

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, June 6th, 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:--Int. Elevator Constructors Local 82, for Thos. McCabe and W. A. Varney.

B. C. Coast Council Lumber Workers, for J.H. Copping, Vern Yeager, Lloyd Green, Nels Arseneau, Nigel Morgan.  
Typographical Union 226, for T.H. Potts and W. Rankin in place of P. Campbell and E.J.N. Mason.

Vancouver Mailers No. 70, for Mr. H. Fader.  
"On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

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

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APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION:--

Paint Makers Local 566--This Local is chartered by the Brotherhood of Painters. "On motion received and application accepted."

CREDENTIALS:

Paint Makers Local 566, for W. Healy and J. Wheat.  
Retail Clerks 279, for Walter Froats, D. Maxwell, S. Pearson, Bill Edwards, J. Jarvis, Roger Larouche, G. Maxwell.  
Burnaby Fire Fighters Local 323, for J. Steenbergen.

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CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) Musicians 145, enclosing a check for \$5.00 as a donation to the Bakery and Confectionery Workers. "On motion received with appreciation and turned over to the Bakers."
- (2) Pile Drivers 2404, enclosing \$5.50 as a donation to the Bakery Workers. "On motion received with appreciation and given to the Bakers."
- (3) Salmon Purse Seiners 141, notifying that they would take ten tickets for the 50th Anniversary banquet. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."
- (4) Camp & Mill Workers Local 31, requesting a reservation for 7 tickets for the 50th Anniversary banquet. "On motion received and referred to the banquet committee."
- (5) Housewife's League B.O., notifying that they are holding another Meatless Week from June 21st to June 28th. "On motion received and filed."
- (6) Vancouver Symphony Society, requesting the Council to name a representative to the Board of Directors for the operating year 1939-40. "On motion received and delegate Jamieson appointed to attend."
- (7) City Council regarding a meeting held on June 16th to deal with Part 2 of the National Housing Act. "On motion received and filed and delegate Pritchard to be asked to report."
- (8) Barbers Local 120, regarding the Hotel Vancouver Barber Shop which is on the "We Do Not Patronize" list of this Council. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary."
- (9) Aeronautical Lodge 756, thanking the Secretary of the Council for attending and assisting at their organizing meetings and reporting that they had secured 132 new members. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."
- (10) Carpenters Local 452, reporting that they are in favor of the proposed membership drive and will assist wherever possible. Also reported they have been carrying on an Organizing Campaign for the past three months and the International office is assisting them financially.
- (11) United Garment Workers 190, notifying that they had endorsed the plan as sent out by the Organizing Committee. "On motion received and noted."
- (12) City Council, notifying they had decided not to grant further sightseeing licenses. "On motion received with appreciation and filed."
- (13) Building Trades Council, notifying that they have no objection to the Trades Council placing the Alex Gair Company, East Hastings Street, on the Non Patronage list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."
- (14) Stenographers, Typists, Local 18177, reporting that they would participate in the 50th Anniversary and would need at least 10 tickets. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."

(15) Victoria Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their meeting held on June 7th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(16) Board of Police Commissioners, reporting that they had referred the question of the enforcement of the daylight delivery for milk Bylaw 2393 to the Chief Constable. Also from Chief Foster, stating that a check had been kept upon milk deliveries in the City and no infractions of the Bylaw had been noted, but that if we had any information, that the Bylaw was not being observed, they would be pleased to receive particulars. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary to get the necessary information."

(17) J.A.P. Haydon, Ottawa, notifying that he had prepared a book entitled "Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, History, Encyclopedia, Reference Book." and that the same is on sale at \$3.00 per copy. "On motion this Council to purchase two copies and recommend that each affiliated Union should secure a copy of the book. Locals wishing to purchase should write to J.A.P. Haydon, 127 Huron Ave., Ottawa, Ontario"

(18) Pile Drivers 2404, dealing with the need of an adequate program of Public Works to be undertaken by the Federal Government to take care of the idle workers in the Construction industry. Also enclosing a resolution for the purpose of calling a meeting of members of all affiliated Unions, to discuss the question. "On motion received, the subject matter endorsed in principle and referred to the Executive to consult with the Executive of the Building Trades Council, for the purpose of bringing a concrete proposal in."

(19) Union Label Council, recommending that this Council affiliate with the Union Label Department of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, the cost of which is \$5.00. "On motion received and recommendation endorsed."

(20) Relief Project Workers Union, Shawigan Lake, notifying that they have successfully boycotted Leckies Shoes and asking for information regarding the situation at present existing with the Leckie Shoe Co. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary for reply."

(21) Carpenters 452, United Bro., replying to circular dealing with the 50th anniversary banquet of the Council and recommending that old members in the International Labor Movement, rather than politicians be at the head table. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."

(22) Cap Makers Union #79, Windsor, Ontario, notifying that the Windsor Cap and Textiles Ltd., are "Unfair". "On motion received and noted."

(23) Toronto District Labor Council reporting the Hon. W.G. Herdridge, is addressing a special meeting of the Toronto Council on Wednesday, June 28th, from 8:45 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time. The address is to be broadcast over the Canadian Broadcasting stations on a National hookup.

Executive reported having considered the question of all night street car service and recommended that the following resolution, as introduced by Delegate Gouthro at the last meeting, be endorsed:

That this Council request the Provincial Utilities Commission to take up with the B.C. Electric Railway Co., the question of an all night street car service in the City of Vancouver and that we request the City Council to give their support to its introduction. "On motion endorsed."

Executive recommended that the Council endorse the Motion Picture entitled "Professor Mamlock" to be shown at the Beacon Theatre and advised our affiliated membership to see the picture which portrays oppression in Fascist Germany.

Executive reported having received a request from the Vancouver Occupational Industries to appoint a representative to act on their Board of Directors and recommended that delegate Chris Pritchard be sent. "On motion endorsed."

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

REPORTS OF OFFICERS and Committees--

President reported that he had interviewed the City Council regarding the regulation of hours for the Cabarets and that he had done so as Secretary of the Musicians Union and not in the capacity of President of this Council as some members of the Ministry were now construing it. Also that he wished to contradict a recent press item

that he would be a Liberal candidate in the East Vancouver Federal Elections. "On motion report accepted."

**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE**--Delegate Hughes reported they had considered the question of the Alex Gair Company, East Hastings Street, and recommended that this firm be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion report received and recommendation adopted."

**PRESS COMMITTEE**--Del. Holland reported that the Press Committee had held several meetings during the past few months and given a great deal of consideration to the financial position, the circulation and the revenue with a view to improving the scope and usefulness of the official organ of the Council. That they have taken up the cost of printing with the people now doing the printing and that when this matter is adjusted a further report will be made. Discussion arose on the question and Secretary pointed out how the Statesman was brought into being by the Council and the need of more Unions supporting it. Several delegates spoke on the same question. "On motion report received as progress."

**UNION LABEL COUNCIL**--Delegate Smith reported the advantages of patronizing Union shops and labels. Also had on display the chair which is to be given as a first prize in the competition for the one having the most labels which is being put on by the Label Trades Council. Delegates wishing to enter should get in touch with Delegate Ed. Smith.

**ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**--Del. Stewart reported organizing drive going along successfully. General meeting arranged in New Westminster on June 29th at the Legion Hall. Delegates Bengough and Page have been invited to address the meeting and Alderman Cook of New Westminster. Also they are planning a series of radio broadcasts and literature to be used in the campaign and recommended that a donation of \$10.00 be made towards the New Westminster expenses.

**BANQUET COMMITTEE**--Delegate Showler requested that every effort be made to reply to the letter as sent out by the Secretary of the Council regarding the possible numbers who will attend as arrangements have to be made in advance and we hope to have a big attendance of both officers and members of affiliated Unions, to the Anniversary Banquet to be held on November 21st.

Delegate Pritchard reported on the meeting that was held on the 12th instant in the City Hall to deal with Part 2 of the Housing Act and the need for the City Council to go ahead on this project where the City can secure the money at 2%, building a number of low rental houses which are necessary and provide a great deal of employment for those in the construction industry. "On motion report received."

Del. Fordyce reported that he was now prepared to render a report on the Welfare Federation and it was moved, seconded and carried that this be dealt with at the next meeting under a special order of business at 8:30 p.m.

**Labor Day Committee**--Delegate Smith reported having taken up the question with the Exhibition Management and that they had suggested a Union section for floats and putting up prizes amounting to \$150.00 providing 10 floats were entered. While arrangements had all been made for this year for Labor Day, the Exhibition authorities were prepared to take up the question for the following year. Discussion arose regarding holding of a Labor Day celebration at new Westminster and the report was received as progress and the Committee to take up further.

**REPORTS OF UNIONS**--**Bakers 468**, Del. Humphreys reported that the Campbell Bakery had now done away with night work and were operating on a day basis. Also thanked the Council for \$25.00 donated and reported that the trial had been adjourned. That the Union had submitted a basis of settlement but that the Company was not prepared to make any concessions. That the date for trial being resumed had not yet been set. Delegates and members are requested to note that the Woman's Bakery are still on the Non Patronage list.

**Machinists Lodge 692**--Delegate Marshall reported that the Machinists International Office had appointed another representative in this District to carry on the work of the late Brother Arbuckle in organizing machinists in British Columbia. Also that the Machinists would appreciate the cooperation of other Trades and members to use their influence in having machine work done in Union shops.

**Aeronautical Lodge 756**--del. Price reported that they had secured other members since the letter had been sent in to the Secretary and that they now had 216 members.

**Jewelry Workers 42**--Del. Farrington reported that he had signed up Jacoby's and now had two closed shops. Also that they are negotiating with the other shops and that the International office is considering ways and means to render financial assistance.

**NEW BUSINESS**--

The question of the letter being sent out by the Provincial Department of Labor, requesting copies of any signed agreements was brought up. It was felt by some delegates that the Provincial Department of Labor was requesting too much information. "On motion of delegate Showler, it was seconded and carried that the Executive take this question under consideration and advise as to whether this information should be given or not."

Moved by Delegate Stewart, seconded and carried that this Council donate \$10.00 to the New Westminster organizing meeting to be held on the 29th.

Moved, seconded and carried that this Council request the City Council to set up a Local authority, under Part 2 of the Dominion Housing Act for the purpose of getting under way immediately a low rental housing project. Following discussion on the question it was brought out that many Aldermen who should be in favor are apparently opposed to providing both the needed employment and necessary housing.

On motion of delegate Munro, seconded and carried, that we protest to the Attorney General the arresting of the Tin Canners on the basis that they were arrested on a charge of obstructing the Police, instead of a vagrancy charge and that being arrested on a charge of obstruction they had automatically been given a criminal record. We therefore request that their names be deleted from the Police records.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

*Ed. Bengough* Secretary.

*E. A. Humphreys* President.

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I. A. of F. F. Slc--for Chas. A. Watson.

Civic Empl. Local 28 for this evening for H.C.Minard in place of D. Rafferty who is working and J. Pears replacing W. Offer.

Pile Drivers 2404, for J.McGuffie, P.Eckland, R.Dobbin, A.A.Read.

Milk Drivers 464, for L. Cook.

Engineers 115, for D.Hodges in place of E. McCallum.

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CORRESPONDENCE:--

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(2) Upholsters 306, enclosing a check for \$4.00 for Bakery Workers. "On motion received and turned over to the Bakers Local 468"

(3) City Council, acknowledging receipt of correspondence dealing with all night street-car service and Part 2 of the Dominion Housing Act. "On motion received and filed."

(4) Prov. Minister of Labor, replying to a letter from the Council and stating that the Provincial Government is doing all it can in the matter of providing work for the unemployed. "On motion received & filed."

(5) Ald. H.L.Corey as a Trade Unionist and a member of an affiliated Union, asking the privilege of the floor for 15 minutes at this meeting. "On motion received and complied with."

(6) Greater Vancouver Youth Council acknowledging receipt of \$5.00 affiliation fee from this Council. "On motion received and filed."

(7) Int. Woodworkers, B.C.Coast Cncl., notifying they had appointed a delegate to attend meetings of the Organizing Committee and will cooperate every way possible. "On motion referred to Organizing Committee."

(8) Victoria Trades and Labor Council enclosing minutes of their meeting held on June 21st. "On motion received and filed."

(9) Camp & Mill Workers 31, pledging their support to the Organizing program and stating that they will endeavor to get the Amalgamated Fishermen's Assoc. which is chartered by the Congress to affiliate with this Council. "On motion received with appreciation and referred to the Organizing Committee."

(10) Geo. H. Hewitt Co. Ltd., stating that they are in a position to supply Union made buttons carrying the labels of the Allied Printers, Jewelry Workers and the Metal Beaters. "On motion received and noted." Question was raised regarding the buttons of this Council. Secretary reported that while this Council has a contract for buttons until the end of the year, when it expires efforts will be made to give the order to a Local firm."

(11) Toronto Bookbinders Local 28, enclosing a resolution addressed to the Prime Minister of Canada requesting that Canada should have the right to publish the Holy Bible. "On motion received and endorsed."

(12) Friends of the MacKenzie-Papineau Batt'n., notifying a number of tickets are out and that all tickets and stubs should be in before Saturday the 8th. "On motion received and called to the attention of the delegates."

(13) Army & Navy Veterans, South Vancouver United, dealing with the question of employees of several business concerns who are in the habit of obtaining a vacation during the Horse racing season and securing employment at the race tracks, thereby depriving men who are not employed from obtaining employment. "On motion received, the sentiments expressed in the letter endorsed and the Secretary to take up with the proper authorities."

(14) Hotel & Rest. Empl. Port Arthur, Ont. notifying that they have a strike on at the Royal Edward Hotel in Ft. William and requesting the financial & moral support. "On motion received and referred to Unions".

(15) Bakery & Conf. Wkrs. 468, dealing with the situation still existing regarding the Woman's Bakery strike and requesting the Executive to advise as to the best possible way of bringing this strike to a successful conclusion. "On motion received and a meeting to be arranged by the Executive of the Council and Local 468 Executive on Monday the 10th instant at 2:30 p.m."

(16) Mrs. A.Head writing on behalf of the small producers and the need of their becoming organized. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary for reply."

(17) New Democracy Movement notifying they have opened offices at 736 Granville St. "On motion received and noted."

(18) Canadian Institute on Economics and Politics, extending an invitation to attend a conference on the crisis of Democracy, to be held at Lake Couchiching, Ont. "On motion received and filed."

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

Del. Fordyce reported for the Committee which had been appointed by this Council in Dec. 1938 to investigate Welfare Federation and its Agencies. The report dealing with the many phases of the activities of the Federation was dealt with at length and it was moved, seconded and carried that the thanks of the Council be extended to delegate Fordyce and the report referred to the Executive of the Council to consider and report back to this Council with recommendations.

Question arose regarding Ald. Corey being in the hall and Bro. Corey voluntarily withdrew during the discussion.

A motion was made that the Press be given a copy of the report but same was ruled out of order by the Chair.

Alderman Corey then addressed the Council on his position in relation to Part 2 of the Dom. Housing Act and gave his opinion that houses so constructed would not fill the needs of the City in supplying low rental houses. Also dealt with the assistance that he had rendered to the officers and various organizations. The address was received with interest and appreciation.

On motion it was decided to suspend the regular order of business and proceed with the nomination of officers.

PRESIDENT: E.A.Jamieson, Musicians 145, nominated.

VICE PRESIDENT: James Smith, Carpenters 452; Sam Smylie, Plumbers 170; B. Showler, Milksalesmen and A. Fordyce, Bricklayers, nominated.

GEN. SECY-TREAS: Percy R. Bengough, Machinists 692, nominated.

WARDEN: Ed. Smith, Painters; W.Wilson, Floorlayers; S.Hughes, Butchers 94; nominated.

STATISTICIAN: W.Stewart, Hotel & Restaurant; T.Holland, Typo.226, nominated, and D. Maxwell, Retail Clerks; R. Atkinson, Truck Drivers, nominated.

ORGANIZING COMM. CHAIRMAN:-- C.M.Stewart, Div. 101, nominated.

LEGISLATIVE COMM. CHAIRMAN:--J.Humphreys, Bakers; E.H.Morrison, Elec. Wkrs; R.H.Weelands, Typographical and S. Shearer, Railway Carmen 58, nominated.

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Nominations closed to be reopened again at the next regular meeting. Del. Showler called attention of the Delegates that the Palm Dairy Products are a Burns product and unfair and that these had been used by the School Board at their picnic.

Moved, seconded and carried that Election of Officers at the next meeting be made a special order of business at 8:30 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

E. A. Jamieson President. Percy R. Bengough Secy.

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council held on Tues. July 18, 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 Unions.

- CREDENTIALS:**-- Film Exchange Empl. B-71 for Mr. Bird and Mr. Findlay in place of regular delegates for tonight's meeting.
- Molders' Local 281, for J. Foster, T. Barclay, R. McAllister.
  - Railway Carmen No. 58, for Pete Smith in place of James Work.
  - Tailors' Local 178, for J. Cormack, J. Anderson, S. Constantine.
  - Brick & Clay Workers, for Bro. Young and J. Davis.
  - Carpenters Local 452, for R. J. Thompson at tonights' meeting, replacing W. Page who is out of town on Union business.
  - Barbers' Int. Union 120, for R. J. Guthrie and R. English, replacing Bros. Cairndorff and Parkin.
  - Retail Clerks Union 279, for J. Stinson in place of D. Maxwell who is attending a Convention out of town.
  - Aeronautical Lodge 756 I. A. of M., for G. Dearlove, L. Taylor, J. Caulfield and E. Westmoreland.
  - Beer Parlors Empl. Local 676, J. F. Mohan and F. Mills in place of T. Edwards.
  - Machinists Lodge 692, for Bro. Hall in place of T. Conway.
  - Jewelry Workers Local 42, for W. Richardson in place of H. Sommer-ville who is ill.
  - Engineers Local 115, for D. Hodges, H.G. Grant, J.R. Flynn,
  - Musicians' Local 145, H. Stoker in place of W. Edmunds.
  - Electrical Wkrs. 213, for H.J. Astbury, J.N. Ross, H. W. Watts, E.H. Morrison, L. Bemister, J.J. Harnett, E.G. Saunier,
  - Butchers' Local 95, for A. Beaubien
  - Butchers' Local 94, for L. Willis replacing M. Broadack
  - Painters & Decorators 138, for G. Powell, J. Brecknell, Ed. Smith
  - A. E. Rowland, R.S. Stevenson, J. McArthur and Geo. Phillips.
  - Milk Drivers' Local 464, O. J. Bennett as a substitute for B. Showler who is ill and unable to attend tonight's meeting.
  - Hotel and Restaurant Empl. Local 28, for Sister A. Sarich, and P. Koop and Bros. C. Cotton and W. Henning in the absence of J. Meirte, B. Gehle, J. Pearson and E. Whitman. Also Sister D. Waggett elected as a new delegate.
  - Furniture Workers' 1025, for H. Ferehnbach, W. Henderson, D. MacKay and V. Lowe.
  - Shingle Weavers Local 2235, for Geo. Moul.
- "On motion credentials were received and delegates present obligated."

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**--

- (1) Bro. Railway Carmen, enclosing a check for \$5.00 for the Bakers Union. "On motion received with appreciation and turned over to Bakers."
- (2) City Clerk, replying to correspondence relative to an all-night street-car service and stating that the same had been referred to the special committee of the City Council on transportation matters to take up with the B. C. Electric Railway Co. "On motion received and filed."
- (3) Mr. W. G. Murrin, Pres. B. C. Elec. acknowledging receipt of correspondence dealing with our request for an all night street-car service. "On motion received and filed."
- (4) Salmon Purse Seiners and United Fishermens' Unions, enclosing a resolution condemning the purchase by British interests of 680 thousand cases of Japanese canned salmon, and explaining that the order could easily be filled in Canada and provide employment for Canadian fishermen and workmen. That we request the Dominion and Provincial Governments to intervene the placing of the order. That it should also be taken up with the British Trade Union Congress. "On motion received and endorsed"

(5) City Council re low rental housing projects and notifying that the Council had recommended that the correspondence received from this Council be referred to the Housing Committee. "On motion received and noted."

(6) Hotel & Rest. Empl. Union fully endorsing the 50th Anniversary Banquet and stating that they would at least require 40 tickets. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."

(7) Int. Woodworkers B.C. District Council, endorsing the tentative plans of the Golden Jubilee Banquet and notifying that they would need at least 20 tickets. "On motion referred to the Banquet Committee".

(8) Beer Parlor Empl. Local 576, requesting reservation of 20 tickets for the Jubilee Banquet. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."

(9) Friends of MacKenzie-Papineau Batt'n. in Spain dealing with their picnic at Seymour Park and containing a list of prize winners, the first prize being won by a member of the Brewery Workers Union Local 300. "On motion received and noted."

(10) Bakery & Confectionery Wkrs. 468, acknowledging donations through the Council from the Piledrivers, Musicians and Taxi Drivers and also \$25.00 donated by the Council. Further stating that they would cooperate with the Organizing Committee in every way possible and will participate in the 50th Anniversary banquet and will need 14 tickets.

(11) Hon. Norman Rogers, Dom. Minister of Labor replying to a letter from this Council in which we requested the Federal Government to institute a program of Public Works to provide employment in the construction industry and setting out what the Dominion Government had undertaken in this direction. "On motion received and noted."

Executive further submitted the following report:

At a meeting of the Executive held on Friday, July 14th, at which the following members were present: Smith, Hughes, Jamieson, Bengough, C. Stewart and W. Stewart, the report of Vice Pres. Fordyce on the Welfare Federation and its agencies was very carefully considered.

In our opinion the report represents a great deal of valuable work. We are unanimously of the opinion that Delegate Fordyce should be complimented on the very able and efficient manner in which he has carried out the work that the Council assigned to him.

We recommend the following changes in the report: First dealing with the Columbia Coast Mission. The report recommends that this agency should be taken over and financed by the Provincial Government. We think that this should be changed to read, "the Dominion and Provincial Governments".

The paragraph dealing with the Seamen and Sailors' organizations. We recommend that this be deleted as what possible changes that could have been made in the direction of the recommendation, have already been made.

Dealing with the Soldiers' organizations: After thoroughly reviewing this section of the report and in view of the fact that they seek and receive funds for charitable purposes, we recommend that this Section of the report be changed to read: "In our opinion the Returned Soldiers' organizations could for the purpose of receiving assistance from the Welfare Federation, centralize their activities for this purpose with the idea of reducing their administrative costs to save as much as possible of Public funds."

Regarding the Returned Soldiers' Club and the difference in the number of the 313 funerals that the report of the Returned Soldiers' Club showed, and the 197 ex-service men buried in Mountain View Returned Soldiers' plot. We have received information that the other 116 were buried in other cemeteries throughout the Province. We have written for the details on this and until definite information is received, we would recommend that we defer action on this part of the Fordyce report.

We recommend the adoption of the Committee's report as amended with the following observations:

Your Executive is of the opinion that all such charitable activities as are carried on by the Welfare Federation rightfully belong to the State. We believe that good government would fully take care of the sick, aged and physically handicapped and that such Social service work is the full responsibility of the Government of the Country and should not be left to any form of charity.

However, we have to recognize the fact that Governments up to now have not recognized their responsibilities in such directions and that in the meantime some other means have to be found to provide the various agencies with the very necessary monies, Having in mind that we have to meet conditions as they are and not as we would like them to be, we believe that it is advantageous to have our charities organized instead of unorganized. From this direction we believe that the Welfare Federation is doing valuable work. It has eliminated a great deal of overlapping and is rendering a valuable community service.

We would recommend that the Council seek official representation on the Board of the Welfare Federation and that our delegate or delegates to it would then be better able to advance the views and carry out the policies of the organized Labor Movement.

"Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive be received and endorsed and delegate Fordyce given a hearty vote of thanks for the services rendered."

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

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**--The following Tellers were appointed: J. Ross, Electrical Wkrs. 213; H. Ashton, Civic Employees 28; J. Flynn, Engineers Local 115 and R. Pollock, Projectionists 348.

**PRESIDENT:**--Delegates E. A. Jamieson, Musicians 145 and A. Fordyce, Bricklayers No. 1. Delegate Jamieson receiving 136 votes; Fordyce 66, Secretary declared Delegate E. A. Jamieson elected.

**VICE PRESIDENT:**--Delegates James Smith, Carpenters 452; Birt Showler, Milkalesmen 464 and A. Fordyce, Bricklayers, nominated. First ballot Smith 85, Showler 45 and Fordyce 70. Second Ballot, Smith 123, Fordyce 76 and 1 spoiled ballot. Delegate J. G. SMITH, elected.

**GENERAL SECRETARY-TREASURER:**-- Delegate P. R. BENGOUGH, Machinists 692, elected by acclamation.

**WARDEN:**--Delegates Ed. Smith, Painters 138; S. S. Hughes, Butchers 94 and D. Macpherson, Sheet Metal Local 280, nominated. First ballot, Smith 63, Hughes 81 and Macpherson 56. Second ballot, Smith 83 and Hughes 116, Delegate S. S. HUGHES, elected.

**STATISTICIAN:**--Delegates D. Maxwell, Retail Clerks 279; R. Atkinson, Truck Drivers Local 31 and D. Macpherson, Sheet Metal 280, nominated. First ballot, Maxwell 70, Macpherson 97 and Atkinson, 34. Second ballot, Maxwell 70 and Macpherson 127, Delegate D. MACPHERSON, elected.

**ORGANIZING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:**--C. M. Stewart, Division 101 Street Railwaymen, nominated. Delegate C. M. STEWART elected by acclamation.

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:**--Delegates J. Humphreys, Bakers 468; R.H. Neelands, Typographical 226 and S. Shearer, Railway Carmen 58, nominated. First ballot, Humphreys 76 votes and Neelands 87 votes and Shearer 23. Second ballot Humphreys 89, Neelands 91, 1 ballot spoiled. Delegate R. H. NEELANDS, elected.

**PRESS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:**--Delegates T. Holland, Typographical 226; J. Hay, Milkalesmen 464 and W. Stewart, Hotel & Restaurant 28, nominated. Delegate Holland 63 votes, Hay 16 and Stewart 95. 1 spoiled ballot. Delegate Wm. STEWART, elected.

**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:**--Delegates W. Watts, Electrical Wkrs. 213; B. Hankin, Upholsterers 306 and W. Wilson, Carpenters 452 and G. Maxwell, Retail Clerks 279, nominated. Watts 25 votes, Hankin 32, Wilson 97 and Maxwell 18. Delegate W. WILSON, elected

The Officers elected were installed by C. E. Herrett, First International Vice President, Barbers Union.

During the election, it was moved, seconded and carried that the time for adjournment be extended one-half hour.

The attention of the Delegates was called to the fact that the Hotel and Restaurant Employees Local 28 were having a Moonlight Cruise on Thursday, the 20th instant.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

*E. A. Jamieson*  
*President*

*Percy R. Bengough*  
*Secretary*

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, August 1st, 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.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

(1) Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, stating that they had conducted a campaign for improved Compensation for the victims of silicosis and that the Minister of Labor has called a conference on Silicosis and invited delegates from mining camps to attend. The Union requested an opportunity to place their case before the Council delegates and requested that the Council should have representation at the conference. "On motion received, delegation to be given ten minutes and the Secretary of this Council to attend the conference."

(2) Hamilton Trades & Labor Council, asking for financial assistance for their Labor Day celebration. "On motion received and filed."

(3) Local Joint Executive Board Hotel & Restaurant Employees, enclosing copy of a resolution they had passed requesting the Provincial Government to put the Health Insurance Act into effect immediately as made in their pre-election promises and as requested by the Electors of the Province, instead of listening further to the opposition of the Canadian Manufacturers and Medical Associations. Further requested that the Council draft a similar resolution, sending copies to all affiliated Unions to be endorsed and forwarded to all M.L.A.'s and all B.C. Federal M.P.'s. "On motion received, subject matter of the resolution endorsed and action taken along the lines suggested."

(4) Deep Sea Fishermen's Union Prince Rupert, telegram, stating that there is a rumor that the Burns trouble has been settled. Also a copy of the reply forwarded by the Council Secretary, stating there is no truth at all in rumors and we expect continuation of non patronizing would yet bring results. "On motion action of Secretary in forwarding same endorsed."

(5) Typographical Local 226, congratulating the Council on entering its 50th Anniversary year of activity and usefulness in this city and stating that they would need at least 15 or 20 tickets for the banquet. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."

(6) B.C. Projectionists Society reporting they would need at least 30 tickets for the banquet and possibly more. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."

(7) Prime Minister of Canada, acknowledging receipt of letter in which we requested that the restrictions be removed and the printing and binding of the Bible be made possible in Canada and stating that the matter was being taken up with the Department concerned. "On motion received and filed."

(8) Provincial Premier, acknowledging receipt of the letter condemning the purchase of Japanese canned salmon by British interests. "On motion received and filed."

(9) Army and Navy Veterans of Canada, Provincial Command, enclosing a resolution as opposed to the practice of employees who receive annual holidays with pay, accepting employment at the race tracks and other places, during their holidays. "On motion received." It was brought out that the meeting at which the resolution was passed had been held in the Non Union Eden Cafe. "On motion the matter was referred back to the Executive for further consideration and to take up with the organization."

(10) Vancouver Exhibition Assoc., stating that they are unable to set aside any portion of the Park for this Labor Day but would be glad to consider an application for another year. "On motion received and filed."

(11) British Trade Union Congress acknowledging receipt of the Civic Employees' and Fishermens' buttons and stating that the Fishermens badge was the first fishermens' badge in a collection of now over 1200. "On motion received and filed."

(12) Victoria Trades Council enclosing minutes of meeting held on July 19th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(13) Bakers Local 468, acknowledging receipt of donations from Railway Carmen 58, Meatcutters 95 and Upholsterers 306 and thanking affiliated Locals for assistance and reminding all that the Woman's Bakery is still on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received and members requested to note."

(14) Greater Vancouver Health League enclosing a pamphlet describing in simple terms the technique of artificial respiration and stating that they have copies available for distribution. "On motion received and Secretary to secure 100 copies."

(15) Baltimore Federation of Labor, regarding the Bata Shoe Co., of Czechoslovakia who are carrying on an extensive building program of dwellings, schools and churches and bringing in a number of aliens to work in their factory. "On motion received and noted and to be taken up with the Dominion authorities as similar Non Union activities are being carried on in Eastern Canada by this Company."

(16) Greater Vancouver Traffic Safety Council reporting that they have put on a Secretary and requesting affiliated organizations to pay an annual fee of ten dollars. "On motion received and \$10. to be forwarded."

(17) A.F. of L. dealing with the Workers' Education Bureau of America and in view of the fact that we have the Workers' Educational Assoc. in Canada, correspondence was received and filed."

(18) Label Trades Committee, Trades & Labor Congress of Canada, acknowledging receipt of \$5.00 affiliation. "On motion received and filed."

Executive reported that a request of the Engineers 882, regarding changes to the Minimum Wage regulations had been referred to the President and Secretary of the Council to meet the representatives of the Union."

Executive further reported having received the Convention Call from the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada and that this will be dealt with at the next meeting.

Further recommended the following appointments to the Committees:

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE: - C. Stewart, Div. 101, elected Chairman. Appointed  
P.R. Bengough, Machinists, J. Stevenson, Carpenters  
C. Herrett, Barbers, J. Ross, Electrical Wkrs.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: - R.H. Neelands, Typographical elected Chairman.  
P.R. Bengough, Machinists, T. Carson, St. Railwaymen  
J. Humphreys, Bakers, W. McComb, Stereotypers  
C. Pritchard, Plumbers, J. Ross, Electricians  
E. Smith, Painters

PRESS COMMITTEE: - W. Stewart, elected Chairman.  
P. R. Bengough, Machinists, George Miller, Fishermen  
J. Flynn, Engineers, J. Humphreys, Bakers,  
J. Thomson, Inland Boatmen, and  
one other to be added.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE: - W. Wilson, Carpenters, elected Chairman.  
P.R. Bengough, Machinists, C. Pritchard, Plumbers  
W. Couper, Beverage Dispensers, and one to be appointed from  
the Union affected when grievance comes up.

President appointed the following Audit Committee; R.H. Neelands, C. Pritchard and C. E. Herrett.

President called attention of the delegates that Bro. Jack Bruce, Canadian representative, Plumbers and Steamfitters and Ernie Ingles, Canadian Vice President Electrical Workers were in attendance and would be invited to address the Council later in the evening.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Traffic Safety Council, delegate Showler reported that the "100 Deathless Days" campaign had so far been a failure on account of lack of cooperation. That posters were being put out similar to the one in the front of the hall tonight and requested delegates to advocate greater safety on the streets.



Banquet Committee--Del. Showler reported the Committee still desires information from a number of Unions as to the probable number of tickets they will be requiring. That they are taking under advisement the letter received from the Carpenters Union and also asked Unions to consider giving tickets to their old time members. Further pointed out that tickets are to be limited and that it will be necessary to notify the Secretary of the Council as early as possible as to how many tickets will be required.

Organizing Committee--Del. C. Stewart reported two meetings had been held in New Westminster. That new members had been secured for the Carpenters in New West. That the Hotel & Restaurant Employees had set up a mixed Local and that steps were under way to set up a sub local of Musicians. Also that the Label Trades Council were assisting. That efforts were being made to secure the affiliation of organizations eligible and the Committee recommended that a letter of thanks be sent to the Wrigley Printing Co. for the donation of the organizing pamphlets. "On motion report received and recommendation concurred in."

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Delegate Ed. Smith reported for the Labor Day Committee that he had visited New Westminster, been well received by the Mayor and members of the Park Committee but the Committee feel that the cost of holding a celebration at New Westminster would be prohibitive at the present time in view of the Banquet being held in November. Recommended that no steps be taken to hold Sports this year, but the Committee to continue to arrange for Labor Day Sports next year.

Considerable discussion arose regarding the report of the Committee and on a Show-of-hands vote, 44 voted for the acceptance of the report and 55 opposed.

Moved, seconded and carried that the question be considered by the Executive to bring in a report to the next meeting.

A delegation from the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers were then given the privilege of the floor. Tom Forkin of the Mine Workers thanked the Council for the privilege extended and introduced Bro. Hillis of the Bralorne Miners who dealt with the proposals for the prevention of silicosis and for better treatment for the sufferers of this industrial disease. The address was received with appreciation and the Council to render all support.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--

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NEW BUSINESS:--Moved by del. Fordyce, seconded and carried that the Secretary when attending the Silicosis meeting, take up the question also on behalf of other organizations that are subjected to the dangers of silicosis.

Delegate Copping moved the following resolution: WHEREAS there is a clause in the male minimum wage act allowing 33-1/3% of the employees in certain industries to be employed at less than the minimum wage set, and WHEREAS this has proved to be detrimental to the best interests of the workers concerned, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Council deems it advisable to take up with the Provincial Department of Labor, the need for reducing this from 33-1/3% to 10%. "On motion carried."

The question of the Bata Shoe Co., was further discussed. Organizer Bruce pointed out that the Company had already been established in Frankfort, Ont. and they had been permitted to bring in a certain number of Aliens. Moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary take up this question with the Ottawa Government.

A motion made by del. Shaw that a copy of the Labor Statesman be sent to all organizations in the City was ruled out of order by the Chair.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--Delegate asked if it was possible to purchase Union made cigarettes here. Del. Herrett reported non produced with the tobacco Workers label, but that the Sweet Caporal had an agreement with the Tobacco workers.

Ernie Ingles, Int. Vice President, Electrical Wkrs. addressed the Council on conditions of Labor existing throughout Canada. That many "Ox-cart" ideas and operations still prevailed and pointed out that organization of workers was needed to change a lot of the present day iniquities. Brother Ingles pointed out in the matter of seeking legislation, that acts of Parliament are only of value if you have the organized strength to enforce them. The address was received with interest and appreciation.

Organizer Bruce, Plumbers & Steamfitters also addressed the Council on items of interest to the Movement. Also dealt with so called All Canadian Unions and pointed out how they are continually getting less in numbers. Further dealt with the immigration which is being allowed into this country in spite of the fact of the many we have in Canada who are on Relief. Further congratulated this Council on the work that had been done in organizing the various trades and pointed out how the Trade Union Movement can be made the spearhead of a tremendous Movement for getting better standards of living for the workers. Same was received with applause and appreciation.

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Plumbers & Steamfitters 170, Del. Pritchard reported that the Pipe Fitters had been unable to get an Agreement with the B.C.Marine and suggested that the Metal Trades concerned might jointly approach the Company.

NEW BUSINESS:--Moved by del. Fordyce, seconded and carried that the Secretary when attending the Silicosis meeting, take up the question also on behalf of other organizations that are subjected to the dangers of silicosis.

Delegate Copping moved the following resolution: WHEREAS there is a clause in the male minimum wage act allowing 33-1/3% of the employees in certain industries to be employed at less than the minimum wage set, and WHEREAS this has proved to be detrimental to the best interests of the workers concerned, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Council deems it advisable to take up with the Provincial Department of Labor, the need for reducing this from 33-1/3% to 10%. "On motion carried."

The question of the Bata Shoe Co., was further discussed. Organizer Bruce pointed out that the Company had already been established in Frankfort, Ont. and they had been permitted to bring in a certain number of Aliens. Moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary take up this question with the Ottawa Government.

A motion made by del. Shaw that a copy of the Labor Statesman be sent to all organizations in the City was ruled out of order by the Chair.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--Delegate asked if it was possible to purchase Union made cigarettes here. Del. Herrett reported non produced with the tobacco Workers label, but that the Sweet Caporal had an agreement with the Tobacco workers.

Ernie Ingles, Int. Vice President, Electrical Wkrs. addressed the Council on conditions of Labor existing throughout Canada. That many "Ox-cart" ideas and operations still prevailed and pointed out that organization of workers was needed to change a lot of the present day iniquities. Brother Ingles pointed out in the matter of seeking legislation, that acts of Parliament are only of value if you have the organized strength to enforce them. The address was received with interest and appreciation.

Organizer Bruce, Plumbers & Steamfitters also addressed the Council on items of interest to the Movement. Also dealt with so called All Canadian Unions and pointed out how they are continually getting less in numbers. Further dealt with the immigration which is being allowed into this country in spite of the fact of the mahy we have in Canada who are on Relief. Further congratulated this Council on the work that had been done in organizing the various trades and pointed out how the Trade Union Movement can be made the spearhead of a tremendous Movement for getting better standards of living for the workers. Same was received with applause and appreciation.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

*E. A. Keenan*

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Secretary.  
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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, August 15th, 1939.  
 Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President Jamieson in the Chair.  
 Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to  
 affiliated Unions.

CREDEENTIALS:-- Carpenters Local 452 for Geo. Bengough in place of Wm. Page during his absence from the city on Union business.  
Butcher Workers' Local 94, for F. G. Baxter and M. Broadack in place of F. Emerton and G. Smith.  
Jewelry Workers' Local 42, for Tom Hawken, Sonny Griffiths and Chas. Cooper.  
Building Laborers' 602, for J. F. Johnson and E. J. Webster.  
Machinists Lodge 692, for Brother Osborne  
 "On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Hotel and Restaurant Empl. Local 28 and Division 101, Street and Electric Railway Employees, enclosing a resolution pointing out that Labor Espionage as carried out in many industrial concerns in Canada is contrary to existing Provincial legislation and to the recent amendment to the Criminal Code, and resolving that we petition the 55th convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada to recommend to the Federal Government that all private detective agencies be subjected to the strictest Government supervision; that these agencies be required to submit the names and reports of all their operatives and operations to the Federal Department of Justice. "On motion received and resolution endorsed and to be forwarded to the Congress."

(2) Hotel and Restaurant Empl. 28 and Div. 101, Street Railwaymen, petitioning the Congress to devise ways and means whereby an Organizing Department can be set up within the Congress for the purpose of organizing the unorganized workers of Canada. "On motion received and endorsed."

(3) Hotel and Restaurant Employees Local 28, enclosing resolution condemning the use of injunctions in Labor disputes and asking the 55th Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada to press for amendments to the Criminal Code that will prevent the issuing of court injunctions until both parties to the dispute have been heard. "On motion received and endorsed."

(4) Street Railwaymen Div. 101, petitioning the 55th Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada to seek legislation providing for Government superannuation for all workers in public utilities over 60 years of age who have completed 25 years of continual service in the industry. "On motion received and endorsed."

(5) Millardville and New Westminster Joint Executive Bureau for part time and Relief workers requesting information as to whether a Charter can be issued to Unions of unemployed. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary to reply."

(6) Relief project Workers Union applying for representation on the Council. In view of the policy laid down by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada and as the Constitution of this Council can only accept delegates from Unions affiliated with the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada or the American Federation of Labor, and that the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada has decided that charters cannot be issued to unemployed organizations but only to Trade Unions, the same was on motion received and filed."

(7) Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees Union, enclosing the following resolution: THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Conventions of the Trades and Labor Congress be not held in cities in which less than 25 local unions are affiliated with the Congress. "On motion received and endorsed."

(8) Int. Woodworkers B. C. District Council, stating that the broadcast station C.J.O.R. had refused to allow in a broadcast, any reference to the B. C. Plywoods Ltd., in regard to a statement that 50 employees of the B. C. Plywoods were laid off and boys under 21 years of age taken in their places. They request this Council to join with them in sending a protest to the Broadcast station and the Commission. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee for investigation and report."

(9) Local 289 Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, Trail, B. C. explaining how efforts were being made to get the Company Union in the Trail Smelter registered with the Department of Labor as a Trade Union and the sole bargaining agency for the employees of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, and asking this Council to request the Provincial Government not to recognize Company Union until such such times as the employees at Trail have had an opportunity to democratically decide what organization is to be their bargaining agency. "On motion received, the subject matter endorsed and the Secretary to take up with the Provincial Government."

(10) Sointula Cooperative Store, requesting information as to whether the Leckie Shoe Company is on the Non Patronage list of this Council. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary for reply."

(11) Sign Writers Local 726, wishing every success to the 50th Anniversary banquet and making a reservation for six tickets. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."

(12) Secretary, Commercial Intelligence Service Dominion Government replying to correspondence from this Council in which we had protested British interests buying large quantities of Japanese canned salmon and setting out what had been done in this regard and that the British Board of Trade were proposing changes in the Merchandising Marks Act that will require labels on canned salmon sold in the United Kingdom to bear the name of the country of origin. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(13) Division 101, Street Railwaymen expressing appreciation of an address given by Brother W. Stewart at their meeting on August 7th when he made a report on the Youth Congress convention recently held in Winnipeg and which he attended as a delegate from this Council. "On motion received and noted."

(14) Minutes of the Victoria and District Council meeting held on Wednesday, August 2nd. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(15) Natural Resources Committee, Vancouver Youth Council, pointing out how other materials are sold as woolen goods and requesting legislation that would compel manufacturers of woolen goods to place on goods manufactured from re-worked wool, labels marked "Made From Re-Worked Wool" or made from synthetic materials. "On motion received and endorsed."

(16) Jewelry Workers Local 42 notifying that they are endeavoring to place Union Shop cards in the windows of watch-making establishments where Union men and good workmen are employed and requesting delegates and members to look for the Union card of the Jewelry Workers and ask for it if it is not on display.

Executive reported having considered the question of Labor Day celebrations this year and that in view of the coming banquet we recommend acceptance of the recommendation of the Committee as made at the last meeting. Executive recommended that no celebration be held this year but that a Committee be appointed to sound out the affiliated organizations and lay plans for the Labor Day celebration in 1940.

Executive further recommended having considered the question of the Convention call received from the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada and recommended that this Council send three delegates, one to be the Secretary of the Council. "Carried."

Moved and seconded that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted. Question was raised regarding an A. F. of L., C.I.O., resolution and the Chairman stated that the same had been ruled out of order. The question to adopt the report of the Executive was then put and carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:--Secretary reported that the President and himself had met with the representatives of the Engineers Local 882-B regarding the request for changes in the male minimum wage regulations, covering their industry and the question was being taken up further. "On motion report received."

Secretary reported having attended a meeting arranged by the Minister of Labor to deal with the Question of Silicosis and that the Mine Workers had presented their case in a very able manner and the Secretary had requested that any regulations to be brought in be brought in broad enough to include all other branches of industry in which workers are exposed to the dangers of silicosis. "On motion report received."

Organizing Committee:--Del. Stewart reported that a meeting had been held and that they had decided to hold regular meetings on the alternate Tuesdays to the Trades Council meetings. Committee favor Council putting on a series of Broadcasts. Also considered question of the Office Employees' Union and the need of members of other Unions lending assistance.

Note:--Officers and members of affiliated Unions are requested to advise their many friends in office employment to join the Office Employees' Union. Also to send in names of prospective members to the Council office.

Boycott Committee:--Delegate Shearer reported on recent broadcast made by Secretary of this Council on need of boycotting goods from Fascist and Agressor Nations. Question of Embargo was also reported on, and considered by the Council. "On motion it was decided that the question of embargo was one to be taken up by the Trades and Labor Congress with the Dominion Government. Boycott Committee thanked Brewery Workers and Floorlayers for donations received. "On motion report received."

--Del. Hughes reported that the firm of Alex Gair on the Non Patronage list of this Council is doing some of the biggest work in the Beer Parlors at New Westminster.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--United Fishermen Local 44, Del. Burgess reported that B. C. Union Fishermen are now catching Tuna Fish and B. C. canned tuna can now be purchased in this City.

Election of Delegates to Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. Chairman appointed the following to act as tellers: Delegates Shearer, Macaulay, Tennant and Smylie.

Delegates Chas. Stewart, W. Wilson, E. A. Jamieson, D. Macpherson and Ed. Smith nominated.

First Ballot, Chas. Stewart received 68 votes, Wilson 26, Jamieson 49, Macpherson 22 and Smith 27. Delegate Stewart, elected.

Second Ballot, Wilson 55, Jamieson 45, Macpherson 4 and Smith 8.

Third Ballot, Wilson 57, Jamieson 47, and Smith 7. Delegate Wilson, elected.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

PERCY R. BENGOUGH.

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, September 5th, 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:--

Metal Polishers, Buffers, Platers and Helpers Local 88. "On motion received and application accepted."  
Hotel & Restaurant Empl. Local 835, New Westminster. "On motion application received and accepted."

CREDENTIALS:--

B. C. Seamen's Union for H. Murphy and T. Irving, in place of Mitchell and Clark.  
Brewery Workers Local 300, for A. Dickie, J. Bayers, R. Padden and W. Fallant.  
Paint Makers Local 566, Frank Larson replacing William Healy. "On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present, Bengough, Wilson, Smith, C. Stewart, Macpherson, Jamieson, W. Stewart and Neelands.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) Victoria Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their regular meeting of August 16th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."
- (2) Butcher Workers Local 94, ordering 10 tickets to the coming Anniversary Banquet. "On motion received and referred to the Banquet Committee."
- (3) Boycott Committee enclosing financial statement ending July 31st. "On motion received and filed."
- (4) Greater Vancouver Health League, enclosing 100 leaflets on Artificial Respiration. "On motion received with appreciation and distributed."
- (5) Greater Vancouver Traffic Safety Council, acknowledging receipt of \$10.00 membership fee. "On motion received and filed."
- (6) Chairman, Board Industrial Relations, replying to a letter from this Council in which we pointed out the need for amending Section 5 of order #49 by reducing the percentage of young employees under 21 years of age who may be employed at less than minimum of 40¢ per hour. Reply stated that the matter had received consideration and will be placed before the Board at its next meeting. "On motion received and noted."
- (7) Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, dealing with the vote taken at Trail, B.C., and thanking this Council for the assistance rendered. Also from the Provincial Minister of Labor, stating that the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act does not give them the authority to conduct the ballot at Trail unless requested by a majority of the employees. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary."
- (8) United Fishermen 44, enclosing a resolution petitioning the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada to take up with the Minister of Trade and Commerce, the need of legislation to ensure that all imports of Foreign canned fish have the name of the country of origin stamped plainly on the top of each can. "On motion received and endorsed."
- (9) Civilian Pentioned Mothers Assoc., enclosing a copy of a letter which they had forwarded to the Prime Minister requesting the Government not to allow cost of living increases. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Executive."
- (10) Union Label Council notifying that they are putting on a campaign to bring to the attention of members and friends, the value of buying Union label goods and that they are distributing 25,000 purchase labels and request delegates and members to use them after Sept. 15th. "On motion received and campaign endorsed."
- (11) Street Railwaymen Div. 101, enclosing \$10.00 as a donation to the Boycott Committee. "On motion received and turned over to Committee."
- (12) Relief Project Workers Union. "On motion received and delegate to be heard at the next meeting."

*E. A. Jamieson*  
*Secretary*

Executive reported having received a resolution from the Fishermen Local 44 and the Salmon Purse Seiners 141, dealing with the seating of CIO delegates and as the resolution had been received too late and was not in conformity with the Constitution, the same had been ruled out of order by the Chair.

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

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--

Grievance Committee--Del. Wilson reported that the Committee had met to deal with the question of the Lumber Workers and Radio C.J.O.R. that the Manager of the Station had attended and had appointed out that all subjects are referred to their Lawyer and that he had advised against mentioning the name of the firm in particular. That in view of the fact that the protest had been registered the Committee recommended that no further action be taken in this case. "On motion report received and adopted."

Boycott Committee--Del. Shearer reported they are having 3000 pamphlets printed as to why we should boycott Nazi, and Fascist goods and that the question of Embargo had again been brought up. Following considerable discussion the report was adopted."

Chairman ruled that in view of the changing conditions that the pamphlet should be submitted to either the President or Secretary before publication.

Organizing Committee--Del. Stewart reported on meeting held on Aug. 24th and that a meeting was being arranged for Sept. 21st at 8 p.m. in the Legion Hall, New Westminster. Also that meetings had been held with the Laundry Workers and the employees of Canadian Cannery had been contacted. Further reported on organizations that are eligible to affiliate with this Council but have not done so. "On motion report received."

Audit Committee--Del. Neelands reported that they had gone over the books and accounts of the Council and LABOR Statesman; that the books are well kept, in order and balance with the bank and that any delegate who so desired could see a copy of the report in the Council office. "On motion report received and the Auditors thanked for their services."

REPORTS OF UNIONS--Del. Showler reported many men had been called up and that this had brought about some disorganization in deliveries and asked people to overlook this until such times as the routes are readjusted. Also reported that so-called All Canadian Federation of Labor had been endeavoring to get some Teamsters without results.

Upholsterers, Del. Harkin reported they had now completed an agreement with the Simons Co. and the upholstering industry was now 100% union.

Retail Clerks 279, Del. Maxwell reported they had some difficulty with the Seelinger Co. and so-called Canadian Federation of Labor. Also reported that Woodward's Grocery Dept. is unfair to their organization.

NEW BUSINESS--Del. Shearer pointed out that 3000 pamphlets of the Boycott Comm. were in the hands of the printer and moved that this Council endorse the pamphlet. Chairman ruled same out of order and reiterated his ruling that it would have to be submitted before printing.

Del. Fordyce introduced a resolution protesting against any part of the parks Board property being fenced off and admission charged. "On motion referred to the Executive to bring in a recommendation.

Del. W. Stewart moved that any communications sent to the Council from an affiliated Union should not be withheld by the Executive but shall be placed before the meeting. Chairman ruled same out of order and the ruling of the Chair was appealed. Vice Pres. Smith took the chair. Del. Stewart outlined his appeal and President Jamieson explained his position. "On a standing vote the chair was sustained, 60 voting for and 58 against.

Del. Leary moved that this Council ask the Trades Congress to take up with the Dom. Govt. the question of conscription and that if the Dom. Govt. find conscription necessary that wealth and industry be conscripted before man power. "On motion endorsed."

President read a Labor Day message that he had given at the request of the Daily Province previous to Labor Day. Same was received with appreciation.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

PERCY R. BENNEUGH, Secretary.

*Regular meetings Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1939 cancelled. Majority of Executive attending Trades and Labor Congress of Canada convention in London, Ont.*

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on October 17th, 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:--

Int. Union Engineers Local 963, for Bro. J. Aitken, D. Mitchell, D. Alsbury, and J. W. Bro.  
B. C. Seaman's Union, for A. Cartwright and A. Brown.  
United Garment Workers 190, for Walter Shaw, other delegates having resigned.  
Building Laborers 602, J. Rhymer in place of E. J. Webster.  
"On motion credentials received and delegates attending obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held same evening. Members present, Jamieson, Wilson, Bengough, J. Smith, Hughes, W. Stewart, C. Stewart and Neelands.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

- (1) Central Labor Council, Los Angeles, notifying that the Plumb Tool Co. of their city has been removed from the "Unfair" list, having now signed up a Union Agreement. "On motion received and noted."
- (2) Local 142 Paper Makers, Powell River, enclosing a copy of a letter they are sending to Grant McNeill, M.P. condemning the raise in commodity prices and requesting that Anti Profiteering Laws should be enacted. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Executive."
- (3) Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Wkrs. Local 76, Powell River, requesting information regarding the Munitions Act. "On motion received and referred to the Secretary for reply."  
Also requesting a list of B. C. Union shoe manufacturers, shirts, gloves, overalls, etc. "On motion received and Secretary to reply."
- (4) Victoria & District Trades & Labor Council enclosing minutes of their meetings held on Sept. 6th and Oct. 8th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."
- (5) Associated Actors and Artists of America, stating they have reached an agreement with the Theatrical Stage Employees. "On motion received and noted."
- (6) Stove Mounters Union Local 12, Cleveland, Tenn. notifying that Dixie stoves of their city are "Unfair". "On motion received and noted."
- (7) Copies of correspondence between the Council and the Provincial Minister of Labor, dealing with the request of the Barbers Union for an amendment to the B. C. Barbers' Act. Also a letter from the Barbers Local 120 thanking the Secretary of the Council for action taken. "On motion received and noted."
- (8) Young Men's Christian Assoc., notifying of the classes they are holding on Public Speaking and salesmanship. "On motion received and noted."
- (9) B. C. Chamber of Mines, giving particulars of the night classes being held in the King Edward High School on Mondays and Thursdays. That those wishing to join the classes should register at the B. C. Chamber of Mines, 402 Pender St. West. "On motion received and noted."
- (10) Bro. Frank Nichols and his Arcadians, dance orchestra, notifying that they are open to accept engagements for a dance or social orchestra. This is a 100% Union concern guaranteeing good service. "On motion received and noted."
- (11) Boot & Shoe Wkrs. International office, notifying that the Endicott-Johnston Shoe Co. are still Non Union. "On motion received and noted."
- (12) Bakery & Confectionery Wkrs. 468, suggesting amendments to the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act. "On motion received and referred to the Legislative Committee for consideration and report at the next meeting."
- (13) Vancouver Dist. Miners' Union dealing with the strike at Pioneer Mines in which they state that no action was taken until 12 days had elapsed on such grounds the Union claim that their strike was not illegal. "On motion received and the Council recorded as being of the opinion that the claim of the Pioneer Miners is just."

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:-- Delegate Showler reported for the Banquet Committee that circulars were being sent out to all Unions and that it is necessary for the Unions to reply as soon as possible regarding the number of tickets they require. The tickets are ready and can be secured at the Council office. Members and delegates are requested to note that it is vital at this time that they do their utmost in making this 50th Anniversary Banquet a success.

The delegates to the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada convention in London, Ont. reported. Delegate Wilson gave a full report, dealing with the addresses of welcome; that 432 delegates had attended, representing all classes of workers from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Further reported on many of the resolutions, including the resolution dealing with the foreign policy (a copy of which is attached) and the resolution dealing with the suspension of C. I. O. Unions (a copy of which is also attached). It was further reported that in connection with the prosecution of the war, the Convention had instructed the Executive Council to convene a conference of representatives of International organizations engaged in munitions and war supply industries, to lay down a definite policy to be presented to Premier MacKenzie King and members of his Government, under which all workers will be given the legal right to join Trade Unions of their choice for collective bargaining and to guarantee fair and equitable hours, wages and working conditions.

Delegate Wilson further reported on the election of officers; Tom Moore being elected President, R. J. Tallon, Secretary-Treasurer; P. R. Bengough, Vancouver; James Whitebone, St. John, N.B.; and Arthur D'Acoust Hull, Quebec elected Vice Presidents. That Vancouver had been selected as the next Convention city.

Delegate C. Stewart reported that he was not in favor of the resolution as passed on foreign policy until such times as a definite statement was secured from the Governments regarding their war aims.

Delegate Bengough reported that following his election he had been sent by the Congress Executive to meet with the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor in Cincinnati, regarding the autonomy of the Congress in chartering Trades and Labor Councils throughout the Dominion and in representing members of the International Unions in the Dominion of Canada.

"On motion report of the delegates received."

Delegate from the Relief Project Workers Union was given the privilege of the floor and addressed the Council on the many single unemployed who are in need of assistance and that the Youth Council are cooperating with them in endeavoring to register the single unemployed. Also reported that a dual organization is being formed under the wing of the Canadian Federation of Labor and should be condemned.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:-- Milk Salesmen--delegate Showler reported the Meadow-sweet Dairy which is operating in the University Area has signed up a Union agreement and is the first cheese factory to produce a Union Made product. The Kingston and Monterey cheeses are now produced under Union conditions and can be purchased in Vancouver stores. Also reported some efforts made to start a dual organization known as the Vancouver Distributors Union.

Civic Employees--delegate Ashton reported they had passed a resolution that no effort should be spared to heal the breach with the C.I.O. Unions.

Machinists Lodge 182--Delegate Oliver reported that they require 20 tickets for the banquet and that the Union is putting up one-half the cost of 2 tickets to all their members who desire to attend the banquet.

Engineers Local 882--Del. Flynn reported good results from their campaign around the hotels and thanked Beverage Dispensers 676 for assistance rendered. Also that they expect to complete their agreement with the Cowan Dodson Bakery for an increase of wages. Further that they have been endeavoring to get an agreement with the Daily Province but so far have been refused and that unless some improvement is secured definite action will be necessary.

Secretary called attention of the delegates that Brother Cox, Engineers 882-B, had presented the Movement with an original photograph of one of the Tolpuddle Martyrs, Mr. James Hammett, who is an ancestor of Brother Cox.

Secretary moved and Delegate Bartlett seconded that the Council extend a vote of thanks to Brother Cox. "Carried".

On motion of delegate C. Stewart, seconded and carried that the Council go on record as extending a protest to the Federal Government for patronizing the Leckie Shoe Company.

On motion of delegate Shaw, seconded and carried, Secretary to communicate with Governor Olsen of the state of California, extending congratulations for the release of Warren K. Billings.

Brother Tom Shields, representative of the Pacific Coast Metal Trades Council was invited to the floor and addressed the Council on the work of the Metal Trades Department and what they are endeavoring to do to bring about uniform agreements in the Metal Trades. Address was received with interest and appreciation."

The requests of the Relief Project Workers Union were on motion left in the hands of the Secretary with power to a t.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--Delegate Fordyce asked if the Secretary had received any reply to the letter which he had sent to a Returned Soldier organization, requesting particulars of the burial fund. Secretary replied that no letter had been received.

Question was asked regarding the Workers' Educational Association as to whether they would function this Winter. Delegate Bartlett reported that so far no arrangements had been made.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

*Handwritten signature: J. Shields*

Attached to Minutes of October 17th, 1939

The following Resolution was endorsed by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada convention 1939 in London, Ontario, with only sixteen dissenting votes.

FOREIGN RELATIONS

Substitute resolution for Nos. 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161.

WHEREAS, the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, a year ago, at its Niagara Convention, declared: "We are meeting with the black clouds of war overhanging Europe, threatening to engulf the world, devastating cities and towns, raining bombs and slaughtering women and children",

AND WHEREAS, this Congress further declared for the need and necessity to render help to all democratic countries whose independence and integrity were being challenged, and at that time urged upon our Government to cooperate with other peace-loving countries of the world in whatever steps were deemed essential to destroy the reign of terror imposed by Nazi and Fascist dictators and thus remove the menace of international lawlessness;

AND WHEREAS, we have, in the past, commended our Brothers in Britain and France for their stand in defence of those nations who have been singled out for attack and destruction by dictatorship powers, assuring them that should the time ever come when, through their action in defence of democracy and the rights of the workers in any land, they might be in need of our assistance and help, that we would rise to their defence;

AND WHEREAS, in all Fascist and Nazi nations the free trade Union Movement has been outlawed, its property and funds confiscated, its leaders persecuted, in many cases ruthlessly murdered, thousands of its most active members are now in prison or languishing in Nazi concentration camps where dreadful terrorism is being used to break down their health and spirit, similar treatment being meted to democratic, political organizations and institutions, thus destroying not only the Trade Union Movement, but also the medium through which the common people in any of these countries could utilize constitutional and orderly methods to bring about improvement or changes in their social and economic structure, which action constitutes a complete destruction of democracy;

AND WHEREAS, the Trade Union Movement has supported all conciliatory efforts that have been made to preserve peace, which unfortunately have failed, and it has become necessary to resort to arms in order to prevent the aggressive action of Germany and her allies from destroying the independence of Poland and other nations where democratic Government still exists,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this 55th Annual Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada reiterates its stand of former years and pledges its unwavering support of our membership to the Canadian and British Governments in the prosecution of war against the aggressor nations to the end that the threat of aggression may be removed for all time and that Democratic privileges, institutions and rights may be restored to the people now suffering under the heel of dictatorship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; in order that the full resources of the Country may be utilized for the achievement of victory, it is essential that profiteering and greed must be eliminated in the production of the sinews of war and the supply and distribution of home requirements; To this end we urge that the machinery of production and the wealth of the nation be mobilized to serve the Country's interest instead of those of individuals and corporations, so that there will be an equitable contribution on the part of capital comparable to that of the sacrifice of human life.

Attached to Minutes of October 17th, 1939.

The following resolution was adopted by a Roll Call vote of the delegates attending the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada convention 1939, London, Ontario, 235 voting for and 96 against.

G. I. O. and UNITY

Covering Resolutions 27 to 70 inclusive

Your Resolution Committee having been instructed by the convention to consider and report on that section of the Officers' Report appearing on Pages 29, 30 and 31 and dealing with the suspension of the C. I. O. Unions and at the same time giving consideration to Resolutions Nos. 27 to 70, dealing with trade union unity beg to report as follows:

We have carefully read and considered the Officers' Report dealing with this matter, the circumstances which faced your Executive at the latter part of 1938 demanded the suspension of the C.I.O. Unions in order to retain in membership during 1939 those organizations affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, which have in the past, and do now, represent the vast majority of the organized workers of this Dominion and whose affiliation has over a long number of years assisted to build and give influence and prestige to this Congress.

We find that in suspending the C.I.O. Unions the Executive Council was within its rights and in full accord with the resolutions of the convention of last year which stated: "That action taken shall be on terms acceptable to international trade unions and thus avoiding any disregard for or defiance of their laws and policies." This is corroborated by the fact that closely following our last convention the Committee for Industrial Organization held a meeting at Pittsburg, Pa., which they themselves have designated as the first convention of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, and which action resulted in them becoming definitely dual to the American Federation of Labor, also changing the relationship with this Congress as it existed at our last convention.

To maintain the strength and authority of our Congress it is essential and necessary that the action of the Executive be confirmed and that a roll call vote to reach a decision on this issue be now taken in accordance with provisions in Section 7, Article III of the Constitution.

The resolutions submitted show a desire that every effort should be continued to assist in whatever development shall take place that would lead to reuniting the forces of organized labor in this Dominion and in concurrence with this view we recommend that the incoming Executive assist wherever possible and hold themselves in readiness to do their utmost to heal the breach so that Labor can continue to grow in solidarity and strength within the American Federation of Labor and the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, November 7th, 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:--Bakery Salesmen 189, for H. Allsop in place of F. Rostill. Electrical Workers #213, for J. Waplington in place of E. H. Morrison.

Carpenters Local 452, for W. Coombe in place of J. Dawson. Mailers Union, for B. Wells in place of H. Fader. "On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present Jamieson, Wilson, J. Smith, Bengough, W. Stewart, C. Stewart, Macpherson.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Vancouver Branch Int. Assoc. Granite Cutters, regarding the Forest Lawn Cemetery and setting out the shareholders of Forest Lawn Development Ltd., and also shareholders in Bronze Memorials Ltd. Also claiming that the two companies work together and that only products of the Bronze Memorials Ltd., can be used as markers in the cemetery. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Secretary to investigate and take necessary action."

(2) Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council enclosing minutes of their meetings held on October 18th and November 1st. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(3) Union Cigar Co., 406 Jackson Ave., calling attention of the delegates that Union cigars are manufactured in Vancouver and can be purchased in local stores. They have the Union Label on the box and on each cigar. Brands of cigars are St. Elmo; El-Fermo; El-Roi-Tan. "On motion received and noted."

(4) Delegate R.H. Neelands, Chairman Legislative Comm. submitting names of B. Showler and R. Gouthro to act on the Legislative Committee. "On motion received and recommendations endorsed."

(5) American Federation of Labor notifying that the proceedings of the 59th Annual convention recently held at Cincinnati can be secured for 75¢ per copy. "On motion received and four copies to be ordered."

(6) Pile Drivers, Local 2404, regarding the proposed Contractors' Licensing Act. "On motion received and referred to the Building Trades Council."

(7) Relief Project Wkrs. Union, calling attention to the regulation governing present relief administration which compels men to line up from day to day in the hopes of gaining admittance to make application. "On motion received, a Committee to be appointed to investigate. Secretary, President and Delegate Wilson to act."

(8) Greater Vancouver War Chest Campaign sending a formal invitation for the Council to have representation at future meetings of the Governing Committee. "On motion received and Secretary to attend as representative of this Council."

(9) Correspondence from the Bralorne and Pioneer Miners' Unions expressing appreciation of the recent action taken by the Council in extending moral support to the Pioneer Miners' strike. "On motion received and noted."

(10) Pioneer Miners' Union 308, requesting the privilege of the floor on behalf of C.E. Fitzgerald who had been authorized to present a first-hand report on the state of the dispute and strike at Pioneer Mines. President Jamieson in introducing Bro. Fitzgerald, called attention to the fact that for many years Bro. Fitzgerald was a delegate from the Musicians Union to this Council and a member of the Council Executive. Bro. Fitzgerald gave a very lengthy report, claiming that there is no foundation for the charge that their strike is illegal. That as a result of a Mass meeting, three requests were made to the Company; recognition of the men's bargaining Committee; Union dues check-off for Union members and a one dollar per day increase in wages. That the Company had refused to recognize them. Also reported on the general hostile attitude of the Pioneer Management. The address was received with appreciation and applause. Under a later order of busi-



ness the Council went on record as recommending to the affiliated Unions that the cause of the Pioneer Miners is worthy of support.  
 On behalf of the Executive, Secretary reported the Executive had met a Committee from the Boycott Comm. but that the time was too short to reach a decision and recommended that the same be laid over till a further meeting. "Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted."

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--**Banquet Committee--Del. Showler called attention to the fact that tickets were available and could be purchased at this Council meeting or at the Council office. Also pointed out that tickets can be secured for all members, their wives and friends. Delegates are requested to note that the next regular meeting will be held in the form of a banquet.

Workers Education Assoc., delegate Gordon Maxwell reported that the B. C. University has agreed to provide professors and classes will be held this coming winter. Those wishing to participate are requested to get in touch with him as the subjects to be taught have yet to be decided upon. "On motion report received."

**REPORTS OF UNIONS:--**

Projectionists 348, Del. Pollock reported that an order in Council had been passed by the Government which would enable the theatres to operate with one man in place of two. As this regulation would make it possible for the industry to operate with 100 less projectionists and reduce Provincial payrolls almost two hundred thousand dollars annually, that their organization were doing everything possible to offset it. They have had several interviews with the Government in Victoria and thanked Secretary of this Council for assistance rendered.

Bakers 468, Delegate Humphreys reported they have still been unable to place some of the former employees on strike from the Woman's Bakery. Also that they are having a whist drive and dance on Friday November 10th. Further reported they had donated ten dollars to the Pioneer Miners. Also reported on proposed amendments they had drawn up on the Conciliation and Arbitration Act.

Sheet Metal Workers, Del. Macpherson reported the Hay and Fraser Sheet Metal Shop in New West. had signed up and expressed appreciation for the assistance rendered.

Barbers Local 120, del. English called attention to their sign on the platform and requested all members and delegates to look for a similar sign before patronizing barber shops.

Milk Drivers 464, Del. Showler thanked the men in the Boeing Aircraft for insisting on Union milk and also the C.P.R. shop men. Further reported they had signed a closed shop agreement with the McDonald Consolidated Grocery, covering all warehousemen and drivers who had received wage increases from 5 to 20 dollars per month and established a minimum of \$85.00 per month for warehousemen.

St. Railwaymen Div. 101, Del. Wybourne reported they are purchasing tickets for delegates and Executive. Also Pacific Stage and Garage Committees, totaling 46 tickets.

Plumbers 170, Del. Pritchard reported the plumbing firm of Sid Gray, New Westminster had signed up.

Engineers 882, Del. Morley reported they are holding a Smoker in the Moose Hall, Thursday, December 7th.

**NEW BUSINESS:--**Moved and seconded that this Council endorse the amendments to the Trade Union Act as presented by the Bakers Union. Considerable discussion took place and varying opinions were expressed. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Legislative Committee draft amendments along the lines as outlined by the Secretary with a view to placing same before the Provincial Government.

Moved, seconded and carried that this Council, pledge its support to the Projectionists' Union and send a strong protest to the Provincial Government of the Province of B.C. condemning the action of the Government in changing the Fire Marshals Act so as to allow one projectionist to operate two machines in motion picture theatres, thereby subjecting the theatre-going public to an unnecessary fire hazard and creating further unemployment throughout the Province. Copies to be sent to the Premier and members of the Provincial Government.  
 Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

President.

Secretary.

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL  
Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty St.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, December 5th, 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 Locals.

**CREDENTIALS:--**United Garment Workers 190, for Walter Shaw, replacing other delegates.

Fire Fighters 8-18, for Chas. A. Watson.

Butchers Local 94, for N. Newman, R. McLacklan, W. Muir, replacing M. Broadack, F. Campbell, F. Baxter.

B. C. Seamen's Union, for F. McSweyn and E. Leitch, replacing P. David and T. Hardy.  
 "On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

Executive reported on meeting held same evening. Delegates present Wilson, Neelands, Smith J. G., Bengough, C. Stewart, W. Stewart, Jamieson and MacPherson.

**CORRESPONDENCE:--**

(1) Taxi, Stage and Bus Drivers 151, notifying that they had received a point blank refusal re signing an agreement with the Dan McLure Taxi Limited and requesting this Council to put this Company on the "Non Patronage" list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Comm., with power to act."

(2) Int. Union Operating Engineers, requesting that the New Westminster Arena be placed on the Non Patronage list, for the reason that every effort has been made to get the New Westminster Parks Board to pay wages and recognize Union working conditions. That they have refused to meet a Committee to discuss the matter. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."

(3) Mr. Fairbairn, Secretary to His Honor the Lieut-Governor, expressing the thanks of the Lieut-Governor, and Mrs. Hamber for the reception at the Anniversary Banquet of the Council and extending good wishes. "On motion received and filed."

(4) Old Age Pensioners Organization, expressing their hearty thanks for the action taken by the Provincial Executive in requesting the Provincial Govt. to reduce the qualifying age and increase the amount of pension to at least \$30.00 per month. "On motion received and filed."

(5) Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their November 15th meeting. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(6) City Clerk, re grain shipments from the Port of Vancouver and requesting the cooperation of various organizations to the Committee set up by the City Council. "On motion received and noted."

(7) City Clerk, re proposed Plebiscite on City Manager Plan and notifying that a Joint Committee comprising 2 representatives from various organizations to meet with the City Committee to make recommendations in the best interest of Civic welfare. "On motion received, this Council recorded as reiterating its opposition to the City Manager Plan and that the President and Secretary be appointed to act when required."

(8) Chairman, Public Affairs Comm. Kiwanis, dealing with the financial situation of the City and requesting our Council to participate in a meeting with delegates from the Associated Property Owners, Real Estate Exchange, Civic Bureau, Board of Trade, etc., to conduct a study of the finances of the City. "On motion received and in view of the fact that the City Council has already set up a Committee for the same purpose the same was on motion filed."

(9) Frank Waterhouse and Co., replying to correspondence and stating that they have not interfered in any way with the right of their employees to join or not to join a Trade Union. "On motion received and filed."

(10) Central Trades & Labor Council, Allentown, Pa., notify that the General Cigar Co., makers of White Owl, Wm. Penn, Club House, Robt. Burns, Van Dyke and Laddies, are "Unfair". "On motion received and as some of these brands can be purchased in B.C., the same was on motion received and noted."

(11) Adam Bell, Prov. Deputy Minister of Labor, forwarding a summary of the salient points in connection with legislation passed at the recent session of the Legislature affecting Labor. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(12) Cedar Cottage, West Burrard, Grandview, Dunbar and Women's Lyceum C.C.F. Clubs, requesting a list of firms on our "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received, Secretary reported having forwarded the information and request Local Unions to supply the Secretary of the Council with a list of firms or establish- fair to their organization"

(13) Los Angeles Building Trades Council notifying that they have placed Mr. Leon Errol, stage and motion picture actor on their official "Unfair" list and requesting this Council to send a letter to the R.K.O. Studios condemning Mr. Errol's anti Union attitude. "On motion received and request complied with."

(14) Relief Project Workers Union, enclosing a resolution addressed to the Prov. Minister of Labor requesting provision of an adequate Works Program failing which an increase in the present relief allowance. "On motion received and endorsed."

(15) Consumers' Research Council requesting the Council to participate in a meeting to be arranged for December 11th. Executive recommended that the communication be received and filed. Following discussion on the question, Delegate W. Stewart moved Non concurrence in the recommendation of the Executive.

Vice President Smith was called to the Chair and ruled that the motion to Non Concur was out of order. Delegate Jamieson spoke in favor of the recommendation of the Executive and following further consideration, on a standing vote 75 voted that the communication be received and filed and 44 against.

Executive reported that the firm of W. H. Malkin had set up a Company Union. The Council went on record as deploring the action of the W. H. Malkin Co., and that the Executive should take up the question with the Company.

Executive further reported having held a special meeting on Nov. 30th to consider the question of the Boycott Committee. It was decided to recommend to the Council that the activities of the Boycott Committee be suspended for the present. "On motion recommendation endorsed. Executive further recommended that all pamphlets now in the possession of the Boycott Comm. should be delivered to the office of the Council Secretary. "Recommendation carried unanimously."

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

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES--

Delegate Bartlett reported for the Workers' Education that they are now in a position to go ahead with the classes. A meeting had been held with a representative of the University in attendance and that a class had been started for Economics every Thursday. It is contemplated starting classes on Trade Unionism, Public Speaking, Psychology, Sociology, and Unions and members interested are requested to get in touch with the Secretary, Gordon Maxwell, at Trinity 0067, right away.

Secretary reported that the question of Forest Lawn Cemetery as introduced at the last meeting was being taken up with the Department of the Attorney General.

#### REPORTS OF UNIONS:--

Bakers 468, Delegate Humphreys reported that Local 468 was not satisfied with the Legislative Committee in regard to the requests made to the Provincial Government by the Provincial Executive. Civic Employees 28, Delegate Ashton reported they are taking up the question of a permanent conciliation Committee composed of equal numbers of Directors and Employees in the General Hospital; that they have taken full advantage of the Labor Act with the assistance of the Minister of Labor.

Engineers 882, Delegate Flynn reported Local going along fine. On the question of the New Westminster arena they reported they had been negotiating for a year and that the attitude of the authorities is antagonistic. That the wages are low and that the New Westminster Arena is unfairly competing with the Hastings park Forum who are paying the wages and operating under Union conditions.

Projectionists 348, Delegate Pollock reported that the Order in Council which had been passed allowing for one man in a booth had been offset by an amendment to the Fire Marshals Act and thanked the President and Secretary of the Council and the Provincial Executive who had assisted in having the Government reverse its previous decision.

Painters Local 138, Delegate Smith reported that Trade is quiet and would like delegates and members to phone Seymour 7495 when requiring or hearing of any painting or decorating work.

Carpenters 452, delegate Stevenson reported some stores being built at Granville and Broadway were being built under Non Union conditions and that the Carpenters have declared the job unfair to their organization and are patrolling the sidewalk.

Hotel & Restaurant Empl. 28, Delegate Gateman reported they have a drive on to organize all in the hotels. Also that the Belmont Grill had signed up with their organization.

Shipyard Laborers 126, Delegate Leary reported that the Local was making progress, 42 initiated at the last meeting. Also that they are having a Christmas tree for the children on December 21st and the Local extended an invitation to the Executive of this Council and their wives. Also to all affiliated members at a charge of only 25¢ per couple. The Christmas tree starts at 7 p.m. and the Dance at 9 p.m. in the K.P. Hall, North Vancouver.

Retail Clerks 279, Delegate Maxwell reported that on account of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act the Retail Clerks are unable to progress. Also that they did not vote on the question of the Consumers' Research Council as the price of commodities is cheaper and not dearer in the Safeway Stores.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

PERCY R. BENGOUGH,  
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, December 19th, 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:--From Warehousemen's Local 31-A, affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. "On motion received and application accepted."

CREDENTIALS:--Warehousemen Local 31-A, for J. Trewe, F. Acheson, J. Roberts.

Stage Employees Local 118--for Ira Parks.

Pile Drivers Local 2404, for Bro. Paladeau and Wm. Reid.

Shingle Weavers Local 2235--for D. Thomas, H. Hamper, L.D. Bell and D. Boulger.

"On motion credentials received and delegates present obligated."

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

CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Barbers Local 120, expressing appreciation for the assistance rendered throughout the year and extending best wishes for Christmas and New Year. "On motion received and noted."

(2) Barbers Local 120, notifying that the Barber Shop in the Vancouver Hotel is still unfair and requesting that the Armands Barber Shop, 265 E. Hastings and Taxi Barber Shop, 3925 E. Hastings St., be placed on the Non Patronage list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."

(3) Brick and Clay Workers 136 thanking the Secretary of the Council for assistance given. "On motion received and noted."

(4) Victoria Trades & Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their meeting held on Dec. 6th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(5) A. F. of L. requesting all Trades and Labor Councils to give assistance to the Commercial Telegraphers' Union. "On motion received, Secretary to write Pres. Green notifying that the Local here is not affiliated with this Council. Also to take up with other parties interested."

(6) Meatcutters Union #95 enclosing a resolution protesting the firm of Burns Limited receiving Government contracts and requesting that same be taken up with the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada so that they can take this question up with the Dom. Govt. "On motion received and concurred in."

(7) United Automobile Workers notifying that the Lansing Co. of Lansing, Michigan, are "Unfair" to organized Labor. "On motion received and noted."

(8) City Clerk, notifying that this Council would be notified of any meetings to be held by the Special Joint Comm. on Civic Administration. "On motion received and noted."

(9) E. Winch, M.L.A. enclosing a copy of the resolution presented by Mrs. Steeves to the last Session of the Prov. Legislature requesting that Health Insurance be immediately put into operation. The resolution was not accepted by the Government as it would involve expenditure of funds. "On motion received and noted."

(10) St. Railway Empl. Div. 101, enclosing a resolution dealing with a number of questions of a contentious nature together with a protest against the arrest and conviction of the Union leaders at Pioneer Mines. "On motion received and following considerable discussion it was moved, seconded and carried as recommended by the Executive, that all parts of the resolution outside of the portion

dealing with the Pioneer strike, be filed and that the section dealing with the strike at Pioneer Mines be endorsed. (Delegate G. Stewart wished to be recorded as voting against.)

(11) Pile Drivers 2404 enclosing a resolution dealing with the Munitions and Supply Act as passed at the last session of the Dom. Govt. "On motion received and referred to Pres. Tom Moore of the Trades Congress."

(12) Milkdrivers Local 464, enclosing a resolution protesting the invasion of Finland. "On motion received and filed. "Chairman pointed out that filing the resolution did not mean the Council was endorsing the invasion of Finland."

(13) Seasons Greetings were received from the Lieut-Govnr. and from the Mayor of the City. "On motion received and noted."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

--Banquet Committee--Del. Showler reported that the Banquet had been a success, attendance being over 700; that while it was not possible yet to render a final financial statement that the expenditures exceeded the receipts by only a small amount. "Moved, seconded and carried that the Committee be commended and the thanks of the Council extended for the able manner in which they had accomplished their work."

Workers' Educational Assoc., Del. Gordon Maxwell reported four classes to be held this Season. Jan. 8th, Psychology at 8 p.m.; Jan. 9th, Economics at 2 p.m.; 11th, Economics at 8 p.m. and Jan. 12th Trade Unionism at 8 p.m. Delegates and members desiring further particulars are requested to phone Del. Gordon Maxwell, Trin. 0067.

Label Trades--Del. E. Smith extended the Compliments of the Season from the Label Trades to the delegates and pointed out that the Cigars that were given to the delegates were Union Label cigars made in Vancouver and sold under the Trade names of St. Elmo, El Firmo and El-Roi-tan. Also requested delegates to impress on their membership the need for the consistent demand for the Union Label, shop card and button during 1940.

Grievance Committee--Del. Wilson reported regarding the request to place the New Westminster Arena on the "Unfair" list that many efforts have been made and that they finally succeeded in contacting Mayor Hume and he had agreed to get the Parks Commission to arrange for a meeting as soon as possible. That a report could be expected in the very near future. "On motion report received as progress."

Organizing Committee--Del. Stewart reported they held a meeting on Dec. 13th and that delegates from 2 Unions requesting assistance had attended and also considered the question of endeavoring to re-organize the Boot and Shoe Workers and discussed the question of organizing the crafts in the shipyards. Further reported that Secretary Bengough had attended an organizing meeting of a new group with a view to organizing. Further that the next meeting will be held on Jan. 10th.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Meatcutters 94, Del. Hughes reported negotiating a wage increase with the Swift Co.

Retail Clerks, del. Maxwell's aid they would like to have a report from the Legislative Comm.

Truck Drivers, Del. Showler reported they had completed the organization of the Warehousemen's Local and have signed up MacDonald's Consolidated and have placed Malkin's products on their Non Patronage list. Also reported that they had held a Turkey Dance last Friday which had been very successful and requested delegates and members to ask for Union men when having goods delivered.

Civic Employees 28--Del. Ashton reported a very successful year and they had put on a Christmas Tree for the children and had an attendance of almost 1000.

Taxi Drivers 151, Del. Caithcart asked regarding the resolution dealing with the McLure's Taxi. Grievance Comm. replied that the matter was under advisement.

NEW BUSINESS:--A resolution was submitted that the Secretary be instructed not to bring forward any more resolutions dealing with foreign countries. The same was not accepted by the Chair.

Del. Macpherson reported on the manner in which Eastern firms are getting War contracts and that in view of the fact that a meeting is being called by the Mayor of the City, recommended that this Council appoint a Committee to take up the matter with the Authorities with a view to securing work for this District. The appointing of the Committee was left with the Chairman.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--Sheet Metal Wkrs. 314, Del. Anderson asked if the Hudson Bay driver who was killed was covered by Compensation. "It was left in the hands of the Secretary to get the details.

GOOD AND WELFARE:--Milk salesmen 464, asked delegates and members to be sure to put out the empty milk bottles over the holiday.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

PERCY R. BENGOUGH,  
Secretary.