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### MOTHER OF FIVE UNION MEN DIES

Mrs. Jacob Dryke, Well Known Woodland Woman, Answers Final Call.

Mrs. Jacob Dryke, age 59, residing at 115 West Wnona street, died Thursday, February 5, following a short illness. She is survived by her husband and 12 sons and daughters. Five of the sons are well-known members of organized labor.

Mrs. Dryke was born in Holland, coming to Grand Haven, Mich., in 1881 and moving to Duluth in 1891. Her husband, Jacob Dryke, is a successful gardener at Woodland. Her sons Jacob, Peter and William are prominently identified with the Plumbers' union.

Another son, Edward, is active in the Carpenters' union and John Dryke is a member of the Electrical Workers' union. George, another son, is a plumber's apprentice. Besides the above she is survived by James and Henry Dryke, and four daughters, Misses Elizabeth, Nellie and Mary Dryke, and Mrs. A. M. Rose, all of Duluth.

### MR. TAFT SAID SOMETHING PAPERS DID NOT PRINT

When former President William H. Taft addressed the members of the Duluth Commercial club Tuesday in an impromptu speech he referred to the present unrest throughout the

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world and said that America could best meet the situation by insuring freedom of speech, the press and the right of assembly.

Mr. Taft urged his audience to keep in mind our bill of rights, the Constitution and the principles of the Declaration of Independence, and to fight hysteria. His reason and judgment. The daily papers made no reference to that portion of Mr. Taft's address.

### JOHN EKHOLM, WEST END PIONEER CITIZEN, DIES

John Ekholm, pioneer resident of Duluth, died of pneumonia Tuesday morning at his home 115 West Third street. Deceased was the father of William Ekholm, a prominent member of the local Plumbers' union. He came to Duluth 45 years ago and resided here ever since.

The funeral services, which were private, were held Wednesday from the family residence, Rev. J. J. Daniels of the Swedish Mission church officiating. Mr. Ekholm is survived by his wife, one son, William E. Ekholm, and three daughters, Mrs. Dennis Johnson, Mrs. Victor Frederickson and Mrs. Gustav H. Lindstrom, all of Duluth, and two stepsons, Charles Youngberg of Crosby and Alfred Yernberg of Duluth.

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## BRITISH LABOR LEADERS DECLARE IN FAVOR OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Issue Manifesto to Workers of the World--Unite Radicals and Conservative Labor in Support of League--Henderson, Adamson, Clynes, Thomas, McDonald and Others Back Covenant

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Thirty-three leaders of British labor, including all the most prominent, have issued a manifesto in support of the League of Nations, according to information received here by the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy. Among the signers are not only the conservative leaders, Henderson, Clynes, Bowerman, Thomas, Adamson and Stuart-Bunning, but also the radicals, Robert Smillie, Ramsay MacDonald and Phillip Snowden.

The manifesto was issued, says the Alliance, in connection with the new organization to get the British masses behind the League, in order to "instruct and unite all sections of public opinion both among manual workers and brain workers and also to serve as a national channel for putting forward such amendments as time may prove necessary in the League of Nations."

The new organization, The League of Nations Union, has achieved a brilliant victory in uniting radical and conservative labor in support of the League—which has not been accomplished in any other country. The British leaders' defence of the League is couched in the following form:

#### Manifesto.

1. The late world war has cost the combatant nations 7,000,000 in men killed, and 18,000,000 in men wounded or maimed, about 44,000,000,000 in money, has left Great Britain saddled with a vast debt of over 17,000,000,000, and has plunged Europe into industrial chaos. All this waste of life and wealth could have been avoided if there had only been a League of Nations before the war.

2. Peace has left many great questions unsettled in Eastern Europe and the Far East which may produce another and yet greater war, even in our lifetime, if it be not prevented.

3. The next war, if it comes, will be far more terrible and destructive even than the late war, for it will begin with all the aerial and submarine fleets with which the late war left off, only the destructive forces will be infinitely greater. Such a new war will mean the destruction of European civilization, of European industry, and of the white working man's standard of life.

4. The prospect of another and still greater war is one we must either prepare for by vaster armaments than ever, or prevent. The first alternative is unthinkable. There remains only prevention. Prevention is possible, by the League of Nations to enforce peace. There is no other way.

5. The war has left behind it a situation of the utmost difficulty as regards finance, industry and food for the nations, which can only be successfully met by "pooling" the resources of all the nations for the industrial recovery of the world.

6. As the standard of life is the main factor in the cost of production, it is vain to raise it in one nation if it remains low in another. For this purpose international machinery amongst the governments of the nations is absolutely necessary, and the League of Nations, with its International Labor Office, should supply this need.

7. The League of Nations will not supplant the Labor "Internationale," but will supplement it. It will help to do amongst the governments what the "Internationale" is seeking to do in the industrial world. The more powerfully Labor supports and is represented in the League of Nations, the more can each help the other. We need both the League of Nations and

the Labor "Internationale." They are not rivals, but friends, working in co-ordinated endeavor towards the same goal—Peace.

8. The League of Nations is the greatest experiment ever tried upon the earth. In its success lies the future hope of humanity. It can only succeed if it be a real League of Peoples, not merely a League of Governments. To this end it is necessary that every individual shall take an instructed and active interest, till he can say, "This is my League, through which I bring my influence to bear on international politics to insure peace and to prevent war." It can only succeed if all sections of public opinion are firmly united behind it in the determination that it shall succeed.

9. The object of the League of Nations is thus to instruct and unite all sections of public opinion, both amongst manual labor and brain workers; and also to serve as a national channel for putting forward such amendments as time may prove necessary in the League of Nations constitution and machinery. The League of Nations Union should therefore be supported by every man and woman who has at heart the insuring of peace, the preventing of a new and greater war, the industrial recovery of Europe, the improvements of the standard of life, the continuation of our civilization and the progress of humanity.

#### Signatories.

- Wm. Adamson, P. C., M. P., (Miners' Federation.)
- Arthur Henderson, P. C., M. P., (General Workers.)
- C. W. Bowerman, P. C., M. P., (Compositors.)
- J. H. Thomas, P. C., M. P., (Railwaymen.)
- C. E. Stuart-Bunning, O. B., E., J. P. (Postmen's Federation.)
- Robert Smillie, J. P. (Miners' Federation.)
- Frank Hodges, J. P. (Miners' Federation.)
- Harry Gosling, M. P., J. P. (Watermen, Lightermen and Bargemen.)
- John Hill, M. P., J. P. (Boiler-makers and Iron and Steel Shipbuilders.)
- J. T. Brownlie (Amalgamated Engineers.)
- Tom Mann (Amalgamated Engineers.)
- John Hodge, M. P., (Iron and Steel Trades.)
- Tom Griffiths, M. P. (Iron and Steel Trades.)
- Henry Boothman (Textiles.)
- William C. Ribonson (Textiles.)
- J. Cross, J. P. (Textiles.)
- Ben Turner, J. P. (Textiles.)
- William Mullin, J. P. (Textiles.)
- R. Spence (Union of Labor.)
- R. B. Walker (National Agricultural and Rural Workers' Union.)
- E. L. Boulton, O. B., E., J. P., (Boot and Shoe Operatives.)
- A. S. Cameron (Carpenters, Cabinet Makers and Joiners.)
- J. Young (United Garment Workers.)
- W. J. Davis, J. P. (Brassworkers and Metal Mechanics.)
- S. G. Newland (Printing and paper Workers.)
- W. A. Robinson, C. C. (Warehouse and General Workers.)
- Charles Duncan, J. P. (Workers' Union.)
- Agnes Lauder (President, National Federation of Women Workers.)
- J. Ramsay MacDonald (Independent Labor Party.)
- Phillip Snowden (Independent Labor Party.)
- A. Whitehead (General Secretary, Co-operative Union, Ltd.)
- S. Perry, J. P. (Co-operative Party.)
- B. T. Hall (Working Men's Club and Institute Union.)
- Tom Sykes (Secretary, National Brotherhood Council.)

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## DULUTH UNIONS TO JOIN LEAGUE

Call Issued for Meeting to Organize Central Non-Partisan Labor Committee.

inimical to the interests of the old state and to the reconstruction program of the prevailing interests of the state of Minnesota.

"Reforms will never be secured from higher up, the initiative must rest with the people who are in need of reforms. Industrial, legislative and executive democracy will never materialize if labor leaves the political field to the political machines acting on behalf of the dark forces of reaction.

"The Working People's Non-Partisan Political League represents the best thought of our best learned political students. As such it has incurred the enmity of the interests, the kept press and its sycophants, who are at the present engaged in a campaign of vilification and abuse, poisoning in the emotions of the people and stirring passions and prejudice in a desperate effort to stem the tide. These scoundrels are again taking refuge behind the flag, and camouflaging the issues with patriotism, love of home, country and God, in the same manner that the profiteer did during the war and as they did in the last state election when J. A. Burnquist, the tool of the Steel corporation, the milling interests and the lumber interests, was returned to power.

"We appeal to the workers of Duluth and Proctor to take their places in the front line trenches, to battle on behalf of good and sound government for and by the people. You cannot be neutral in this fight, either you must be for or against labor, do not shirk your responsibilities. The action of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor is indorsing and promoting the Working People's Non-Partisan

political league involves a very high moral obligation on the part of every liberal, every hard and brain worker, and especially on the part of every labor union.

"Those unions that are not in funds may send notice of their affiliation to Thomas Van Lear, Sec.-Treas., 529 Security bldg., Minneapolis, Minn., stating they will pay their per capita of 25 cents per member later on.

"Each organization is entitled to be entitled to representation on the following basis: Less than 100 members, one delegate; 100 members and less than 200, two delegates; 200 members and over, three delegates.

"The league having no local funds, each organization is kindly requested to make a small donation, in order to defray the expenses of the conference. Kindly mail checks and credentials to Henry T. Morin, 2824 West First street."

### ASSEMBLY TONIGHT.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Federated Trades assembly will be held tonight, Friday, at Owl's hall. A full attendance of delegates is expected as business of importance is to come before the meeting.

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FLEISCHMANN'S YEAST

### MARINE ENGINEERS SIT DOWN TO HAPPY FAST

A banquet was given last Friday evening at the Holland hotel by the local branch of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial association. It was attended by all marine engineers who are wintering in Duluth, and was one of the most successful events ever held by the local branch.

The leading speech of the evening was made by John Q. Adams who just returned from the annual convention of the association held at Washington. Mr. Adams read his report which was listened to with the closest attention. Joseph Mayo presided as toastmaster.

The marine engineers are coming back at the head of the lake. Membership in the local branch has increased more than 30 per cent. There has been a 25 per cent increase in membership on the Great Lakes.

### SECRETARY G. W. LAWSON VISITS TIMBER WORKERS

G. W. Lawson, secretary-treasurer of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor, passed through Duluth Sunday evening on his way to St. Paul from Cloquet where he had delivered an address in the afternoon at an open meeting of timber workers.

Mr. Lawson would have remained over in Duluth to attend to some matters he has in hand here, but his presence was needed Monday at the hearings being conducted at the capitol building at St. Paul on state insurance.

The union label is the medium through which the public may enforce its rightful power of arbitration between employer and employee.

### V. P. PEREAULT INSTALLS CLOQUET CLERKS' UNION

Henry Pereaault of Duluth, vice president of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor, went to Cloquet Tuesday for the purpose of installing Retail Clerks' union, No. 181, recently organized there. About 20 clerks employed in the local stores were admitted to membership.

The following officers were installed: Charles Edstrom, president; A. C. Anderson and Carl Johnson, vice presidents; Charles Cleveland, recorder; Otto Koski, guide and John Hassi, guardian. H. Herbert, chairman of the organization committee for the Cloquet Trades and Labor assembly, devoted considerable time to the work of organizing this union and he assisted Vice President Pereaault Tuesday evening in the installation ceremony.

### PRESIDENT E. G. HALL SICK WITH THE 'FLU'

E. G. Hall, president of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor, is sick with the "flu" at his home in Minneapolis. Mr. Hall went to Washington about two weeks ago to protest against the passage of the Stirling-Graham peace-time espionage bill. On his way home he contracted a severe cold which developed into the influenza.

Word comes from Minneapolis that the popular president of the state labor organizations is on his way to recovery, but that he had a close call.

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