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Till right is done!
Believe and dare and do!

As from this hour
You use your power,
The World must follow
You

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On the National Picket Line

The question of a fifteen percent wage cut for railroad workers is being debated between the railroad heads and the executives of nineteen railway unions in Chicago. According to the New York Times this meeting is "a preliminary to the preliminaries," the union heads remaining adamant in their stand that no wage cut is necessary.

Investigations carried on by the union heads reveals that car loadings have risen steadily since the 30th of April. Passenger service has also increased.

July 20 has been mentioned as the earliest possible date on which the labor leaders would be ready and willing to even discuss the question. Should these meetings begin on or before that date—the affair would not reach the stage of arbitration, necessary under the Railway Labor Act, until about August 20. Then with strike votes and the investigation of a "fact finding" commission which the President is empowered to appoint, the question and its ultimate settlement would be dragged out until some time in November.

At America's back door is the British Island of Jamaica. Like our own Porto Rico, this island is controlled by imperialists who use the natives as slaves, driving them to work for wages which are far below starvation levels. Recently the workers rose up and struck against their masters. Immediately the good British "fathers," like our own American "fathers," used all the force at their command to quell the workers and drive them back. Police, militia, marines, every known implement of capitalist suppression against the workers was brought into play.

Two of the leaders of Jamaica labor, Alexander Bustamante and William Grant, were arrested and jailed, charged with sedition. Last week the law was forced to turn these two loose because they had no facts with which to back up the charge.

In Berbice County where more than 1,000 sugar plantation workers are on strike, police were reinforced and the army received new detachments from the mainland. Soldiers of the Sherwood Foresters Regiment were landed by the cruiser York.

The scandal of Jamaica has led to the creation of a Royal Commission to study social and economic conditions on the island. Former premier Lloyd George, after a visit to the island last year announced that he "was appalled" by conditions there. He further stated "We do not want a slum empire, particularly on America's doorstep."

Jamaica needs cleaning up.
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Who Killed Him?

Patrick J. Corcoran was murdered by unknown persons on the night of November 17, 1937. The Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council offers a reward of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the murderers.

Murder of 544 Men Planned, Is Charge

Belden, Citizens Alliance Head, Raised \$35,000 to Pay Gunmen, Former Leader of Taylor's Finks Alleges

That "George K. Belden raised a pot of \$35,000 to import gunmen to assassinate three leaders of Local 544," was the allegation made by Ralph H. Pierce, anti-labor agent of reactionary employers, in a statement made last Wednesday afternoon to Grant and Vincent Dunne and Carl Skoglund.

Belden is head of the Associated Industries, successor to the notorious Citizens Alliance.

Pierce was until recently, he stated, one of the top leaders in the boss-inspired "Associated Independent Unions," of which "No. 1" is directed against Drivers Local 544.

Pierce first contacted L. Boerbach, painters union official, to whom he told the same story that he later told the drivers' officers. Boerbach informed the Dunnes, who contacted Pierce. When he learned of the murder plot, Pierce said, he broke with F. L. Taylor and E. T. Lee, the leaders of the fink organizations, and feared they would retaliate against him. He asked for money with which to get out of town.

The drivers' officials refused him money and turned the information over to the police. Far from pleased at having the sensational affair dumped in their laps, the police arrested Pierce on a charge of breach of the peace. The daily press carefully refrained from publishing the names of the employers whom Pierce involved.

The murders were to have been committed the next day, Thursday, said Pierce. Press reports that day stated that police found a car containing two high-powered rifles with telescopic sights near the Central Labor Union.

That Pierce had made the statements about the murder plot was corroborated by a written statement to the police by L. Boerbach. In a statement to the police, Pierce said that he understood that funds for the anti-union "Associated Independent Unions" were being furnished by Belden.

Up to press time none of the persons originally named by Pierce were questioned by the police, nor have they issued any statements.

Wenig Seeks to Mediate Sash and Door Strike

With the nine-week strike of sash and door workers in the Twin Cities still at stalemate, Frank Wenig of the National Labor Relations Board has called a meeting of negotiators from both the union and the employers for Thursday morning.

Attempts of scabs from the "Associated Independent Union" to move millwork last Friday were effectively blocked by Local 1865 pickets.

Local 348 Meets Monday, July 11

All members of 3.2 Beer Dispensers Union Local 348 are instructed to be present at the next membership meeting, Monday, July 11, at 8:30 p. m. Important reports are to be presented.

Dues for July should be paid on or before Friday, July 1. There are still many members who have not paid June dues. Such delinquency is inexcusable, as reports to the International must be sent in promptly. Get up to date, and pay your dues promptly.

Move for Labor Temple Under Way

On Thursday, July 19, a meeting of representatives from all Minneapolis unions will be held in the Central Labor Union at 8 p. m. to discuss plans for the building of a labor Labor Temple. A letter to that effect from Robert Short, secretary of the Labor Temple Association, has gone out to all unions.

For years the Minneapolis labor movement has discussed plans for a Labor Temple. Every union in town is on record for such a proposal. The lot for a new temple has been secured. A sizable sum of money has already been raised. The labor press is behind the move.

Every union should select active members to represent it at the July 19th meeting, and get behind the present campaign for a home for Minneapolis labor.

Jewel Tea Really Finds 1 Customer

There was great rejoicing in the offices of the Jewel Tea company the other day. They actually found a customer who would buy their tea. Moreover, the fellow was a union man.

It turned out the poor old fellow was rather dumb and, moreover, could not read. Consequently, he had never learned of the anti-labor attitude of the Jewel Tea company. Besides, he thought he was buying coffee and not tea. When he was told the true circumstances, he took the tea out in the backyard and buried it.

So many persons have phoned the Teamsters Joint Council, asking what teas sold house-to-house are sold by union drivers, that we herewith publish the named of the union firms: Crescent; Twin City; Japan; Globe; and Standard.

Gasoline Men Meet Jointly July 7th

A joint meeting of petroleum drivers, station attendants, helpers and tire men will be held on Thursday, July 7, at 9 p. m.

This meeting will bring together the gasoline drivers, a section of Drivers Local 544, for a joint meeting with the membership of Local 977, Filling Station Attendants and Helpers, the newly-chartered affiliate of the Teamsters International.

Members of both unions are urged to bring with them all men working in the stations who are not yet organized. The meeting is open to everybody.

A truce was agreed to last Friday in the strike against the Bulk Oil Co. The company agreed to remove the fink signs of the "No. 15 Independent Union," and all fink buttons from the station attendants. Local 977 officers were to meet with the attendants to induce them to join the bona fide union.

No. 15 got a jolt when four men who had been induced to join it threw away the fink button and joined Local 977. They are employed at the Super-Service Mobile station, Lyndale and Superior Boulevard.

5-Man Board Lists Names For 544 Post

The five-man Election Board elected at the last membership meeting of Local 544 to supervise the July 8 and 9 balloting for the vacant office of president, issued the following statement today:

"In order to determine the order in which the four candidates would be placed on the ballot, this Board put four slips, with the names of the candidates, in a box and decided to list them in the order in which they were drawn out. By this method, the following order was determined:

Carl Skoglund
Tom McCue
Frank McArdle
Peter Harris
The names will appear in that order on the ballot.
HAROLD BEAL, Chairman
Election Board."

6,000 New WPA Jobs; But 120,000 Needed

Garage Strike In Winona Holds Firm

Winona, Minn.—Little change has occurred in the strike of 60 garage mechanics and helpers against eight Winona garages. The strike was called May 18th, following refusal of employers to grant demands of the union, including union recognition and wage adjustments. The strike is being conducted by Garage Mechanics Union Local 1498, AFL, and is supported by the Winona labor movement.

Two weeks ago fourteen strikers and sympathizers, including Morris Nichols, president of the General Drivers Union, were arrested on charges of "obstructing the sidewalk." All were held for 24 hours in solitary confinement and then released, sentence being deferred to July 8th, that is, until after the local elections.

Though skeleton scab crews are being maintained in most of the struck garages, union banners have been very effective in reminding people not to patronize the bosses.

A strike headquarters is maintained in the Labor Temple, and a commissary serves lunches and suppers to strikers. Strike benefits are being obtained by some of the strikers. At present, Local 1498 is seeking to place members on relief, and has asked the aid of the Federal Workers Section of Local 544 in this work.

Darby Thanks Union Friends

Darby Hicks, popular member of the Cab Drivers Union, who recently had an operation for appendicitis, has written a letter to the union hall, thanking all fellow unionists who so quickly and generously came to his assistance when he was in the hospital. Darby is now home recuperating and expects to be back on the job within a few days.

Increase of Minnesota's WPA job quota from the previous figure of 60,000 jobs to a new figure of 66,000 jobs was announced this week by the WPA Administration.

The 6,000 increase came as the aftermath of a campaign by Federal Workers Section of Local 544, backed up by the Minneapolis trade unions, for an increase of the quota to 120,000 jobs.

Local 471 Endorses Dairy Sales

Full support to the campaign to sell national dairy products was voted by the executive board of the Milk Drivers Union Local 471, last week.

The resolution read "that our organization heartily endorses the national dairy products sale and urges all members of organized labor in Minnesota and adjoining states to bring this matter to the attention of the consuming public to the end that there may be more general use of all dairy products."

The campaign referred to is one proclaimed by Governor Benson, setting aside June 10 to July 10 as Dairy Products Month.

544 Nine Leads First Round Play

Two healthy batting furies behind the stellar pitching of Russ Wennell enabled Local 544's fast nine to whip the Aces 10-2 at Folwell field Sunday and gave the union team undisputed grip on first place as the first round of play ended. The Camdens entered the "lost" column when they were bumped by the Margaret Barrys Sunday.

Wennell ran up 15 strike-outs. Doug Smith, pitching for the losers, also turned in a good game, yielding only 7 hits, of which R. Sutherland and Ed Henninger each got two. Local 544 bunched its hits to get six runs in the first inning, and four more in the eighth.

In the most spectacular play seen at Folwell this year, Tony Pezik, 544 center-fielder, made a sensational running catch of a hard-hit ball by Slind that looked like a sure homer.

The union team is trying to line up out-of-town games over the Fourth-of-July week-end, which is an open date. The second round of play will begin July 10, when 544 meets the Jefferson Bus team at Linden Hills, at 2:30 p. m.

Local 544 Signs With Block Firms

A new working agreement covering about 75 concrete block drivers and workers was signed a few days ago by the General Drivers Union Local 544. The new pact is identical with the agreement in effect last year.

The contract is retroactive to June 1st, 1938, and runs for one year.

Buzza Workers Discuss Pact

On Thursday night, June 30, employees of the Buzza company will meet at the union hall to act on the union contract in the final form presented by the management after negotiations with the union committee. All Buzza members of Local 20316 are expected to attend this meeting.

The increase takes care of only a small fraction of those workers who have become unemployed in the last six months since the previous quota was set. It does not even take care of those workers already certified for WPA jobs or who have applied for such certification and have been promised it as soon as the quota is raised.

Ed Palmquist, Chairman of the FWS, declared: "Our demand for 120,000 WPA jobs was made after careful examination of the extent of unemployment among workers able and willing to work. The additional 6,000 jobs does not begin to touch the problem. We are continuing our fight for the quota which is actually necessary to take care of the needy workers."

"The building trades, one of the hardest hit groups, get practically nothing out of this increase, except as a few highly skilled electricians, construction workers, bricklayers, plasterers, etc., are put to work in jobs which do not utilize their skill and training. A real housing program is needed to supplement the WPA."

"But first of all, we need, at the very least, a quota of 120,000 WPA jobs for Minnesota. Nothing less will even begin to take care of the growing army of the unemployed."

544, 20316 Dealing With Liquor Firms

General Drivers Local 544 and Warehouse Workers Union Local 20316 entered joint negotiations this week with liquor dealers throughout the state for new union contracts. Old contracts expired May 31.

The companies are expected to submit definite counter-proposals by the end of the week. Negotiations will cover employees in Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth.

Utility Workers Meet July 7

The regular scheduled meeting of the Utility Section of Electrical Workers Local 292 will be held Thursday evening, July 7, 8 p. m. in the union headquarters. The meeting will take up the problems of nominating the balance of officers required by the International constitution, should the utility workers be compelled to function as a separate local union of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

Correction in 544 Elections

An error appeared in listing the hours of Local 544's elections to the post of president. Balloting will be held on Friday and Saturday, July 8 and 9, at union headquarters, from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m., and not from 7 p. m. to 9 p. m., as written last week.

Every member of the union should cast his ballot on the two days set aside for voting. With fourteen hours available on each of two days, every member can fulfill his union duty and make his voice heard in the selection of the union leadership.

Make Minneapolis a Union Town

"America's Sixty Families" How Poor Are The Poor of America?

II.

If a Russian factory worker or a Chinese coolie was to receive the wage of an American factory worker, he would deem himself quite well off. Their country is so poor by comparison that an American standard of living sounds like a dream.

This gives the tireless lackey press of American capitalism a free hand to keep telling the American worker how lucky he is to get the scraps thrown down from above.

It makes comfortable Americans who travel abroad come back shouting hosannas to the "generous" American Bosses. And many American workers, having no chance to know better, get unnecessarily grateful about it. We don't know what we're missing!

When we consider how little of America's richness sifts down to the workers who produce the wealth, we gasp with surprise.

The Way It Is

If you have a warehouse full of chicken sandwiches, you can afford to throw a few to the hungry beggars outside. Particularly when the beggars made the sandwiches for you.

But this does not make you a noble giver. Even if you hire loudspeakers to shout how generous you are, you remain stamped as a glutton anxious to keep peace.

With the sixty families so glutted with wealth that they would die of exhaustion trying to spend even part of it and with the millions of idle dollars in the tills of large corporations silently bearing interest, it is not surprising that these sixty moneybags can give out a trickle of money now and then, and get called "Philanthropists." Nor is it surprising that the Government can afford to turn billions of dollars into public works and doles.

Americans, considering the wealth they create, are astonishingly poor.

Poverty in America

Here are the facts to remember: In prosperous 1929, more than 83% of all the liquid wealth in this country was in the hands of that 1% that gets more than \$5000 annually.

"No less than 35% of the gross national income consisted of unearned or property revenue—dividends, interest, etc." The kind of profit that accumulates from the sweat of workers, while the wealth...

thy socialites warm seats at the opera. How much did this unearned money amount to in a year? Twenty-seven and a half BILLION dollars!

More than half the total savings of the nation in 1929 were

King Morgan



J. P. Morgan wields such power over millions of people as dwarfs into insignificance the puny strength of Napoleon. Morgan inherited his wealth. So did his father before him.

Unusual? Yesterday's Tribune told of the million-dollar inheritance that just fell into the lap of L. S. Donaldson, Jr. Shows what hard work and honesty can do, eh?

those laid away by corporations. Of the remaining 50%, the vast bulk of savings was accumulated by those who make more than \$5000 a year (1% of the population).

"It is obvious that even in boom times very many Americans, much like chattel slaves, receive in the richest economic environment known to man, little more than enough to reproduce and sustain themselves."

How can the poor save money? Even those who get \$5000 a year have a fairly hard time raising a

family and saving money, as Lundberg shows.

Spend Until You're Tired

But when you get a million a year or over, you can hardly think of enough ways to spend it on yourself to go through more than a fourth of it! Doane shows that the rich, even with their incredibly luxurious wastefulness, cannot ordinarily get rid of more than a fourth of a million a year, including amusement. They spend until they are exhausted and still leave \$750,000 to multiply itself in the banks.

If you save 75% of your income, you are justly called a miser. If you expend great sums of money for luxuries you are justly termed a spendthrift.

But the rich do both, and therefore they enjoy "the paradoxical distinction of being spendthrifts, misers, and philanthropists simultaneously."

There are nineteen women, all Americans, who never earned a dime in their lives. They have contributed nothing to America's wealth. They have not invented anything. They have benefitted America in no known way.

Every one of these nineteen American women, some of them hardly in their twenties, are absolute masters of fortunes of \$25,000,000 or over. By merely watching their fortunes grow they get an income of a million a year. Many of them have skipped the country to avoid income taxes, and at the same time draw dividends from American industry.

Here are the real chisellers! Here are the flabby pensioners, the people on "rich relief" that never appear in press editorials. They spend more on a "coming out party" (\$100,000) than one hundred families on relief spend in a year! One of these women is Mary Duke Biddle who has been photographed hob-nobbing with unashamed Mrs. Roosevelt. Why don't our big-shot New Dealers take their heads away from the radio microphone and do something about this shameful situation?

How to Get Rich

Mere babies come into the world with bankrolls of millions. It is only when the problem of paying a just share of inheritance tax comes, that such fortunes are "divided" to preserve their dimensions.

Such incredible facts, plausible in a king-country but unbelievable here—but true, even now in 1938—only underline the truth of the author's statement: "Accumulated wealth is not a reward for any tangible contribution to society made by the possessor."

The Inheritance Racket Knowing that they have such huge bankrolls that their sons could hardly spend them in a lifetime, these huge estates are perpetuated in trusts for grandsons as well.

In fact, William Rockefeller arranged his fortune so that parts

would go to not only his children, but his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. "It is expected that about fifty great-grandchildren will inherit in 1950 an estate valued at \$75,000,000 to \$100,000,000 AFTER the payment of income to children and grandchildren."

If that isn't a royal line of socially irresponsible Bosses, what would you call it?

John J. Gray, former examiner of the Internal Revenue Commission says, "I know of but one large fortune probated in forty years not so tied up for about one hundred years."

The owners of these swollen financial carcasses on the body of America foolishly expect that they will grow and multiply forever. But maybe the workers will have something to say about that, and not a hundred years from now either!

How did this state of affairs arise? Did the sixty families get their money honestly? What about the effect of money on American politics? Who really elects our Presidents?

The next installment of this startling story of America's Moneybags will appear next week.

Local 131 "Gas and Suds"

A more perfect day couldn't have been had by the 1,200 or more laundry workers, drivers, their families and friends who attended our picnic last Sunday. We gather from the remarks that everyone enjoyed the day. Most of the picnickers arrived around noon and immediately prepared tables for lunch, with hundreds of gallons of nectar and coffee to wash the food down. The pavilion and kitchen were spotless and clean and the committee worked harmoniously to see that all were taken care of.

Athletic events started off the day. The Despatch Laundry diamondball team whipped Local 131's team. A horseshoe tourney, and many races, were run off, and over 100 valuable prizes were given away. A dance finished off the day.

Picnic committees and those who assisted them deserve a hearty vote of thanks, particularly Mrs. Burnham, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Svingstrom and Mr. Webb, who devoted a great deal of time and effort to get the majority of the prizes. We are also grateful to all donors, too numerous to mention here. Thanks a million.

Regarding Vacations

Drivers in each plant are required to get together and draw up a schedule according to seniority and present it to the management, unless one has already been prepared. The contract states that every driver is entitled to one week's vacation with pay and it is mandatory that every driver take it.

Discrimination!

A couple of bosses from the major plants feel like picking a fight lately around the question of where the driver shall wear his button, the number of hours he must work over 48, the amount of increased business he must get, etc., to keep his job. It is the intent of the union, now and in the future, to live up to the letter and spirit of the agreement, and the union expects the employers and their stooges to do likewise. The union, in fact, is going to insist that they DO, or some "drastic action" will shortly be taken.

Game Scores

The Bakery Drivers Local 289 were walloped last Wednesday by a score of 18-9. Webb has a rabbit foot in his pocket.

Livelihood Before Profits Killerin formerly of Gross-Kronicks for 13 years, is now at the Majestic. Certain people believe that when a driver reaches a certain number of years on the job he's too old to be of any use anymore, and that he will either die or hibernate the rest of his days. IT JUST DOESN'T WORK OUT THAT WAY.

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Gamble-Rob. Pact Lists Union Gains

Following is the full text of the agreement settling the strike of Drivers Unions in Mankato, St. Cloud, Willmar, Brainerd, Rochester and Eau Claire against the Gamble-Robinson company. All unions received the same working agreement, which is retroactive to June 1, 1938, and runs for one year:

THE BRAINERD FRUIT COMPANY of Brainerd, Minnesota, hereinafter referred to as the Employer, and the General Drivers and Helpers Union, Local No. 851, A. F. of L., hereinafter referred to as the Union, agree to be bound by the following terms and conditions covering wages and working conditions.

ARTICLE I. The Union shall be the sole representative of those classifications of employees who are members or who are to become members of the Union, covered by this agreement, in collective bargaining. There shall be no discrimination against any employee because of Union affiliation.

ARTICLE II. The Employer recognizes the right of the Union to designate a Job Steward or Job Committee to handle such Union business as may from time to time be delegated to the Job Steward or Job Committee by the Union Executive Board.

ARTICLE III. The Employer agrees to grant the necessary time off without pay, but without discrimination, to any employee designated by the Union to attend a labor convention or serve in any capacity or other official Union business, provided, however, that any key man needed for the efficient uninterrupted running of the business must obtain the written consent of the Employer.

ARTICLE IV. The Employer agrees not to enter into any agreement or contract with its employees, individually or collectively, which in any way conflicts with the terms and provisions of this agreement.

ARTICLE V. The Employer agrees that all conditions of employment relating to wages, hours of work, over-time differentials and general working conditions shall be maintained at not less than the highest minimum standards in effect at the time of the signing of this agreement, and the conditions of employment shall be improved wherever specific provisions for improvement are made elsewhere in this agreement.

ARTICLE VI. Any employee making any claim relating to wages shall notify the company in writing through his Union representative within twenty (20) days from his last regular pay-day, otherwise the claim will not be honored.

ARTICLE VII. Any controversy arising over the interpretation of or adherence to the terms and provisions of this agreement shall be settled by negotiations between the Union and the Employer.

ARTICLE VIII. The Union and the Employer agree that there shall be no strike or lockout without first using all possible means of peaceful settlement of any controversy which might arise.

ARTICLE IX. The Employer shall not request or instruct any Employee to go through a picket line of a striking Union; however, the Union agrees that in the event the Employer becomes involved in a controversy with any other union, the Union will do all in its power to help effect a fair settlement.

ARTICLE X. The Employer agrees that if any employee is required to wear any kind of uniform, same shall be furnished and maintained by the Employer, free of charge, and shall bear the union label.

ARTICLE XI. The Employer shall not arbitrarily charge employees for any loss or damage.

ARTICLE XII. Should the Employer require any employee to give bonds, the

same shall be paid by the Employer.

ARTICLE XIII. Seniority rights shall prevail in all matters relating to employment, provided, however, that in the event there is a vacancy in any job the employee next in line shall have the necessary qualifications for said job. The oldest man from the point of service shall work forty eight (48) hours each week before other men are employed, except in case of emergency or where it is unavoidable.

ARTICLE XIV. Any controversy over the seniority standing of an employee shall be settled by negotiations between the Union and the Employer.

ARTICLE XV. If any employee is notified to report for work and does not report promptly or give a satisfactory explanation for not reporting, he shall be considered as having voluntarily quit. Any regular employee called to work shall be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours' pay.

ARTICLE XVI. Drunkenness while engaged within the scope and course of employment, dishonesty, negligence in the performance of duty, and any violation of any of the posted working rules of the company which do not conflict with any of the terms and provisions of this agreement shall be considered sufficient ground for discharge. In case of dispute over the discharge of any employee, the Union shall notify the Employer within five (5) days and the controversy shall be disposed of within ten (10) days.

ARTICLE XVII. Seniority for new employees shall begin after they have worked a total of thirty (30) working days, seniority to start from the first day of employment. Employees shall be classed as extra labor or "extras" for a period of ninety (90) days.

ARTICLE XVIII. Any employee desiring a reasonable leave of absence from the job shall secure written permission both from the Union and the Employer. Failure to comply with this provision shall result in the complete loss of seniority rights of the employee involved. Inability to work because of sickness or injury shall not result in loss of seniority rights.

ARTICLE XIX. The work week shall be held at a maximum of forty-eight (48) hours, except that whenever necessary requires, an additional six (6) hours may be worked at circumstances, all time in excess of fifty-four (54) hours per week shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-third except that time and one-half shall be paid for all time worked on Sundays and on New Years Day, Memorial Day, July Fourth, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Regular employees shall receive full straight time pay for above holidays when not worked. Employees whose regular shift assignment requires them to work on Sundays shall receive straight time pay for this work period and if required to work on Saturday night, these employees shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half. Employees shall re-

ceive full pay for all time spent in the service of the Employer. There shall be no split shifts.

ARTICLE XX. An accurate time keeping system shall be maintained.

ARTICLE XXI. All employees shall be paid in full semi-monthly.

ARTICLE XXII. No driver shall allow anyone to ride on his truck except those authorized by the Employer.

ARTICLE XXIII. The following shall be the minimum rates of pay in the various classifications of work: Country truck drivers 60c per hour City truck drivers and warehousemen 55c per hour Day warehouse foreman 65c per hour Night warehouse foreman 60c per hour Extra labor 45c per hour

ARTICLE XXIV. Employees out of town over night shall receive necessary expenses.

This agreement shall be in full force and effect from June 1st, 1938, to and including May 31st, 1939.

Watt Notes

The Lament of the Operators Little A. F. Annie comes to our house to play.

At Riverside and Terminal and along the way. And snoops and tells us stories, and sneaks up on everyone, and runs around the bus rooms and a-w-a-y u-p-s-t-a-i-r-s

And the bogy-man will get you if you d-o-n't w-a-t-c-h-o-u-t. Anonymous? Heilness

That thing up at Riverside on the 23rd was not a chinaman looking for laundry. It was "election board" Leonard who had another fuss with his bees. Better stick to two-legged queens after this Harry.

Our good brother "Dusty" Rhodes nearly had his pet name changed to "Scotty." After some friendly kidding the second box

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Chicago to Open Over-Road Negotiations

By FARRELL DOBBS
Secretary North Central Area Negotiating Committee

A group of Chicago over-road trucking employers will meet with the officers of Local 710 of Chicago this week to arrange the mechanics of forthcoming negotiations at which Local 710, representing all over-road drivers out of Chicago and backed up by the North Central Area Negotiating Committee, will demand that the employers accept the uniform over-road agreement which is being submitted to 1,100 employers in the 11-state trade area.

A meeting of the Area Committee was held in Chicago last Thursday at which a sub-committee was appointed to work with Local 710 in the negotiations.

The sub-committee is constituted by J. M. O'Laughlin of Detroit, Tom Smith of Omaha, E. J. Williams of Indianapolis, John A. Ray of St. Louis, B. V. Griff of Cleveland, Joe Scislowski of Milwaukee, who is chairman of the Area Committee, and Farrell Dobbs, its secretary.

In addition to those named, others attending the Chicago meeting were: William Ryan of St. Louis, T. T. Neal of Kansas City, Mo., Carl Keul of Des Moines, E. G. Holstein of Sioux Falls, Jack Wirth of Fargo, Michael Healy and John T. O'Brien, Pat Ansbury of Louisville, Frank Ranney of Milwaukee, John Szak of Racine, C. D. Klein of Kokomo, Indiana, P. G. Daws of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

The forthcoming negotiations with the Chicago employers involve about 15,000 over-road drivers in the Chicago terminals.

Another important development in the campaign for the 11-state uniform agreement is the opening of negotiations in Omaha at the end of this week. The temporary agreement with the Nebraska Commercial Truckers Association, which terminated a four-day strike on June 20th, provided for immediate opening of negotiations for a permanent agreement.

Kentucky Bosses Frame Drivers Union Official

Lexington, Ky.—In an anti-labor court decision without precedent in America, Frank Kwaliek, business agent for the General Drivers Union Local 779 of Lexington, and Henry Brown, Negro truck striker, were sentenced last week to one year in the penitentiary on the charge of "confederating and banding together to intimidate."

The two unionists were convicted on the charge of an intention which was never carried into an overt act. A boss, Milton Sanchez, testified that Kwaliek and Brown prevented him from removing 10 sacks of scab sugar from his wholesale house last September 17.

Seven other unionists must stand trial for the same charge. Local 779's attorneys, backed by the Workers Defense League, the American Civil Liberties Union and the American Federation of Labor, plan either to ask for a new trial, or to appeal the case.

N. D. Drivers Council Reports Progress

Dickinson, N. D.—The North Dakota Drivers Council met here Sunday, June 19, to discuss the matter of jurisdiction and organization. An executive committee, to consist of one member from each Drivers Union in the state, was ratified.

Floyd Coverston of Grand Forks presided. The next meeting of the Council will be held at Bismarck, at the call of the secretary.

Omaha Cops Jail Union Officer as Vagrant

On the heels of the successful strike of General Drivers Union Local 554 which put a halt to an employers' offensive, Omaha authorities sought to retaliate by arresting Alfred Russell, drivers union organizer, and attempting to force him to leave the city.

When Russell refused to leave and was backed up by his union, the police tried to "save face" by having Russell adjudged a "vagrant." But Local 554 immediately answered by appealing the case, and the attempted frameup is likely to prove a real boomerang against the authorities.

The strike (reported in last week's Organizer) had received the backing of an emergency session of the North Central Area Negotiating Committee, representing drivers locals in eleven states. The last of the committeemen had no sooner left Omaha than three detectives picked up Russell at the union hall and took him to the city police station for questioning.

Chief of Detectives Fritz Franke told Russell he had heard that Russell "was planning to plant some pineapples around town." Conscious of his innocence, Russell readily agreed to have his apartment searched. But the detectives did not even pretend to look for "pineapples." Instead, without a search warrant, they proceeded to seize copies of the Northwest Organizer, the Socialist Appeal and other workingclass literature, personal letters and property.

"Red Scare" Threat
Chief Franke then told union officials that Russell must leave town, threatening that if the union refused to agree to send him out of the city, Franke would turn over "documents" seized in Russell's apartment, turn them over to the newspapers and create a "red scare."

While Russell was held in jail, the employers spread around town the rumor that Russell was a dangerous Communist and had been considered "undesirable" in Minneapolis. Russell's honorable record in the Minneapolis labor movement is known to thousands of workers who witnessed his fruitful activity in the Federal Workers Section of Local 544, his work on many a picket line, and the sentence he served for supporting the Strutwear strikers.

Vagrancy Charge
Russell was held in jail for 65 hours. By then the authorities realized their scheme had failed, for their threats fell on deaf ears in the labor movement. They then charged Russell with "vagrancy" and in a five-minute trial Judge Wheeler gave him a 90-day sentence, to be suspended if Russell would leave Omaha. Russell rejected the proposition.

Meanwhile Albert Goldman, well-known Chicago labor attorney for the Workers Defense League, had been retained by the Omaha General Drivers Union and had flown to Omaha. He was in court before Judge Wheeler pronounced sentence, but the judge refused to permit the attorney to be heard.

To Smash Frameup
The Executive Board of Local 554 immediately voted to appeal the decision against Russell to the District Court. The union is determined to push this case to the limit, recognizing the affair as a move on the part of Omaha police to attempt to dictate to the union who shall be its officials.

At the regular membership meeting of Local 554 on Sunday, a thorough report on the situation was given. The members voted unanimously to defend Alfred Russell with all the resources of the union.

Case Without Precedent
After conferring with Local 554, Mr. Goldman announced he will appeal to the district court through an Omaha attorney. "In all my experience as a labor attorney, it has never happened that a union official working regularly for a union and drawing a salary should be convicted as a vagrant," said Goldman. "If the conviction is allowed to stand there is grave danger that the constitutional rights of all citizens will be violated with impunity."

Union Exposes Move
The unions' Executive Board issued the following statement Saturday night: "It far surpasses our understanding that the word vagrant can be applied to a salaried officer of our union. We can believe only that this move is an attempt on the part of employers to split our union by trumping up a false hue and cry about 'reds.' The goal of the employers has consistently been to remove Russell from the city."

From Charles Sloan, secretary of the Sioux Falls, S. D., Drivers Union Local 749, we learn that the organization has subscribed for the Northwest Organizer for all its members, beginning July 1. With the progress of the North Central District Drivers Council, more and more drivers' locals in the area are now sending in blanket subs for all members.

The address of the Sioux Falls Drivers Union is 101 E. 7th Street.

On the Route With the Milk Man

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We hope all members of Local 471 will do all they can to promote the consumption of dairy products—and the union will appreciate help from all other unions along this line.

Gene Larson is on a much-needed rest, to be back July 5. Last we heard, he was in Wilmington welcoming the Crown Prince of Sweden.

Tom Ammerman brought back whopping fish stories from his vacation. He sailed into his work like a human dynamo, too. Hit 'er up, Tommy.

We sure would like to hear from some of the gang at all the creameries in town. How about phoning in news for this column. Call Mike, Hyland 2980. Let me have your news by Saturday evening each week.

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Local 289 lost their game with Local 131—a very tough one to lose, as Joe had gone out on a limb about what we'd do them.

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I'm a decent Sheeney, Wop or Mick,
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I'm Labor.

Roosevelt on Labor

In his "fireside chat" last Friday night, President Roosevelt included a section referring to the labor movement which requires an answer. The President said:

"Some labor leaders goaded by decades of oppression of labor made the mistake of going too far. They were not wise in using methods which frightened many well-wishing people."

These remarks were hailed with satisfaction by the employers' press everywhere. The most powerful and most authoritative organ of Wall Street, the New York Times, welcomed it particularly as a denunciation of sit-down strikes. Others joyfully held it as a repudiation of any further demands by organized labor.

Did We Go Too Far?

The President's speeches follow the haughty tradition of diplomatic utterances, being couched in extremely general terms without concrete proof. Where, we would like to know, did the labor movement go too far? Where is there any indication that any section of the labor movement has secured such far-reaching gains, that they can be called "going too far"?

The Facts

What are the concrete facts? Minneapolis is one of the best organized, most militant union movements in the country. The general drivers are concededly its most successful section. Yet the average drivers' wage is about \$33 for a full working week. Is that a magnificent income? Is that going too far? If one takes account of the unemployment in the driving crafts—the seasonal unemployment, the usual layoffs, and the sharp drop in jobs in the last few months—the average driver is hardly able to sustain a family.

The organized drivers are, however, the most fortunate. Take the laundry workers, restaurant workers, retail employees, building service workers, domestic workers, etc. Even when they are organized and backed by the whole Minneapolis labor movement, most of these groups get less than \$15 a week for a full working week. Add to them the building trades workers, unemployed most of the time, so that their yearly wage brings them down into the most exploited sections.

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So that, even in this organized, militantly-led working-class community, it is clear that the workers at best are getting a subsistence wage, but that most are not even getting that.

And in the mass production industries—Akron rubber, Pittsburgh and Youngstown steel, Detroit and Flint autos, etc.—the vast majority are unemployed. In the South and large sections of the rest of the country where the bosses have smashed unionism, employed and unemployed are equally oppressed, hungering whether they work or live on the "differential" relief paid in those areas where the workers are unorganized.

In a word, Mr. President, where has labor gone too far? Unfortunately, as yet, nowhere. Everywhere the workers are suffering from exploitation and unemployment.

Fellow workers, brothers and sisters of the trade union movement! Never mind the rebukes of our so-called friends. Depend only on our own strength, the might of labor. A living wage for every man and woman willing to work! A decent future for our families! A decent, peaceful world in which to live our lives! Organize, organize, organize!

Labor Prepares Fight vs. Stassen; Labor Press Comments on Primaries

Discussion in Minnesota trade union circles this week indicated that organized labor would enter actively into the election campaign to ensure a Farmer-Labor victory and to expose the fakery of the Republican candidate, Stassen's attempt to whitewash his reactionary machine with a few liberal formulas.

As an important step in the organization of the Farmer-Labor forces for victory, the hope was voiced by both the Union Advocate, organ of St. Paul labor, and the Minneapolis Labor Review, organ of the Central Labor Union, that Governor Benson would take steps to wipe out existing friction.

The Union Advocate declared editorially:

"If the leadership of the Farmer-Labor Party in Minnesota is at all concerned with the future of the liberal movement in this state, it will set about the task of making whatever adjustments are necessary to reunite the rank and file of a great progressive political party. Neither Governor Benson nor Mr. Peterson can claim any great glory in the outcome of the primary campaign. They both suffered rebukes from the rank and file . . .

Cannot Repeat Blunders

"The primary election revealed one dynamic fact: The Farmer-Labor party has the fight of its political life. Its candidate for Governor must face the issues and face them squarely with a united front from the rank and file. He must take the advice and counsel of those who see beyond personalities and the petty differences of small groups. He must demonstrate a willingness to accept the counsel of those who had a part in the organization of the party. He cannot afford to permit his own feelings or the feelings of a small coterie of 'practical politicians' to jeopardize the success of this movement.

"The primary election has put the issue squarely before the rank and file of the Farmer-Labor party. Those in authority should act accordingly and take good care that the blunders of the past are not repeated."

Likewise editorially, the Labor Review declared:

Farmer-Laborites who voted for him (Peterson) did so not with the hope of nominating him but with the hope that Governor Benson and his close advisors might awaken to things that must be done and corrected if the Farmer-Labor

"They'll Do Everything For Us But Get Off Our Backs"

—Gene Debs

DISTURBING THE PEACE, EH!



How Minneapolis Workers are Housed

It is not enough that an acute housing shortage and high rent levels force low income groups to live in slums; to add to the miserable conditions, a virtual lock-out exists in decent district against one group of Minneapolis workers. That group is the Negro population of the city. The four or five thousand Negroes in Minneapolis live for the most part in the near North Side and the Seven-Corners districts, where the squalor and neglect are most marked.

They live in these sections because Negroes are forced not only to live where the rents are lowest, but where the least opposition to their presence prevails.

Section of Working Class
The overwhelming majority of Minneapolis Negroes are workers who struggle honestly for a living. They work as porters, waiters, janitors, and as laborers in factories and in street and railway construction. Although the swanky whites on Lowry Hill don't hesitate to drive their limousines down the streets built by the sweat of Negro labor, they want to keep the Negro himself as far away

and down as low in the social scale as possible. Whenever a Negro worker attempts to move into an "upper class" neighborhood opposition ranging from verbal insults to bombings and incendiarism greets him. Although the "law" expressly forbids attempts to segregate any group, the moined people of Minneapolis are a law unto themselves, and they segregate the workers as a whole, and the Negroes in particular, into slums.

Case of Mr. Jones
In 1931 a Negro whom we will call Mr. Jones, a civil service employe, and a world war veteran,

bought a home in an "exclusive" section of this city. It was a bungalow district, and the majority of the residents were well-to-do home owners. For several years these comfortably fixed home-owners had given evidence of their ignorance and class hatred by supporting a "Community Improvement Association" the main purpose of which was to keep Jews, Negroes and "undesirables" out of the neighborhood.

Immediately upon learning that the colored Mr. Jones had bought a house in their precious neighborhood, the residents and their "Improvement Association" began to "improve" the neighborhood by throwing garbage and other refuse on the lawn of Jones' home. Black paint was thrown on the house and garage.

"Good Neighbors"
To "improve" the neighborhood further, the haughty home-owners stuck signs on the premises of the Negro's home which read, "We don't want niggers here," "No niggers allowed—this means you" and the like.

Every means was used to force Jones to sell his house and move out of the neighborhood . . . back to the slums, "where he belonged," in the words of the intolerant wealthy whites.

The Vicious Mob
But the colored veteran refused to move. Groups of his "good neighbors" began to march by his house in the evening, shouting vile names, and throwing debris on the premises. Mr. Jones received a telephone call threatening that a mob would stone his house that night.

On the following morning the newspapers carried a full page headline reading "Home Stoned in Race Row" . . . "White Neighbors stone house of Negro. The night following the publication of these stories a crowd of three thousand surrounded the house and attacked the Negro's property with stones and garbage, and there was talk of burning the house and hanging the Negro. Only after a bitter fight did the demonstrations subside, leaving Jones in peace.

The Only Road
Only by fighting side by side with the organized workers of Minneapolis will the colored population be able to lift itself out of the slums. The Negroes and white workers have the same people to fight. The real estate companies, the banks, the mortgage holders—these are the common enemies of both the white and colored workers who live in Minneapolis "shanty town."

BUY UNION LABEL GOODS

TAXI TOPICS

By Curly and Lunde

Latest reports have C. S. Masters and Jacob Schuller well on the way to recovery.

The latest casualty is Darby Hicks of the Liberty Cab. The Doctor removed his appendix. Well, Darby is so big he won't miss a chunk or two anyway.

After a careful check-up, we are convinced that no one in our organization belongs to the "sixty" rich ruling families of the good old U.S.A.

But "Ole" the nite "super" has a ticket to all the races to go with that jaunty panama hat and five-cent Corona-Corona's he smokes.

The fat boys and the conservative daily press sure hated to admit that Gov. Benson went out in the primaries, even with a lead of ten thousand, all they would admit was a very close race with several precincts to hear from.

We don't mean to imply that all women drivers can't; (bless the little dears) but we saw one blasting her Buick air horns at Second and Seventh street trying to make the construction shack over the manhole move out of her way.

No offense or ridicule intended, but will some smart mileage salesman tell us why some of our customers call a taxi to transfer on a downtown bus which saves them ten cents, at the most twenty cents, and leaves us with dead mileage?

Wonder if Pete Delano is going to air-ice-condition his car this summer. His system is a "lulu," a frame on the floor board, a chunk of ice and he's ready to go. This should interest ice men.

Strange Sights on the Avenue
"Grandma" Baird without his rubbers or cigar.

"Feet" Bronson or "Doc" Dockstadter minus a magazine.

Kjeseth Cy. Edwards or Joe De Boe without their stogies.

"Granpa Snazzi" Powers without his strong pipe.

Vern Blad and no George Langum.

Lucky Cecil Cotton without a load.

The Nicollet stand without Gritzmacher and Pearson.

The Nicollet Hotel gang should soak up some culture now that they have an out-door library at their disposal. We'll no doubt see Clarence Kjeseth brushing up on banking, Don Moore scanning some heavy tome on naval ordnance and gunnery practice, while the rest read such summer favorites as Alice in Wonderland or for instance, The Spell of the Yukon to offset these torrid days.

The following patents were issued June 21, 1938, to Minnesota and Chicago inventors, as reported by WILLIAMSON & WILLIAMSON, Patent Attorneys, 925 Metropolitan Life Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota:
Crosker, Ira H., Wilmot, S. D., directional signal; De La Barre, Cecilia, Minneapolis, Minn., device for curling hair; Heintz, J. A., Minneapolis, Minn., anesthetic apparatus; Krommley, Carl G., Minneapolis, Minn., solenoid mechanism; Kuehn, Wilton H., Hebron, N. D., heating apparatus for automobiles; Meinke, Arthur E., Minneapolis, Minn., locking differential; St. John, Charles B., St. Paul, Minn., adjustable counter partition; Wheaton, Carlos F., Minneapolis, Minn., room cooler.

LAKE SHORE MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, Principal Office: Chicago, Ill. Organized in 1931. Geo. A. Egan, President; M. Shapiro, Secretary, Attorney to Accept Service in Minnesota; Commissioner of Insurance.
INCOME IN 1937
Total net premiums received, \$487,968.93
From all other sources, 30,626.00
Total income, \$518,594.93

Ledger assets, Dec. 31, 1936, \$260,203.59
Sum, \$778,792.52
DISBURSEMENTS IN 1937
Claims paid (net), \$491,329.95
All other disbursements, 83,990.76
Total disbursements, \$575,320.71

Balance, \$293,471.81
LEDGER ASSETS DEC. 31, 1937
Mortgage loans, \$ 85,000.00
Bonds and stock investments, 13,000.00
Cash in office, trust companies and banks, 198,448.41
Premiums in course of collection, 33.50
All other ledger assets, (1) 3,010.10
Total ledger assets (as per balance), \$293,471.81

Total non-ledger assets, \$ 2,585.83
Gross assets, \$296,057.64
Total admitted assets, \$296,057.64

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1937
Net unpaid claims except liability and Workmen's Compensation claims, \$ 9,719.63
Reserves for liability claims, 190,196.24
All other liabilities, 30,895.10
Total liabilities, \$230,811.97
Surplus, \$ 65,245.67

Surplus as regards policyholders, \$ 65,245.67
BUSINESS IN MINNESOTA IN 1937
Premiums Received, \$14,813.88
Losses Paid, \$15,805.85
Automobile property damage, 1,975.05 2,295.48
Totals, \$16,788.93 \$18,101.33
(1) Red figures.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE Annual Statement of the Lake Shore Mutual Insurance Company for the year ended December 31, 1937, of which the above is an abstract, has been received and filed in this department and duly approved by me.
FRANK YETKA
Commissioner of Insurance, J. H.

On the NATIONAL PICKET LINE

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So does Porto Rico. British and American imperialists have long milked these islands of every semblance of democracy. Workers, toiling under "home work" conditions, wherein the employers ship in materials for completion by native workers, pay some of these workers as little as 2c per hour. Others, the highest paid, get the magnificent sum of \$4.80 a week. Little wonder, then, that both Jamaica and Porto Rico have been hotbeds of discontent. Little wonder, either, that the employers will fight tooth and nail against ever allowing these plums to escape them.

A strike among the employees of the Ringling Brothers Circus has so effectively tied up operations that the management has ordered the circus back into winter quarters in Florida. The final blowup came at Scranton, Pa. Performers and roustabouts went out together.

The union agreed to take the circus back to winter quarters, but heavy rains has delayed the trek. The union has also threatened to sue Ringling Brothers for breach of contract. The contract under which they have been working calls for \$60 a month and room and board for workers engaged in the rough work connected with a circus.

Recently this circus was tied up in a strike while playing Madison Square Garden in New York City. At that time the performers took over the roustabout work and the show went on. It seems that these actors have realized the fallacy of their previous actions and this time stuck with the workers. One report said that Frank Buck had headed a delegation to the workers, asking them to accept the wage cut around which the controversy centers. The workers refused, however.

It looks like the circus grounds at the Parade Grounds, here, will be available for ball games all year.

DEMAND UNION CLERKS

544's Libel Suit To Be Tried Here

The libel suit of Local 544 officers against the Daily Worker, central organ of the Communist Party, will be tried in a court situated in Minneapolis, if the stipulation signed last week by attorneys for both sides is not violated by the Daily Worker.

If the trial is held here, it would take place in about six weeks.

Nation's Theatres Supplied Chairs By Local Firm

It is not generally known that the Air-Loc Seat company of Minneapolis, which maintains a closed shop agreement with Furniture Workers Union Local 1859, supplies theatre chairs to theatres throughout the United States.

Air-Loc seats have been installed in movie houses in California, Pennsylvania, Ohio and many other states. Many Twin Cities theatres use them. The Carpenters Local Union No. 7 is at present installing Air-Loc seats in the Hennepin-Orpheum theatre in Minneapolis.

Memory test: Who was the "also ran" in the Primaries? (I wanna be etc.)

Today Makes 8,108 Days . . .



UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

LOCAL 471
The Milk Wagon Drivers and Dairy Employees Union Local 471 meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 p. m.

LOCAL 131
During June, July and August the Laundry and Dry Cleaning Drivers Local 131 meets only on the third Wednesdays of each month.

LOCAL 664
The City and Sanitary Drivers will meet the second and fourth Thursday of each month.

LOCAL 1086
The Retail Clerks Local 1086 will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

PETROLEUM DRIVERS
Regular Membership Meeting—First Wednesday each month.

FEDERAL WORKERS
Regular Membership Meeting—Second Friday each month. Stewards' Meeting—Every Wednesday, 8 p. m.

LOCAL 289
Retail Drivers—First Thursday. Wholesale Drivers—Second Thursday. Yeast Drivers—Third Tuesday. Cake and Pie—Third Thursday. General Membership—Fourth Thursday.

LOCAL 346
General Membership Meeting—Monday, June 27, 1:30 p. m.

MEETING SCHEDULE LOCAL 1859, 20481
General Membership, 1859—July 20
Executive Board, 1859—Friday nights
Twin City Stewards—July 11, 25
General Membership, 20481—July 15
Executive Board, 20481—July 18; July 4th meeting called off

LOCAL 221
Regular membership—2nd and 4th Tuesdays
Executive Board—Every Tuesday, 7 p. m.
Grievance Board—Every Thursday, 7 p. m.

LOCAL 20316
Stewards—First and third Tuesday
Regular Membership Meeting—Fourth Tuesday
Executive Board—Regularly every Monday

LOCAL 292
Inside Section—First Tuesday Radio Section—Second Tuesday Shopmen's Section—Second Wednesday
Utility Section—First Thursday General Membership—Third Thursday
Seniority Board—Every Monday
Utility Advisory Board—Every Tuesday
General Executive Board—Mondays preceding first and third Thursdays

LOCAL 103
Regular Membership Meeting—2nd Tuesdays.
Executive Committee Meeting—On call.

PRIVATE CHAUFFEURS
The Private Chauffeurs and Helpers Local 912 meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

Local 958
The Taxi Drivers and Helpers Union Local 958 will meet the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

LOCAL 544 MEETING SCHEDULE
Friday, July 1—Job Stewards
Wednesday, July 6—Sausage; Petroleum
Thursday, July 7—Greenhouse; Independent Truck Owners
Sunday, July 10—Wholesale Grocery; 10 A. M.
Monday, July 11—General Membership
Wednesday, July 13—Market; Wholesale Liquor
Friday, July 15—Job Stewards
Sunday, July 17—Over-the-Road, 10 A. M.
Monday, July 18—Furniture Store
Thursday, July 21—Tent and Awning; Printing; Newspaper, 10 A. M.
Monday, July 25—Spring Water; Excavating and Sand & Gravel
Tuesday, July 26—Taxi; Night Drivers, 1 P. M.; Day Drivers, 7 P. M.
Thursday, July 28—Transfer & Warehouse; Wholesale Drugs
Seniority Committee meets each Tuesday at 7 p. m. in Hall No. 1.
Grievance Committee meets each Tuesday and Friday at 7 P. M. in Hall No. 2.
The Executive Board meets each Wednesday at 9 A. M. in Staff Room.
All regular meetings start at 8 P. M. unless otherwise indicated.