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Gentlemen:

For your information I beg to quote the following report from Trinidad under date of October 5rd:

"The Trinidad and Bowen Locals met in joint session at the usual hour Sunday afternoon with Frank Miner in the Chair and about 20 members present.

"A letter was read from John P. White, International President, instructing the Local officials not to admit to membership anyone except those known to be working at one of the mines in the district at the time of making application.

"Report on the financial condition of the Local showed \$140.00 in the treasury, \$45.00 being collected for dues for month of September. You will note the financial condition seems to be improving, and the union men here seem to be confident that under the Rockefeller plan, which states that the officials of the C. F. & I. are not opposed to their men belonging to the union, they will be able to increase the membership of this and other locals in this district right along, and that these members will keep their dues and assessments paid up as they will be working.

"Two transfer cards were accepted and one application for membership. The new applicant is John Martinez, a Mexican employed at the Prospect mine.

"Mike Mivoda made a short talk on the Rockefeller welfare plan, commending the plan and urging the union members to make every possible effort to get on the grievance committees at the different camps, stating that if they could do this, it would be only a short time until all the men working for the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company would be organized and members of the United Mine Workers, and then the Union could practically control this company. All the members present agreed that the course outlined by Mivoda concerning this matter was the best one for the union men to pursue.

"Robert Ulich made a short talk in which he stated that inasmuch as the situation throughout the state was very quiet at this time and very little business of importance to be transacted at the local meetings, he did not think it necessary for the Trinidad Local to meet every Sunday and suggested that they meet the first and third Sundays of each month. He gave as his reason for not wanting to hold meetings every Sunday that he and Miner wanted to get into some of the coal camps as often as possible on Sunday and work among the non-union men there, etc. A motion was made that the meetings be held as suggested by Ulich, and this motion carried; therefore, we will meet only twice each month in the future.

"The National Committee, referred to in my last report, has not as yet made any report and we do not know at this time what action they will take in regard to Bolton, Etc."

Yours very truly,

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