

PUBLIC PORTERS ARE ACCUSED OF SWINDLING 'RUBES'

Said to Be in League With Cheap Hotels to Which They Divert Trade.

Charges that many unsuspecting travelers, particularly immigrants and those from rural districts, are being victimized by public porters to-day led the New York Hotel Men's Association to launch a campaign for the repeal of the city ordinance licensing these men.

According to plans announced by Frank A. K. Boland, counsel for the association, railroad and steamship line officials and the State Industrial Commission have offered their cooperation.

After pointing out that an un-

successful attempt to repeal the Public Porter Ordinance was made three years ago, Mr. Boland stated that abuses have become so frequent that immediate action is necessary. He will seek to invoke the aid of Mayor Hylan and Police Commissioner Bright.

To support his charge that lack of proper regulations permits porters to league themselves with proprietors of the poorer class hotels, Mr. Boland related the experience of a newly married couple who arrived here from Chicago last Monday. The bridegroom, a mere youth, had telegraphed the Hotel Woodward for reservations but left before he had received confirmation. At the Grand Central he told a public porter of his arrangements. The latter informed the couple that the Woodward and other big hotels were probably overcrowded because of the fight, but he would telephone and see. He returned to tell them that the condition he had pictured existed. The couple accompanied him to a nearby third-rate hotel, where the proprietor asked \$2 a week for accommodations in advance. The room was taken. When in the evening the bridegroom called at the Woodward and found reservations had been made, he became suspicious and Mr. Boland was called in.

He communicated with the other hotel and advised that the money be returned. This was done after some argument. The price, admitted, according to Mr. Boland, that he had

an arrangement with many of the public carriers by which they received 25 per cent, but excused himself on the ground that many others do the same thing.

"This is just one example of what is happening right along," Mr. Boland declared, "travelers, particularly the 'rubes' and immigrants, put undue confidence in these men because they wear a badge. There is absolutely no need of porters other than those in the way of transportation lines. These are reliable and can be trusted,

but where licenses are issued without discrimination many evils have resulted."

MACDONALD ATTACKS REDS.

Noted Socialist Denounces Bolshevik Tyranny in Georgia.

GLASGOW, June 16. (Associated Press)—An current issue of FORWARD, the Glasgow Labor weekly, contains MacDonald's attack on the Soviet Labor leader, who at one time was accused of being a Bolshevik, attacks the Russian Bolshevik. He writes:

"The campaign of calumny and untruthfulness to cover up the iniquity of the Bolshevik tyranny in Georgia is being continued. Georgia was overrun by an army and is governed by a revolutionary committee set up by the army of invasion. They have destroyed every vestige of representative government. In Batumi, Kutais and Poti there are one thousand in jail for being Socialists or Trade Unionists. Freedom of press and speech does not exist."

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