Union. His kindness will always be remembered appointee is "President James W. Shirley of Local 544 AFL."

A month ago Neal told the Min-Thursday at Swanson's mortuary, neapolis motor transport drivers with burial at Hillside. Surviving their new president was a fellow are a wife, Lucretia, daughter, going by the name of "Leonard S. Brady."

What has happened in the meantime?

Has Neal found out that the man calling himself "Brady" is too vulnerable to attack?

Or, in view of the Hill City shooting by Neal's men, is he preparing to "elect" a whole new

Or did Neal just get tired of seeing the same old faces around, and whimsically decide to hold a

Three dollars in cash will be paid the reader coming closest to guessing who will be president of Neal's Local 544-AFL on September 1st. All contributions must be in by August 25th. Everyone but Neal is eligible to enter this contest.

Casey hollers that "The AFI has the membership and the AFL

The House vote followed an ac- fair and square election, you and port among the Minneapolis driv-

A fellow would almost believe the meeting.

CIO Whips

AFL in Vote

At Harvester

Chicago, Ill.-The AFL effort to

raid the CIO Farm Equipment

Workers Organizing Committee in

its efforts to organize the Inter-

national Harvester company was

smashed back by the workers when

was: ClO, 2,806; AFL, 2,564.

staged an uproarious pow-wow to

celebrate their victory over the

company-dominated AFL fink set-

During the Harvester strike sev-

eral months ago hundreds of AFL

members scabbed, with the protec-

The key position of the McCor-

mick plant placed the CIO Farm

Equipment Workers Organizing

Committee in a commanding posi-

tion in International Harvester.

with bargaining rights now won

for more than 17,000 of the com-

democratic election, in the majo-

rity choose the CIO over the horse-

President Roosevelt, who came

when the AFL fakers worked hand bloke?"

to the aid of Dictator Dan Tobin

in hand with the International

Harvester company to try to raid

and disrupt the CIO's campaign

ployment fell in May to 8.175,-

bout 285,000 on the farms.

In May, CIO Says

and-buggy boss-minded AFL.

pany's workers.

tion of 1,400 Chicago police.

by Tobin and Roosevelt against active members and lead-

George E. Novack, secretary-treasurer of the Com-

NEAL'S NEW PRESIDENT | that you are talking through your Yep, Raw Deal's done it again. hat and that you fear nothing so

> Occasionally, Dictator Tobin permits Gillespie to write an uplifting editorial or two in Tobin's personal organ, the official Teamsters' magazine,

In the August issue, Gillespie, in warning the drivers about "raids," claims that "Ne organization in the labor movement has done more for its members than has been done by our International."

If Gillespie wanted to be truthful, he would write: "No International has done less for its membership than our outfit. We gag them, take their dues, but deny them strike benefits and stab them in the back when they are in trouble. And yet the membership permits as to overpay ourselves by tens of

thousands of dollars yearly," In return for the \$30,000 and more Tobin receives from the Teamsters, he orders them to make greater "sacrifices" and helps sell them down the red river of boss war.

For weeks Casey's goons have worked to build up a meeting of the 544 members on the market. Last Monday night the meeting by a large and wealthy organizawas to be held. It was a complete tion does not want these drivers flop. Not enough people showed to belong to a union." will demonstrate it at the proper up to even hold the meeting. This is extremely important evidence When, Casey, when? Every that, with all their boasting, Totime we try to pin you down to a bin's "organizers" have NO supwork to build up this meeting, and For a big-mouthed man who even announced a strike vote makes large claims, you seem sin- would be taken at the meeting.

"The Civil Rights Defense

Committee proposes to wage

an energetic fight on behalf

of the members of the Social-

ist Workers Party and the

leaders of Motor Transport

and Allied Workers Industrial

Union Local 544-CIO, who

have been indicted in Minne-

sots. We condemn the action

of the Federal Government in

conducting such an unjust

persecution against members

of a working class party for

their opinions, or trade union-

ists because of their activities

"We intend to rally public

opinion in support of the de-

fendants and to acquaint the

American people with the se-

rious threat to civil liberties

and to organized labor in-

volved in this important case.

We believe that this assault

upon labor's democratic rights

can be and will be beaten

back by an aroused public

The National Office of the Civil

Rights Defense Committee is lo-

cated at 160 Fifth Avenue, New

York City. A full-page advertise-

ment, outlining the facts behind

the federal persecution and setting

made by the CIO, the American

liberal publications, is carried on

the back cover of the August 2nd

When the Chinaman was asked

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ginning of the defense program

the Secretary of Labor has admit-

ted the existence of an ample sup-

ply of labor, the CIO points out.

serve of unused labor power avail-

farms and women in the labor

lissue of the Nation magazine.

opinion."

The McCormick victory again forth the statements on this case

ers of America, in any fair and Civil Liberties Union and various

by describing the CIO charter for another contribution to the

granted the Minneapolis drivers as church fund he asked in amane-

a "raid," never lifted a finger ment, "Wassa mally Jesus-allas

According to estimates in the The Bureau of Labor Statistics

CIO Economic Outlook, unem- admits that "There will be a re-

000, a drop of 889,000 from the able in July, 1942. There will

revised March figure of 9,064,000. still be unemployment, especially Of this increase in jobs, 203,000 among unskilled and older workrepresents an increase in the mili- ers, and we shall hardly have be-

tary forces, 451,000 increased gun to draw upon the huge re-

non-agricultural employment, and serve of unemployed workers on

in the labor movement.

Post Office in Charleston tive campaign by the CIO, led off your lawyers squirm and twist to ers. They put in a great deal of Has Black List Charleston, S. C .- A startling

example of Gestapo tactics in the gularly timid about laying it on With all their big promises, they U. S. Post Office was seen here in the line in a democratic election. couldn't attract even a handful to a time-clock notice posted in local postoffices by J. G. Thomas, superintendent of mails, which read in

"All employes at this office, Station A, and the Navy Yard Branch are requested to keep a very careful watch on the following newspapers, and to furnish me with the names and complete addresses of all persons receiving copies of any of the papers.

A Civil Rights Defense Committee was organized last "THIS INFORMATION week, with headquarters in New York City, on behalf of SHOULD BE TREATED AS CON-FIDENTIAL AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ers of Local 544-CIO and of the Socialist Workers Party. THE ADDRESSEES BE AD-VISED THAT THIS LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS HAS BEEN RE-CORDED. AS SOON AS THE INFORMATION IS OBTAINED. IT SHOULD BE SENT TO ME UNDER COVER."

The papers listed include labor. radical and liberal papers. President Roosevelt is still het and bothered about establishing the "four freedoms" throughout the world. The best place to fight for democracy, though, is right here

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Important

To Delinquent 544 Members and to The Unorganized

Having completed the move from the AFL into the CIO, the Minneapolis Local 544, CIO, wishes to start off with a clean clate.

The union executive board therefore has moved to accept for reinstatement into Loual 544, CIO, all members who have become delinquent in dues under the old set-up. Reinstatement can be affected by the payment of the current month's dues of \$2.00.

Drivers and allied workers not nither to members of Local 544 may also join Local 544, CIO, simply by paying the current months dues of \$2.00.

Until further notice this decision will remain in effect.

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How the Stassen Slave Law "Promotes" Industrial Peace

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AVOID ANCE AND SETTLEMENT OF LABOR DISPUTES AND THE PROMOTION OF INDUSTRIAL PEACE

Those are the words that preface the text of the vile Stassen Slave Labor Law, the boss-inspired law that for over two years has been a millstone around the necks of organized labor in this city and state.

"A pretty good law." That is how George K. Belden, head of the Associated Industries, described the Stassen Slave Law at a businessmen's banquet held at the Radisson hotel on May 19, 1939, where the labor-haters celebrated passage of the law.

"This law will safeguard the rights of the farmer, the worker, the public and every citizen." That is what Governor Stassen pledged in the spring of 1939, when the

law was being debated. "They lie" will say every intelligent worker, who has watched the operations of the law during the past two years. "THEY LIE PRODIGIOUSLY" will say every Minneapolis motor transport and allied worker who has watched the Stassen Slave Law operate in the present dispute between Local 544-CIO and Tobin's agents.

Seven long weeks ago, on June 20th, Local-544-CIO through its attorneys filed petitions with the State Labor Conciliator for industry-wide elections whereby the workers themselves can democratically decide their choice of bargaining agent.

Over five weeks ago, on June 30th, Blair finally opened the series of hearings on Local 544-CIO election

Weeks have passed. Dozens of hearings have been held. Scores of rank-and-file workers have come forward to testify, from all sections of the industry, to the illegal violence and intimidation resorted to by Tobin's imported this. hoodlums in their desperate efforts to dragoon the Minneapolis workers back into Tobin's antiquated craft union organization. Hundreds of CIO pledge cards have been presented, many are the petitions brought forward, signed by the workers involved, requesting the state labor coneffecting a democratic solution to this struggle.

Stassen's Law Exposed And has the Stassen Slave Labor Law, and its administrator, Alfred P. Blair, brought this dispute appreciably nearer a settlement? NO!

The Stassen Slave Labor Law is not a law looking toward the "settlement of labor disputes and the promotion of industrial peace."

When it is to the interests of the employers and Gov ernor Stassen, the Stassen Slave Law is an instrument to prolong labor disputes, and a shield behind which imported hoodlums can unleash their vicious will upon the

THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT THE STASSEN SLAVI LABOR LAW HAS PROVED ITSELF TO BE IN THE MINNEAPOLIS TRANSPORT DRIVERS SITUATION!

All the sharpest criticisms leveled at the Stassen La Law by the Minnesota labor movement have been upheld and justified by the scandalous way in which Blair -acting for the bosses, Stassen and Tobin-has manipulated the law to deny the transport drivers and allied workers their democratic right to industry-wide elections.

Local 544-CIO never demanded that it be arbitrarily designated as the collective bagaining agent for the drivers, warehousemen and inside workers—though the union has every right to ask such designation. Truly mountainous evidence has been presented in support of Local 544-

All that Local 544-ClO has requested under the law

this democratic right to elections. And what has Blair-guided by Stassen, the bosses and Tobin's agents-done? For over five weeks he has hemmed and haved, deferred and delayed, postponed and adjourned, dallied and prolonged, tempozized and spun

out the hearings. The boss newspapers have obligingly boycotted the Blair hearings and kept mum on most of the testimony as to the bestial methods used by Tobin's thugs to intimi date the workers and seek to drive them back into Tobin's

In such Star Chamber fashion, Blair has stolidly proceeded to use the Stassen Slave Labor Law to deny justice and democracy to the Minneapolis drivers.

Blair's ruling last Saturday, denying the 544-CIO petition for an election in the furniture industry, is a sorry mockery indeed. He seizes upon the frailest excuse to come to the aid of Tobin and deny Local 544's petitionthe excuse that the strike notice voted by the furniture men June 1st and sent out by their secretary-treasurer, Kerly Postal, was "invalid" on June 18th, though the very same men and the very same officer were involved.

Yet, for days and weeks Tobia's gangsters, with gun. and club in hand, have been roaming the streets and docks of Minneapolis, beating up workers, threatening Blair to grant the union's petitions for elections.

them, stopping trucks, forcing workers off the job.

But has Blair ruled that the AFL is guilty of unfair labor practices, and that Tobin's organization should be disqualified and its petitions for certification denied? Not yet he hasn't. And if Blair can get away with it, he won't

That isn't Blair's game-nor Stassen's, nor Tobin's nor the bosses'. Their game is to prolong the hearings indefinitely, to deny as long as possible the petitions of the drivers demanding their democratic rights to an election. Their game is to postpone indefinitely a settlement to this dispute, and thus prevent the Minneapolis drivers be interpreted as continuing to furnish left-handed sup- tor of Det Danske Ugeblad, immeand warehousemen from being in a position to sign new contracts giving them the protection they need, the higher wages they require to help catch up to the skyrocketing

Is Blair violating the Stassen Slave Labor Law when he carries out this shameful stall? Hell, no, he's applying the Stassen Law. That's what the Stassen Law is forto deny workers their democratic rights, to aid the employers, to favor the boss-minded against the militant a buxom housewife, came to the door." union, to prevent workers from signing union agreements. | door in her underwear.

Sure, George K. Belden of the Associated Industries As soon as he caught his breath, "A dressing gown's in the budthinks it's "a pretty good law." It is, for him and his kind. he gave her a lecture on the fun-But it's a treacherous and atrocious law from the point of damentals of deportment.

Behind the Scenes



view of those who toil for a living. The experiences of the Minneapolis drivers in the Blair hearings again proves Arraignment

How Tobin Blocks New Contracts

If Dictator Dan Tobin cared one-tenth as much about ciliator to order industy-wide elections and thus aid in the welfare of the Minneapolis motor transport workers as he does about his own privileges and power, he would long since have sent word to the agents he ordered into the campaign of the C10 to orthis city, to cease obstructing the democratic solution to ganize the motor transport and this struggle through industry-wide elections.

> Every day that Tobin's agents, acting on instructions from Indianapolis, continue to obstruct the elections, they gust 11th. are aiding the Minneapolis bosses and doing a dis-service to the motor transport and allied workers of this city.

By opposing democratic elections, and thus postponing the only solution to this dispute, Tobin's agents play directly into the hands of the bosses and permit them to excuse themselves from negotiations by claiming they don't know which union represents the men.

Actually, the bosses know very well that Local 544. CIO retains the allegiance of the overwhelming majority ment by force and violence." of Minneapolis drivers. But Tobin's tactics here—aided and abetted by the Stassen Slave Labor Law and Blairpermit the bosses to get away with their plea that they Dunne, Grant Dunne, Miles are in doubt as to the proper collective bargaining agent. Durne, George Fresig, Walter

In the meantime, what happens? In the meantime, prices continue to skyrocket. In the Hanson, Carlos Eudson, Roy Ormeantime, the drivers' wages continue to shrink by com- gow, Edward Pidmquist, Kelly parison. Every day of delay in negotiating new contracts Postal, Ray Rainbolt, Carl Skogworks a hardship upon the driver and his family. As bund, Nick Wagner, James P. Can-OPM Administrator Leon Henderson admitted Tuesday in non, Farrell Dobbs, Felix Mor-Washington, "the nation faces the strongest and most row, Albert Goldman, Rose Seiler, proscounced increase in the cost of living—even if the Grace Carlson, Denothy Schultz. administration's price control bill becomes law immedi- Alfred Russell, Oscar Coover, Carl ately." Twenty-eight of the most important basic com-Kuchn, Harold Swanson, Oscar modifies have already risen fifty per cent in price, Hen- Schoenfold and Man Geldman. derson testified, and are heading toward the 1919 peaks.

Throughout this dispute, Local 544-CIO has displayed gin the first part of October, units concern for the democratic wishes of the membership, less there is a postponement. and has pushed with all lawful means at its disposal for the most rapid possible solution of the dispute forced upon the union by Tobin.

Throughout this dispute, Tobin has shown a brutas disregard for the democratic wishes of the Minneapolis drivers, and has done everything possible, legally and illegally, to delay a solution to this dispute and to thus aid the bosses by preventing the men from negotiating new union contracts.

Every Day of Delay Harms Workers Tobin is taking on his head a terrible responsibility by obstructing the elections and thus preventing negotiations and wage increases. Every day of delay is worth tens of thousands of dollars to the Minneapolis employers. Every day of delay represents tens of thousands of dollars, the plight of two Davish sailurs armed guards or Marines with out of the paychecks of the Minneapolis drivers.

Tobin's game here is the bosses' game. The drivers themselves can block that game by rallying demonstratives and the charge of "Megal pibyes on the shoulder, marching female troubles." tively behind Local 544-CIO's program aimed at forcing entry" and the initial steps taken them out through the most public

Tobin's agents here have been loud enough in their men. claims to represent the men. Very well, let them show enough faith in their claims to "lay it on the line" with Local 544-CIO in a fair-and-square election. The sooner sailors. On Tuesday Emil Hansen, charge." the elections are held, the soon the collective bargaining efficer of Local 544-CiO, accomagent will be established, the sooner negotiations can start, the sooner wage increases can be won for the men.

If Tobin card a snap of the fingers about the interests the sailors where the whole case of the Minneapolis drivers, he would call off his hoodlums was gone over. The officials, Axel and agree to the elections. His failure to do so can only Andersen and Louis E. Olsen, ediport to the bosses and as continuing to act against the diately contacted the Danish mininterests of the drivers.

In New York City, a relief in- "If you want to walk around the sailors. vestigator, making his regular half-naked in your apartment,

YORKER.

Of 29 Set For Monday

ed July 15th in connection with allied workers of Minneapolis will be arraigned next Monday, Au-

Among the indicted are sixteen members and leaders of the Motor agents are conducting full investi-Transport and Allied Workers In- gatoins into the private fires of dustrial Union Local 544-CIO. All federal employees, calling them the indicted are charged with into locked rooms where hours of ers Party and participation in a questions at them about their throw the United States govern-their friends. Union representa-

Those indicted include Jake ings." Cooper, Harry De Boer, V. R. Hagstrom, Clarence Hamel, Emil

Trial of those indicted will be-Attorneys for the American Civil Liberties Union will partici-

pate in the legal defense of the

Seek Release Of Danish Sailors

indicted.

being held in the Minnespolis fixed bayonets going through the creaty jail by immigration author yards and arsenals, tapping emby Local 544-CM to aid the two passageways so that all employes

This week further steps were taken to gain the release of the ac reason given for the dispanied two officials of the local Danish Bretherwood on a visit to ister in Washington asking for aid in gaining the speedy release of

The Danish Relief Committee round of checkup calls during a that's your business," he said, raising funds to pay the fare of hot spoll, was shocked beyond "but you ought to put on a dress- the two unfortunate sailors to the measure when one of his clients, ing gown when you come to the West Coast announced several contributions were received during The lady shrugged tolerantly, the week from unionists. Union

On the National Picket Line

(Continued from page 1) earn you a place on Mr. Thomas' black list are: The Pilot, organ of the National Maritime Union: The Southern News-Almahac, a liberal paper published in Birmingham, Ala.; and the Daily Worker."

The press isn't the only thing which is receiving the personal attention of the federal government. Rocently 100 workers picketed the home of Mayor La Guardia of New York City in protest to the 15,000 persons who had just been cut off WPA. The pickets represented the WPA Teachers Union, the United Artists Union and the Workers Alliance. Twice the Mayor's police ascaulted the picket line with clubs, arresting seven the first time, and 20 the second, after the line had reformed.

These arrested workers were cken to the Harlem police station to await their hearings. When they got there they were herded into a room where a large number of FBI agents were waiting for them. Questions were hurled at them as to their citizenship, their union membership, and their status in the draft. After several hours of this terror the workers were turned back to the local police court.

Charges that "open terror and gestage methods are being used against federal enaployees" was made in a letter addressed to all CIO affiliates by Miss Eleanor Noison, secnetary treasurer of the United Federal Workers CIO. Most notable of these methods was used by Secretary Perkins in the dispussal of Helen Miller, a local UFW union official. Miss Neison also cites several examples of CIO navy yard workers who job by sailors or marines and led out of the yards under escort, in full view of their fellow workers.

Miss Kelson declared that FBI membership in the Socialist Work- inquisition await them, shooting 'revolutionary conspiracy to over- union affiliation, their reading, pons? tives are barred from these "hear-

> Open hearings on the case of Heien Miller have been consistently refused by Secretary Perkins who says "YHERE CAN BE NO COL-LECTIVE BARGAINING IN THE GOVERNMENT SER-VICE." Miss Miller, who worked in the labor department for seven years, and who has won wany fromofions, was dismissed suddenly for being "ash versive." When the union pressed the Secretary for an open hearing on the case she refused and commissioned one man out of her own department to hold a hearing."

Captain Atkins, in charge of labor relations for the Navy Depastment, told a UPWU representative who went to him to protest East, where handreds of thousands quickly as possible the den that "frequently subversive ac of workers are treated to such dis right of elections for the tivity is indistinguishable from union assivity." The FWU statement declared that "mass suspensions and dismussals are taking Last week's Organizer told of place in Cestapo fashion, with may see, stripping them of their badges and dismissing them with * **

The FWUA points out that such dismissals "with prejudire "amounts to blacklisting the workers from further employment for either the government or private contracfors. The statement quotes frann CIO President Murray's recent warning that "the national hysteria which has prevoiced for some time and in the face of which the future existence and well being of labor unions and millions of their members are being gravely threatened." The

contribute to the fund through North, Minneapoils,

An Evening at 257 Plymouth

"Gosh but it's lonely here."

The place was the front office at 257 Plymouth avenue time was 9 p. m., on a recent evening when Local 544-AFL had three section meetings. The speaker was Raw Deal Neal.

He sat alone in the front office. No one else was in the b No one but Tebin's organizers had showed up for the meeting the organizers had long since left to wet their whistles at a don bas. Neal sat nervously at his desk. The only light came free neon TJC sign outside the building.

Neal stared at the shadow on the opposite wall. His finger a tattoo on the desk.

Suddenly he heard an cerie chuckle. Startled, he jumped fees, crossed to the door and looked up the hall towards the cooler. No one was in sight. Cursing his nerves, Raw Deal walked back and seated h

at his desk. His fingers drummed more swiftly on the desk. Fre his will, he pulled out a piece of paper. He wrote down the Local 544 officers he had appointed a month ago. For many minutes he stared at the list. He crossed out the

of Leonard Brady opposite the word "President" and inserted name of James Shirley.

That was a rotten bit of lucky, his naming a man like as thulon president. How would he explain it to the mem Would there be any membership to explain it to?

Again Raw Deal heard mocking laughter. This time ! to come from a group of several people, from the main floor the hall which but a few months ago used to be packed night spirited Local 544 sectional meetings. Neal jumped up, ran out hall and flung open the meeting hall door. He peered into the ened room, but saw only the chairs.

This time he walked more slowly back to the office. He himself at the desk and picked up the list of 544-AFL officers tapped the point of his pencil after the name of George O'h Another bad break, that Hill City shooting scrape that his boys

He flung the pentil on the desk and leaned back in the He listened intently for a moment. Not a sound in the whole built "This place is giving me the creeps," he murmured, half loud. He grabbed the phone and called the hotel where Holy

Casey was staying. He could hear the room clerk ringing Casey's Suddenly a torrent of laughter seemed to fill his cars. Chuc belly laughs, rearing mirth appeared to come from every hall is building, from the sidewalk in front of the building, from the office in which he sat, the office where used to gather the off and staff of the Minneapolis General Drivers Union Local 544 bell that organization had joined the CIO. Neal's fat face turned His eves relied upward. Matiess he rushed from the building crescende of mosking laughter followed him as he ran towards W ington avenue. The laughter, instead of diminishing, grew louder #1 louder. Fauting, Raw Deal stopped at the corner. He looked to the Local 544-CIO headquarters, a block away. The very buil welf danced with laughter.

Blair's Biased Ruling Is Appealed to District Court

(Continued from page 1) North Third street, one gentleman called us over to his

"Q: One what gentleman! "A: Gire of the AFL men, and this gentleman reathed into his glove compartment and pulled out a gun, which was a German Luger, I've seen them before. He released the bostom of the pun and put in a fresh dip of bullets and put that in his pocket.

"Q: Where did he walk? "A: He walked with us and mingled with the rest of the boye. "Q: Did you see any other wea

"As I saw baseball bats.

"Q: How many did you see? "A: I saw one guy with an armful potting out of his car-

union's statement also urges all CIO affiliates to send their profesio to these Gesta Po astions of the federal government to the president himself, to the Labor, War, Nitvy Bejaartments and the Civil Service department.

Protests might help-but we've got our louble. The federal gov- AFL petitions on the grou comment has emibarked on a pro- unfair labor practice, Local gram of pushing the American CIO this week plans a se workers into the war, whether of other moves calculated to not they want to go. The propastop to the terrorism of the ganda program which, according hoodiums and to expose below to the best authorities, worked public the farcical Star Chi splendidly in the last war, has proceedings which Blat, wi bogged down. Especially in the glaring AFL bias, seeking to Middle West, the spirit for war out indefinitely. is catively lacking. Even in the plays of "preparedness" as trial transport drivers of Minne blackouts, army war games, etc., and thus clearly establish the the spine for was is very lax, almost entirely lacking.

band. "It's bad enough to have workers involved the higher my own thoubles in addition to they so badly need to keep

"Q: Who had those? "As The AFL." It will be impossible for Ble fact of the

to squirm out of such testing That next as this, and to deap that the A on the fan eligible to say consideration its brazen petitions for certi tion without elections.

Furniture Actions Stayed By appealing Biair's decision the furniture industry to the trist Court, Local 544 CIO blocked this effort so sailroad furniture workers egainst will into the Tobin union. is Prevented from certifying AFL as burgaining agent in industry, and the employers prevented from digning any a mente with Tobin.

A special meeting of furnit workers was held Monday nigh Local 544 CMO headquar where union officials and a neys explained all steps taken contemplated to gain the elec that the men are demanding.

In addition to challen Blair's ruling in District & and presenting the series of tions to Blair demanding that exercise even-handed justice disqualifying and dismissing

Local 5.44 CTO aims to of the union to represent the This in turn will force the en ers to sit down and negotiate Said the much hanpecked has the union, and will bring to with the skyrocketing living 6

UNION MEETING SCHEDULE Motor Transport and Allied Workers Industrial Union Local 544-CIO

ANGUST MEETING SCHEDULE Friday, August 1-Job Stewards

Monday, August 4-Package Delivery; Department Store Wednesday, August 6- Sausage; Petroleum

Thursday, August ?- Greenhouse; Independent Truck Owners Friday, August 8-Wholesale Grocer

Sunday, August 10 Over-th Road City pickup, dockmen and road drivers who come under the area contract, 2 p. m. Monday, August 11-General Mem-

Tuesday, August 12-Lumber Wednesday, August 13-Market; Wholesale Liquor Monday, August 18 Furnitum Stores; Coal; Paper and Pri Thursday, Asgust 21—Tent & ing. Newspaper, 10 a. m.; Ways & Means

Friday, August 15 Job Stewards