

HALL 1, Labor Headquarters 529 Beatty Street.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 17th, 1939.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President Jamieson in the Chair
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION:--Textile Workers Local No. 12, chartered by the Trades & Labor Congress of Canada. "On motion application received."

CREDENTIALS:--

Building Laborers Local 602, for J.F. Johnson and A. Minchin
Carpenters Local 1251, for J. T. Bannan replacing delegate who is ill.
Truck Drivers Local No. 31, for H. J. Ashbee in place of F. Doig.
Printing Pressmen 69, for M. Srenberg, P. Foy, J. Mailey, D. Workman, and W. Quigley.
Ironworkers Local 97, for R. T. Jones and M. Crabbe.
Machinists 692, Marshall, Bengough, Arbuckle, Sangster and Conway.
Tailors' Local 178, Clausner, Constantine and Cormack.
Bakers Local 468, H. Carvel, J. Millar, F. Stormell, J. Sheehan, and J. Humphreys.
Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 170, S. G. Smylie, F. Carlisle, H. Fraser, and C. Pritchard.
Meatcutters' Local 95, Dave Bryce, T. H. Bohart and H. Douglas.
Barbers' Local 120, C. E. Herrett, W. A. PARKIN, C. Milmon, A. L. Cairnduff, Ivan Wilton and Ernest Potts.
Taxi Drivers Local 151, for A. C. Shaw, E. Bailey, J. W. Cathcart, N. A. McAuley.
Cement Finishers 779, for N. Lindahl and J. Standacher
United Garment Workers 190, Mrs. Smith, Miss C. Hatton and Stanley Benzies.

"On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held same evening. Members present, Fordyce, Bengough, W. Stewart, Holland, Smith, C. Stewart, Jamieson and Hughes.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) Between City Clerk and Secretary of this Council regarding the proposed Civic Holiday in August, the position of this Council being that we are in favor of the holding of a holiday providing the payment of wages is not stopped for that day. "On motion received and noted."
- (2) Upholsterers Local 306 requesting that the Progressive Upholstering Co. be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."
- (3) Int. Brotherhood Foundry Employees Local 79, McKeesport, Pa., reporting that they have settled their difficulties with the Columbia Radiator Company and have signed an agreement with them. "On Motion received and noted."
- (4) Relief Project Workers Union enclosing a resolution urging the immediate inauguration of a nation wide federal public works program of sufficient proportions to absorb Canada's unemployed and enable them to earn a decent standard of living and also favoring the establishment of Unemployment Insurance. "On motion received and endorsed and to be forwarded to the Premier and Dominion Minister of Labor."
- (5) Provincial Dept. of Labour forwarding copies of form letter for Unions having the majority of employees in establishments on December 7th, 1938. "On motion received and noted."
- (6) Canadian Legion British Empire Service League requesting the Council to endorse the building of a new hospital at Shaughnessy Heights. "On Motion received and Endorsed."
- (7) Meatcutters Local 95, notifying that the Metropolitan Stores are serving Burns meats exclusively at their lunch counters. "On motion received and members requested to note that such lunch counters where the Union card of the Hotel & Restaurant Employees is not displayed should not be patronized by our affiliated members."
- (8) Victoria Trades & Labor Council enclosing minutes of their meeting of January 4th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(9) Director Apprenticeship Dept. of Labour, Victoria, giving a full copy of the amendments improving the Apprenticeship Act. "On motion received and noted"

(10) Deputy Minister of Labor Ottawa, requesting information for compilation of "Labor Organization in Canada 1938". "On motion received and information supplied."

(11) Int. Boot and Shoe Workers Union notifying that the Endicott-Johnson Corporation, makers of shoes are "Unfair" to Organized Labor. "On motion received and noted."

(12) Int. Jewelry Workers Local 42, notifying that they had passed a resolution at their last meeting requesting the Council to send congratulations to Tom Mooney on his release and that Mayor Telford be notified of the action. "On motion received and endorsed."

(13) Pile Drivers 2404, requesting this Council to condemn the editorial of the Daily Province in which Mayor Telford was condemned for congratulating Governor Olsen of California for granting an unconditional pardon for Tom Mooney. "On motion received and filed."

(14) Correspondence between this Council and the City Council in which we requested the patronage of Union firms by the City when awarding contracts and purchasing materials. Also a reply from Alderman Halford Wilson stating that he would, as he has done in the past, support us on this request. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Executive to take up further."

(15) A. F. of L. notifying that McKesson and Robbins Drug Co. are continuing as a Union firm and that they have signed agreements with this concern. "On motion received and noted."

(16) Union Label Trades Dept. A. F. of L., calling attention to the necessity of a consistent demand for the Union Label, Shop Card and Button. "On motion received and noted."

(17) Customs Tailors Cooperative Assoc., 653 Granville St., notifying that they are 100% Union and that they have selections of the best materials and can guarantee workmanship of the highest order. "On motion received and noted."

Executive reported that they had considered the question of the plight of the returned Canadians who had seen service in Spain in the McKen-ia-Papineau Batt'n., and recommended that as there was a limited means whereby they could get the necessary funds, that this Council go on record as requesting the City Council to grant a Tag day in this instance. "On motion received and recommendation endorsed."

Executive reported having considered the question of the reformation of the Label Trades Council and recommended that delegate Ed. Smith be appointed to act as Chairman of the Committee for the purpose of organizing a Label Trades Council. "On motion recommendation endorsed"

Further reported that Mr. Drummond Wren, Director of the Workers' Education Association of Canada was visiting in the City and recommended that he be invited to address this meeting at 9 p.m. "On motion recommendation endorsed."

Executive reported that the President and Secretary had received an invitation from the Mayor requesting them to attend a meeting to consider the question of entertaining Their Majesties during their visit to Vancouver. "On motion President and Secretary to Act."

Executive further reported having considered the question of the Vancouver Symphony Society and its campaign for finances and recommend that the President be given the privilege of the floor to outline the need of the Vancouver Symphony Society. "Moved, seconded and carried that we recommend to affiliated Unions and members that the Vancouver Symphony Society is worthy of both financial and moral support."

President Jamieson reviewed the work done by the Symphony Society pointing out that it was not a profit making concern, that a great deal of the money was used in providing much needed employment to Musicians and that the type of entertainment was educational and necessary to the culture and development of the City. Further reported that children are allowed to attend many of the concerts free and that the Society means a lot to the Musicians who are affiliated. Members wishing to contribute can send in their donation to the Kelly Piano Company, 659 Granville Street.

Executive further reported on the Woman's Bakery. That they had held a full meeting with the Executives of the Bakery Salesmen and the Bakers and that the Bakery Salesmen had agreed that the firm should be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. Executive therefore recommended that such action be taken. "On motion report received and endorsed and members requested to note that the Woman's Bakery is on the "We Do Not Patronize" list of this Council.

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted.

Mr. Drummond Wren then addressed the Council on the work of the Trade Union Educational Association and how study classes had been set up in Eastern Canada. Also dealt with research Department which they had set up and which bureau has compiled a great deal of valuable information. He also called attention to the Broadcasts which are put on over the Canadian NET work and given in this District between 6 and 6:30 Wednesday evenings. Mr. Wren stated he was now endeavoring to set up classes in British Columbia and desired the Unions here to set up an organizing Committee. The address was received with interest and appreciation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: --

Delegate Showler reported that at the request of the Chairman he had considered the question of a Banquet this year and in view of the fact that 1939 is the 50th anniversary that the occasion should be commemorated by a Golden Jubilee Banquet and recommended that the Banquet should be held on Tuesday, June 6th in the new Hotel Vancouver and that this will enable all Unions every opportunity to make an effort to have their membership present. "On motion report received and endorsed."

Organizing Committee--Delegate Stewart reported they are holding a meeting on the 25th and requested all elected members to be present as many important questions would be considered.

Boycott Committee--Delegate Shearer reported they had met with the Executive of the Jewish Committee and had outlined plans for a combined boycott of goods from Italy, Germany and Japan. Recommended that the Council organize a conference of Trade Unions and invite the Churches, Jewish organizations, Fraternal Organizations and that the meeting be held on January 31st. Also that the Secretary and President open the meeting. Moved, seconded and carried that the report be received and the recommendations endorsed."

Embargo Committee--Delegate Houston reported that a meeting had been held with some two hundred present and that they had decided to organize another protest walk and had asked the cooperation of fishermen. Also that petition lists are out protesting the shipment of war material to Japan and other countries. Further that they had sent a resolution to Hon. MacKenzie King and were holding a meeting on Sunday, January 22nd and inviting the President of this Council to speak at this meeting in the Paradise Theatre. "On motion received."

Traffic Safety Council--Delegate Showler reported they are organizing a series of broadcasts, the Attorney General and Police Officers to make the Broadcasts. Also reported on the testing station which had been opened and stated that the examinations were not difficult. "On motion report received."

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--

Civic Employees 28--Delegate Scribbins reported that in view of the adverse publicity received by Delegate Offer regarding a motion made in this Council, that his organization had dealt with the question and had gone on record that Delegate Offer's stand on the question was endorsed and that he was representing the organization which had sent him as a delegate.

Retail Clerks Local 273--Delegate Maxwell reported that a question had been raised regarding the Clerks in the Grocery Department in Woodward's store as to whether that would be considered a Department as set out in Bill 94.

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Upholsterers 306, delegate Hankin reported they were pleased to see that efforts were being made to revive the Union Label Committee and called attention to the need for Union made chairs in Beer Parlors. Also in compliance with a request from their International they were using a stamp on all their mail marked "Boycott Japanese Goods".

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Typographical Union 226, delegate Holland reported that the Mailers, who are members of the International Typographical Union, have signed an agreement with the News Herald and that this is the first daily paper entitled to use the Label as being produced under 100% Union conditions.

Salmon Purse Seiners, Delegate Miller reported their Convention a success and wished to thank the Secretary of the Council for addressing their meeting.

On the question of forming an organizing Committee for the Workers Educational Association it was decided to hold a meeting on Friday evening the 20th in the Hotel & Restaurant Employees hall, 700 Dunsmuir St., and in Hall 1, Labor Headquarters on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:--Moved, seconded and carried that this Council send an invitation to Tom Mooney to visit Vancouver for the purpose of addressing a meeting to be arranged.

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VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, February 7th, 1939.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President L. A. Jamieson in the Chair.
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION:--From The Sailors' Union of the Pacific. "On motion received and referred to the Secretary as same was not in order."

CRESENTIALS:--B.C. Projectionists 348 for W. W. Woolridge, J. R. Foster, J. W. McGibbon, R. G. Pollock, Eric Williams, and P. G. Graham.
Shipyard Laborer's Union 126, for E. Leary, F. Rink, J. Thompson, K. Kennedy and W. Wilson.

Typographical Local 226, for P. Campbell, G. A. Foster, E. J. N. Mason and J. McRae, replacing W. Hunter, D. A. Ferguson, R. H. Cardwell and S. Robb.
Camp & Mill Workers 31, for T. Umezuki, T. Kameoka, M. Takaoka.
Salmon Purse Seiners' Union of B. C. for Wm. Gee, C. Cook, E. Neish, G. Miller, M. Ruljanovich and J. Plecaah.
"On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held same evening. Members present: Jamieson Bengough, Hughes, C. Stewart, Smith, W. Stewart and Holland.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) Communication from City Council re proposed Civic Holiday in August, setting out the resolution passed by the City Council to declare a Civic Holiday commencing August 1939. "On motion received and noted."
- (2) Communications from City Council re proposals dealing with the Trades Council requests that the City purchase materials from firms which recognize the right of collective bargaining, matter having been referred to the Finance Committee on two occasions and now to a special committee. "On motion received and filed to be taken up further."
- (3) Intl. Bro. Electrical Wkrs. notifying that the Crosley Radios now carry the Union Label of the Electrical Workers, the Crosley corporation having signed up a closed-shop agreement. "On motion received and noted."
- (4) Upholsterers 306, requesting that the Continental Upholstering Company, 848 Cambie be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."
- (5) Manager, Lunch Counter, Metropolitan Stores, enclosing a copy of the Lunch Counter Menu in which he had blanked out the advertising of Burns Company meats. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."
- (6) Prime Minister McKenzie King and Dom. Minister of Labor, replying to a request from this Council that the Federal Government undertake a nation wide federal works program. In the reply from the Minister of Labor, he set out the various projects being undertaken and contemplated by the Dom. Govt. "On motion received and noted."
- (7) Dom. Minister of National Defence and Minister of Pensions, and National Health, replying to this Council's request for construction of a new military hospital at Shaughnessy Heights and stating that the same had been referred to the Minister of Public Works. "On motion received and filed."
- (8) B. C. Coast Council Lumber & Sawmill Wkrs. dealing with the proposal for the formation of a B. C. Federation of Labor. "On motion received and referred to the Provincial Executive of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada."
- (9) B. C. Coast Dist. Council, enclosing a resolution dealing with the conservation of Forest Wealth. "On motion received and endorsed." Also a resolution petitioning the Attorney General for the release of the Blubber Bay Strikers who had been sentenced from 3 to 9 months in Oakalla. Also from the same organization, dealing with the many Loggers and who for years have been blacklisted by the privately controlled hiring agencies and requesting the Prov. Govt. to conduct a Public Enquiry into the methods of hiring and dispatching loggers as practiced by these employment agencies. "On motion received and endorsed."

(10) "Secondary School Teachers' Assoc., of the Lower Mainland, notifying that Professor Harold J. Leski will speak on the Prospect of Democracy on February 24th at the Auditorium, price of admission as being 25¢. "On motion received and noted."

(11) Victoria & District Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their meetings held January 18th and February 1st. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(12) Telegram from Secretary to President of the Canadian National Railways in which we request that contracts for upholstered furniture be let in Vancouver. Also President Hungerford's wired reply stating that one Vancouver firm was awarded a share of the business. (Note: contract to Vancouver Company was 6 chairs out of 600).

(13) Sales Tax Repeal Assoc. of Toronto enclosing resolutions condemning the sales tax. "On motion received and endorsed."

(14) Int. Assoc. Machinists notifying that the Blackstone Mfg. Co. and the Jamestown Model Equipment Co., makers of washing machines, irons, etc. are a Non Union concern. "On motion received and noted."

(15) Central Labor Council of Portland and Vicinity enclosing a local list of "Fair" and "Unfair" hotels. "On motion received and noted."

(16) J. S. Woodworth, M.P., informing this Council that the Criminal Code Amendment to Legalize picketing is being reintroduced this Session and will be known as Bill No. 5 and pointing out that we could assist in passing the Bill if the Secretary of each organization would write to their local member urging him to support the Bill. Secretary stated that this had been endorsed by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada and that it was good legislation and should be supported. "On motion this Council to write the Hon. Ian MacKenzie and other members, requesting their support to Bill No. 5 and affiliate Locals are requested to take like action."

(17) Upholsterers Local 306, requesting the Council to endorse a resolution commending the Canadian Broadcast Corporation for its Non Partisan and Liberal attitude in the nature of its programs. "On motion it was decided to endorse the subject matter of the resolution and left in the hands of the Executive to forward same."

(18) Hamilton District Trades & Labor Council requesting this Council to protest to the Hon. J. L. Illsley, Minister of National Revenue Firms to transport merchandise bonds from one point in the United States to another point therein through Canada on Canadian Highways. "On motion received and endorsed."

(19) Salmon Purse Seiners 141, enclosing a resolution dealing with the elimination of Fish Traps. "On motion received and endorsed."

(20) City Council, notifying of a resolution adopted by them whereby they will supply this Council with a copy of a list of construction projects which the City is prepared to undertake and will then request our support in securing monies for carrying them out. "On motion received and noted."

(21) The Chicago Joint Board, Intl. Ladies' Garment Workers notifying that Harsch and Son, Inc. are Non Union. "On motion received and noted."

(22) Copy of correspondence sent by the Secretary of this Council to the Retail Clerks, dealing with the application of Bill 94 to Departments in which the majority are members of a Union and setting out the understanding in the Prov. Minister of Labor and Attorney General at the time the Bill was introduced, that it should apply to any particular Department in Woodwards or any other stores. "On motion received and the action of the Secretary in sending same endorsed."

(23) Communication from the Secretary of this Council to J. A. Ward Bell, Chief Administrator of the Trade School Act, condemning the setting up of a Barber Shop by the Molar Barber College. "On motion received and endorsed."

(24) Gordon Maxwell, Secty, Vancouver Wkrs. Secretary Vancouver Workers' Education Assoc. setting out that a temporary Committee of 15 Trade Union delegates had been appointed to draft organization plans and the affiliation of the Local Unions. "On motion Council went on record as endorsing the aims and objects of the Workers' Educational Association in Vancouver."

President Jamieson reported that he had appointed the following as a Union Label Committee: Ed. Smith Chairman, Showler, Herrett, Neelands, Couper and Henkin.

Further reported that he had appointed the following to Act with Delegate Showler previously appointed, as a Banquet Committee: Delegates Herrett, Barbere, Oliver, Machinists 182; W. Stewart, Hotel & Restaurant Employees and W. Couper, Beverage Dispensers 676.

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--Banquet Committee, delegate Herrett reported they had met and strongly recommended that the date be changed from June 6th as recommended at the last meeting and that November 21st be set as the date, as this is the fiftieth birthday of this Council.

"It was moved, seconded and carried that the previous motion be rescinded. "It was then moved and duly seconded and carried that November 21st be the date on which the Banquet is to be held. "On motion report received."

Union Label Committee: delegate Ed. Smith reported they had held a meeting and requested the Secretary of the Council to endeavor to reestablish the old Charter. They had set an application fee of One dollar per Union with one cent per member per month per capita with a maximum of Two dollars per month. That a letter has been sent out requesting two delegates from each of the Label Trades Unions. "On motion report received."

Boycott Committee: delegate Shearer reported they had a meeting last Saturday with President Jamieson acting as Chairman. The meeting was well attended and was representative of many of the Trade Unions, the League of Nations Society, Jewish Organizations and others. That the various speakers who had addressed the conference had dealt with the dangers that are confronting democracy and the need of withholding support from countries that believe in force by means of refusing to buy goods which are emanating from Fascist countries.

Further reported that they had held an election of officers that the Secretary of the Council had been elected as Honorary Pres. with Delegate Shearer as President. On behalf of the Boycott Committee of the Council the delegates were requested to take up with their various Unions the question of Boycotting Fascist goods and advised them to affiliate with the Boycott Council. Delegates also reported and advised all affiliated Unions to elect a delegate. "ON motion report received and accepted."

Organization Committee:--Delegate C. Stewart reported that at their last meeting ten Unions were represented and a full discussion was held on the prospects of extending organization into a number of industries. A drive is being undertaken at the present time to organize Engineers in the various buildings and a number have volunteered to assist in this work. A further meeting will be held on February 24th, in room 4, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty St.

REPORT OF UNIONS:--Retail Clerks 279, delegate Maxwell thanked the Secretary of the Council in his efforts to untangle Bill 94. Also reported on the question of the Grocery Dept. of Woodward's store. That the employees had joined their organization and the Ministers of Labor had advised that it could not recognize the Grocery Dept. as a separate Department, therefore the Company was not compelled to negotiate. This adverse decision had given the Company time to offset Union activities; they had given a banquet to these employees and increases of wages from one to two dollars per week and endeavored to set up a Company Representation Plan. Members of the Union negotiating Committee were called in both separately and in groups and generally intimidated. Further reported that the employees in the Hudson Bay grocery were joining the Union.

Meatcutters 94, delegate Hughes reported they are now negotiating for a closed shop. Also dealt with the Unfair competition of Canada Packers and reported that the Burns Company had introduced the Bedoes system. This is a system of task work.

Jewelry Workers 42, delegate Farrington reported they had signed a closed shop agreement with George H. Hewitt Company.

Bakers 468, del. Humphreys reported the strike at the Woman's Bakery still on. That 15 additional employees had come out; that the conditions of employment they came out against were deplorable, some of the girls being employed from 4:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. for 5 to 6 dollars per week. Further reported that the Ellison Milling Company are the main Bond holders. Further thanked the Bakery Salesmen for a donation of Fifty dollars.

Machinists 692, delegate Arbuckle reported they had signed a closed shop agreement with the North Vancouver Ship Repairs with increases from 7 1/2 to 15 cents per hour.

Shipyard Laborers, delegate Leary reported they had signed an agreement with the North Vancouver Ship Repair on the same basis as their agreement with the Burrard Dry Dock.

St. Railwaymen Div. 101, delegate Stewart reported that at their last meeting it was decided to ask the Trades and Labor Council to reiterate its previous stand of opposition to the introduction of One-man cars.

Upholsterers 306, Delegate Hankin reported that the Progressive Upholstering Company had signed up. Also reported that some of the chairs which had been manufactured in the east for the new Vancouver Hotel had been damaged in Transit and on being sent in to a local shop for repairs had discovered that they were constructed in an entirely different and cheaper specification than had been set out in tenders for local firms. Also thanked the Secretary of this Council for assistance rendered and further reported that they had received opposition from the Simmons Mattress Company.

Diet. Council woodworkers, delegate Lundstrum reported the strike still on at Blubber Bay and that their negotiations for a settlement are still going on. Also that they are conducting a broadcast every Tuesday at 7:45 p.m. over C.J.O.R. under the title of Green Gold and that the West Hotel have sponsored a series of 52 weekly broadcasts.

Bakery Salesmen 189, delegate Holmes reported that the bakery salesman in the Woman's Bakery had quit the Woman's Bakery in support of the Bakers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The question of a delegation to meet the returned men from the MacKenzie-Papineau Batt'ln. was left to the President to appoint in consultation with the Secretary.

NEW BUSINESS:--Moved, seconded and carried that this Trades and Labor Council reiterate its stand in opposition to the one-man cars and carry on a campaign requesting both Civic and Governmental authorities to prohibit any further introduction of this type of vehicle.

The question of the recently appointed Public Utilities Commission was discussed and it was moved, seconded and carried that we request the Provincial Government to make provision for Labor representation on this Commission.

"On motion of Del. Maskell, duly seconded and carried that the question of the Woodward Stores be referred to the Grievance Committee to report back at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

FEROY R. BENGOUGH,
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Upholsterers Local 306, for A. Peterson in place of S. Hudson.
Jewelry Workers 42, for Roy Hawken, G. Farrington and Harry Sommerville.
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CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) Winnipeg Dist. Trades & Labor Council requesting information regarding the organizing that had been done in Vancouver Departmental stores. Also asking for the address of the Secretary of the Union Label Comm. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary to reply and referred to the Label Committee."
- (2) City Council re the request for a tag day for the Returned Mackenzie-Papineau Veterans. City Council decided against this Council's request. "On motion received and filed."
- (3) Pender Shoe Renu, E. T. Rogers, setting out the need of patronizing Union shoe repair shops. "On motion delegates and members requested to note that the Pender Shoe Renu, 521 Pender is worthy of support."
- (4) City Council acknowledging receipt of communication in which we endorse the construction of a new Military Hospital at Shaughnessy Heights, the City Council having forwarded the letter to the minister of Pensions and National Health. "On motion received and filed."
- (5) Minister of Public Works regarding the Shaughnessy Military Hospital and stating that the question of a new hospital is being submitted for consideration in the Dominion Department estimates for 1939 and 40. "On motion received and filed."
- (6) Mr. W.A. Sheppard, City Purchasing Agent regarding the request made by this Council that the City Council adopt a rigid policy of patronizing Union firms wherever possible, the City now requesting a list of various Unions and a list of Union shops. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary for reply." (NOTE: Unions having Union shops or firms are requested to send in same to the Secretary of the Council.)
- (7) Building Trades Council dealing with the Federal Gov't. Housing Act and requesting this Council to work with them in endeavoring to get the City of Vancouver to take advantage of the opportunity offered whereby municipalities can get loans from the Dominion up to 90% of the total cost of each house on the basis of 1%. "On motion received and the Council reiterated its stand and to work with the Building Trades on this project. Delegates Wilson and Page outlined the scheme in detail, pointing out that all work undertaken under this particular feature of the Housing Act would be done under the Dom. Fair Wage.
- (8) Vancouver Sports Club, Gore Ave., notifying that they can supply entertainment for Smoking Concerts, etc. "On motion received and noted."
- (9) Barbers' Assoc. of B. C., thanking the Secretary of this Council in writing to the Gov't. to offset the setting up of a shop by the Moller Barber College. "On motion received and filed."
- (10) Union Label Trades Dept. replying to correspondence and stating that Secretary Ornburn would take up the question of the Vancouver Charter immediately upon his return to the office. "On motion received and noted."

(11) United Garment Workers requesting a more consistent demand for their Label. "On motion received and noted."

Executive reported that they had invited Lieut. Kardash of the Spanish Veterans to address the Council at 9 p.m. "On motion endorsed."

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted."

Lieut. Kardash then addressed the Council on the deplorable state of affairs brought about in Spain by the support that is given to Franco by Germany and Italy, which countries had supplied them with all the war machinery in order to destroy a Democratic Government set up by the Spanish people. He also dealt with the need of financial assistance for the Returned men. The address was received with interest and applause, the appeal to be taken up later and Lieut. Kardash invited to sit on the platform during the meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--

Grievance Committee--Delegate Hughes reported that the Continental Upholsterers had been visited but that the Committee had been unable to reach any adjustment and now recommended that this firm be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list of the Council. "On motion report received and the recommendation concurred in." Delegate Hughes also reported that the question of Woodward's Store would be dealt with under "Reports of Unions" as the Retail Clerks had the information.

Boycott Committee--Delegate Shearer reported that a meeting is being held on February 28th at 8 p.m. in hall 1, Labor Headquarters. Also thanked the Secretary of the Council for the letter sent out and called attention to the fact that if the Unions did not meet the President of the Locals are requested to appoint delegates. "On motion report received."

Organizing Committee--Del. Charles Stewart reported that they are endeavoring to assist the B section of the Engineers which comprise engineers and janitors in Apartment Houses who are working in many cases long hours for very little pay and that any delegates or members who know of janitors should endeavor to interest them in joining the Union. Also that the next meeting of the Organizing Committee will be held on the 24th. "On motion report received."

Workers' Educational Assoc., delegate Bartlett reported they have had very good meetings. That Prof. Topping of the University of British Columbia attended and that the enthusiasm shown has been very encouraging and that everything looks to the establishment of a good Workers' Educational Assoc. in this District. Del. Gordon Maxwell also reported that the attendance has been so good that it was decided to set up another Class and that registration will be taken on Thursday the 24th at 8 p.m. "On motion report received and accepted."

Union Label Committee--Delegate Smith reported on the last meeting held and said that he particularly wanted to get the names and addresses of the delegates to the Label Trades. "On motion report received."

Audit Committee--Del. Neelands reported having gone over the books and accounts of the Council and the Labor Statesman for the six month period ending December 31st, 1938. He reported that the books were well kept, in good order and in balance with the Bank statement. "On motion report received and accepted."

REPORTS OF UNIONS:—Bakers 466, Del. Humphreys reported strike still on at the Womens' Bakery. Particularly thanked Div. 101 for a donation of over \$120.00 and also thanked other Unions that have assisted. Also reported that the Company had endeavored to get an "Ex-party" and then an "interim" injunction and that the Judge had ruled against the granting of an injunction and had set the case for trial. That there had been no disturbance created by their pickets and that it had all been peacefully conducted and that the Company were now trying to beat the Local through the Court.

Retail Clerks 279, Del. Maxwell reported that they were now presenting an agreement on behalf of the employees of the Grocery Department of the Hudson Bay. Also that they are holding a dance on Monday the 27th at the Moose Hall. Also reported that the Minister of Labor and Deputy Minister had ruled that the Grocery Department of the Woodward store was not a separate department and as a result of this adverse ruling the Company had taken the position that it was not necessary for them to negotiate and they used their influence to offset the Union.

Milkdrivers, Del. Showler reported the National Dairies had signed up and were now a Union concern. Also that they had sent for a Charter on behalf of the Shell Oil Employees. Further requested any members who know Oil tank drivers to advise them to get in the Union. Further reported that himself and the Council Secretary had interviewed the Manager of the Shell Oil Company and he had stated that he was not adverse to the employees joining the Union.

Upholsterers, Del. Hankin reported that they appreciated an article which appeared in the Daily Province regarding furniture being brought in from outside for the C.N.R. Hotel and pointed out that the Eastern furniture is manufactured by the Kohler Company which is an "Unfair" firm.

NEW BUSINESS:—Del. Fordyce introduced the following resolution: That this Vancouver, New Westminster & District Trades & Labor Council be recorded as opposed to any change in the election of Aldermen for the City. We reiterate our previous stand as being opposed to the Ward or as now suggested "District" system. Further we are opposed to the suggestion of the advocates of the City Manager Plan whereby 48 would be elected to a Common Council, which Council would select a Mayor and a City Manager. This Trades and Labor Council has at all times in the past been in favor of the abolition of the Ward system and the election of the Mayor and all aldermen by the citizens. "On motion endorsed."

Del. D. Maxwell moved and it was duly seconded and carried that Woodward's Stores Limited be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list of this Council. Secretary reported that he had interviewed the Management of Woodward's Store in company with del. Maxwell and had gone over the situation where the Company had held a dinner for the employees of the Grocery Dept. and undoubtedly at that time the employees had been discouraged from joining or retaining their membership in the Union. A vote was taken at this dinner meeting and by a small majority they voted against the Retail Clerks Organization. Secretary stated that if the meeting had been held under other auspices a different vote would have been secured. That the Company were not friendly to their employees joining a Union. A great deal of discussion took place regarding Woodward's reference being made to the Meat Dept. and the new work being done by members of the Building Trades. "It was moved, seconded and carried that the whole question be referred to the Executive Board to report back to the Council at the next meeting."

On motion of delegate Bartlett, duly seconded and carried that this Council affiliate with the Workers' Educational Association.

Re: Assistance to the Returned Spanish Veterans. This matter was very fully discussed and its relationship to the Welfare Federation and other agencies and also the question of again asking the City Council to grant a tag day. On this it was suggested that affiliated Unions could help by endorsing this tag day and notifying the Council secretary of the action taken.

Moved, seconded and carried that the Executive be instructed to devise ways and means of raising funds in aid of the Spanish Veterans.

Moved, seconded and carried that the Chair appoint a Committee of three to work with the larger Committee which has been set up by other organizations with similar objectives.

On motion of Delegate Showler, duly seconded and carried, the Council to donate \$25.00 in aid of the Spanish veterans.

Moved, seconded and carried that affiliated Unions having the necessary finances be again asked to donate to the Spanish Veterans.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Percy R. Bongough
Secretary.

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, March 7th, 1939.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President Jamieson in the Chair.

Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

The President reported that he had considered his ruling, made at the last meeting that a Motion to refer was not debatable and had since found out that the Constitution of this Council allowed debate on this Motion.

APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION:--Aeronautical Empl. Lodge 756, Int. Assoc. of Machinists. "On motion application received and accepted.

CREDENTIALS:**Aeronautical Empl. Lodge 756, for T. Price, H. Kessick and G.H. Ingham.

Taxi & Bus Drivers 151, for C. McIvor.

Salmon Purse Seiners' Union 141, for E. Neish.

B. C. Coast Dist. Council, for E. Dalskog, Earl Matt-enley, Peter Janis, Nels Arseneau and Fred Lundstrum.
"On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Trades & Labor Congress of Canada acknowledging receipt of Per Capita tax and extending Fraternal Greetings to the delegates.
"On motion received and filed."

(2) Taxi Drivers 151, requesting that the Checker Cab Company be taken from the Non Patronage list of the Council. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."

(3) Powell River & District Cooperative Society, requesting information regarding Labor conditions at Woodward's store. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary to reply."

(4) Brick and Clay Workers Local 36 thanking the Secretary of the Council for attending their last meeting and enclosing a check for \$10.00 in support of the Woman's Bakery strike. "On motion received with appreciation and filed."

(5) Ald. Wilson, Chairman of Committee re proposed cooperative plan, notifying of a meeting to be held for the purpose of devising ways and means of making unemployed citizens self supporting by furnishing through their own efforts the necessities required by themselves. Moved, seconded and carried that the communication be received and that delegates W. Stewart and Birt Showler be appointed to attend any future meetings with a watching brief from this Council.

(6) Office of the Prime Minister, Victoria, acknowledging receipt of resolutions regarding the logging and lumber industry. "On motion received and filed."

(7) Minister of Labor, Victoria acknowledging receipt of resolution requesting investigation into privately controlled employment agencies and stating there is no law in the Province preventing an employer from refusing to employ any person not acceptable to him and stating that the Loggers' Agency was operated legally; at the same time stating that if a sufficient number with information showing discrimination could be secured the Supt'd. of Employment Service of Canada could hold an official inquiry. "On motion received and filed and left in the hands of the Secretary to secure further information."

(8) Friends of the McKenzie-Papineau Batt'n., acknowledging receipt of and thanking this Council for a donation of \$25.00. "On motion received and filed."

(9) Bakery & Conf. Workers 468, acknowledging receipt of a check covering the following donations: Molders \$5.00; Musicians \$5.00; Floorlayers \$10.00; Brick & Clay Workers' \$10.00; Engineers 882, \$12.10 and Jewelry Workers' \$2.00. "On motion received and filed."

(10) Union Label Trades Dept. setting out that the old Charter of the Vancouver Union Label League can be used. "On motion received and referred to the Label Committee."

(11) Int. Union Engineers thanking Secretary of the Council for assistance rendered to their organization. "On motion received and noted."

(12) Grant MacNeill, M.P., enclosing copy of Bylaw #26 containing amendments to the Criminal Code to clarify Peaceful Picketing. Also copy of the Secretary's reply endorsing the legislation and appreciating the courtesy. "On motion received and action of Secretary endorsed."

(13) Int. Glove Wkrs. requesting a more consistent demand for their label. "On motion received and noted."

(14) Machinists 692; Piledrivers 2404; Jewelry Wkrs. 42; Sheet Metal 314; Lumber and Sawmill Wkrs. 71, endorsing the granting of a tagday by the City Council on behalf of the MacKenzie-Papineau Batt'n. "On motion received and filed."

(15) Hon. Ian MacKenzie, replying to correspondence in which we requested his support to Bill No. 5 introduced in the House by Mr. J.S. Woodsworth. "On motion received and filed."

(16) Lumber & Sawmill Wkrs. enclosing \$2.00 for the Woman's Bakery strikers; B.C. Projectionists 348, enclosing \$50.00; Sign & Pictorial Painters 726, enclosing \$5.00. "On motion received with appreciation and to be forwarded to Local 468 Bakers."

(17) Junior Board of Trade requesting endorsement of their campaign "Clean Up and Paint Up the City". "On motion received and endorsed and to call their attention to the fact that Union Tradesmen can be secured by telephoning Sey. 7495. "The action of the Executive in appointing Bro. Jack Gamble to attend a meeting called by the Jr. Board of Trade was endorsed."

(18) Int. Union Engineers 882, enclosing a resolution framed for the purpose of eliminating residential suites in basements and where floors are below street level. "On motion received and endorsed"

(19) Home Improvement Plan and Dom. Housing Act regarding meetings. "On motion received and referred to the Building Trades Council"

(20) Jewelry Wkrs. notifying that the Geo. H. Hewitt Company is a Union firm. "On motion received and noted."

(21) Victoria Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their meeting held on February 15th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(22) Old Age Pensioners Org. enclosing a resolution lowering the qualifying age to 65 years from 70. "On motion received and endorsed."

(23) Labor Headquarters Ltd., notifying of the Annual meeting of shareholders to be held on Friday, March 31st. "On motion received and trustees of shares to attend."

(24) Workmens' Compensation Board, enclosing revised accident prevention regulations now being considered. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

Executive reported they had held a meeting on March 2nd at which were present, J. Flynn representing the Building Trades and D. Maxwell representing the Retail Clerks Union. The question of putting Woodward's stores Ltd. on the "We Do Not Patronize" list as per request of Retail clerks Local 279 at the last meeting had been considered at length. The Executive decided that the case was not as clear cut as necessary when placing such an establishment on the Non Patronage list and therefore recommended that this question be left in obedience pending further investigation. "On motion recommendation of the Executive endorsed."

Executive further recommended that this Council write the Hon. Norman Rogers supporting him in his stand on Unemployment Insurance and expressing the hope that the Dom. Government would enact legislation establishing Unemployment this Session. "On motion recommendation was endorsed."

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:--Boycott Comm. delegate Shearer reported on their last meeting and that they are recommending that each Union purchase a rubber stamp or have printed on new stationery, the words "We do not buy Fascist goods". Also to make an appeal for voluntary monthly donations according to the financial ability of the Unions; money to be used for the purpose of purchasing literature and educational material. "On motion report of the Committee received."

Union Label Trades, delegate Ed. Smith reported 12 of the label and shop card Unions had signed up and sent in the names of their delegates and requested any others who had not to do so.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Barbers 120, del. Potts reported the People's Advocate was advertising the Empress Barber Shop which is a Non Union shop.

Milkdrivers 464, del. Showler reported efforts being made to intro-
duce paper milk bottles and if such were brought in it would put 50% off
their inside men out of work. Also reported that they had held organizing
meetings with the Shell Oil Employees, but as the Engineers Union
claimed jurisdiction it had resulted in the money being refunded and the
organization had "blown up".

Bakers 468, Del. Humphreys thanked the organizations that had do-
nated to the Woman's Bakery strike and as some Unions had notified their
members not to patronize these stores, suggested that other Unions might
do good work by taking similar action. That the bakers appreciate the
wonderful support they had received from affiliated Unions. Also re-
ported that the trial set for the 27th ult. had been postponed.

Engineers 882, Del. Flynn reported they are endeavoring to or-
ganize engineers in apartment houses and have an open meeting set for
tomorrow evening. Del. Flynn also reported that his organization had
been granted jurisdiction over oil refinery workers and that he knew
some of the engineers in the Shell plant.

Upholsterers, Del. Hankin reported they had signed up an agreement
with the wholesale trade embodying one week holiday with pay. Further
reported they are having a dance at the White Rose Ballroom on the 30th

Boilermakers 104, del. Cook reported that their organization was
increasing membership. Also that they had held a banquet to commemor-
ate the long and faithful service of Bro. Angus Fraser who for 37 years
had filled the position of Secretary of Local 194 and that a suitable
presentation had been made by the Local and by the International office
on the occasion of such a long record of service to the Trade Union
Movement.

NEW BUSINESS:--Del. Showler introduced the following resolution; WHERE-
AS Vancouver City By-law 3493 was passed by the City of Vancouver to
come into operation on and after Jan 15/36 and whereas we have made many
efforts to get this law enforced even to the extent of advertising a
cash reward for convictions which resulted in some immediate convictions,
and WHEREAS this by-law is of vital importance to those employed in
the delivery of milk, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we ask the Police
Commission to issue instructions to the Chief of Police to enforce this
bylaw with the same degree of enforcement that he enforces other tariff
regulations." During discussion del. Showler pointed out that bylaw
2393 enforces daylight delivery of milk and that there had been no con-
victions outside of those secured by the Union and little or no effort
was being made to enforce it by the Police Department.

"Moved and seconded that the resolution be endorsed. Carried."
Discussion arose over the question of Parking Meters. Dele-
gate Ward called attention to the butter carvings which were on dis-
play at Woodwards depicting HITLER, CHAMBERLAIN AND MUSSOLINI.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS--del. Shearer asked if the Council would be secur-
ing a stamp dealing with the non patronage of Fascist goods. President
Jamieson replied.

Del. McComb asked regarding the Jewelry Wkrs. organizing stamp works
the same being replied to by the Jewelry Wkrs.' Delegate.

NEW BUSINESS:--del. Munro called attention to resolution condemning the
Loggers' Employment Agency and moved that organizations having informa-
tion of discrimination carried out by this Agency should turn in same to
the Council Secretary. "On motion carried."

GOOD AND WELFARE:--Del. King called the attention of delegates to an
address being delivered in the Auditorium on Friday the 10th instant.

Del. Humphreys stated he had attended lecture of Prof. Laski in
Auditorium. That he had been well received and gave a very informative
address.

Del. Wybourn Div. 101 moved that the Council go on record as being
opposed to putting up milk in paper containers. "On motion endorsed."

Del. Macpherson reported having returned from San Francisco and
that the next Metal Trades Convention of the American Federation of
Labor would be held in Vancouver.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

W. Stewart
Secretary.
W. Stewart
President.

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL.

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, March 21st., 1939.

Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President Jamieson in the Chair.

Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to
affiliated Local Unions.

CREDENTIALS:--Railway Carmen Lodge 280, for F. Simmons.
Glass Workers 954, for Arnold P. Perry in place of A. Doughty
Beer Parlors Empl. 676 for W.G. Couper, C.R. Leer, T. Edwards,
J.S. Jackson, T.J. Hanafin, H. McDonald, F. Randolph.
"On motion received and delegates present obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held same evening. Members present
Fordyce, Jamieson, G. Stewart, W. Stewart, Bengough, Hughes and Smith.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Vancouver Typographical Union, enclosing a further check for
\$5.00 for the Bakers Union. "On motion received and turned over to the
Bakers."

(2) Motion Picture Operators 348, notifying they are holding their
Annual Banquet at the Commodore Cabaret, April 16th to which all members
of affiliated Locals are invited. "On motion received and delegates and
members requested to note."

(3) Journeymen Barbers 120, requesting assistance in organizing
the Barber shop in the new Vancouver Hotel. "On motion received and
left in the hands of the Executive."

(4) B. C. Old Age Pensioners Benevolent Assoc. enclosing their
objectives of lowering the pensionable age to 60 years and increasing
the allowance to \$30.00 per month. "On motion the principles of their
objectives endorsed."

(5) United Bro. Carpenters and Joiners, asking the Council to
again take up with the proper authorities the danger of level crossings.
"On motion received and endorsed."

(6) Grant MacNeill, M.P. North Vancouver, acknowledging receipt of
telegram endorsing Bill 26, dealing with the unlawful assembly and peace-
ful picketing. "On motion received and filed."

(7) Grant MacNeill, M.P. acknowledging receipt of a copy of a
resolution adopted by this Council dealing with the subject of Sales Tax.
"On motion received and filed."

(8) United Fishermen 44, inviting the Council to send delegates to
their convention on March 15th. "On motion received. The Secretary and
delegate Pritchard were delegates and attended."

(9) City Clerk, extending an invitation to attend a Civic meeting
to consider the question of Parking Meters and asking the Council to send
in the name of their representative. "On motion received and the Sec-
retary appointed to attend."

(10) Dept. of Fisheries, Ottawa, acknowledging receipt of a resolu-
tion and explaining the set up of the Dept. of Fisheries. "On motion
received and filed and left in the hands of the Secretary to get some in-
formation on the question written about."

(11) Hotel & Restaurant Empl. notifying that they have been given
jurisdiction over Hotels and apartment hotels. "On motion received and
noted."

(12) Bakery & Confectionery Workers 468, acknowledging receipt of
donations from Projectionists, Lumber & Sawmill Wkrs. and Sign and
Pictorial Painters. "On motion received and filed."

(13) Int. Union Engineers 882; Salmon Purse Seiners 141; Street
and Electric Rlwy. Div. 101; Painters 138; Bricklayers & Masons #1;
Bakers 468, all endorsing the action of the Council in requesting the
City Council to grant a tag day for returned Spanish Veterans. "On
motion received and other organizations requested to send in a similar
endorsement."

(14) Vancouver Youth Council notifying of the Youth Congress to be
held Easter Week End. "On motion received and Delegates W. Stewart and
B.C. Hankins appointed to attend."

President Jamieson reported that he had received and accepted an invitation to make a return trip East as a guest of the Canadian Airways.

The Chairman called attention of the delegates to the death, since our last meeting, of Brother Harry Arbuckle, organizer of the Machinists and a delegate to this Council. The delegates stood in silence as a mark of respect and appreciation to our departed Brother.

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--Boycott Committee--delegate Munro reported they had drawn up a constitution and gave the details of same. Also that they had started a Speakers' class and had arranged to meet on the 2nd and 4th Monday in each month and desired the executive Board of the Council to act as an advisory committee. It was also reported that the stamps advertising the Boycott of Fascist goods could be purchased through the Committee for 40 or 45 cents.

Question was asked regarding the Embargo Council and it was explained that the Embargo and Boycott were not the same.

"Moved and seconded that the report be received." Moved and seconded in amendment that the report be received and the question of the Constitution be referred to the Legislative Committee of the Council for consideration and report.

Amendment to the amendment that the suggested constitution of the Boycott Committee be turned over to the Executive Board for examination was on motion carried.

Union Label Trades Council--Delegate Smith reported that 30 delegates had attended the last meeting. That officers had been elected and reported on Unions which had representation. "Report accepted as progress".

Grievance Committee--Delegate Hughes reported that in conformity with the request made by the Taxi Drivers at the last meeting, the Grievance Committee recommended that the Checker Cab Co. be taken off the "Non Patronage" list.

Organization Committee--Delegate C. Stewart reported that members of the Committee had attended a number of meetings and that organizing meetings of the Engineers and Janitors had been held and new members secured. That further meetings are to be held.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Retail Clerks 279--delegate Maxwell reported that the meatcutters in Woodwards have been granted two week's holiday with pay. Also they are circularizing employees of the Grocery Department of Woodwards and taking a ballot on the question of the Union.

Also reported that 30 members in the Hudson Bay Grocery Department had been organized and are now receiving Trade Union wages. Further reported that Esslinger Stores, Rays Stores and City Market all have Company Unions and poor conditions.

Civic Employees 28--Delegate Ashton reported that their last meeting was unanimously in favor of a tag-day for the Spanish Veterans and had made a donation.

Motion Picture Operators--delegate Pollock called the attention of delegates that at their banquet on April 16th. the Local is celebrating its 25th anniversary and that they would be particularly pleased to see as many of the members as could possibly attend. Tickets are \$2.00 and a good time guaranteed.

Upholsterers 306--Delegate Hankin reported that all upholstering establishments in Victoria had been signed up in the Union. Also that the Local manufacturers intend to use the Union Label on their products. Further that they are holding a dance in the White Rose Ballroom on March 30th and invited all to attend.

Milk Salesmen 464--Delegate Showler reported they had attended a meeting of the City Council at which the Richmond Park Dairy had made an application to introduce cardboard milk bottles. That the matter had been laid over. Del. Showler pointed out how in hot weather it is not unusual for the bottles to collapse. Also asked delegates and members to remember to ask for Union Drivers when having fuel delivered.

Stenographers, Typists Local 16177--Delegate MacDonald called attention of the delegates and members to the many Unions that are securing Non-Union stenography work and the need for more consistency in this direction. Also thanked the many Unions who are using the office employees Label for their support.

Engineers 882-B--delegate Byers reported that at their last meeting members of the Organizing Committee of the Council had been present and that they desired to express their appreciation for the work of the Committee. Also asked members who had any contact with apartment blocks to see if the caretaker was a Union man.

Jewelry Workers--delegate Farrington reported they had found a man employed as a Non Union Jeweler was in the country illegally who had a process of manufacturing that would throw a number of men out of work.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--delegate Atkinson of the Teamsters asked if any progress was being made by the Engineers in organizing the Shell Employees. Delegate Flynn of the Engineers replied that the information would have to be secured in the Engineers' office.

Delegate Showler asked if the Furniture Workers were taking in truck drivers. No delegates being present from the Furniture Workers Union the question was not replied to.

Delegate Leary, Shipyard Laborers asked if the Blacksmiths had a Union. Delegate Bartlett replied in the affirmative and requested the information regarding the blacksmiths in the Burrard Dry Dock.

Delegate King asked if the Council minutes could be sent out sooner. Secretary replied that in all cases they were sent out as soon as possible.

Delegate Shaw asked if the Butchers were aware that Burns products are being delivered to the Princess Marguerite for Seattle. Delegate Bohart replied that they had not that information.

GOOD AND WELFARE:--Del. Maxwell reported how the dangers of the one-man street car had been clearly demonstrated in an accident which he had seen where a child had got its hand caught in the rear door, thus showing the impossibility of one man being able to look after both front and rear doors at the same time.

United Fishermen, W.T. Burgess reported on their last convention and that they were now confronted with the difficulty of organizations of Fishermen not affiliated with this Council, who are meeting the employers with a view to setting salmon prices and are dealing also with the question of seine caught salmon when they represent no one in that line of fishing.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

W. T. Burgess
Secretary.

President.

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCILHall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, April 4th, 1939.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President E.A. Jamieson in the Chair.
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION:--Bro. Maintenance of Way Employees, Lodge 31, "On motion received and accepted."

CREDENTIALS:--

Maintenance of Way Empl. Lodge 31, for A.A. Wooks and S. Siron.
United Fishermen Local 44, for N. Kopatic, L. Anderson, A. Christoffers, H. Stavens, W. Burgess.
B.C. Coast District Council Lumber Wkrs. for Nigel Morgan in place of Fred Lundstrum.
Burnaby Civic Employees 23, for John Grover.
City Fire Fighters Local 518, for Bro. Jos. Lyon

"On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present Fordyce, Hughes, Smith, Bengough, W. Stewart, C. Stewart and Jamieson.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) Board of Police Commissioners, acknowledging receipt of letter from this Council requesting the enforcement of City Bylaw 2393 and replying that the same would be considered at the next regular meeting of the Board expected to take place in April. "On motion received and noted."
- (2) Pile Drivers 2404, requesting the Council to take part in a May Day parade. "On motion received and the question left to the discretion of affiliated Locals."
- (3) Manager, hotel Georgia, enclosing copy of a resolution passed by the B.C. Hotels Assoc., regarding the rates in the new Hotel Vancouver. "On motion received and referred to the Joint Executive Board of the Hotel & Restaurant Employees Unions."
- (4) Musicians Local 145, requesting that the Terminal City Band be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."
- (5) Hon. Norman Rogers, Minister of Labor, replying to a night letter from this Council in which we endorse the stand of the Minister of Labor on the question of Unemployment Insurance and in which we expressed the hope that such legislation would be enacted this Session. The Minister of Labor in his reply, made reference to those Provinces which are at present blocking the introduction of the Bill for a National scheme of Unemployment Insurance. "On motion received and filed."
- (6) Secretary Town Planning Commission, replying to this Council's request for the elimination of basement suites and stating that the resolution would be dealt with at the next meeting of the Commission to be held on April 6th. "On motion received and filed."
- (7) Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their meeting held on March 15th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."
- (8) C. C. F. Club, Courtenay, B. C., requesting information regarding Plenty-For-All products. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary to reply."
- (9) Camp and Mill Wkrs. Local 31, enclosing donation for the Woman's Bakery strikers and reporting that they are backing the Bakers 100% in their struggle and have published in their official organ, "The Daily People", that the Woman's Bakery is on their "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received and noted."
- (10) Upholsterers Local 306, objecting to the Boycott Committee having a Constitution as long as they are a Boycott Committee of this Council. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Executive."

(11) Upholsterers 306, favoring Provincial Legislation of an Act defining the qualities of material used in manufactured articles. "On motion received and referred to the Legislative Committee."

(12) Furniture Workers 1988, Sturgis, Michigan, reporting that the Charles A. Miller Co. of that city are a Union concern. "On motion received and noted."

(13) Furniture Workers 1025, Vancouver, dealing with the jurisdictional dispute with the Upholsterers. "On motion received and referred to the Organizing Committee to meet representatives of the two Unions involved and report back to the Council."

(14) Bond Clothes Shops, stating that they have no connection with any firm in Chicago or anywhere in the United States and that this is a privately owned store and that all their products are Union Made. "On motion received and noted."

(15) Inland Boatmen's Union, B.C. Division, enclosing copies of resolutions requesting the enactment of legislation establishing the eight hour day for B. C. Seamen. "On motion received and endorsed."

(16) Sheet Metal Workers 280; Molders 281; Metal Trades Council; Tailors 178; Ladies Garment Workers 276; Sign Writers 726; United Fishermen 44; Int. Assoc. Machinists Aeronautical Lodge 756; Butchers & Meatcutters Local 94; all endorsing the granting of a tag day for the Returned Spanish Veterans. "On motion received and noted."

(17) United Fishermen Local 44, enclosing \$20.00 as a donation to the bakers on strike from the Woman's Bakery. "On motion received and turned over to the Bakers."

(18) Under Secretary of State, Ottawa, authorizing the immediate release of Mrs. Florence Rose from Oakalla prison. "On motion received and filed."

(19) St. Railwaymen Div. 101, enclosing a resolution addressed to President Green, A. F. of L. and President Lewis, C.I.O., requesting that they make every effort to Unite the American Trade Union Movement. Also to Pres. Roosevelt, congratulating him on the consistent stand he has taken in offering his services to help the unification of the two organizations. "On motion received and endorsed."

(20) Angus MacInnis, dealing with the matter of Absentee voting and calling attention that provision for this had been left out of the Dominion Election Act. That a special Committee was now sitting on the question. "Moved, seconded and carried that the communication be received and the Secretary instructed to send a Night letter on the question requesting the establishment of Absentee Voting."

"Moved, seconded and carried that the Report of the Executive as a whole be adopted."

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:--President Jamieson reported having made a trip to Ottawa and return as a guest of the Trans Canada Airways. Reported that while in Ottawa, he had lunch with the Conservative, Liberal and C.C.F. members. Also with Bro. R.J. Tallon and had interviews with President Draper and Tom Moore. That the service given by the Trans Canada Airways and the operating staff are very efficient. "On motion report received."

Secretary reported having attended a meeting called by the City Council to consider the question of Parking Meters. The official Committee of the City had expressed themselves in favor of the installation of Parking meters. The Veterans organizations had also submitted a proposal to form an Auto Parking and Protective Corps whereby returned veterans would do the work instead of parking meters. Secretary reported that he had set out the views of this Council on the question, pointing out that we are opposed to the installation of Parking Meters or any other methods used to collect further monies from owners of automobiles. On the adjournment of this meeting the whole question had been referred to the Official Committee of the City. "On motion report received."

Boycott Committee--Delegate Shearer reported having received donations from Railway Carmen 58 and Electrical Wkrs. 213. Also reported that there was a misunderstanding regarding the Constitution of the Committee as the Committee had no intentions of drawing up a constitution. What they had drawn up was some rules of order for guidance of the Committee so that no confusion would arise or any dual organizations allowed to participate in the work.

Delegate Shearer also requested affiliated Unions to admit the speakers from the Boycott Committee to their meetings. Also reported that rubber stamps advocating the Boycott can be purchased through the Committee.

Organizing Committee--Del. C. Stewart reported they had given assistance to the Bakers regarding the strike at the Woman's Bakery and recommended that the Secretary of the Council send out a letter to the various Women's organizations in the City advising them of the strike at the Woman's Bakery. "On motion report received and recommendations endorsed." Del. Stewart further recommended that organizing meetings be arranged for the employees of the Leckie Shoe Company and that some of the Employees had been told if they attended the meetings they will be fired. However, a good turn out is expected. "On motion report received."

Union Label League--Del. Ed. Smith reported they are still requesting delegates to take back to their organization the need of the Label Trades Unions becoming affiliated with the Label League as there are some locals entitled to affiliate who have not been heard from or sent in the names and addresses of their delegates. "On motion report received."

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Shipyard Laborers, delegate Leary reported they are negotiating an Agreement with the B.C. Marine. Also they had circularized all Butcher shops in North Vancouver regarding the Burns products being on the Non Patronage list and got satisfactory replies from all the independent stores. Further reported regarding the Safeway stores and the Retail Clerks Local 279.

Sheet Metal Workers 280, del. Macpherson reported that the Boeing Air Craft Company had reduced the wages of sheet metal workers by 10%. Those who received the cut are fully qualified and have been members for many years. That the matter is being taken up further.

Retail Clerks 279--Delegate Maxwell reported that the reply to the ballot sent out to the Woodward's employees is not complete but most of them have expressed a desire for a Union of their own instead of a Company Union. Also that the Army and Navy stores have guaranteed to employ Union help in the food department.

Bakers 468--Del. Humphreys expressed appreciation to the Printing Pressmen, United Fishermen, Camp & Mill Wkrs. and other organizations for assistance. Also that he has a list of Woman's organizations in the City. Further reported that application had been made by the Master Bakers to the Board of Industrial Relations for extension of Hours in the baking industry but the same had not been allowed by the Board.

Painters Local 138--Del. Smith reported that they had trouble with the new Cafe on Granville Street but that the matter had now been settled satisfactorily with the assistance of the Hotel & Restaurant Employees. Also that the Colonial Theatre were using Non Union Labor to decorate.

Hotel & Restaurant Local 28--Delegate Stewart reported they are putting on an organizing campaign this Spring. That the Fish and Oyster Bar opposite the Lyric theatre is 100% Union.

Salmon Purse Seiners--Delegate Miller thanked the Executive for the stand taken on the absentee voting and that they were holding a mass meeting on this as it was a matter that particularly affected their membership. Also they are negotiating with the Cannery for prices.

NEW BUSINESS:--Moved, seconded and carried that the question of the Colonial Theatre employing Non Union decorators be referred to the Grievance Committee.

Delegate Shaw, Taxi Drivers 151 moved that the Executive take steps to see that the Union Taxi Companies get concessions at the new Hotel.

Moved by delegate Potts, seconded and carried that the Executive endeavor to have the barber shop in the new Hotel unionized.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--Delegate Miller, Salmon Purse Seiners asked if a speaker from the Council could be sent to their Mass meeting on the 14th. President replied that a letter should be sent in requesting one.

Delegate Showler asked if the new Oyster Bar on Granville Street is going to use Union milk and bread. Delegate Stewart Local 28 reported he was willing to accompany delegate Showler to interview the Management on the question.

Delegate Atkinson asked if the Chairman of the Organizing Committee had had any request from the Shell Oil Employees. Delegate Stewart replied that he had a talk with Delegate Flynn but so far nothing definite.

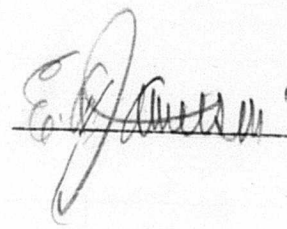
Delegate Shearer asked if the Honey Dew stores are Union as he had seen prominent members of Unions eating in them.

Delegate Bryce reported that J. Nesbitt was running a ball team at Athletic Park. Mr. Nesbitt was previously a strike breaker.

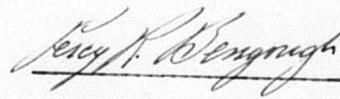
Delegate Shearer called attention to the fact that there was not enough publicity given to the Burns products being Non Union and that they were putting out fertilizers which were not listed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list.

Delegate Ed. Smith pointed out that the use of this fertilizer would result in Scab potatoes.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.



President.



Secretary

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Hall 1, Labor Headquarters Ltd., 529 Beatty St.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, April 18th, 1939.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President E.A. Jamieson in the Chair.
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION:--Received from the British Columbia Seamens' Union. "On motion received and application accepted."

CREDENTIALS:--Upholsterers Local 306, for S. Toran, Max Minster, B.C. Hankin, A. Paterson, Mac Madsen, J. Mylroie.
"On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present Fordyce, Bengough, W. Stewart, Hughes, Jamieson, Smith and C. Stewart.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) B.C. Projectionists enclosing five dollars as a donation to the Boycott Committee. "On motion received with appreciation."
- (2) Pile Drivers 2404, enclosing \$4.00 as a donation to the strikers from the Women's Bakery. "On motion received with thanks and turned over to the Bakers."
- (3) Cigar Makers' Int. Union requesting a more consistent demand for the Union Label. "On motion received and referred to the Label Committee."
- (4) Union Label Trades Dept. advocating Union Label campaigns and Union Label Leagues and Women's Auxiliaries. "On motion received and referred to the Vancouver Label League."
- (5) B. C. Projectionists Society, notifying that their Banquet has been postponed for one week and will now be held on Sunday, April 23rd. "On motion received and delegates requested to note."
- (6) Pile Drivers Local 2404, regarding their communication sent to the Council relative to May Day as dealt with at the last meeting. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary to reply."
- (7) Union Label Trades Dept. Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, pointing out the need of guarding against the purchase of Japanese and German made goods during the forthcoming visit of the King and Queen, as a great deal of flags, banners, bunting, colored bulbs and novelties are manufactured by these aggressor Nations. "On motion received and the subject matter of the letter endorsed." President Jamieson reported in connection with the letter that these matters had been taken care of for Vancouver by the City Decorations Committee.
Delegate Shearer reported that the Ottawa Government had purchased \$300.00 of Japanese bunting.
- (8) Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their meeting of April 5th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."
- (9) New Westminster Board of Park Commissioners, replying to delayed correspondence in which a meeting was requested and stating in reply that the skating in the Queen's Park Arena, New Westminster had now terminated for the Season. "On motion received and filed."
- (10) Town Planning Commission replying to a letter from this Council regarding the resolution of Engineers Local 882, relative to the matter of basement suites. The Secretary of the Town Planning Commission enclosed a copy of the letter forwarded to the Secretary of Local 882, dealing with the question. "On motion received and filed."
- (11) City Clerk replying to correspondence on the question of suites in basements and that the City is recommending that our correspondence be referred to the Health and Building Departments for report. "On motion received and filed."
- (12) City Clerk, enclosing the report of the Special meeting of the Official Traffic Commission, March 30th, dealing with Parking Meters. "On motion received and filed for reference."

(13) National Committee for Refugees, B. C. Branch, outlining the work being done in other Countries to assist refugees of various Nationalities to escape from persecution in Aggressor countries and requesting financial assistance. "On motion received and referred to affiliated Unions."

(14) Angus MacInnis, M.P., acknowledging receipt of correspondence in which this Council had written to the Committee on Electoral Matters requesting provision for the absentee vote. "On motion received and filed."

(15) Copy of Bill #26 introduced in the House of Commons by Mr. C.G. MacNeill, M.P., "An Act to Amend the Criminal Code, qualifying Picketing". "On motion received with appreciation and endorsed."

(16) B.C. Dist. Council Lumber & Sawmill Wkrs., dealing with the Blubber Bay strike and the need for financial assistance. The letter pointed out the particularly bad situation the strikers are in and the urgent need for help. "On motion received and referred to affiliated Unions."

(17) Vancouver Printing Pressmen endorsing the idea of a tag day for the MacKenzie Papineau returned men. "On motion received and noted."

(18) Friends of the MacKenzie-Papineau Batt'n. in Spain, notifying that they are going to get out 25,000 raffle tickets at 25¢ each, the prizes to be drawn on July 15th. Also that the Spanish Veterans have a number of Gladioli bulbs for sale at reasonable prices and can be delivered by telephoning direct to Trin. 4955. "On motion received and referred to the affiliated Unions as being worthy of support."

(19) Upholsterers 306, pointing out that the letter being sent out to various Unions from the Good Eats and Empire Cafes do not contain the Union Label and that the cafes do not handle Union Milk. "On motion received and noted."

(20) Greater Vancouver Joint Boycott Council, enclosing a resolution requesting measures to extend existing marking laws and to compel a more rigid enforcement so as to eliminate the sale in Canada of goods originating in Aggressor Nations and being sold in Canada in a deceptive manner. "On motion received and endorsed."

(21) Greater Vancouver Boycott Council notifying that the Embargo Council are holding a two-day Session and that one afternoon session is to be held by the Boycott Council and requesting the Council Secretary to act as Chairman for this Session. "On motion received and the Council regrets that the Secretary is unable to attend and suggests that the invitation be extended to Vice President Fordyce."

Executive recommended that the Council go on record as being opposed to Daylight Saving unless it is brought into operation by the Federal Government on a Dominion basis and that we appoint a Committee to appear before the City Council when this question is being considered.

It was moved and seconded in amendment that the following be added "that we are opposed to the City taking a plebiscite on the question" Moved and seconded as an amendment to the amendment that this Council reaffirm its previous stand as opposed to Daylight saving. "On a show of hands vote the amendment to the amendment was carried by an overwhelming majority."

Moved, seconded and carried that this Council is opposed to Daylight Saving and that we appoint a Committee to appear before the City Council when this question is being considered. "On motion the report of the Executive as amended was accepted."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--Grievance Committee--Delegate Hughes reported that the question of decorators at the Colonial Theatre had been adjusted and desired to report progress on the matter of the Terminal City Band. "On motion report received."

Organizing Committee--Del. Stewart reported the Committee met with the Executives of the Furniture Workers and the Upholsterers and that the dispute had been adjusted and that the Committee recommended that in future that the consent of the Union be secured before the membership is circularized by another Local.

Del. Stewart also reported on the work of the Committee in organizing the Leckie Shoe Company. That the Company had first intimidated the employees and then locked them out by posting a notice that the firm would be shut down for an indefinite period and that all would have to reapply for employment. That himself and the Secretary had visited the Management and that the matter had also been taken up with the Provincial Dept. of Labor and there was a possibility that this Council would have to consider the need of placing this firm on the

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"Non Patronage" list. "On motion report received and recommendations adopted."

A delegation from the employees were given the privilege of the floor and outlined how the firm of Leckie and Company had instituted a 10% cut and had then notified them that they were liable to lose their employment should they attend an organizing meeting. That 20 were still out.

Joint Boycott Council, delegate Shearer reported they are getting out 20,000 pieces of literature to send out to the various organized groups in the City. That funds are coming in good and they are now making a survey of Department stores selling products with the mark of origin defaced. Delegate Houston reported they had received \$43.00 to date. It was reported that the St. Railwaymen had decided to donate \$10.00 per month. "On motion report received."

Workers Educational Assoc., delegate Gordon Maxwell reported 23 locals had participated in the 3 classes and thanked Labor Headquarters for the use of meeting halls. An Annual meeting will be held after the classes are finished and that there had been some delay as affiliations have been coming in over the last 2 1/2 months.

Union Label League--Delegate Ed. Smith reported holding a meeting Friday this week and asked affiliated organizations to receive the Committee which is visiting the Locals.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Butchers 94, delegate Hughes reported they had celebrated their 3rd Anniversary. That the organization had resulted in the best working conditions and wages in Canada. That they have the 8-hour day whereas other plants are still working 8 1/2 and 9 hours.

Upholsterers 306--delegate Hankin reported they had signed an agreement with the Continental and had reached an agreement with the employers where they started next month on the 40-hour week. Also that Simmons & Co. are the only Company which has refused to sign their Agreement. Further reported that their anniversary dance had been very successful.

Hotel & Rest. 28--Del. Gateman reported they had drafted a brief to present to the City Council dealing with revised regulations covering the Catering industry and would like to bring same up under Good and Welfare.

Fishermen 44--delegate Burgess reported they had reached an agreement with Salmon Purse Seiners which they hoped would be the means of organizing many fishermen now unorganized.

Teamsters--delegate Showler reported that Pepsi Cola is being delivered by Non Union drivers.

Musicians 145--Del. Jamieson reported they are running a radio program every Sunday from 6 to 6:30 p.m. and that next Sunday the Secretary of this Council would say a few words.

NEW BUSINESS:--Moved by del. Stewart and seconded that the Organizing Committee be instructed to bring in a plan of work to organize the unorganized in this District. Following consideration in which it was pointed out that the Committee already have that authority the same was carried.

Del. Gateman pointed out the need of the Council considering regulations they had drawn up and in view of the lateness of the hour the matter was left in the hands of the Executive with power to act.

Moved, seconded and carried that the question of removing from the "Non Patronage" list, the Continental Upholstering firm be referred to the Grievance Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

Cery R. Bengough Secretary

E. J. Jamieson

President.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, May 2nd. Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President E.A. Jamieson in the Chair. Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as mailed out to affiliated Local Unions.

APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION:-- Received from the Shingle Weavers Local Union 2235, chartered by the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners. "On motion received and application accepted."

CREDENTIALS:-- British Columbia Seamen's Union for Tom Hardy, P. David, A. Mitchell and W. Clark. Shingle Weavers Local 2235, for George Moul and Darcy Boulger. Inland Boatmen, for J.M. Smith and James S. Thompson.

"On motion credentials were received and delegates present obligated"

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present: Smith, Fordyce, Jamieson, Bengough, W. Stewart, Hughes, C. Stewart and Holland.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Bakery Salesmen 189 and Bakers 468, requesting that the National Bakery, 625 Hawks Avenue, be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list of this Council. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee with power to act."

(2) Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees 464, asking permission to use the mailing list of the delegates to the Council to send out literature relative to a campaign against Daylight Saving. The Executive recommended that the request be not granted as it was not a good precedent to use this mailing list for other purposes than for which it had been compiled. "On motion recommendation of the Executive was endorsed."

(3) Provincial Minister of Labour replying to correspondence regarding the long hours worked by the crews on ships sailing out of British Columbia and the need of enforcing eight-hour day regulations. The Minister's reply set out that both the opinion of the Provincial Legal Department and the Dominion Minister of Justice are of the opinion that questions concerning hours of work on Board ship are matters of Federal Government jurisdiction. "Moved, seconded and carried the correspondence be received and filed and the Inland Boatmen's Union advised to take up the question with the Executive of the Council with a view to placing the question before the Dominion Government."

(4) General President Boot and Shoe Workers Union replying to correspondence sent by the Secretary of this Council to their Canadian representative and stating that they were sending in a representative to look over the situation here. "On motion communication received and filed to be dealt with in the report of the Organizing Committee."

(5) G.E. Bothwell, Chairman Special Committee on Electoral Matters appointed by the Dominion Government, replying to correspondence from this Council dealing with the need of provision in the Elections Act to take care of absentee voting and stating that adjustments would be made in the Act that would allow for absentee voting and that are acceptable to the British Columbia members of Parliament. "On motion received with appreciation and filed."

(6) Musicians Union, enclosing a copy of the reply to the circular letter sent out by the Good Eats and Empire Cafes, pointing out that they do not employ Union orchestras. "On motion received and noted."

(7) Greater Vancouver New Westminster Youth Council regarding affiliation fee. "Moved, seconded and carried that the \$5.00 fee be forwarded."

(8) Vancouver Secondary School Teachers' Association replying to the letter regarding the strike at the Woman's Bakery and stating that it had been sent out to the different staff sections of their organization. "On motion received and filed."

- (9) Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their meeting held on April 19th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."
- (10) Jubilee Summer Camp Committee regarding a conference to be held Sunday, May 21st in the O'Brien Hall. "On motion received and two delegates to be sent. Delegates Sid Wybourne, Division 101 and Miss Gehle, Local 28."
- (11) Prince Rupert Trades & Labor Council replying to correspondence and stating that as a result that the Boycott of Burns products is being carried on. Also requesting information regarding the shipment of scrap iron to Japan. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary to reply."
- (12) Housewives' League, dealing with the high prices of meat; their opposition to the single agency under the direction of the lower Mainland Dairy Products Board and that their members have promised to observe the requests of the Bakers Union 468 re the Woman's Bakery strike. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Executive to consider and report."

Executive reported having considered the movement being started in the East, known as the Leadership League and submitted the following report for endorsement:

We have made a survey of the campaign being carried on by George McCullagh, through the medium of Radio Broadcasts, to bring into being one Central Government for Canada, through the medium of the "Leadership League".

We do not think there is any group of citizens in Canada who has suffered as much, or who has been subjected to as much "Passing the Buck" between the Dominion and Provincial Governments as the Trade Union Movement. However, while fully realizing the deplorable overlapping of Governments and the fact that Canadian people have far too many Governments, there are greater evils in the world today, and in our opinion the suggested type of Government as advocated by McCullagh, falls within this category.

The Trade Union Movement as represented by this Council is strictly a non-political organization. However, we must and do subscribe to a system of Government that is "By and for the People". The scheme for National Government as advanced by Mr. McCullagh, is a complete negation of such Trade union principles--in effect it means "Government by and For the Big Industrialists and Financiers" and not "For and By the People". It is an intent to have Government outside the influence of, and remote from the people. To be unhampered by electors like the Nazi Government of Germany.

Trade Unionists, believing in democracy, must have no truck nor trade with the theories of Mr. McCullagh being advanced solely in the interests of "Big Business", if they want to keep Democracy in Canada.

"On motion report received and endorsed."

Executive further recommended that the Council arrange for a series of three broadcasts to set out its views in opposition to daylight saving and other questions. "On motion endorsed."

Secretary read a plan of action prepared by the organizing committee with a view to strengthen existing organizations and the formation of new Unions. The plan included open meetings and radio broadcasts for the purpose of arousing interest and the preparation of organizing pamphlets and calling for cooperation from all Unions. "On motion report received and referred to the Executive Board to study and to then send copies to local Unions for their consideration and report."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--Grievance Committee--delegate Hughes recommended that the National Bakery be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion recommendation endorsed."

Secretary reported having appeared before the City Council in opposition to the Daylight Saving, setting out the reasons as to why the Council is opposed. "On motion report received."

Delegate Smith reported having received correspondence from the Better Business Bureau. "On motion received and to be taken up with the Executive."

Organizing Committee--Del. C. Stewart reported there are still 20 employees locked out from Leckies. That an International representative of the Boot and Shoe Workers will be in this city Thursday next, May 4th and that the Secretary of the Council had sent out a circular to all boot and shoe workers and repairers for the purpose of holding an organizing meeting in Hall 1 on Thursday, May 4th. "On motion report received."

Boycott Committee--frlrhsyr Dhrstrt trpotyrf ptohrdd. Thanked the many Unions who had been donating. That a survey of the goods for sale in Department stores disclosed a number of Japanese and German articles. Also reported that in Woodward's Stores, most of the canned fish is of Japanese origin. Also that the prizes in the one-cent candy machines are all of Japanese origin.

President called attention to any that are buying decorations for the pending visit of the King to insist on British Empire made goods.

Grievance Committee--Del. Hughes in compliance with the request of the Upholsterers recommended that the Continental Upholstering firm be taken off the unfair list. Carried.

Youth Congress--Delegate Wm. Stewart reported having attended the Congress held during Easter. Two hundred delegates were present, representing 46,000 youths. Various committees had been set up including one dealing with Social legislation which committee had endorsed all the social legislation advanced by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada for Dominion and Provincial Attention. That they had gone on record of Canada's foreign policy being left entirely in the hands of the Canadian Government. Also in favor of Dominion legislation placing an embargo on goods to and from aggressor nations. The conference lasted four days accomplished a great deal of work and delegate Stewart advised the Unions to get more interested and support them in their work. On motion report received."

Union Label Trades--Delegate Smith reported meetings to be held the third Friday in each month. That they have arranged for each affiliated Local to outline for 10 minutes the set up of their organization and Label so as to give full information to the Labor Trades Council.

Delegate Herrett reported that they are holding a competition, open to all affiliated members of the Trades Council, for the one having the most Union labels and that were no labels were used such as in Teamsters delivering goods or Barbers cutting hair that a receipt could be secured and would be accepted as a label. Any wishing to enter the competition should send in their names to delegate Ed. Smith. "On motion report received."

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Bakers 468, delegate Humphreys reported fight still on at the Woman's Bakery and that the case against 7 members brought by the Company has failed to materialize. Thanked the forty Unions who have given them financial support and asked for continued moral and financial assistance. Also have arranged a Social evening for Saturday, May 13th in the Orange Hall, corner Hastings and Gore Avenue. Tickets can be purchased in the Council office.

Retail Clerks 279, delegate Maxwell reported having visited their sister local in Victoria. That prospects are for an early build up of light saving.

Milk Drivers 464, delegate Showler reported that an article had appeared in the Labor Statesman stating that the Fraser Dairy was Non Union and it should have been the Frasea Dairy. Also that the list of Union Dairies and Bakeries was left out of the last issue. Further reported that on May 1st, Milk salesmen start at 2 in the morning.

Barbers Local 120--delegate Herrett reported that his Local requested that the Barber Shop in the new Hotel would be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list of the Trades Council. This shop has been Non Union most of the time and been operating in the old Vancouver Hotel and not going to operate with 6 or 7 Non Union men in the new hotel.

Inland Boatmen--Del. Driscoll reported their campaign for the 8 hours is going over in a big way. They are having difficulty with tugboat owners who state if they have anything to do with their organization the boss loggers would cancel their towing contract.

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Painters 138--Delegate Smith reported they are having calls for many men to do work around the houses of Union members. Also requested that the Charles David Company be put on the Non Patronage list.

Upholsterers 306--delegate Hankin reported they have written for the various sanitation laws which have been brought in in different states which prohibit the stuffing of chesterfields with old mattresses, etc. The laws which have been enacted in other places distinctly showing the need for protection in this direction in British Columbia.

Truck Drivers Local 31--delegate Atkinson reported Forsts Harware are the only stores that employ 100% Union drivers.

Hotel & Restaurant Empl. Local 28, Del. W. Stewart reported good progress being made in organizing the help of the new Hotel who come under their jurisdiction and expect to be in a position to sign an agreement covering Union wages and conditions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:--Delegate Stewart, Hotel & Restaurant Employees stated that under this heading he desired to read the brief to the Council that had been prepared by them, dealing with restaurant regulations. Moved, seconded and carried that the brief be heard.

The brief as presented had already been endorsed by the Local Joint Board of the Hotel & Restaurant Employees locals and drawn up for the purpose of better regulations and to compel sanitation of the premises and to provide cleanliness for the food and patrons. "Moved, seconded and carried that the brief be endorsed."

Moved by delegate Herrett, seconded and carried that the question of placing the new hotel barber shop on the "We Do Not Patronize" list be referred to the Grievance Committee.

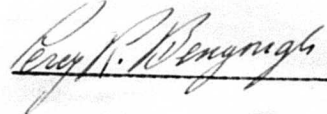
Moved by delegate Showler and seconded that the Secretary of the Council send out letters to all delegates advising them of the Council's stand against daylight saving. Following consideration, the question on being put to a vote was lost.

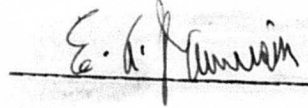
Moved, seconded and carried that the matter of placing the firm of Charles David Decorators on the Non Patronage list be referred to the Grievance Committee.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--Delegate Shearer asked if the Con Jones Park is on the "Unfair" list. Chairman replied that this park was taken from the "Unfair" list one year ago and was now operating under an agreement.

Delegate Humphreys asked if tickets for the dance could be sold in the Council office. It was agreed that tickets could be secured there.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

 Secretary

 President.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, May 16th, 1939. Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President E.A. Jamieson in the Chair. Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

CREDENTIALS:

Civic Employees Local 28, for D. Rafferty in place of Alex Patterson. "On motion received and delegate obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present, Jamieson, Smith, Hughes, Fordyce, Wm. Stewart, C. Stewart and Bengough.

Mr. Wilson, delegate from the McKenzie-Papineau Batt'n., was given the privilege of the floor. He outlined some of the horrors of the Spanish war and the deplorable conditions of the jails in which the Fascists had put those fighting on the Government side. Also outlined the need of financial assistance to help the returned men of the Spanish war and that they were putting on a drawing, the first prize of which is a trip to the World's Fair and many other valuable prizes. The address was received with interest and Del. Wm. Stewart was appointed to issue the raffle books to all desiring them.

A delegation from the Relief Project Workers Union was given the privilege of the floor for 10 minutes. Messrs. Hendricks and Henderson were given the privilege of the floor to address the Council on the situation confronting the Single Unemployed on the first of June as a result of the inactivity of the Governments to institute public works and projects. The Council decided to take up the question with the Provincial Minister of Labor.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) Greater Vancouver Health League outlining their work where artificial respiration is necessary to save lives and enclosing a pamphlet. "On motion received and noted."
- (2) Sweet Sixteen Ladies Wear, notifying that Union members who have proper means of identification can buy Union made coats and suits less 10%. "On motion received and members requested to note."
- (3) Sheet Metal Workers Local 280, requesting that the firm of Alex Gair, 955 E. Hastings St., be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."
- (4) Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees, requesting that the Melrose Dairy Ltd., be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."
- (5) Musicians Local 145, reporting they have come to an agreement with the Terminal City Band and requesting that the same be now placed on the "Fair" list. Thanked this Council for the assistance rendered. "On motion received and noted and the Terminal City Band to be removed from the Non Patronage list."
- (6) United Garment Wkrs. Local 190, enclosing Five dollars for the Woman's Bakery strikers. "On motion received with appreciation and turned over to the Bakers Local 488."
- (7) Women's New Era League, replying to circular regarding the Woman's Bakery strike and notifying that this was dealt with at their last meeting and their cooperation was assured. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."
- (8) Int. Office Bakery and Confectionery Wkrs. regarding their organizing campaign which is being carried out throughout the United States and Canada. "On motion received and noted."
- (9) Union Label Council regarding a competition which is open to all delegates and that those wishing to enter the competition must register with Bro. Ed. Smith. That two prizes will be given to the 2 members having the largest number of Union labels. That winners of the competition will be announced at the Council meeting on June 20th. "On motion received and delegates requested to note."
- (10) Victoria Trades and Labor Council enclosing minutes of their meeting of May 3rd. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

- (11) British Trade Union Congress requesting samples of Union Badges of Federal Unions for the International collection of badges and buttons. "On motion received and complied with and buttons received from United Fishermen and Civic Employees Unions."
- (12) Lumber Workers Local at Blubber Bay requesting the support of the I.L.A. to stop the shipping of lime and also requesting financial assistance. "On motion received and referred to Local Unions."
- (13) International Union Engineers 882, thanking the Council for the cooperation of the Organizing Committee and for the services of delegate C. Stewart, Chairman Organizing Committee and del. Bengough Council Secretary. "On motion received and noted."
- (14) Inland Boatmen's Union endorsing the efforts made by this Council to get a tag day for the veterans of the MacKenzie-Papineau Batt'n. "On motion received and noted."
- (15) Coopers Int. Union advocating the use of wooden barrels instead of steel. "On motion received and filed."
- (16) B.C. Teacher, official organ of the British Columbia Teachers' Federation who had agreed to publish a letter from the Secretary of the Council dealing with the Woman's Bakery strike. "On motion received with appreciation and the action of the Secretary endorsed in supplying the letter to the publication."
- (17) Civic Employees Local 28, protesting the actions of the members of the Building Trades who had approached the City Council regarding work being done by the Civic employees. "On motion received and referred to the Executive to take up with the Unions affected."

Executive reported having considered the result of the Daylight Saving Plebiscite and recommended that this Council now take no action on the question, leaving the matter in the hands of the City Council who are the proper authorities to decide. Considerable discussion arose and it was moved in amendment to refer back to the Executive and to appoint a representative to attend the meeting being arranged by the City Council. "On a show-of-hands vote the amendment was defeated and the recommendation of the Executive concurred in."

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Council reaffirm its position as being opposed to daylight saving.
On motion the report of the Executive as a whole was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Grievance Committee--delegate Hughes reported the Committee had considered the request of the Painters Local to place the firm of Charles David on the "We Do Not Patronize" list and recommended that such action be taken. "On motion recommendation concurred in."
Also recommended that the Barber shop in the Hotel Vancouver be placed on the Non Patronage list. "On motion recommendation endorsed."

Del. Hughes further reported having considered the question of the particularly unfair attitude of the Leckie Shoe Co. and recommended that this firm be placed on the "Non Patronage" list of the Council. "On motion recommendation concurred in and the report of the Committee received."

Organizing Committee--Del. C. Stewart reported that an open meeting had been held for the boot and shoe workers of both Leckie employees and shoe repairers throughout the City and that as a result of intimidation the meeting had not been satisfactory. That the International Organizer of the Boot and Shoe Workers had agreed to come back to another meeting at a later date. Also reported having met with the Executive of the Bakers to consider the question of the Woman's Bakery strike and in view of the fact that the bakers are faced with a law suit the Committee feels that affiliated Locals should assist them both financially and morally. Also reported on the organizing program which had been drawn up and is being sent out to affiliated locals for their consideration and report back to the Council.

Boycott Committee--Del. Shearer reported on the financial standing of the Committee and submitted a report. Also reported on the Japanese goods that are usually given as prizes at the Vancouver Exhibition Assoc. "On motion report received and Secretary to take the matter up with the Exhibition Board."

Workers Education Assoc., delegate Bartlett reported that the classes for this season had terminated. That they have arranged a meeting for May 31st and requested Unions to send delegates for the purpose of arranging for the next season. It was also pointed out that some of those attending the classes have books loaned from the University Library that have not yet been returned.
Union Label Council, delegate Smith reported they wanted the cooperation of all delegates for the label competition.
President reported having received an invitation for himself and Mrs. Jamieson to attend the luncheon to their Majesties with the Mayor and City Council.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--

Milkdrivers, del. Showler reported they had held a competition at the Templeton Junior High School, as to why people should patronize Union milk men and that the first prize had been won by a 14 year old Japanese girl. Also reported they had got out 22,000 pieces of literature opposed to Daylight Saving. Further reported that one of their members had been defrauded of \$100.00 by the Sunset Peat Company.
Retail Clerks, Del. Maxwell reported having been to Victoria and signed up an agreement with the Safeway Stores over there with their Victoria Local. Also made enquiries about the hat wagered at the last meeting and it was suggested that the matter be referred to the Grievance Committee.

Upholsterers, del. Hankin reported that the case of Simmons Ltd., had been taken up with the Dept. of Labor with a view to securing the services of a conciliator and they were told they would have to negotiate on the basis of their constitution.

Beverage Dispensers, del. Hanafin reported they are supplying the new hotel with Union beverage dispensers.
Hotel & Restaurant Employees, del. Gateman reported that the waitresses, waiters, bus boys and stewards and housekeepers' department of the new hotel were now members of their organization and were negotiating a new agreement.

Salmon Purse Seiners, del. Miller reported they have negotiated a two year agreement with the Employer with the check-off system and increased prices. Now organized 100%.
Jewelry Wkrs. del. Farrington, reported the City had awarded a contract to a Non Union firm for the Firemen's badges and would like the Council to look into the matter.

Painters 138, del. Smith reported quite an influx of painters to the City from outside points. Also they are endeavoring to organize the Paint makers and mixers and had applied for a Charter.

NEW BUSINESS:-- It was moved, seconded and carried that in view of this year being the 50th Anniversary that we appoint a Committee to consider the question of holding a celebration on Labor Day.
Question of the Relief Project Workers was on motion referred to the Executive with power to act.

Moved, seconded and carried that all affiliated Unions be requested to render financial assistance to the Bakers Local 468.

Del. Miller introduced the question of the advisability of having broadcasts in aid of the Woman's Bakery strikers and it was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive undertake to put on 2 broadcasts. The B.C. Coast District Council Lumber and Sawmill Workers volunteered to give the Bakers some of their booked-up time on C.J.O.R.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

E. D. Jamieson
President.

Bengough
Secretary.