Affiliated Bodies Series

Local Unions

#603, St. Louis, Missouri,

1915-1917; 1933-1934; 1942-1948; 1951
Mr. D. J. Murphy,
517 N. Third St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Local No. 603 Milk Wagon Drivers of St. Louis, request the endorsement of a strike involving twenty-seven men, to enforce the renewal of their old agreement with one of the companies of that city. They also claim that since the agreement has expired the employers have discharged three of the officers of the local union and refuse to recognize the union in any way. The local realizes the condition of affairs in general, but at the same time believes the only hope is to strike at this time.

Their action has been endorsed by the Joint Council of St. Louis, and I do not know of anything else to do but to endorse their request.

Wire me your decision on this matter at once.

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary.

January 9, 1918
WESTERN UNION

TELEGRAM

RECEIVED AT 21-23 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind. 1945
52A G COLLECT LAW
RX STLOUIS NO 11

THOS L HUGHES
222 EAST MICH ST INDIANAPOLIS IND
I AM IN FAVOR OF GRANTING REQUEST OF LOCAL SIX HUNDRED AND THREE
D J MURPHY
1122AM
Indple. 1-10-15.

J. J. Murphy,
127 North 3rd St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

International unless strike of local six hours
three provided no settlement can be reached, would advise that
you wait on employers as last resort before calling strike.
Notify me results.

Gay L. Murphy.

Charge 1 3 of T.
January 18th, 1918.

Mr. J. J. Murphy,
217 North 3rd St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Secretary of local 608 stating that there were 15 men out on strike at the Jersey Dairy on the call of the local.

That the recommendation for this strike was asked for, I was given to understand that there were 72 men employed in the plant as union men and it seems strange that only three fourths of them went out on strike. Advice as to what we should do about this matter as I am of the firm belief that if even half of the men remained at work after the strike was called, the local has very little chance of winning the strike. I want you to let me know the exact conditions in connection with this matter so I will understand how things are going.

Treating you will give us information about this strike, and will best win us and kindred regards, permit me to remain,

Fraternally yours,

[Signatures]
January 18th, 1884,

[Address]

St. Louis, Mo.

[Name]

In view of the fact that the strike will become due next Thursday for the purpose of legal 600 who are on strike, I trust you will notify us by return mail as to the conditions surrounding said strike.

I have received no information relative to the matter since the strike was called, and we are unable to understand just what the situation is. I therefore trust you will send us a deputation by return mail explaining the situation and giving the number of men cut on strike and entitled to benefits so I can take care of same on account.

Footing this matter will receive prompt attention, and will hasten results and bring reward. I remain,

Fraternally yours,

[Name]
January 27th 1921.

Sir:—

217 North 3rd St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. Wright:

Enclosed find check for $20,000, first payment to benefit for 10 members of Local 663 who are on strike. Kindly give the local president, and have the new roll sheet signed by the members who receive this notice, and return same to me with a report of the conditions surrounding the strike.

Favoring these men in due time and that you will not in want of anything, I remain,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
February 3rd, 1915.

Mr. D. J. Kerby,
317 North 3rd St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Received paid check for $100.00, which with
the $15.00 you have on hand, makes $115.00, enough money to pay
for 15 members of Local 603 on strike. I trust you will have
promptly receipted and pay roll stub properly signed and returned
to the General Office with a report of conditions.

In looking over the accounts of Local 603, I find that
last month they reported 140 members in good standing and this
month they report but 121 members, a falling off of 19 members in
that Local and a strike on. I fail to understand the reason for
this. In fact, there should be an increase of members if anything
and the members themselves should be paying their dues more promptly
and sentiment and a strike on then they would otherwise. I
want you to advise me the reason for this falling off in member-
ship, also give me a full report on the conditions and what you
think of the situation.

In best wishes and love and regards, I remain,

[Name]

Treasurer.
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF
Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Stewards and Helpers of America

Office of the
Teamsters' Joint Council of St. Louis and Vicinity No. 11
St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. Theo L. Hughes
222 S. Michigan Ave.

Re: tour of inspection

The Jersey Farm Dairy Co. was signed up with the Milk Drivers' Union yesterday. They signed a satisfactory agreement to the Milk Drivers' Local No. 8. The drivers at the Jersey Farm now are members of the agreement, and it is the agreement is signed for eight months. A letter in reference to the membership of the tour of inspection is on file at the headquarters. The local has a membership of one hundred and forty. The tour has been sending an additional one on the Jersey Farm, paying their fare for that month instead of sending in receipt of the same in the three months limit, and other work of the tour. The tour has a membership of one hundred and forty. It has been paying the right for the members for the tour in receipt of the weekly wages of those in the tour. Trusting this is satisfactory to you,

Respectfully,

[Signature]

[Name]
February 6th 1915.

Mr. J. [Last Name],
517 North 8th St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brothers:

Your favor of February 5th received and I am certainly glad to hear that Local 503 has reached a satisfactory settlement with the Jersey Farm Dairy Company. I hope it will strengthen the Local and be the end of present trouble of this kind in the future.

I also note your remarks relative to the matter of expanding the membership of Local 503 which Secretary Beam has been following and I hope that more is satisfactory, and I have no written him this day. I want to thank you for your efforts in connection with Local 503’s trouble and assure you that your work is appreciated by the International.

With best wishes and kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

In’l Secretary-Treasurer.
Mr. Daniel J. Murphy,
817 No. 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo.

If no settlement can be reached on wage scale of local 605 union
has assurance of International Union to order strike at any
time they desire.

Thos. L. Hughes, Chm Sec'y-Team.
Charge I. B. of Teamsters.
Mr. D. J. Murphy,  
517 1. Third St.  
St. Louis, Mo.  

Dear Sir and Brother:  

Enclosed please find check for $5400.00  
in payment of third week's benefits for Local No. 603. This  
I believe will be more than sufficient to cover the pay roll  
for the coming week, and as per my instructions to you while  
in St. Louis, only those who are members of the local union  
or who are members of any of our other locals should receive  
strike pay. Those who are not members, or extra men, as  
they are termed, will have to be taken care by the local, as  
I instructed them last week.  

I trust that you will be able to take care of this  
week's pay roll in view of the fact that I am unable to be  
there myself because our Trustees are here this week.  
However, if the strike is not settled before next week, it  
might be possible for me to go there for a few days again.  
In the meantime, row var, I trust that you will be able to  
settle the controversy and that the men will all be put back  
to work during this period.
Trusting that you will understand my position and will be guided by my advice in this matter, and with best wishes, I am,

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.

P. S. I am mailing you, under separate cover, pay roll sheets, which please have signed and return to this office after you have paid strike benefits.

Yrs. T. R.
September 11th, 1916

Mr. D. J. Murphy,
507 No 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:-

Enclosed find check for $1800.00 which together with balance you have on hand, in my opinion is more than sufficient for the fourth weeks benefits for workers on strike in Local #49.

Kindly sign the enclosed receipt also have the pay roll sheets signed as previously done and return to the General Office together with my information on the situation you may have as I can rally the members of the Local on hand.

Trusting you will take care of this matter, with best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

General Rear for Treasurer.

P. S. I am forwarding pay roll sheets under separate cover.
Mr. Ther 5t Hargle
Andresapolis Ind.'

Dear Sir and Brother

The Wagon Drivers' situation last about the
same score of six or seven drivers went back
to work. Six drivers is running about
twenty wagon. He had about fourteen more
than before. This week after his return, he
had twenty drivers running a few more wagons than the
week before. Thus or three American drivers went back, Torrence and Ross called in the jury
from drivers. He said to them if he signed the agreement
he would have to raise the price of milk.
reason to go on strike for. Only very few do so for this reason that is for business. But the reason is too, if we will be able to hold the war one or two months more and believe we will win out, because that is the game the bosses are playing to try and stand the war out, and I believe the bosses will be back of it by that time. I believe it would be advisable for you to come over for a few days next week if you can. I tried before what to do in case you don’t come over in regard to the pay roll.

Favorably yours,

[Signature]
September 25th., 1916

Mr. J. Murphy,
517 No 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:-

Enclosed find check for $1100.00, sixth week's strike benefits for local union #603. Kindly sign the enclosed receipt and have the pay roll sheets signed and return to this office.

With best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.
Mr. Thos. L. Hughes

Dear Sir and Brother

I enclose proof signed pay roll of local 633. The situation is just about the same, namely: Four went back to work. The St. Louis News sent the wages of the boys and refused to pay for the week or longer and some of them quit in that demand. This firm is calling on the men at this hour to try to get them to return to work. Jesse James has not signed his 633 form. He is going to call on the manager of the News again today.

Sincerely yours,

R. J. Murphy
October 2nd., 1916.

Mr. D. J. Murphy,
517 No. 3rd St. St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your favor of recent date received relative to the situation in local #603, and will say it is surely getting to be a tiresome affair and something had better happen soon as I am of the belief that our Board is getting sick of the matter. There is no life in the matter and in fact men are driving wagons, practically without any protection. I am not complaining on this matter, but at the same time we are getting tired of pouring money into this affair, when personally, I am afraid these men have no chance, however, we will continue to do our best and I will take the matter up with President Tobin and see what he has to say on the matter.

I am enclosing herewith check for $1150.00 together with the $150.00 you have on hand will be more than sufficient to pay the benefits for the coming week. It seems that every few days there are a few men returning to work and you can readily understand what that means, and when a sufficient number has returned, there is no chance for the local, however, do the best you can at least, for the time being and we may be
able to offer some solution for the affair.

Trusting you will take care of the matter as heretofore, with best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.

P. S. I am forwarding pay roll sheets under separate cover.
Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 7, 1916

D. J. Murphy,
617 North Third St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Come to general office for conference with President Tobin and myself. Be here first thing Monday morning. Get all information surrounding milk wagon drivers trouble if possible.

Yours, L. Hughey.

Charge I. I. of customers.
Dear Mr. Hughes,

220 S. Michigan St.
Indianapolis, Ind.

I meant to write you a letter the other day, but got interrupted. I am glad to hear from you again.

I hope you are doing well. Let me know if there is anything I can help you with.

Best regards,

[Signature]

Oct. 17, 1916
October 16, 1916.

Mr. Daniel Murphy,
517 No 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:-

Your favor of October 14th received and I am enclosing herewith check for $1000.00 strike benefits for the ninth week for men on strike in local union #603. This is more than sufficient together with what you have in your possession according to your last report. For your information will say that I would not make every day pay day. I would pay the benefits on Tuesday and Wednesday at the most and any one that did not show up at that period I would mark them off and send in the number of men paid and the receipt for same.

I note your remark relative to the Pevely Company and will say this is but idle talk. These men are carrying new iron here and there and if you were to go to the bottom of it there would be nothing to it. I am satisfied the Pevely Company is in no mood to settle and unless satisfied they will go out of business before they settle with the union. They have 80 per cent of the men working and the strike in going on over ten weeks and no nearer settled than when the strike took place and I am in little hope of the strike being settled, however, do the best you can and possibly within the next week or so we may
have other instructions for you.

Triusting you will do the best you can with this
matter and that you have the pay roll sheets signed and returned
as soon as possible, with best wishes, I remain.
Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.

P. S. I am forwarding my roll sheets to you under separate cover.
October 13, 1916.

Mr. D. J. Murphy,
517 No 3rd St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brothers:

Enclosed find check for $300.00 together with what you have on hand should be sufficient for the pay roll for the coming week. I have heard nothing from you for the past week on the situation in St. Louis, however, I suppose there is no change.

Briscoe wired this office about eight days ago stating there was something wrong with local #600 and he promised to write us as to let us know the particulars but we have not heard one line from him since that time. I trust you will write me and let me know about the Milk Drivers situation also what you know about the trouble #600 has also whether or not Briscoe is still there as he has not written this office or given us any idea where he has been for the past eight days.

I trust you will take care of the benefits as usual, also give me a report on local #600, with best wishes

I remain,

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.
Mr. W. L. Hughes
222 E. Michigan St.
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Endorsed fund pay roll and receipt. Situation here with M. B. & W. is just about the same. They signed up a few more of the small lines that did not look out then men swung attendance. Two meetings and put a gong in the town but it is very tame again. We meet and look sobering in the fact there were, but each of the big lines are running a very large number wages. They don't seem to be getting very much work but the fact of the matter at the secretary are on the spot. While Hughes was here last week we tried to get a conference with the Main Dairy and they didn't, they are changing facings. It the St. Louis Dairy Moore long work at some.
this company is having more trouble holding the scale than the other firms. What men we have left are striking, and most of them are trying to
secure work at some other kind of work, but there is very little in the strike at this time. But they all believe they will sign up soon
in account of the small amount of business they are doing. The is about all I can tell you at this time in regard to the work.

The situation is guess you have heard from Broggs by this time, in regard to the latter part.

The last regular meeting of local was held last night.

The 18th, Ed Blanton Business agent was

Instructed to leave as business on account of holding out

some collection on the book of the local as the due to his way. Blanton 18th

Never paid the strike and kept

and did not turn it in. Blanton also

is to be turned in to 60%. But he did not

The committee Board had Blanton up on the same...
thing a little while back and there has been a few other members who have complained since that time that they paid Clinton but he held it out Clinton then suspended a week ago last Friday a week ago Briggs came back here the following Monday. He was told about the 600 situation. He got in touch with the other officers of 600 and they agreed to call a special meeting for Friday night the 26th about eight fifteen sharp some into the hall and ran on of the members who said he collected money and did not turn it in Clinton put him out of the hall and out on the sidewalk chasing thing with this fellow another fellow by the name of how Briggs came along. Was worked with this fellow Clinton put him out of the hall Clinton began about some and collecting some more and then came to Briggs and Briggs got a little bit the house fight.
a police man came along and separated them. 
Mae went on the bull whips went up the street. We were just about to call the meeting to 
a day when a bull appeared and when he spotted 
where the bull whips were sitting continued 
for him. He came over to him Mae got up 
from his chair and walked toward bullwhips 
that were and the bull stuck Mae in the head and killed her. Shiver in over it on a 
view, fifty thousand, and he has had a few more several of the arguments had 
just before. The night before last night Shiver 
that made some threats about shutting down you 
organize and don't believe there will be any thing to 
that the organization. He went and on him or 
accounts of that bullwhip he said before he shot the 
man he was going to Chicago but he did not go 
across town later he said Sunday was in the city 
but no man, they are, many. Don't believe to look...
He said there was bluff to know he is an old wood he is done as he thinks he will rule or ruin. I believe he thought when he shot that fellow every body would get a scare of him and they would lay off and not come further charges or complaints. This is about all I can tell you at the present time regarding the Walk drivers and the box situation.

Sincerely yours,

Paul J. Murphy
October 30, 1916.

Mr. Daniel Murphy,
237 N. 3rd St.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:-

Enclosed find check for $675.00
together with the balance you have on hand of $125.00
which should be sufficient to make the pay roll for the
coming week. Upon receipt of this communication,
forward a letter to me giving me some idea as to the
situation pertaining to the Kidney Drivers' strike.

Trusting you will take care of
this matter, with best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.

P. S. I am forwarding pay roll sheets to you
under separate cover.
Mr. Thos. Lo Hughes
272 E. Michigan Av.
Indianapolis Ind.

Dear Son and Brother:

Enclosed you will find pay roll and receipt.

There is nothing new that I can report in
the Milk Wagon Drivers situation. It is just
about the same.

Fatefully yours,

A. J. Murphy

St. Louis, Mo.
Mar. 2, 1916
November 6, 1916.

Mr. Daniel J. Murphy,
517 No 3rd St.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Enclosed find check for $750.00 to-
gerther with $55.00 which you have on hand should be suffi-
cient to cover the strike benefits for the coming week, 
which I trust you will pay and forward the aforesaid pay roll 
sheets to this office together with a report on the situa-
tion.

Trusting you will take care of this 
matter as heretofore, with best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.
Mr. Thos. H. Hughes
2228 Michigan St.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother,

Enclosed find signed pay roll and receipts of local No. 603. Situation is just about the same making what we have already done. Some of the action packets at the St. Louis Daily are going. The reads are getting ready to get them together and stick the St. Louis Daily ran again. There is an at member of the St. Louis Daily working there and sent something on this. Now he wants to make good. He says he can get over half of the men. We don't know whether he can or not. We told him to go ahead and see what would happen. We don't want anything of that sort. There is another man in the other branch of the situation. I don't believe they would stand for another strike, because if they
And the Teachers grade their business, the workmen moving for the St. Louis area are very much obligations and this
John. But you know how the kind of men are about their kind of men. The situation with local 40 is about the St. Louis area. The teachers kind of love and another fellow came into the office and don't work there and so on in the office
out both of them and Harry. Stipp is making the method. He was talking to Ryan, but did not say something to Stipp. He is still not on board
and is charged with first degree murder

Federally Yours,

David J. Murphy

At East St. Louis area was that the local 40 acts. He is not in the
 territory a few hundred miles from there.
 Would he come in on the payroll and send him his money
November 11, 1916.

Mr. Daniel Murphy,
517 No 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your favor of November 10th received, and surely the condition of the milk strike is discouraging. It seems like a waste of time and money to continue this trouble. These men in my private opinion, have no chance to win, as I believe we are sacrificing a bunch of good men in the driving business as they have to go to other work that baseless wages can give up the work they formerly enjoyed, however, I expect we will continue this strike for a week or two and you can rest assured, if no settlement has been reached or a turn for the better, after I return from the Convention, there will be something done to call off the strike, as there is nothing better done or can be done to win the strike. There were five hundred on strike and there is still one hundred and sixty-five hanging around waiting for a job on a milk wagon and I am satisfied these men could not receive a job if they applied for same to their former employers.

I am not complaining as I know exactly the position you are in, however, I am writing you to give...
you an idea what to expect within the next few weeks.

With best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.
November 12, 1916.

Mr. Daniel Murphy,
517 No 3rd St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Enclosed find check for $65.00
together with that which you have on hand in payment
for the thirteenth weeks strike benefits for members
on strike in local union #605. I trust you will kindly
see these benefits are paid and the receipt and pay roll
sheets are properly signed and returned to this office.

With best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.
Mr. Hughie McPherson
220 E. Michigan St.
Indianapolis, Ind.

Enclosed find signed payroll and
receipt for strike benefits from local 658.

Sincerely yours,

W. J. Murphy

ST. LOUIS, Mo.
Nov 16, 1916
November 20th, 1916.

Mr. Daniel J. Murphy
317 No. 3rd. St.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Enclosed herewith you will find check for
Your H'undred and Thirty Five Dollars as payment for 14th. week's
benefit for members of Local 603 on strike in your city.

This check covers 111 men, you having the sum of
One Hundred Ten Dollars on hand.

Please have the enclosed pay roll sheets signed
and returned to this office.

With best wishes, I beg to remain

Fraternally yours

K. N. P.  
Gen'l. Sec'y - Treas.
Dear Sir and Brother,

Enclosed find pay roll and receipt of strike benefit of bond 

There is nothing that I can report only that we are fighting in the situation as usual and that men went back to work this week. There is no more pocket work to speak of any more. There is no chance for settlement in sight at this time A committee of St. Louis Wagon Drivers met in this town yesterday and had a talk with him but there was nothing coming in the way of getting an agreement with him.

Sincerely yours,

D.J. Hughes
Mr. D. J. Murphy,
517 No 3rd St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:-

Your favor of November 3rd received and will say your report is not very encouraging, however, I know the conditions as well as you do yourself and am satisfied nothing would do could change the conditions. This strike has been lost, in my opinion, for several months, but I hesitated in calling off while there was an opportunity of making a settlement. Auditor Bridge, while in the office, stated that if nothing was done by November 10th or about that time, there was no hopes left for a settlement. While in Boston, I took up the matter with President Tobin and three other members of our Board that were there and explained the entire situation, also told them just the conditions of the local union and my experience while in St. Louis. They like myself and President Tobin are satisfied that the situation is a bad one and there are no hopes of making any kind of a settlement for our men, therefore, I am instructing you as our representative in St. Louis, to call together with officers of the Silk Drivers and explain to them, that this check which I am enclosing will be the last check for benefits, forwarded covering
the present controversy as the International has a right to declare a strike at an end in so far as the benefits are concerned. If the local union wishes to continue the strike they have a perfect right to do so but the International reserves the right to discontinue the benefits, whenever in their judgment the strike is lost.

I know this is not a pleasant duty for your but believe it for the best interest of the local union and for the men now out of employment. The International declaring the strike off does not prohibit the boycotting against the employers or agitating against them. So much as I regret to take this action while I believe the honest thinking men in St. Louis in our organization as well as the movement in general are satisfied our International has gone the limit with this local union. The strike has been on for four weeks and where the men did the best they possibly could, the fact remains the employers were stronger than they were and were able to beat them at the strike.

Trusting you will carry out my request relative to notifying the officers of the local union and if necessary the members, so there will be no misunderstanding, relative to the position the International has taken on this matter.

I am enclosing herewith the usual check and trust
you will have the pay roll sheets signed properly and return to this office together with a final report on the situation of local union #603 for use in the General Office, with best wishes, permit me to remain, Fraternally yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.

P. S. I am mailing to you under separate cover the pay roll sheets for local #603.
To Mr. Thos. F. Huglin
228 E. Michigan St.
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Enclosed find first check for forty dollars also signed pay roll and receipt. I told the Officer and said to stick that the work would be the least benefit they would receive. We had a meeting of all the men in St. Louis. They did not walk off the strike but it was just the same. There is quite a few of the old men who can get their jobs back, they were told to take them. The local will continue the drive on the unfair list and keep the fight on them. The local and the Union Drive are in bad shape. The strike will be sold out at another last week they tried to run 12 weapons.

Sincerely yours,

O. G. Murphy

Dec. 9, 1916
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD
OF TEAMSTERS-CHAUFFEURS-STABLEMEN & HELPERS
OF AMERICA
Affiliated with the
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR.

August 24, 1917

Mr. Thos. L. Hughes,
222 N. Michigan St.,

Dear Sir and Brother,

We are having some trouble here with the Milk Wagon Drivers. This may turn out to be a very bad situation. The agreement that was signed last September expires the 1st of the month. When Brother was here last March when the Milk Drivers agreed to have the Union Drivers to sign two agreements, the old one that was drawn up and the new agreement which goes into effect Sept 1st for two years. The Union Drivers signed the agreement and several others. All Drivers signed this shortly after the Milk Drivers signed.
with the purpose in view that there would be no trouble or strike kept at such an old stand and some form of arrangement can be reached and if the arrangement was adopted last March when Briggs was here with only one vote against it now the following were the former Business agent of local 603 in out knocking the new agreement and then have been knocking at for some time latterly the new working for Simmons held a meeting and had a vote taken on the proposition all the non-accept four voted for the old agreement and against the new one last month Bann was at the meeting when the local approved the new agreement and had not many one voted against it Bann has been working for the Simmons Dairy for some time he lost the job he Business agent and has been causing quite a bit of trouble The local union has told both the Simmons Dairy and Jersey Farm they would
In a meeting with the local, they refused to expel him. The next was to put him out and $5 against quitting that job. There is nothing more than a proof agent in that union, and as long as he remains a member of 60's, there will be trouble. This agreement was to end the situation. I thought I would write you and let you know about it. I believe if Briggs would be able to come over for a few days, we might straighten this thing out. We have to work fast. Third, the local adopted this agreement to know and act on it. There is one thing I would like to know when a member is found guilty by the Executive Board and they expel him from the union does it or does it not have to be concurred by the membership of the local union. There has been some question on this line.

With best wishes,

Fraternally yours,

F. J. Murphy
August 25, 1917.

Mr. D. J. Murphy,
2228 Olive St.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brothers:

Your favor of August 24th received and have gone over your letter carefully and will say in the first place the agreement as adopted by the local union last March, is and must be the only agreement for your local union. Whatever action was taken at that time must be carried out by the local union and all of its members, regardless of how they feel about the matter. I trust you will inform these men that the agreement as agreed to by Auditor Briggs and the local union, must be lived up to and no man nor set of men, have a right to violate this agreement, in any way, shape or form, or action will be taken against them by the local union.

Relative to former Business Agent Harr, will say the Milk Drivers local union acted wrong in allowing the matter to go -fore the membership. The executive board of the local union is the trial board and any action taken by them, so far as the local union is concerned is final. It is true, if a man is fined or suspended, he has a right to appeal to the Joint
Council, whose action in the case, would be final and binding, therefore, I trust you will notify the local union that their

action in this matter ill-be and over rate the decision as reached by the executive board.

For your information will say that Auditor

Briggs, is in Boston and in poor physical condition, and in fact is going to New York, within the next week to take some treatments and it is absolutely impossible for him to go to Saint Louis, at this time.

Trusting you will do the best you can under the conditions and keep me informed and I will do everything possible to help out in the situation, with best wishes, remain,

Best-terms yours,

General Secretary-Treasurer.
Mr. Thomas L. Hughes,
222 East Michigan Street,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Enclosed please find letter that was addressed to our office on Page Avenue, from W. A. Norton. I also received a letter from Norton today, relative to Harry Norman bond, as sent to him by the Bonding Company, which had four or five questions he had to answer, and one of them being: whether the books and everything were O.K. He is taking Norman's place at the present time, while he is laid up; and Harry/Norman himself, pertaining to his bond. Their explanation was that the President would not sign the form sent to him by the Bonding Company, which had four or five questions he had to answer, and one of them being: whether the books and everything were O.K. The President of the Local Union is waiting until the books are all posted up and a complete audit is made by the Trustees. The day book and ledger are posted up to date, the cash and expenditure book had not been touched for several months while Norman was sick. Norman is now coming down to the office — for the past few weeks or so, helping Reed White, who is the temporary Secretary-Treasurer, and is helping Reed White to straighten up the cash book, and doing what he can to get the books all straightened out — he has been able to come to the office about three days each week, and staying about two hours each day.

I had a talk with him this morning with Reed White, and showed him the letter I had received from the Bonding Company, and he informed me that he thought everything would be posted up, and the Trustees would have their audit made by the 1st of July.

With best wishes,

F. B. — Reed White, who is taking the place of Harry/Norman, has the application in hand, and he will be back. He is the temporary Secretary-Treasurer, and is helping Reed White to straighten up the cash book, and doing what he can to get the books all straightened out. He has been able to come to the office about three days each week, and staying about two hours each day.

With best wishes,

F. B.
June 16, 1933.

Mr. Daniel J. Murphy,
3646 Park Blvd.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr.-

June 16, 1933.

Mr. Daniel J. Murphy,
3646 Park Blvd.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

We write you on May 14th regarding the above case advising that we were trying to get a statement of the condition of the accounts of Mr. Mirman to date. We did this on the suggestion of Mr. Hubre, as we were not getting any replies to our letters addressed to Mr. Hubre.

Our Home Office is very anxious to settle this case out of their pending files, and we shall really appreciate it if you will help us to accomplish this. We are enclosing another form, in case the original was lost, on which the information be given. Will you kindly have this completed by the President of Local Union No. 902, and return to us per stamped envelope, herewith.

Thanking you in advance for the above, we are,

Very truly yours,

(Copy to Mr. Hughes.)

F. E. Barton Agency.

P.S. If there is any reason why the desired information cannot be obtained, we would appreciate your advising us.

Fidelity Dept.-Fraternal Official & Fraternal Order Div.

Please note above in connection with yours of June 12th.

W. E. Barton Agency.
April 4, 1934.

Mr. Daniel J. Murphy,
3946 Park Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

The Fidelity and Deposit Company has called my office repeatedly in regard to the bond covering balance of $403 and am asking you to let me know whether or not this bond is to be renewed or canceled.

The Company carries an insurance on these bonds and unless the bond is cancelled the premium is now required to carry the same on their books, therefore, please let me hear from you on this matter so I may advise the Company correctly on this matter.

Trustin- to hear from you as soon as possible on this matter and with best wishes, permit me to remain

Familiarly yours,

[Signature]
Dear Sir & Brother:

Your letter received relative to Harry Norman's bond.

I had a talk with him about same and he told me to write to you and have the bond canceled as there is no need for him to be under any bond at this time, as James Burke is now doing all the work of the Secretary-Treasurer and has full charge of all funds and writing of checks and everything connected with the office and is now bonded by the local union.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Vice-President

T. Thomas L. Hughes
3546 Page Blvd.
Indianapolis, Indiana

April 6, 1934
Dear Sir and Brother:

May we remind you again of the emergency which exists in our midst due to the declaration of war upon our Country by the belligerent nations of the world. The crisis has struck our very door, and we as Americans must be ready to face this situation or any emergency that might at the present time be unforeseen.

You have seen spread upon the front pages of the press the vital importance, and necessity of conservation. And we in our daily routine are in a position to be helpful both to ourselves and employers in conserving on the rubber which takes us around our routes daily. We would like to offer a few suggestions which if followed might lengthen the life of the tires and also your job. You no doubt know that the Office of Production Management has excluded our industry from the preferred list of tire purchasers and we therefore must obtain, if possible, the best results with what we have and see that their life is prolonged.

1. Do not scrape tires on curbs, as this causes considerable tire losses.
2. Refrain from running over glass or metal, especially in alleys.
3. Always see that your tires are well inflated.
4. Avoid striking holes in the road, or rocks, etc.
5. See that your wheels are checked at various intervals for proper alignment. Tires wear unevenly if not properly adjusted.

We feel that if these suggestions are taken in the spirit in which they are offered, they will be of benefit to us during this emergency, and we sincerely hope that the members of the organization will lend their efforts at home as the “boys” who are serving for us in our vast army are doing in other parts of the universe.

Fraternally yours,

EXECUTIVE BOARD.
MILK WAGON DRIVERS UNION, LOCAL No. 603
Mr. Frank Brown
Coronado Hotel
5701 Linden Blvd.
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Frank:

Enclosed please find copies of the letters sent to the various men, as per your request.

The letter to John Cochran was also sent to Bennett C. Clark, Harry Truman, John B. Sullivan, our Congressman and Representatives; and to Sidney Hillman, director of the OWI, and Secretary of Labor Perkins. Mr. James M. Wesson received the other enclosed letter.

Trusting this meets with your approval, I remain,

[Signature]

Patrick J. Burke
Local No. 603
Honorable John J. Cochran  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C.

January 21st, 1942

Friend Jack:

I am writing you relative to the recent decision of Lonaiu M. Nelson, Director of Priorities, concerning the rubber shortage, and the necessity for the curtailment of rubber which is non-essential.

We have noticed in his action that the milk industry, in which we are vitally interested, is on his list to be excused from any preference of tire purchasing. So, in view of the fact that we are handling a commodity which is essential to both youth and age, sick and healthy people, we feel that we should not be excused from this privilege of obtaining tires for the vehicles which our members operate. Needless to say, if this decision is final it will eliminate from our industry in excess of 200 of our organization, and will throw them to the winds for future employment. Our membership at the present time is in the vicinity of 2000 members in the milk industry alone, in this metropolis, and you can readily see that if we are excused what a great hardship it will work upon families and loved ones of these employed in the industry.

I would appreciate your efforts to convince Mr. Nelson of the dire necessity of our community, and see if we cannot be placed on the preferred list of purchasers.

Thanking you for your past courtesies, and trusting you will be able to be of some assistance to us, I am,

Respectfully yours,

James A. Good, Secretary  
Milk Wagon Drivers Union  
Local No. 603
Mr. Donald H. Nelson
Director of Priorities
Washington, D. C.

January 12th, 1942

Dear Sir:

I am writing relative to your recent decision concerning the necessity of
certain purchasing tires whose name does not appear on the preferred
list. This
we, as Americans, are in heart-felt sympathy with the great task thrown upon
your members by the belligerent nations of the world, and feel that we
should in some manner make sacrifices so that we here at home may do
our part towards ultimate victory which must come. We do, however, think that the
decision of the Committee is rather drastic upon our industry, in view of the
fact that we are in the production and distribution end of a commodity which
is essential to both adult and youth.

You know that the milk industry must, and should be placed on this preferred
list as the health of the youth of our nation, and maintained life for those
who have become ill and recuperation must be taken care of. Institutions and hospitals
must be served, as well as, nursing mothers. The, if this decision is to be final,
we fear the above mentioned obligation cannot be fulfilled, and it will further
add discomfort to the home and loved ones of some Black members of our organization
who are required in the milk industry in this metropolis. We are urging that
you give your decision further consideration, and see if it is not at all
possible to regulate this situation so that we might be placed upon the list
of eligible purchasers in this vicinity.

Your cooperation is not only solicited by the many people who are engaged
in the industry, but by the thousands of people who use this commodity daily,
and whose very lives depend upon it. In conclusion we might say that we will
be grateful for this consideration, and as Americans will abide by your final
decision regardless of the hardship it may work upon us.

Respectfully yours,

James A. Burke, Secretary
Milk Wagon Drivers Union
Local No. 603

CONT
February 10th, 1912

Mr. James A. Burke, Sec'y-Treasurer
Local Union No. 603,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother,

Enclosed is a copy of letter received at this office under date of February 6th from Mr. William S. Maloney, General President of the International Union of Operating Engineers.

The letter explains itself and I will appreciate hearing from you before answering President Maloney.

With kindest personal regards,

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

Enclosure

ATTACH FOR THE PRESIDENT
Mr. Thomas E. Flynn, Assistant to the General president
I. B. of T. C. Y., and A. of A.
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am in receipt of your letter of February 10th, also the copy of President Moloney’s letter of February 6th, to you.

This is a rather lengthy discussion, and I might as well, in order to make myself clear, give you a full picture of this situation, which exists here in our metropolis with Quality Dairy Company. This particular company has at all times been a headache to our organization, in so far as abiding by the agreements which we negotiate from time to time. Never have we been through the period of an Agreement without being obliged to cause a cessation of work at this particular company in order to have the conditions of the Agreement adhered to. We were compelled on January 1st, to call the withdrawal of this company out of work, owing to the fact that they had in their employ for a period of one year, three men, who they refused to place in our organization, and who they stated they did not need when we approached them concerning these individuals. They would discharge the men at our request, and upon our leaving, the premises would place them back in their employ the following day. This condition was corrected and the plant resumed operations.

Then we caused the cessation of work, unfortunately, there was a dispute between the Electrical Workers Local and the Machinists with the company, and they refused to deal with the representatives of their organization, and dismissed from their employ six men who had been accepted by these respective organizations.

The president of this company came to me home on January 5th, and stated his concern concerning this situation. I endeavored to show him the mistakes he was making, which was not only hurting his business, but was affecting our men and their weekly earnings. He assured us before leaving, that he would have the matter straightened out within the next two or three days, so as to avoid any adverse publicity which might be given to the two organizations. This, he did not do, and I was not again leave until

February 20th, 1942
Monday morning, February 2, at which time, Mr. J. F. Steinlage, President of Quality Dairy, called me and asked if I and another representative of Local No. 2, would sit in a conference between the Electrical Workers and Machinists, and endeavor to be of some assistance to them so that they might receive fair treatment. After a conference lasting approximately five and one-half hours, we were able to prevail on Mr. Steinlage the mistake he was making, and he agreed with the Machinists and Electrical Workers, to go along with their organizations.

Now, during the course of their picket line, a young man whose name I am not acquainted with, was interviewed by the Quality Dairy President, for the purpose of being hired as an engineer to run their plant. It was learned later that he was carrying a card of Local No. 2 of Operating Engineers, when he was confronted by Brother Koenig of the Electrical Workers, who asked if he had in his possession a working card. He said that he was sent there as per the instructions of Brother Kline, Business Representative of Local No. 1, to take over the job of engineering this plant.

Upon completion of the negotiations with the Electrical Workers, it was a demand of both the Machinists and Local No. 2 that this man be removed from this position before their compromise or their agreement would be accepted. This seems to be the stumbling block of both the dairy and the two unions. It is at no time any of our concern, as far as the engineers were concerned, and have never at any time entered into any jurisdictional dispute with the local unions of our city, in any other manner other than to be helpful to the industry if possible.

Brother Steinlage evidently was grossly misinformed by his undersigned Mr. Kline. However, it is just my personal opinion that Brother Kline takes great pleasure in placing his men behind any picket line which exists in our city. A true picture of this situation should be known to all, as his Local Union has been suspended from our Central Trades and Labor Union, until such time as he ceases to ruin other organizations in this city. We have numerous carriers in which his men are employed, and have never at any time had any controversy with this gentleman. If he is entitled to this engineering, this is a dispute between him and the Electrical Workers Local No. 1, and again we say our organization is not involved in this controversy, as I stated in this five hour conference which we had, that we are in no way interested in the dispute which the Electrical Workers have with the company, but we are interested in the dairy as a part of our industry. We endeavor to be peace-makers, but can readily see the reaction it has taken.

I will be happy to furnish you with any further information you may desire concerning this particular case, upon your request.

Patrick J. Burke, Business representative Milk Haulers Drivers Union Local No. 805

P. S. I will be in Chicago the morning of the sixteenth, and if you are there I will discuss the matter further with you.
February 12, 1942

Mr. Patrick J. Murphy, Business Representative
3540 Page Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your letter of February 12, 1942, in answer to my letter of February 10, in which I enclosed a copy of President Murphy's letter.

After reading the contents of your letter carefully, I want to commend you for the fine and intelligent way in which you have explained this situation and the manner in which your organization conducted itself in this entire matter.

For your information, I am now addressing a letter to President Murphy, enclosing a copy of your letter, and pointing out to him the practice of their representative line in that district.

With kindest personal regards to you, Jimmy and the rest of the officers.

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

Acting for O.U.L. President
Mr. Thomas Flynn  
Assistant to the President  
222 East Michigan Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana  

Dear Sir and Brother:  

I wish to impart to you some information given me this date by the general manager of one of the largest creameries in this city. You can take it for what it is worth, however, in my opinion it bears immediate attention.  

Some individual, masquerading as an International Representative out of Washington, D.C., confronted an employer in a small Illinois town relative to the C.I.O. organizing efforts amongst the milk producers and farmers throughout the country at the present time. He advised them that it would be, in his opinion, quite distasteful if and when the C.I.O. were successful in organizing these individuals. He stated that he was of the opinion that the drivers and inside dairy workers, who are members of the American Federation of Labor, might not be in sympathy with their cause and refuse to process or deliver same. His motive in mind was the building up of a chest, namely, money for the purpose of combating any efforts made by the C.I.O. to this end.  

When the gentleman to whom he was speaking became suspicious of his actions and conversation he advised him of the proper procedure before he would be of any assistance to him, namely, contacting the Milk Wagon Driver's Union of St. Louis who in turn would speak to
his representative in this city and he then would speak to this gentleman in the Illinois plant who would then comply or reject his proposition. He advis- ed me of the man's name, namely, Mr. Williams, and I told the representative here that I knew of no man connected with the International Union out of Washington, D. C. by that name and advised him that it was my opinion that it was some sort of racket being conducted by some individual and that our International would never tolerate such actions on the part of any local union officer or international organizer either.

I stated also that I would contact you and upon receipt of your answer would advise him as to my findings. I am not aware as to how deep this gentleman Williams has gone with his scheme but I feel that something should be done to curb him before he gets a headway.

Trusting this information will be of beneficial value to you and the organization, hoping to see you real soon I am,

Fraternally yours,

Patrick J. Burke
Business Representative
March 19, 1912

Mr. Patrick J. Morse, Business Representative
Silk Hugan United Local Union 602
430 Page Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brothers:

I am in receipt of your letter under date of March 17, 1912, in which you advised me that the General Manager of one of the largest silk factories in St. Louis has given you information to the effect that some individuals, representing as an International Representative of Washington ... etc., in concert with employees in that district, solicited funds under the guise of fighting the CIO’s efforts to organize silk producers in that district.

If true, I believe such tactics as these are attempting, in other parts of the country.

I want to thank you for this information.

I am almost personal regards with best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

A. M. Morse, President

Page Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri
May 28, 1943

Mr. Patrick J. Murphy, Manager, Representative
All Jauge Drivers - Packer Employees
Local 753, No. 453
311 Forest Park Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brothers:

This will advise you that Nick E. Nilsen, President of the Team Drivers' Local Union No. 753, located here in St. Louis, visited me in the office yesterday for the purpose of requesting the assistance of our organizations in St. Louis in his present trouble with the Penn-Wheat Company.

He told me that there are thirty-five butchers, of whom he is one, signed up on a union line, and that this matter is costing his organization fifteen hundred dollars a week. He also stated that he has, over a period of time, been losing a part of his organization through the Penn-Wheat Company.

Of course, you understand the orders of the General Board were not made to quit union work, particularly at this time.

I advised Brother Nilsen that I could not give him an answer at the time of his request but stated that I would look into the matter as well as take it up with the Executive Board of the International Union.

This will advise you that the attitude of the International Union in this case is that it will be for the benefit of the union if we give the Penn-Wheat Company time to organize the union. The present strike is due to a union which has been organized for forty-five years and that they are not members of the union, while many other truck drivers and helpers they have in other

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

General Counsel
parts of the country, we could then give this matter ever consideration.

Enclosed find copy of a telegram addressed to President Tobin, under date of Nov 27, 1942, received at this office, signed by Patrick E. Goran, Field Agent of the Meat Cutters' Organization. The telegram explains itself. You will note he states:

"I usually would appreciate it if you would have your representative of St. Louis make an investigation of this matter and try to bring about a settlement. If mediation in part of your representatives fails I would further appreciate full cooperation of your St. Louis representatives toward aiding in this market."

One of the questions I asked Brother Blaske yesterday was if he had taken this letter up with the Joint Council in St. Louis, and he advised me that he had not. I may be that you may be able to contact him now or any of the officers of the Joint Council, or the Joint Council itself, and appoint a committee to wait on me. John to see if they can bring about a settlement of this controversy.

With kindest personal regards to you and the rest of the boys,

Peter J. Aune - 2 - May 26, 1942

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Peter J. Aune - 2 - May 26, 1942
Mr. Flynn, International Vice President

International Brotherhood of Teamsters Chauffers, Warehousemen and Helpers of America

Local Six of Three A F of L, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffers, Warehousemen and Helpers of America, stopped work early July first nineteen forty-two over wage negotiations of new contracts which expired June thirty-second nineteen forty-two. Strike still in progress. On June 25 requested Dr. Steelman, Director of United States Conciliation Service to appoint conciliator to sit in our negotiations. William F. White was appointed and sat in ten hour meeting on June twenty-ninth. Local Six of three officials refused to direct men to return to work after receiving telegram today from Dr. Steelman to discontinue the strike and resume work and to handle negotiations in a peaceful manner according to federal agencies available and also after Pevely Dairy Company personally offered officials of local Six of Three to submit matter to the War Labor Board or to arbitration, union refused to settle strike in peaceful manner or to submit same to arbitration. The problem is more than acute and over one hundred thousand families in the city of St. Louis are affected. We earnestly request that you bring about an end to this unwarranted and unnecessary strike.
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UNITED STATES
SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
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Copy being sent to William Green, President of the American
WESTERN UNION

FEDERATION OF LABOR UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE WICKARD OR JOHN R STEELMAN UNITED STATES CONCILIATION SERVICE AND WM H DAVIS CHAIRMAN WAR LABOR BOARD

D KERCKHOFF PRESIDENT PEVELY DAIRY CO R D KERCKHOFF VICE PRESIDENT.

JUL 2 1942
Please intervene and stop strike which began at our company 2 AM this morning. We are more than willing to submit same to arbitration or War Labor Board. Copy being sent to William Green, President of the American Federation of Labor, United States Secretary of Agriculture Wickard or John R. Steelman, United States Conciliation Service; H. Davis, Chairman, National War Labor Board; Madame Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labor; Henry Caulfield, Director of Public Welfare; Mayor Will De Becker, City of Saint Louis; Honorable Forrest C. Donnell, Governor of State of Missouri.

Arnold Steinlage, Quality Dairy Co.
Daniel J. Tobin
International President, International Brotherhood of Teamster Chauffeurs Warehousemen and Helpers of America

Please advise by postal telegraph return here whether our strike July 2nd has been received. Whether anything can be done to settle strike in peaceful manner. Strike still in progress.

R.D. Kerckhoff Vice President, Teamly Bakery Co.
Mr. Flyn,

International Vice President
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Chauffeurs Warehousemen and Helpers of America

Please advise by postal telegraph return here whether you are favorable to July Second having been received. Whether anything can be done to settle strike 
in peaceful manner, strike still in progress.

D. C. Kerckhoff
Vice Pres., Pevely Dairy Co.
July 23rd, 1942

Mr. Thomas Flynn, Assistant to the President
I.B. of T.C.I. and H. of A.
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Friend Tomi,

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the three agreements recently negotiated between the milk industry and Local 603.

The membership at large has greatly smiled over the new condition under which they are working, and we are mighty happy that our unpleasantness with the employer only lasted a brief period of time.

There are numerous changes in all the agreements, together with a weekly increase of 50c. for the drivers, and a classification program on the Inside Dairy workers agreement, which ranges from $4.00 to $11.00 per week increase.

I want, at this time, to express the sincere appreciation of the officers of this local, for the splendid cooperation we received through your office, and from the members of the International Union. If at some time we are in a position to reciprocate our kindness, we are ready and willing to do so.

Yours for victory, etc.,

Patrick J. Burke, Business Representative
Milk Wagon Drivers Union
Local 603
Jul 23, 1943

Mr. Patrick C. Blask, Business Representative
111 North Avenue & Mr. Adjacenses
603 West 3rd St.
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Adjacenses:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 23, 1943, regarding a series of agreements reached for the Great Lakes, the Dairy and the Trans

I am told, as you well know, that

I am advised of

I am advised of

I wish to take this opportunity to commend you

Dr. Donald Smith

ACME DOWNTOWN PLANT
For Truander Place,
Webster Groves, Mo.,
October 16, 1942

Mr. Daniel J. Tobin,
General President,
International Brotherhood of Teamsters,
Indianapolis, Indiana,

Dear Sir:

This letter is an appeal to a
decision of Local 603 Milwaukee Division
of St. Louis, Mo. that resulted in my
and being suspended indefinitely.

I was charged of being work out of
my line of duty as a result of putting
goods in company trucks. I was doing
this as directed by my branch manager
and was not aware of the fact that it was
against union rules. In fact, I have
not found anything in the by-laws
that state that this is contrary union
rules.

My position is route supervisor
and other route supervisor at the same
beingbranch and drivers for two other
companies have done this same work.

As a member of this local for seventeen years and being disabled of working serious conditions, I am requesting a review of my case with the view of having my cash reinstated. As you can see by my length of membership in this local, it is my best means of supporting my family.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration, I remain,

Sincerely,

George P. Cunningham
October 14, 1942

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October 31st, 1942

Mr. Thomas Flynn
General Headquarters
I.B. of W.C., and A. of A.,
401 East Michigan Street
Indiana, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brothers:

In respect to the suspension of George Fleminghausen who has been a member of this organization for the last seventeen years. I wish to state that his attitude towards the brother membership has always been of a belligerent and uncooperative nature. He was duly notified by mail to appear before the Executive Board on Friday, September 13th, at which meeting he was suspended for performing the duties of an Inside Wagon Employee. (Thereby making the elimination of a man who comes under the jurisdiction of the Inside Division).

He was permitted to work until the next regular meeting of drivers on October 5th, at which time the charges and the action of the Board were read. He took the platform and admitted his fault, but stated that he was instructed to do so by his employer.

The entire membership of which about 250 were present,· v8ieldingly to suspend him indefinitely. The Chairman requested everyone present to feel that Brother Fleminghausen was initially dealt with and he appealed to the Board.

After the meeting I informed Brother Fleminghausen of his right of appeal to the Central's Joint Council and to the General Executive Board, he appeared before the Council on October 13th at which time the action of our Executive Board and the Meeting was sustained.

Treating that the information will cover the situation, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

James A. Burns, Secretary-Treasurer
Local No. 603

[Signature]
Friend Tom:

I am writing this note to tell you what kind of a man this fellow is.

Tom Conroy,caller Bush, Reed Cotte, Sigmo Medine, Brother Rit. and myself, all members of the Executive Board, worked with him for a number of years and know him well.

After his promotion to Route Supervisor he made it as miserable as possible for his fellow workers by turning in reports that after investigation were found untrue. In the month of October last, while shooting a route driven by Brother Merkle, he deliberately punctured tires of peoples automobiles with an ice pick because he could not park the truck against the curbing. (This has been kept quiet to forestall any criminal proceedings against him, and for the protection of the company for which he worked.)

He has also made repeated statements (that can be substantiated by numerous drivers) that he did not give a damn for the Mill Drivers Union, because after another year, he was going back to the farm. Too funny tells me that as he called this morning and requested his refund of dues which we are sending him today, morning as noon is here from his union because confidentially everyone thinks he is a Prince.

Regrets to Grant & Burbon and Son.

Lucky Cardinale.
October 27, 1942

Mr. J. W. Smith, Jr., Recording Secretary
Joint Council No. 13
Scanford Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and brothers:

I am requesting that you send in all of the facts and a copy of the report in the case of George M. Snee from the decision of Local Union No.

This has been an appeal to the International Union from the decision of Local Union No.

Fraternally yours,

C. I. O. Local Head President
October 27, 1942

Mr. James A. Hui, Secretary-Treasurer
All-American Bottlers, Dairy & Cannery
Employees' Local Union No. 5
All-Union Park B. Union
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Others:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter under date of October 16, 1942, in answer to my letter, in which I enclosed a copy of a letter from President, written as eapm-ned from your organization, the decision being upheld by the Joint Council. I will note that his letter of a date October 16, 1942, was two days after the Joint Council upheld the decision of your local union.

Due to the fact that he is appealing here, it is necessary that your local union amend the entire record of the case, and I will also have to request that the Joint Council likewise amend its record of the proceedings of this case and appeal. In accordance with the law, we will have to give him an oral hearing in order to give him the right to be heard. I am not sure that I can represent him in full, but I will hire a lawyer to represent him.

I ask that you send me the full record of this case and I will represent the Joint Council to the union. I have this matter gone over by Judge Fawcett before sending this case to appeal.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

ACTING FOR GENERAL PRESIDENT
Mr. George Pfennighausen appeared at this office, requesting acknowledgment of his letter of October 10, 1942, appealing decision to the General Executive Board. He is now a member of the Bro. of Railroad Trainmen but said he is desirous of knowing just exactly what has happened to his case and why he received no answer. Explained we do not answer individual letters, but he insisted that we do so. Said he might come in next time he is through Indianapolis on a trip.
Mi!!

Wagon Drivers, Dairy and Creamery Employees, Local 603
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America

6031 FOREST PARK BLVD.
ST. LOUIS, MO.

November 6th, 1942

Mr. Thomas Flynn
General Headquarters
I. B. of T. Y., and H. of A.
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brothers:

I have your letter of October 27th, in answer to my letter of October 21st, and I will briefly outline to you the reasons for this man's suspension from our union, which we think is in accordance with the rules of the International Union.

Going back deeply into this man's career of four or five years ago, I might state that he, as a route boss, broke in numerous individuals in the milk business, and the instructions he gave these men were in direct conflict with the Agreement we had with the dairy owners and the union. I called him to task at that time, warning him that if he continued, he would be brought before the body and suspended. He seemed as though he was bigger than the organization to which he belonged and ignored all of our appeals to him, until we were compelled to call him before our Executive Board Meeting on September 18th, and suspend him for using an inside dairy workers' job of gassing trucks. At this time, he was warranted by the Board to cease until he obtained the qualifications and the conditions before an open meeting on October 8th. At that time, the membership, consisting of approximately 400 or more, voted unanimously that this man be suspended from our organization, not only for the misdemeanor of gassing trucks, but for the reason that while servicing a route together with the driver, he would lean out of the truck and stick an ice pick in the tire of some poor individual who had his car parked on the street, which he thought should be out of his way. The driver, at this time, called his attention to this particular incident, but to receive an insufficient answer from him.

We have gone out of our way to make it very shameful for the people who worked under him as drivers. During the trial upon the meeting floor of October 8th, a number of drivers came forward to register complaints about his activities as a route foreman and a brother member of this organization.
There was no animosity as far as we were concerned in reprimanding this young man, as we had given every consideration possible to warn him away, but at all times we thought that it was merely a case, and he would not have to abide by the by-laws of this organization. The petty larceny things that he did while driving a milk wagon, are too numerous to mention, but if they were all compiled, I am afraid that it would fill a book. For this reason, we felt justified in asking the union for his suspension, and also the 'Wagonmen' Joint Council, which sustained the findings of our Executive Board.

At a meeting of the Wagon this afternoon, we came to the conclusion that due to the shortage of men in the industry here, if you care to, we will call him in, and give him another opportunity to betray this organization. We still aggregate hearing from you as to your suggestion in this matter of Mr. [missing word], we in our opinion does not warrant a just handling considering his past actions as a member of this organization.

Yours truly for Victory,

[Signature]

J. J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Milk Wagon Drivers Union
Local No. 605

J. J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Milk Wagon Drivers Union
Local No. 605

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Dear Sir:

In regards to your letter of Oct. 27th in reference to the case of O. Fennighausen, who appealed to the Joint Council against the decision of the Milk Wagon Drivers Union, Local No. 603, Executive Board and also the members of this Union, wish to say that this man was given a fair trial and confessed to the charges and with all the evidence the Council Executive Board heard, they could do nothing else but uphold the action of this Union. It seems as this man has been a trouble maker for quite some time, and after several warnings which he did not pay any attention to, the Board could do nothing else but bring him before them. Sorry I did not get to this any sooner but I have been confined with a cold. Trusting this is the information you desired, and thanking you for past favors, permit me to remain,

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

Sec., Sec.
November 17th, 1942

Mr. Thomas B. Flynn, Assistant to the President
I. B. of T., O., I. and H. of A.
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brothers:

As per the request of our General President, Daniel J. Tobin, I am submitting herewith a small article to publish in the Journal, if it meets with your and his approval.

It is a picture of the activities of the milk industry in our city, and we are quite proud of the cooperation we are receiving from the employers and the employees.

Patrick J. Burke, Business Representative
Milk Wagon Drivers Union
Local No. 603
As the operating workers who bring milk and dairy products to the homes of America under war conditions, we have a threefold job as our contribution to today's most important job—WINNING THE WAR.

**First**—we must give our customers the best possible service and maintain an uninterrupted flow of milk and dairy products at this time when proper nutrition, when the slogan "U.S. STRONG" means so much—for no other single food plays such an important part as does dairy products in this vital job of protecting the health of the nation.

**Second**—we must cooperate both in our personal and business lives, in every way possible with the conservation measures made necessary by the war conditions. In business this means honest and sincere willingness to help management carry out the various emergency regulations; in our personal lives this means cooperation with every assurance that our cooperation will help to win the war and win for us and for management a better understanding of each other.

We must recognize that this is now a matter of give and take for the common good of all—ourselves, our companies, our customers and our country.

**Third**—we are all joined by our actions—the job of winning this war is bigger than the one man or any group of men—it is the biggest job our country has ever faced and we, as a vital part of the services of
the nation must do our part without thought of self until the job is finished.

Perhaps the most important conservation move facing the country today is the vital one of rubber and gasoline and oil - all of which we have been using in increasing volume under peace time - and which we shall again use in enormous volume, when our fighting armies no longer need the rubber and oil and gasoline for their job.

It can be done and it is a dual job for management and our organization - More in how it has been done through such intelligent cooperation in St. Louis,

Dairy A - Through a readjustment of distribution centers enabling them to substitute horse drawn vehicles they have gotten 27% rubber and oil conservation.

Dairy B - Following the pattern of Dairy A, they already secured a conservation of 25% in rubber and oils. Further conservation needed to more equipment is planned.

Each change must be made effective through the mutual cooperation of all members of the organization from the highest ranking executive to the newest replacement member of the drivers.

We, the members of Local 603 Milk Wagon Drivers and Inside Dairy Workers, wish you that this can be done - we are doing it - we ask all
other Locals to do it - as our contribution to the biggest job any
one of us has ever had or will ever have - helping to win this war.

If you haven't already started - get going today.
November 16, 1942

Mr. Horace W. Marven, Business Representative
Local Union No. 24
511 Forest Park Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 13, 1942, in which you enclosed an article pertaining to the
risk industry in St. Louis, to be published in the
International Journal.

I have referred this article to Dr. Walter W. Lent,
our Assistant Editor, to be published in the Journal.

Fratrally yours,

ACTING NO. OFFICIAL PRESIDENT
November 18, 191...

Dr. James A. Vase, Secretary-Treasurer
Lil's San Francisco Diary Employees
Loco No. 110, No. 111, Mill Street, San Francisco

Dear Sir or Madam:

I have your letter of November 6, 191.... In answer to my letter of October 26, 191..., in which I requested your Local Union to mail to me the entire record of the trial of "P" in Philadelphia and any material for your Union's conclusion, Joint Council meeting held by your Local Union.

After gaining your letter of November 6, 191..., as well as the letter from Joint Council of November 6, I have these letters and your letter of November 6, 191..., all these letters and the letter of your Local Union should have been kept in accordance with the Constitution of the International Union and the Local Union...

Charges should have been referred, and the man... that point to refusal of the... trial. A few days later, a petition would have been presented in writing to the Joint Council and to the International...
Dr. James J. Cox

Sir, Louis, Indiana

I shall also like to remark that the Joint Council used in an
earlier copy of the proceedings of this body before their Executive
meeting. I want to declare that your annual report is to be sent to
the I.O.U. of the International Union.

In case of the absence of each committee back to our Council,
Joint Council, for the protection of the International Union from
the material submitted here, any one found guilty of any
wrong doing. It is impossible to prevent this fraud.

So, I have the assurance that this I.O.U. of the International
Union. Therefore, this matter will be laid out and the Joint
Council, as to cast for the Executive officer, an officer but
responsibilities which must arise. It may be that the Joint Council
can have to report the Local Union to recover the same in accordance
with the Constitution. Because I am at this time that this is
ability of the time as is arrayed. Will have a discussion of all
members of your Local Union. After yours to the survey, they vote
to support this said for the organization.

However, there is nothing in your letter that
preserved in either makes this event that the use, copy
or type was altered in any way, and I will allow
the same to properly be done, and that in the
consequence.

I shall agree that you can't file President. That any of the
sight without reason. If you, I have the International
organization, the council, the International
organization, the executive to the council was not carried out, it may be necessary
to re-try this letter or this to the council, and the
International Union.

Frequently yours,

[Signature]

[Date]
December 31, 1942

Mr. Patrick Burke  
4111 Forest Park Boulevard  
St. Louis, Missouri  

Dear Sir and Brothers:

Enclosed find copy of a proposed amendment to General Order No. 17 of the G.T.

I am calling your attention particularly to cases 5 and 6.

I am sending this for your information as a member of the National Rubber Committee. No doubt the committee will discuss this matter in its next meeting.

With warmest personal regards,

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

ACTING FOR GENERAL PRESIDENT

Enc.  
A M
January 28, 1943

Mr. Patrick Burke
All Forest Park Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brothers:

Enclosed is a copy of a telegram undelayed by President Knox to Claude R. Hickman, Federal Food Administrator, under date January 11, 1943.

Also enclosed is a copy of another telegram, signed by C. C. Kitchen, deputy director, Food Distribution Administration, Department of Agriculture, under date January 11, 1943.

These communications speak for themselves and are for your information.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

ACTING FOR GENERAL PRESIDENT
Mr. Thomas E. Flynn, Assistant to the President
I.B. of T.G. & T. and H. of A.
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brothers:

I was talking with Brother Daniel Murphy this morning relative to the letter which you wrote him concerning the municipal employees local union which is being formed in our city. It was not the intention of us to intrude upon this organization for their membership, which we felt came under the jurisdiction of our local union, due to the fact that they are connected daily with our operations in their daily tasks.

The true story of how we became involved in this controversy, was due to the fact that one of the inspectors happened to be a withdrawal card member of ours, and he came to this office and requested twelve applications so that he might organize these inspectors for the Milk Wagon Drivers Union. We heard no more from him, and one day last week I was talking to the A.F. of L. organizer of this city, Mr. Theiss, and he informed me that a gentleman by the name of Frazier had undertaken to organize these people, and obtained the signatures of six of these on his application. We are not eager to have a dispute over someone else's territory, and if in your opinion you deem it wise, we shall forget about the whole situation.

I now present you the only reason why we received a request for these applications was due to the fact that these individual inspectors felt that we could do more for them than the organization which Frazier was representing. However, if it is his desire, let him solicit these people, and they will go to his local union. I assure you we will make no claims upon them.

Trusting to hear from you by return mail, I am,
April 7, 1943

Mr. Patrick E. Vance, Business Representative
Local Union 603
2311 Forest Park Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and brothers:

In answer to your letter of April 19, 1943, in which you advised that you have conferred with Vice-President Ingal J. Worpin regarding the letter I wrote to him concerning a municipal employees local union which is being formed in your city, I have read the contents of your letter carefully, as well as the letter I received from Vice-President Murphy. I want to thank you both for your attitude in this matter.

I have advised President Zender of the State, County and Municipal Employees that our organization has revised jurisdiction over these men.

With earnest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

CC: Daniel J. Murphy
May 10, 1944

The Local 903, Secretary-Treasurer

Local 903

411 Forest Park, Joliet

Joliet, Illinois

May 10, 1944

Sir:

Further reference to the case of George Pfennighausen, of 50 Ivanhoe Place, Joliet, Illinois, I am advised that the disabilities of his trial so that this matter be referred to our legal department, as Mr. Pfennighausen has appealed the decision of the Executive Board of the Joint Council to the General Executive Board.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

AUG. 25 1944

CHIEF, FIELD
May 10, 1944

Mr. William J. Bingel, Jr., Recording Secretary
Joint Council No. 13
1100 Forest Park Boulevard
St. Louis 6, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

With further reference to the case of George Pfenninger, Agent, of 505 Iowa Street, Webster Groves, Missouri, a former member of Local Union 603, I ask that you submit to this office at once a complete transcript of the proceedings of his trial so that this may be referred to our legal department, as Mr. Fennighausen is appealing the decision of the Executive Board of your Council to the General Executive Board.

Yours truly,

ACLING PAL HAYES, IDSN, GENERAL PRESIDENT
Mr. Thomas E. Flynn
I. B. of T. C. I. and E. of A.
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brother:

I have your letter of May 10th, also a call from the Recording Secretary of the Council, William Bingel, relative to the case of George Pfennighausen, who was suspended from this organization.

I might state, at this time, that this young man appeared before our Executive Board, July 28th, 1945, and was reinstated, and given an honorable withdrawal card. The minutes of which were concurred in, by the regular meeting of August 15th.

This man was told that he could go back to work in the milk industry, but declined to do so at this time, citing the fact that he was earning more money as a Pullman conductor.

As far as we are concerned that this case is closed, and that the man has been given an opportunity to right himself in the future, if he so desires.

Sincerely yours,
Patrick J., Business Representative
Milk Wagon Drivers’ Union, Local 603

P.S. dp
February 6, 1946

Mr. Wilbur W. Jackson
Pet Milk Company
1401 Press Building
St. Louis 1, Missouri

Mr. John J. Harriset
Truck Drivers & Helpers Local
Union No. 569
Arlington, Virginia

RE: DOCKET NO. 4-26166
Tennessee and Virginia

Gentlemen:

In accordance with authority granted by the National War Labor Board, the following ruling is hereby made on your application of November 19, 1944, effective October 1, 1944, as requested:

(1) Approval of the rates and classifications listed below:

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(2) Increases within ranges are subject to General Order 21, which provides for the continuation of any legally established plan of progression.
Mr. Wilbur M. Jackson
Mr. John J. Marscetti

February 5, 1945

This writing is made with the understanding that no employees will be reduced in rate unless his duties have been changed under the new contract.

The retroactive approval herein granted shall apply only to the extent that the wage or salary adjustments involved have not been placed into effect prior to the date hereof, and shall not be construed as an approval of any unauthorized adjustments paid prior hereto, or otherwise placed into effect in contravention of the Stabilization Act of 1942, as amended, the Executive Orders and Regulations issued pursuant thereto.

Very truly yours,

PEOPLE'S WAR LABOR BOARD
PEORIC IV

By: Donald T. Spear, General Director
   Division of Wage Stabilization
Mr. Thomas Flynn, assistant to the President
I. B. of T. C. and H. of A.,
222 Kast Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brother:

I have received a letter from the Pacific area dated March 6th from one of the members of our Union, enclosed in it was a clipping from a paper which I am forwarding herewith to you for your examination. I do not know from whence it was clipped, but can advise from the information in the letter I received that it was pasted on a bulletin board of the armed forces in the Pacific area.

The member who wrote me about this article, and tore it down before it received too much attention, would like to have some information so that he may place it on the bulletin board and make sure exactly what our Grand President stands for, as far as the returned veteran is concerned.

If you will either ask President Obin to answer this so that I may forward it on to this particular member, or give me the necessary information to impart to him, I will greatly appreciate it. It seems as though some of the unorganized members of the armed forces are endeavoring to spread propaganda about labor unions so that when they return they will use their veteran status as a medium of obtaining employment in industries where they have never heretofore been employed.

I will greatly appreciate, Tom, if you will get this information to me as quickly as possible, so that I may forward it on to this young man, and also kindly return the enclosed clipping.

Patrick J. Burke, Business Representative
Milk Wagon Drivers Union, Local 603
No Room for Veterans!

Membership in the Teamsters Union probably will not be open to returning soldiers, Daniel J. Tobin, president of the T.U., warns in a recent number of the International Teamster. As to waiving of initiation fees, that is not to be thought of. The constitution and by-laws of the organization are sacred, Tobin says.

The best the T.U. can do for returning soldiers is to take back those who were members before they went to war and give them the seniority they would have had if they had not served. They will get this bonus on payment of one month's dues.

What will happen in the numerous cases where service may put return to work which was unionized after they left them, Tobin does not say, but he does say: "there will not be work enough to go around for the returning members of our organization now in the service of our country"—so that outsiders are out.

Tobin adds that the T.U. is not delighted by "political promises made during campaigns" as to full employment. That, and some remarks made about the C.I.O., may indicate that the T.U. is getting fed up with the Washington setup. However, some remarks may come from the main offices of Tobin's piece, which is that, respectfully, of course, the T.U. can't make room to make room for returning soldiers.
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, this International Brotherhood, as a trade union which can exist only in a free government of free men, realizes and appreciates that it, along with all other free American institutions, owes a debt of gratitude to the members of the Armed Forces, and in particular those members who have suffered disabilities, which can never be fully repaired,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Conference recognize and urge that the facilities and good offices of all local unions affiliated with the International Brotherhood be used unreservedly to aid in the finding of jobs, and in the training and rehabilitation of returning members of the Armed Forces, in that in particular the returning veteran who formerly was employed in the trucking industry, be given every aid and assistance in being reinstated to his former employment, and that those civilians who were obliged to forego employment in the trucking industry to aid in the war effort in some other capacity receive as afforded aid and assistance in returning to their former employment when their war tasks are done; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this conference urge and recommend that all local unions affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters reduce in membership in each standing all members who have entered the Armed Forces in any branch, at as low a cost to the individual as can be provided or permitted under the rules governing the local union or the International Union, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if there are vacancies which cannot be filled by our members in our employment, all executives and officers of working at our employment, in the judgment of the local affiliation of the union, or the International Union, be admitted to membership at a special initiation fee not to exceed five dollars; this last provision shall only obtain for a period of one year after the ending of the war.
WHEREAS, this International Brotherhood, as a trade union which can exist only in a free government of free men, realizes and appreciates that it, along with all other free American institutions, owes a debt of gratitude to the members of the Armed Forces, and in particular those members who have suffered disabilities, which can never be fully repaired,

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if there are vacancies which cannot be filled by our members in our employment, all ex-service men capable of working at our employment, in the judgment of the local officials of the union or the International Union, be admitted to membership at a special initiation fee not to exceed five dollars. This last provision shall only obtain for a period of one year after the ending of the war.
AT A MEETING THIS EVENING ATTENDED BY 1000 MILK
WAGON DRIVERS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY THAT DAILY
DELIVERY WOULD BE RESUMED AS SOON AS OFFICERS OF LOCAL DEEMED
IT POSSIBLE WITHOUT HURTING ANY INDIVIDUAL. DO YOU REMEMBER
WHAT I SAID IN CLEVELAND WE WOULD BE THE FIRST TO GO ON SAME
LET ME KNOW IF THIS IS TRUE.

PATRICK J. BURKE

1000+900$
Patrick Mr J. Burke,
Milk Drivers' Union No. 603,
2111 Forest Park Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Your telegram announcing unanimous endorsement of daily deliveries by Local 603 received with great appreciation. We congratulate you on your prompt and progressive action. Local 754 of Chicago took same action on same night and both telegrams reached here the same night. Such support from our local unions is very encouraging and makes easier the tremendous task of providing maximum employment during and after the difficult period of reconversion. Please accept my personal thanks to the officers and members of Local 603.

Thomas J. Flynn,
Acting for the General President.
January 28th, 1946

Mr. J. B. No. 2221
221 West Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Mr. No. 2221:

I am caught up in a flurry of activity since the passing of our brothers. James C. Thee, during our session in accordance with the rules of our organization, appointed me to take the vacancy for the term of one year of the Secretary.

If you will send the necessary application to me, I will certify the same to the regular monthly meeting of the Milk Wagon Drivers and Dairy Creamery Employees with the necessary vote of Council and the necessary vote of the regular monthly meeting. If the vacancy occurs in the middle of the year, it will be preferably a primary for the next session.

Sincerely yours,

Local Union No. 603

Walt Bush
James A. Blair

[Address on the right side]

Walt Bush
James A. Blair

[Address on the right side]
January 30, 1946

To: Fred J. Smith, Recording Secretary
Local Union 603
4111 Forest Park Boulevard
St. Louis 8, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your letter of January 27, 1946, to Active President Thomas R. Flynn received.

Complying with your request, enclosed find application for minority bond with the American Furrier Company of New York for Patrick J. Burke, who has been appointed to fill the unexpired term of James A. Burke as Secretary-Treasurer of Local Union 603.

Fraternal ours,

W. C. Morris, General Organizer

inc.
May 10, 1946

Mr. Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Union 603
4111 Forest Park Blvd.
St. Louis 9, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brothers:

With further reference to our phone conversation yesterday regarding the milk agreement approved by Joint Council 13 submitted to this office and approved by this office under date of May 10, 1946, for the milk and ice cream drivers of Local 729, I am enclosing a copy of the letter I have today addressed to James Dussell, Business Representative of Local 729, which is self-explanatory.

I suggest that you set out in writing your complaint regarding this agreement as it is our intention to be as helpful as we can to bring about an understanding.

I am still of the opinion that there should be a uniform agreement covering West St. Louis and East St. Louis.

Fraternally yours,

ACTING PRESIDENT

T.M. J. TURKIN

[Signature]

[Stamp]
Dear Sir and Brother:

For the past six months Local #603 has been endeavoring to cooperate with the wishes of our General President in the reversion of the milk industry from the every-other-day system of delivery to the pre-war delivery system. We have met with some opposition among our own membership and on two occasions it was necessary to suspend two members of long standing in this Union. However, as a result of the lessons taught these people we are receiving more cooperation each day, and as a result have increased our membership quite a few members.

We are in the process of preparing a new contract for our employers, and in it we demand a seven day delivery which we are now maintaining. However, owing to the fact that our last contract permitted every-other-day delivery, it is necessary for us to change the wording with the employer. We have just learned that our fellow brothers on the east side have presented a contract to the Teamsters Joint Council No. 13, and also to the international union for its endorsement, of a five day week with no increase in pay, and a seven day delivery of every-other-day service. I might say at this time that we could have obtained this set-up last October from our employer, but were reluctant in doing so upon the advice of Mr. Tobin. I regret that I was not at the Council meeting at which this contract was presented, and I assure you it would not have been endorsed in the manner in which it was presented. I am asking that you withhold any endorsement from the International Union or if you have made one withdraw it until such time as Local #729.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Thomas A. Flynn, Assistant to the President
I. B. of I. U. W. and H. of A.
201 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

May 14th, 1946
sits down and negotiates this contract with us. It seems to me that the tail is wagging the dog in this instance as his representation of milk drivers consists of about thirty-seven members in comparison to thirteen hundred and fifty which we have in this metropolitan area.

I would not be so insistent upon my request were it not for the fact that we serve every territory in which Local #729 is located, and we are meeting with quite a little opposition from the drivers of that local union. Our wage scale in our last contract is much higher than ours, but when we consider the commissions... however, our basic salary is the same and we believe that it should be maintained and their salary negotiated to the same figure as ours.

I will appreciate if you will advise me what steps should be taken before we present our contract to the employer. We have received from the organization unanimous approval for our request which is definitely in line with the cost of living and the increase obtained in Chicago. It is our plan to stand steadfast in our request as we believe it is conservative and within reason under the present conditions.

Thanking you for any cooperation you might render me at this time in clearing this matter up, I am,

[Signature]

Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
'\textit{Milk Wagon Drivers Union, Local #603}'
Dear Sir and Brothers:

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I desire to say I request that a meeting be held by the two organizations, as soon as possible, on a detailed report made to this office for our information, and, as stated above, if you cannot come to an understanding, it may be necessary to come on before the Executive Board.

I am addressing a copy of this letter to Vice-President, Dan Murphy, for his information.

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

ACTING FOR DANIEL J. TROJAN
GENERAL PRESIDENT
Mr. Thomas E. Flynn
I. B. of T. C. W. and A. of A.
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis 4 Indiana

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your letter of May 14th has been received, and as requested called in Brother Murphy, and he called Brother Hassell over to our office relative to the contract which was endorsed by Joint Council 101 and the International Union.

Brother Hassell brought with him a committee of three or four people and laid stress upon the fact that his people wanted five day service with seven day delivery. However, it is true that the seven day delivery meant every-other-day service, and said that he was not dictating to the companies what manner of delivery they chose to give the people. In the same breath, I asked him if he was not dictating to the public what method of delivery they could obtain, by keeping his men on the every-other-day system of delivery. One member of his committee cited an example whereby he, through his refusal to give a lady daily service, lost a very substantial account, even though he passed the door daily on his way to his route.

We have come to the conclusion that we do not give a "damn" what kind of a contract he seeks, and because of his obstinacy, I assure you that our competition in his metropolitan area will force him on daily delivery before many days have passed. As to the threat that our men must be off the street in his territory before three o'clock in the afternoon, we find that none of our men are violating this rule of his even though we get time and one-half for all the hours we spend over fifty-four in any one week. He laid stress on the fact that he did not want overtime, which is very inconsistent with the twenty-seven other agreements which he negotiates, and sells for this premium pay for overtime work.
a requested of brother Hassell if he had any intentions in his negotiations to put every-other-day service in his contract as a trading point for the five day work week. He answered us by saying that he would not insert any clause in his contract which would specify the rate of delivery. We feel confident therefore that we have nothing to worry about, and we feel that his men will be on the every-day delivery by virtue of necessity, and not through any efforts of Local 603.

I firmly believe that he is not sold on the five day week, because he mentioned the fact that he did not think he would get it. However, this remains to be seen after his negotiations start.

I trust that this information will clear up this matter, and that in the future he will heed President Tobin’s statement to him and us, before any future contract is submitted to the employer that it be agreeable to both parties concerned.

Fraternally yours,

Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Milk Wagon Drivers Union, Local 603

PJB, 26
O.K.U. 628
May 23, 1946

Mr. Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Union 603
All Forest Park Blvd.
St. Louis 6, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

Since dictating my previous letter to you I have received your letter of May 2nd and have noted the contents carefully. I sincerely hope that this matter is worked out satisfactorily to all parties concerned and I too believe that competition will drive all of these dairies back to every day delivery.

However, as I stated in my previous letter I would give Hassell a copy of your proposal to the employers.

Fraternally yours,

Acting for Daniel J. Tobin
General President

Tobin
May 23, 1946

Mr. Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Union 603
4111 Forest Park Blvd.
St. Louis 6, Missouri

Dear Sir:

With further reference to our correspondence last week and the meeting I instructed Vice President Murray to hold between Local Union 729 and our local union, it was my understanding and instructions that each local union should exchange agreements.

I have received information to the effect that Local Union 729 has complied with my request, however, as to the present date your organization has not submitted a copy of their agreement to Local Union 729.

Will you do this at once and advise me.

Sincerely yours,

acting for William J. Toole
General President

TEP/JS
Mr. Thomas O. Flynn
I. B. of I. U. T. and A. of A.
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear sir and brother:

I have this morning received authoritatively through the grape-vine, some information that I think is of beneficial value to our international union, and if published in our monthly journal may have some significance nationally relative to a situation which we believe is critical at this time.

A recent referendum held by the brewery drivers, brewery workers, oilers and firemen, glucose workers, and the bottlers, disclose some amazing figures, and they read as follows:

The Brewery Workers out of 1,000 votes cast, 17 were for joining the U.I.O., the remaining votes that they stay independent.

The Brewery Workers out of 500, no one wanted to affiliate with the G.I.O.

The oilers and firemen out of 200, 49 chose the G.I.O.

The glucose workers with 200 membership, voted 87 for the U.I.O.

The bottlers with approximately 1100, ran less than 100 for the U.I.O.
I know that they did not want these figures to get out around the country for fear they might have some bearing on their meeting in September, when I understand they are going to meet nationally and express their choice for affiliation. However, if this information is spread upon the minutes of our journal, and circulated throughout the country, it might have a telling effect on the outcome of this September meeting. I am sure that some good can come out of it for they are very reluctant in wanting to disclose these figures, so that other local unions throughout the country would see the outcome.

I understand that the general executive board is to have a meeting the middle of this month to discuss this situation and it might be well if they knew something about this at that time and also publicize the matter in our next journal.

I trust this information will be of some help to you in further organizing the brewing industry under the banner of the Teamster movement.

I am,

[Signature]

JAMES A. BURKE
Secretary-Treasurer
Milk Wagon Drivers Union, Local 603

LOCAL UNION NO. 603
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America

4111 Forest Park Blvd.
St. Louis 6, Mo.
June 13, 1946

Mr. Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Union 603
Syll Forest Park Blvd.
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Others:

Your letter of June 3rd to Thomas E. Flynn, Assistant to
Daniel J. Tobin, is hereby acknowledged and the under-
signed wishes to state that the figures contained in your
letter...are very interesting.

You may rest assured, Pat, that we are keeping abreast of
this situation so that at the September meeting of the
Brewery Workers, action will be taken which would be
favorable to our local unions.

Wish to also state that we have other letters similar to
yours from various other sections of the country and the
same are very helpful in the plans being laid to take
care of this matter.

Thanking you again for your interest and information,
I remain

Fraternally yours,

RUDOLPH C. HURRIE
General President

[Signature]
THOMAS B. FLYNN, INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS

ALL WAGE AGREEMENTS SETTLED AND RATIFIED BY MEMBERSHIP MILK AND ICE CREAM DRIVERS RECEIVED $6.00 PER WEEK INCREASE INSIDE DAIRY WORKERS $7.00 PER WEEK INCREASE BUTTER DRIVERS $12.30 PER WEEK INCREASE COPIES OF AGREEMENT WILL BE FORWARDED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE

PATRICK J. BURKE, LOCAL 603 ST. LOUIS MO.
July 8, 1946

Mr. Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Union No. 603
4111 Forest Park Boulevard
St. Louis 8, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brothers:

We have received your telegram advising that you have settled your agreements which were ratified by the membership for the milk and ice cream drivers in which they received a $6.00 per week increase, the inside workers $7.00 per week increases and butter drivers $12.00 per week increase.

I wish to congratulate the officers and members for this fine settlement and for the fine manner in which this was handled.

Warmest regards.

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

ACTING FOR DANIEL J. TOBIN
GENERAL PRESIDENT

T: P: AN
July 10th, 1946

Mr. Thomas S. Flynn
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and brother:

I have received your letter of congratulations of July 8th, and I might say that I forgot to mention in my telegram that in our new Agreement we have specified clearly that the method of delivery in St. Louis for the milk wagon drivers shall be on a daily basis. This Article in particular caused us quite a bit of grief and the employers were very obstinate in relinquishing to our request. As informed them that if they gave us $100.00 a week basic pay we would not concede to an every-other-day method of delivery, or anything else short of what we got.

I know that this will be of some assistance to the other local unions if they stand steadfast in their negotiations for this type of delivery. They can say what they want but statistics, and our records prove that we have been able to take care of all the returning service men without anyone who filled their shoes losing his job, and will increases by fifty to one hundred men more, as soon as trucks are available. One of the largest dairies has already annexed 46 new routes, and the second largest has given us some trouble, but they have added 12 new routes to this date. The third, a smaller dairy, has increased its routes from 56 to 110. I believe these figures are a true picture of what daily delivery means to the local unions all over the country.

I thought that you might be interested in this, and for this reason I took the liberty to write you at this time. I will send you under separate cover a copy of the Agreements under which we are now working.

Sincerely yours,

Patrick Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Milk Wagon Drivers Union, Local 603
October 25, 1946

Mr. Patrick J. Burke
Local Union 603
330 Forest Park ave.
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Sir and brothers:

This is to advise you that General Organizer Harold Thirion has been assigned by this office to cover the states of Illinois and Missouri. It is the desire of this International Office that you cooperate with Brother Thirion to the fullest extent.

Organizer Thirion's address is 1168 Vandalia Street, Collinsville, Illinois. Any matters requiring the assistance of advice of an International Representative should be directed to Organizer Thirion. However, matters calling the direct attention of the International office should be directed to the writer.

Fraternally yours,

ACTING FOR DAVID J. TOWN
GEN. AL PRESIDENT
WESTERN UNION

THOMAS FLYNN

PRESIDENT TOBIN DELAYED WILL LEAVE ST LOUIS SIX PM ARRIVING TEN O'CLOCK

PATRICK J. BURKE

1259P
WE ARE BEING ORDERED TO CROSS ENGINEERS PICKET LINE AT CHAPMAN ICE CREAM CO 3900 EASTON ST LOUIS MO. WE EMPLOYEES DO NOT LIKE CROSSING OUR ENGINEERS PICKET LINE. PLEASE INVESTIGATE.

INSIDE DAIRY WORKERS OF CHAPMAN ICE CREAM CO LOCAL 403 4111 FOREST PARK BLVD.

5000 4603 6113

WE WILL NOT WEAR UNIFORMS OR UNIFORM TOWELS FROM THE PATIENTS CONCLUDING THE BOTTLE
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With further reference to our telephone conversation of yesterday, I would like to inform you of the facts concerning the controversy at the Chapman Ice Cream Company of this city.

Mr. Kline, head of the Chapman Ice Cream Company, indicated if we were willing to cooperate with him, he would not engage in the picketing. For the past four or five months, he has been in constant trouble with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 562 and Mr. Kline's organization. He is the head of the company and the picketers are concerned that should we be in court, these men would be deprived of their wages. As far as we are concerned, we would be in court all these men because we believe Mr. Kline's organization should have jurisdiction over this type of work. At the present time, the dispute is in the hands of the International Brotherhood.

I would like to advise you further: if the training men are not able to perform the duties required by the Chapman Ice Cream Company, they are invited to call on the head of the local, Mr. Blinn, to see if he can still employ them. If he does not, the training men will leave the company and the local will fill the vacancies.
April 10, 1947

Some time later the company, namely, Pevely, sent a letter by R. Line or one of his subordinates demanding the discharge of an individual because he was not a member of the union. Pevely in turn refused to discharge the man because of the previous agreement, but would agree to place the dispute in the hands of arbitrators if agreeable with the union. This was agreed upon by both parties and Pevely Dairy asked me to represent their company in the arbitration. They notified the local union of this in turn, and I was to submit the names of the three parties. This I did, naming the name of a local union man to sit in the meeting of these people. I heard the agreement made by R. Line and Pevely Dairy. He refused to accept this man as chairman and to this day we have not heard from this local union.

I believe that if situation were handled a little differently this whole controversy could have been foreclosed. I think we the first occasion for our union to honor the picket lines in another craft or local union was involved, the Milk Wagon Drivers would stand on its own feet as for a picket line was sustained and we are sure that a very favorable reception in the city of St. Louis compared with other labor alone in our district.

Patrick J. Burke
April 14, 1947

William E. Jaloney, President
International Union of Operating Engineers,
1003 K St., N.W.,
Washington 1, D.C.

Dear Sir and Brother,

Enclosed find copy of letter received from Patrick J. Burke, Representative of our Milk Drivers Union Local Union 603 at St. Louis.

There is a controversy going on at the Chapman Ice Cream Company at the present time and I believe a picket is established by the Engineers.

Naturally this is a large operation with our people. From the contents of Burke's letter Mr. Kline must have changed his mind a few times on this he had agreed with in conferences with the Company and other representatives. We, of course, are not involved in the jurisdictional dispute between the Engineers and the Steam Fitters but we believe that you should check this matter up with President Durkin of the Steam Fitters Organization so as not to embarrass our men from carrying out their contract with this particular Company.

Let me hear from you.

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

ACTING FOR DAVID J. TOME
GENERAL PRESIDENT

ENCLOSURE
April 14, 1947

Patrick J. Burke, Representative
Local Union No. 603,
4111 Forest Park West,
St. Louis 8, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother,

Thank you for your letter of April 10th, which is in further reference to our telephone conversation, regarding the dispute going on at the present time at the Chapman Ice Cream Company.

This is to advise you that I have addressed a letter to President Willey of the Engineers, advising him that evidently this man Illen, representing the engineers, has a change of mind pretty often and it is my opinion that any controversy involving the Engineers and Plumbers should be taken up between President Willey and President Durkin of the Steam Fitters so it would not embarrass our people in carrying out our contract.

As I advised you previously, you are to carry out the contract you have with this Company and let the matter of the jurisdictional dispute be settled between the organisations involved.

Thanking you for your cooperation and with every best wish,

Fraternally yours,

PRESIDENT

ACTING FOR DANIEL J. TUMAN

Treasurer
Dear Sir and Brother,

Please be advised that at a special Teamsters Joint Council No 13 meeting held this a.m., a strike sanction covering 2500 members of the Milk & Inside dairy Union Local No 650 was ratified. More details will follow from Brother P.J. Burke. Thanking you for past favors, permit me to remain,

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

Rec Sec.
June 30, 1947

Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Onion No.
4111 Forest Park Blvd.,
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

We have a letter, dated June 26th, from Joint Council
No. 113 approving your request for strike sanction in-
volving 2500 members of your local.

We have not yet received any information from your Local
Union. Please advise date contract expired, actual cause
of dispute, what means have been used to bring about a
settlement and any other pertinent facts. This information
must be received before the International Union can give
any further consideration to this request.

Fraternally yours,

TEF/wvc

ACTING FOR DANIEL J. TOHIN
GENERAL PRESIDENT
August 5, 1947

Mr. Thomas F. Flynn
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America
222 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir and brother:

Just a line for a little advice before I again become the big bad "wolf", in the eyes of President Maloney, of the Engineers.

I was called to the Pevely Dairy Co. by the owners this morning and was asked to make a decision, relative to my intentions, in the event there was an umbrella placed in front of dairy. They informed me that they had been approached by the Steam and Pipe Fitters Local Agents, relative to constituting a shop in the company, for the maintenance of the ice cream cabinets, throughout the city, in the event that the refrigeration men were placed with them they would be subject to a wage scale of two dollars and twenty-five cents (2.25) an hour plus double time for Saturday and Sunday and in emergency work. They were also informed that it would be necessary for them to place two Pipe-fitters in the Dairy to do the maintenance work, at the same scale of wages as the refrigeration men named above.

They advised me that if they were to sign a Contract with the Steam-fitters Local that Mr. Eline, who is now representing sixteen men in the plant, who do this maintenance work, could immediately place an umbrella in front of the plant, and no doubt would hunger to you, if we did not obey his Picket Line. This Mr. Eline, informed several of our Dairy owners that Mr. Maloney gave his jurisdiction over the refrigeration men, whom we are informed should rightfully belong to the Steamfitters Local from a decision handed down by the A. F. L. Executive.

We do not intend to be placed in the middle of this argument and I have advised the Officials of Pevely Dairy that we will take no action in this matter until we have heard from you. We have approximately 95% of the people employed by this company, in our Local Union and as the saying goes "We do not intend permitting the tail to wag the dog".

Mr. Eline has a much cheaper rate that he is selling the employers and it seems to me that Mr. Maloney should get together with the President of the steamfitters International Union and iron out this situation.
before it becomes a grave situation.

This is a similar incident to one concerning the Chapman Dairy, which you wrote me about some time back, when I refused to honor Mr. Ellis' picket line. At this time I will appreciate it greatly, if you will advise me concerning this deal, so that I may inform both of these gentlemen, what our course to follow will be. I know that the Company does not feel too friendly about this high scale of wages that the Steam-fitters demand, due to the fact that it is not construction work but merely maintenance at a fifty-two week a year job.

Please advise me, so that I may inform the Fevely Dairy Co. as to what our actions are going to be in this matter. When a decision is handed down, we will lend a helping hand, if necessary.

Fraternally yours,

Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-treas.
Local 603

rJHld
September 15, 1947

Patrick J. Burke, Sect'y-Treasurer
Local Union No. (40),
111 Forest Park Blvd.,
St. Louis 8, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother,

In answer to your letter dated August 5th, which arrived at this office under date of September 1st, in which you advise of a jurisdictional dispute involving the Engineers and the Steam Fitters:

I have read the contents of your letter very carefully and desire to say that you can advise the representatives of both these organizations that under no circumstances will we become involved in any jurisdictional dispute between them.

You can advise them further that if their organizations place an umbrella or picket sign in front of those places that in accordance with our agreement we will continue to work and any controversy they have should be submitted to their International Unions for settlement.

If I can be of any further assistance do not hesitate to write me.

Fraternally yours,

TKP/MXH

AIRMAIL

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Thomas E. Flynn, Acting for
Daniel J. Tobin, General President,
International Brotherhood of Teamsters,
Carpenters, Warehousemen & Helpers of America,
222 East Michigan Street,
Indianapolis 4, Indiana.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Enclosed herewith please find copy of a letter of April 20, 1946, from Brother Harry F. Kline, Secretary and Business Representative of Local Union No. 2, International Union of Operating Engineers, St. Louis, Missouri, which is self-explanatory.

I should appreciate it very much if you would look into the complaint voiced in Brother Kline's letter and communicate with me in regard thereto.

With kindest regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

A. E. Halley, Gil'ImbiDzKt

Office of the General President

April 22, 1948
April 20, 1946

Mr. E. Meloney,
General President, IBEW,
1003 K Street, N.W.,
Washington 1, D.C.

Dear Sir and Brother:

I wish to advise you of conditions in St. Louis, Missouri, between this Local Union and Mr. "Pat" Burke, of the Milk Wagon Drivers Local #603, and request the assistance of your office in protecting our interest in St. Louis, Missouri.

As I have advised you previously, we are having considerable difficulty with the Pohly Dairy Company of this City. In this matter the Company has always followed the policy of keeping all Unions fighting each other and using the Milk Wagon Drivers & Inside Dairy Workers as a club over every one.

We now have a situation where Mr. Pat Burke, Business Representative of the Milk Wagon Drivers & Inside Dairy Workers Local #603, is representing the Company in its labor disputes with the Operating Engineers. Mr. Pat Burke not only represents the Company in these matters, but is definitely antagonistic to our organization and goes out of his way to support the Company in its efforts to move in Local #5 of the Firemen & Oilers, to take over our Haulers, Firemen, Oilers. He is further assisting the Company by his actions to have the Machinists Union take over this unit.

We are sick of Pat Burke interfering in our business. We certainly do not think that any representative of an AFL organization should be allowed to represent any unit in a dispute with a sister AFL organization. We fail to see how any AFL International Union would allow one of its members to interfere that International Union by acting as a stooge for the Company. The Company, International Union is allowing Pat Burke, Business Representative of Local #603 to act in such a manner.

We are herewith requesting that you use your good offices to intervene.
Mr. Maloney

April 20, 1943

Mr. Maloney

with President Dan Tobin of the Teamsters Union, to have Pat Burke cease to represent the Pevely Dairy Company in its labor disputes and otherwise keep his nose out of the business of this organization.

Our relations with the other Teamster Unions in St. Louis are good and have been good for a considerable period of time. Pat Burke is in a fair way to completely disrupt everything. In view of this we will appreciate your giving this matter your immediate attention, as we have an arbitration case coming to a hearing in the immediate future and Pat Burke is acting for the Pevely Dairy Company in that matter.

In further explanation, I wish to call your attention to the fact that Pat Burke not only represents the Milk Haulers Group, but also includes the Inside Dairy Workers and the office personnel, exclusive of confidential secretaries and telephone operators.

Sincerely yours,

/s/Harry F. Kline,

Secretary and Business Representative

WE VD
Mr. Thomas E. Flynn
Assistant President to the President
322 East Michigan St.
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Tom:

Confirming our telephone conversation of yesterday relative to the possibility of having our General President at the testimonial dinner to be given in honor of our good friend, Daniel J. Murphy on July 10th, in this city. I have met with the committee on arrangements and they have asked me to correspond with you and see if the last Saturday in June would be more receptive to the General President, than the 10th day of July. We are anxious to have him with us because without him the dinner would not be a success.

I know that you may regard this as rather hasty but the work allocated for us to do is quite extensive and we need a definite time in order to complete everything, so that it will be a success. If you will advise me by return mail I will greatly appreciate your interest in this matter.

Fraternally yours,

Patrick J. Burke

PJB:14
May 3, 1948

Patrick J. Burke, Secretary Treasurer
Local Union 603,
All Forest Park Blvd.,
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and brothers:

With further reference to our phone conversation and your letter of April 27th in which you are requesting the General President to attend a testimonial dinner to be given in honor of our mutual friend, Daniel J. Murphy, on July 10th or, you also stated, it could be arranged for the last Saturday in June.

I conferred with the General President yesterday and desire to advise he is confined to his home with illness which is a serious cold and chest infection. Frankly, Pat, I know he would be more than glad to attend the dinner but it will be impossible for him to do so. As you know, the Building Trades' meetings and the AFL meetings are starting on Wednesday in Milwaukee and our own Board has to meet and he has each other arrangements after June 15th, however, someone will be delegated to represent him at the dinner.

I again wish to state I am very sorry he cannot comply with your request but he has instructed me to wish Vice President Murphy, as well as all of our people in the district, every success.

Fraternally yours,

Patrick J. Burke
Secretary Treasurer

cc: H. Thirion

ACTING FOR DANIEL J. TOBI
GENERAL PRESIDENT
May 13, 1948

Mr. Patrick Durie, Sec'y-Treasurer
Local Union No. 603,
4111 Forest Park Blvd.,
St. Louis 5, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother,

I enclose herewith copy of letter received here at this office from Arthur D. Hill, Jr., Assistant to the General President of the Operating Engineers, William Haloney, to which is attached copy of letter addressed to President Haloney under date of April 20th, signed by Harry F. Kline, Sec'y-Business Representative of the Operating Engineers Local Union No. 2, St. Louis. The letters are self-explanatory.

I realize that there was some previous correspondence regarding complaint at the Pevely Dairies which involved Mechanics, Firemen and Oilers. Of course at that time I advised you not to take sides in that controversy.

This question of the amalgamation of the Firemen and Oilers with the Engineers is again before the Executive Board of the American Federation of Labor at the present time in Atlanta at the meeting now going on.

As you pointed out to me it is not your desire to become involved in controversies existing with other organizations unless or until it interferes with your membership or your Organization or the International Union.

Representative Kline of the Engineers makes a strong statement to the effect that you were representing the employer in this case. I assure you I realize sometimes wild statements are made. At any rate, I will appreciate your comments as I can, in turn, advise President Haloney of the Mechanics.

With earnest personal regards,

Patriotically yours,

[Signature]

[Position]

[Name]
Mr. Thomas E. Flynn
Executive Assistant to the President
222 E. Michigan St.
Indianapolis (4), Ind.

May 18, 1948

Dear Sir and Brother:

I have received your letter of May 13th, also copies of letters written by Mr. Arthur V. Hill Jr., and Mr. Harry J. Kline, of the Operating Engineers Local No. 2, St. Louis.

As you state in your letter, the letters are self-explained—this is quite true, but only one side on the story is explained. I will endeavor to give you a clear picture of just what is happening in St. Louis relative to the Operating Engineers and this organization.

The Firemen, Oilers and Engineers situation took place approximately 8 years ago, at which time I was taken to the hospital for an operation, and to the best of my memory, I believe this question was amicably settled by the Firemen, Oilers and Engineers because at the present time, I do not believe that the Oilers and Firemen had even one man employed in this Dairy.

Now comes the situation relative to the Machinists and the Operating Engineers a few months back; there was a controversy between the officers of Pevely Dairy Co. and Mr. Kline, who was claiming the maintenance work at the Pevely Dairy, which up to that time had been performed by the Machinists District 49, who had a contract with this company for some eight or nine men in that department. They also had all of the men in charge performing mechanical work and maintenance of the trucks. When this dispute arose, we were not even advised, until Br. Samuel of Local 4980 said that he had been requested by Mr. Kline to go with him and his constituents to the Pevely Dairy for a conference. Brother Sam in turn, advised us and asked if we would sit in and listen to the discussion. We agreed to do so, because this local had some 900 people involved and their employment was at stake. In the discussion, Mr. Kline, advised Pevely Dairy Co. that four or five of individuals, who had carried Machinists' Cards, had signed cards for admission to the Engineers Local 72. He wanted remaining people, who were under Machinist's jurisdiction to also to come into the Organization. The Company however refused, stating that they had an agreement signed with the Machinists and that they did not want to be held liable for a breach of their contract.
At this point of the discussion, I in the presence contacted Lloyd Weber of the Machinists on the telephone telling him of the situation which arose and asking if he could be of any assistance to us. He told me that if five of his men desired to join Local 62, Engineers, he would offer no resistance, but he qualified his statement saying that if the remaining members did not want to join Local 62 they would remain in his Organization as long as they desired. He agreed that if at any time after that these men severed their relationship with the Pevely Dairy Co., Mr. Kline of the Operating Engineers could replace them with his members.

After a little discussion the Officials of Pevely Dairy Co. and Mr. Kline, together with his constituents in the presence of all of us agreed to this arrangement however he did state that he would in no way be responsible for negotiating a wage for those men who did not come into his Organization. He concluded the discussion and everyone left the meeting in good faith and no more was heard about it until a couple of months later, the management of Pevely Dairy Co., called this office telling me that Mr. Kline had notified them that his Union would not accept the decision made in the previous meeting and wanted the remainder of these men to come into their Organization. The company could not agree to this and they asked for an arbitrary panel to be set up and the company asked me to sit on the arbitrary panel, thinking that I could do a job for both people. Nothing was said by Mr. Kline to me or anyone else other than to write me a letter asking me to name the third party and if acceptable to them the panel would hear the case. I suggested the name of Lawrence Cash as the third party because of the fact that he had heard all of the discussions in the matter and could give a fair and unbiased decision for both parties concerned.

Mr. Kline, in his letter, when he talks of arrogance and my unwillingness to cooperate with him, states the truth around rather maliciously; as a matter of fact Kline has never at any time contacted these offices for any assistance in his organizing work or disputes with any of our companies. It is only recently that we have been called by the Steamfitters Local Union 562 relative to the Refrigerator Men in the various Cream Companies in St. Louis. Callanan, of the Steamfitters claims that the American Federation of Labor has given him jurisdiction over these people and Mr. Kline has approached the companies offering a lower scale of wages for the same work contract. We are in the middle of a lengthy dispute on this issue and do not intend to. I write you relative to this situation some time ago and I informed both of these organizations that the operations at the dairy would not cease in the event of trouble of either one.
relative to the part of the letter in which he resents my sitting in on the Panel that inasmuch as this Panel has never been completed, I will be more than happy to step aside and let the chips fall where they may but we are not going to come out on the short end of this decision. If there was ever an arrogant individual only interested in increasing his membership, it is this Mr. Kline, he told about receiving cooperation from the various Teamsters Locals in St. Louis, however these statements can be born out by Lawrence Camie, who has had quite a bit of experience with him. I sincerely trust that my explanation of this matter is clear to you and if not, I will be happy to sit in with Mr. Hill and Mr. Camie in your office and straighten this thing out out once and for all.

Patrik J. Burke, Secy-Treas.
Milk Wagon Drivers Union
Local #603
May 18, 1943

Patrick J. Burke, Sec'y-Treasurer
Local Union No. 603,
4111 Forest Park Blvd.,
St. Louis 8, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother,

We are in receipt of your letter of May 18th, which is in reply to our letter of May 13th, in reference to complaint of Barry Mine of the Operating Engineers No. 1 of St. Louis. Your letter outlines the controversy in a clear and concise manner and we will forward copy of same to the Operating Engineers for their information.

I note particularly that in your letter you advise that the Operating Engineers are endeavoring to take jurisdiction over certain classifications of work formerly done by the Machinists and I am wondering if the work in dispute between the Engineers and Machinists is properly our jurisdiction?

In 1926 this International entered into an agreement with the Machinists International Union in which it was agreed that we would have jurisdiction over all classifications of workers in and around garages, service stations, etc., with the exception of mechanics; however, when the Machinists withdrew from the American Federation of Labor President Tobin wrote to Harvey Brown, International President of the Machinists requesting that his Organization remain affiliated with the A. F. of L. and further stating that if they did withdraw from the American Federation of Labor it would be necessary for the Teamsters International to cancel and declare nonoperative the agreement that was in existence between the Machinists and the Teamsters since 1926.

This cancellation was addressed to Harvey Brown, President of the Machinists under date of June 18th, 1943, and in accordance with the understanding that it was nonoperative after 30 days from the date of notice, if there is any dispute between the Engineers and Machinists over mechanics, washers, grassers, polishers, tire changers, etc., you are hereby instructed that these mechanics and others, as outlined above, are definitely under the jurisdiction of our International Union.
If your local does not handle this jurisdiction and there is an understanding in the Council for some other local to have this jurisdiction, they should make arrangements to have these members at the earliest possible moment.

We also believe there would be more protection and security all around if these people were in our organization. I realize in some instances in dairies, breweries, etc., that we do recognize the jurisdiction of the engineers over the engineers in those plants.

With warmest personal regards,

Fraternally yours,

TEF/MMH

ACTING FOR DANIEL J. TUDER
GENERAL PRESIDENT
May 27, 1943

William E. Maloney, President
International Union of Operating Engineers,
1001 12 St. N. W.,
Washington 1, D. C.

Sir and Brother,

Re: reply to letter received at this office dated April 12th from Arthur D. Hill, Jr., together with enclosure of letter sent you by Harry F. Kline, Secretary of your Local No. 2 St. Louis, Missouri.

I am enclosing copy of letter received at this office from Pat Burke of our Local 603 of St. Louis, Missouri, wherein he replies to the several allegations made by Kline in his letter to you.

Frankly, it appears to me that your Local Union and the Machinists are fighting over a jurisdiction that properly belongs to us. I am investigating this matter further and will keep you advised.

With kindest personal regards,

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

Attachment for David J. Tome
General President

Enclosure
June 1st, 1943

Mr. Thomas E. Ilms
International Brotherhood of Teamsters
Chauffeurs, Wreckers, Haulers, & Helpers
222 East Michigan St.
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am receipt of your letter dated July 26th, relative to the controversy between the Machinists and the Operating Engineers. I believe, Tom, that I have either failed to advise you as to our relationship with the Machinists or you have misunderstood some parts of my letter. We have all of the people employed in the dairies as tire-changers, greasers, washers and pump-operators in our Local Union. We have never at any time had any difficulty with the Machinists over the taking of these men. The only difficulty that we have ever had with any Local Union was with this of Kline's and we have never been approached by him to offer any assistance in his work when he was trying to organize these people. Only today I learned that the Laundry Drivers Local 2086 and the Inside Workers Local 108 are being hailed before the NLRB concerning some laundry operations. As you can readily see, that we are not the only Union in St. Louis, having trouble with the Operating Engineers. The trouble with this gentleman is he wants the tail to wag the dog instead of the dog wagging the tail.

I sincerely hope that we can straighten these matters out without further difficulty, with kindest regards,

very truly yours,

Patrick J. Burke

[Signature]
June 3, 1948

Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Union 603,
4111 Forest Park Blvd.,
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Pat:

I have your letter of June 1st which is in answer to my letter of May 26th relative to the controversy involving the Machinists and Operating Engineers. Frankly, Pat, I wouldn't worry too much about this situation. As I have outlined to you before, my only interest in it is in your protecting your membership and contract which I know you will do.

If the laundry drivers of Local 366 are having any trouble with the engineers they should immediately notify me so I can, in turn, contact President Moloney of the Operating Engineers in accordance with not only our written agreement but with understandings we have. My purpose in pointing out to you that the agreement between the Machinists and the Teamsters was cancelled and that since then we claim jurisdiction over all mechanics employed on our equipment was not done to create any controversy where harmony has prevailed between our locals in the past and also at the present time. However, I am enclosing, herewith, a copy of an agreement that was entered into between this International and the Machinists in 1926. I am also enclosing copy of President Tobin's letter to President Brown of the Machinists in which it was necessary for him to cancel the agreement. The Machinists' Union is outside of the AFL and we have instructed our people in many instances to take in mechanics who would be working on our equipment. We have an understanding with the engineers that the mechanics working on their equipment should be members of their union but any mechanical work done on equipment coming under the jurisdiction of this Union the mechanics should be members of our Organization.

I can assure you that President Tobin took the action he did in
cancelling our agreement with the machinists only after serious thought and consideration by President Tobin and the General Executive Board. He prevailed in every manner on President Brown to stay within the AFL and this they refused to do.

As outlined above, I would not worry about the Engineers or Brother Klime.

Warmest personal regards,

Fraternally yours,

TEF/mvc

ACTING FOR DANIEL J. TOBIN
GENERAL PRESIDENT
ICE CREAM DRIVERS, MILK WAGON DRIVERS AND INSIDE WORKERS
AGREEMENTS HAVE BEEN CONSUMMATED. INCREASES OF TWELVE CENTS PER
HOUR GRANTED TO EVERY ONE FOR A PERIOD EXTENDING FROM JULY
FIRST 1948 TO JULY FIRST 1950. A PROVISION HOWEVER INCLUDES THAT
IF THERE IS ANY INCREASE IN THE COST OF LIVING DURING THE
ENSUING YEAR 1949 THIS INCREASE COST OF LIVING WILL BE GRANTED
TO THE EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR OF 1949 TO 1950.

PATRICK J. BURKE, SEC. TREAS., MILK WAGON DRIVERS ST. LOUIS
LOCAL 607.
July 22, 1943

Mr. Patrick J. Burke, Sec'y-Treasurer
Dairy Wagon Drivers & Dairy Employees Local 603,
4111 Forest Park Ave.,
St. Louis 8, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother,

I have your telegram of July 21st, advising that
the Ice Cream Drivers, Dairy Wagon Drivers and In-
side Workers' agreements have been consummated
with increases of 12¢ per hour granted to all for
a two-year period with a cost of living provision
included.

I want to congratulate you most sincerely on
your fine work and also every one else involved.
I am sure you realize that your efforts are most
appreciated here at this office as well as by your
membership. They are indeed fortunate in their
officers and especially in their leader.

Wishing you, your fellow officers and the general
membership continued success and prosperity, I re-
main

Fraternally yours,

ACTING FOR LEWIE J. TUGLE

SECRETARY
July 12, 1951

Mr. Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Union No. 603
4117 Forest Park Boulevard
St. Louis 8, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

In an effort to avoid unnecessary delay in the processing of strike requests, we list below the outline to be followed when submitting information to this office. These facts must be furnished the office of the General President in a direct request from the local union involved and are in addition to the information and approval furnished by the Joint Council. No action will be taken by the International Union until such information has been received.

- Actual number of men involved,
- Detailed cause of dispute (give actual differences existing),
- Date contract expired, or expires,
- Name used to bring about a settlement,
- Name of employer, employers, group or association,
- Have you offered arbitration, if so, has it been accepted or rejected,
- Have you complied with all state and federal laws, including the Taft-Hartley Law,
- Have you complied with Article XII, Section 1 (b) and (d) of the International Constitution,
- Written approval from your Joint Council must be furnished this office.

Advise your members if they strike before approval from this International Union is received in your office, either in writing or by wire, they will not be entitled to receive financial benefits from the International Union.

We suggest you furnish the above information at the time you request strike approval from your Joint Council.

Fraternally yours,

ACTING FOR DANIEL J. TOBIN
GENERAL PRESIDENT
November 25, 1951

Patrick J. Burke, Secretary-Treasurer
Local Union 603,
4141 Forest Park Blvd.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brothers:

Enclosed is a copy of the Area Milk Price Adjustments,
General Ceiling Price Regulation, Supplementary Regulation 63 from the Office of Price Stabilization.

This is sent to you for your information.

Fraternally yours,

FRANK TOWIN

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