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LOCAL 1010

1947 Contract Demands for Steel Mills Set by Union Wage and Policy Committee

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Next Move?

The question of whether Inland 1010 will continue to occupy its present headquarters in the Auditorium or will accept YS&T local 1011's proposition to rent office and hall space in their new location at Broadway and Grand Boulevard will be decided by the members at the LU meeting Thursday, January 16th.

Office and hall rent may be paid in the former Odd Fellow's building at a minimum cost of \$6. Light and some other maintenance expenses would be added to the rental.

Decision Due on Wage Program Inland

Local union 1010's request for an equity program for Inland 1010 like the one nearing completion in U. S. Steel will be decided before the Steel Committee of the War Labor Board January 10th. It was thought the matter would be decided at body on December 12th, but an overloaded docket of similar cases delayed action upon this or a month.

Temporarily eclipsed by the anger created by partial pay suits and looming negotiations, the program limiting wage inequalities nevertheless, limping along to the paying off stage in the part of the steel industry.

Though job classifications have been completed for several weeks, the number reduced to a total of 1010 in U. S. Steel, the Inter-Union is meeting stiff resistance from the company in setting standard hourly rates for these job classes. The full retroactive pay to 1944, is also balking part of the program for attacking wage inequalities in steel.

At Youngstown Sheet and the same program has been set upon between local union and management. They are in process of classifying all the probable event that the Commission rules favorably the union, all three of these job classification, concentration of job classes to thirty, and setting of a standard rate for the remains to be done. Thereafter, a well defined pattern should be in other companies will speed up these steps to considerable extent.

Among Staff Representative needs in carrying out negotiations with Inland's management local union 1010 committee of John Sargent, Don George Sopko and Archie

STACHON VS. BURNS WILL BE HEADLINE BOUT AT 1010 SHOW

Feature bout on the Recreation Committee Card Saturday night at the Civic Auditorium, Hammond, will be Johnny Stachon vs. Floyd Burns, Virgil Strause, Hammond light heavy, whom this stumbling scribe reported in the previous issue as practically signed to meet Stachon, will, instead, meet another light heavy in the semi-wind up.

Burns, a semi-finalist in the '46 Golden Gloves in Gary, is another of the long list of capable mitt men developed by the C.Y.O.

Doug Van Hoff, on the eve of turning in his simon-pure status on a professional boxer's license, is also definitely on Saturday's card. There is some talk of matching him with Lew Serna, apprentice mauler of promise from Inland's cold strip mill. Matchmaker McGregor, who holds over-matching to be more sinful than plowing on Sunday, is reluctant, however, to toss Serna in with the considerably more seasoned Van Hoff.

Both the Milligan boys, Dave and Russell, are among those slated to show their wares during the 21 rounds of skill and science which comprises the Recreation Club's Saturday night soiree.

1010's grievance committee men and stewards, entrusted with ticket sales, report a few ringside ducats still available as well as some good reserved seats. Lefty, of the Auditorium Bar and Grill where tickets are also being dispensed, also advises that he has some left.

Surprise!

Prices Rose, Wages Didn't Govt. Learns

In an analysis of price changes during 1946, the U. S. Govt. Bureau of Labor Statistics find that while the average factory worker's earnings, which had declined to \$40.58 in February, returned to the 45.45 level of July 1945 in September, prices paid for living essentials had climbed nearly 15 percent. In a special year end report, BLS reported that price advances in 1946 were greater than in any year since World War I. Prices of family living essentials rose 18 percent in the 12-month period, while primary market prices increased about 31 percent.

The price advance gained momentum as the year progressed and was the cause of much labor unrest. Workers in durable goods industries (such as steel) suffered an even greater loss, with earnings down from \$50.66 to \$42.67 per week.

DETROIT—(FP)—The United Auto Workers (CIO) will file suits asking \$1 billion in retroactive gate-to-gate pay from Detroit area employers, UAW Vice President Richard Leonard said. Claims against the Ford Motor Co. alone total about \$270 million.

Independent Politicos Merge

NEW YORK—(FP)—The Progressive Citizens of America was born at a 2-day conference here Dec. 28-29, accompanied by predictions that it might be the basis for a new political party.

Formed by the merger of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts Sciences & Professions, the National Citizens Political Action Committee and eight smaller groups, the new grass roots organization dedicated itself to a "secure, abundant, democratic America with equal freedom for all."

Some 300 delegates from 21 states, representing about 75,000 people, adopted a constitution and political platform, unanimously elected officers and heard speeches by Henry A. Wallace, President A. F. Whitney of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen (unaffiliated), P. H. LaGuardia and Archibald MacLeish.

Attack Republicans

One of the loudest ovations of the conference met the warning that the PCA might strike out into new political paths. "The Republican party has long since lost any possible claim as a liberal party," the PCA program declared.

Although the Democratic party has "repeatedly served the progressive cause," it is not "clear now whether this party will recover its progressive tradition or surrender to its own brand of ignorance and bigotry," it continued. "We want to make one thing clear. If the Democratic party waxes privilege and betrays the people it will die and deserve to die. We cannot, therefore, rule out the possibility of a new political party, whose fidelity to our goals can be relied upon."

Sharp criticism of the present 2-party system also came from Wallace, who charged that what we have today is "a fake 1-party system under the guise of a bipartisan bloc." To the rising applause of his audiences, Wallace called for an active fight by progressives to win control of the Democratic party machine and if that fails, he indicated that a third party would be the only solution.

Taft Called Lukewarm

While urging delegates to continue to pressure the Truman administration on behalf of their program, Wallace said: "We must make it continually clear to the administration that we, as progressives, would prefer the election of an out and out reactionary like (Sen. Robert A.) Taft in 1948 to a lukewarm liberal."

Political action program of the new group covers demands on labor, agriculture, business, education and culture, health and housing, civil and political rights, youth, veterans and international relations.

Elected co-chairman of the PCA were Dr. Frank Kingdon, former chairman of NCPAC and Jo Davidson, former chairman of the ICC. Broadway producer Herman Shumlin was named secretary and Michael Nielsen, president of the Amalgamated Bank, treasurer. Among the 30 vice-chairmen are CIO President Philip Murray, CIO-PAC Director Jack Kroll, Whitney, C. B. Baldwin, former executive vice chairman of NCPAC, Hannah Derner, former ICC executive secretary, Clark Foreman, Robert Kenny, Paul Robeson and J. Raymond Walsh. Dues will be \$3 a year. Whitney set the ball rolling toward the PCA's goal of \$225,000 in 1947 by pledging \$10,000. Other pledges totaling more than \$40,000 were made.

Good Union Men

Puerto Rican Workers In Hock to Inland Even Before They Start Work

Steel workers on Inland Steel's pay roll who fear that the influx of labor recruited in Puerto Rico for employment in "Shangri-La on the Canal" is a threat to established wages and working conditions have little to worry about from these boys. They were union men in the cane fields and sugar refineries of the country from which they came; they have every intention of being good union men here.

One of the 96 who have already gone to work at Inland was Secretary of the San Juan brewery workers' union, C.G.T. In all countries south of the border, C.G.T. represents what C.I.O. has come to signify among mainland wage earners: higher wages and no taking your cap off to ask for them. Before the advent of the C.G.T., a little more than five years ago, cane cutters were paid one dollar a day; since the union gained recognition there, standard wages are three dollars.

'47 Starts Bad

It wasn't a very merry Christmas for these boys, few of whom are out of their earliest twenties and who were deposited in Chicago's icy airport a few days before the festive day.

They were herded into buses, transported to the Harbor, and crowded, six to a room, into their present quarters in the Lincoln hotel, Block and Michigan and seldom confused with the Palmer House. For food they go to a mess hall rigged up at Block and Watling.

Cooking facilities aren't very extravagant in the mess hall. They don't have to be; the menu consists mostly of rice and beans.

For repayment of his transportation costs from Puerto Rico to Chicago, each man has six dollars deducted from his check weekly until a total of \$144 has been returned to the gentlemen of Castle, Barton and Associates. Castle, Barton and Associates, of Chicago, is the firm which is bringing thousands of Puerto Rican men and women to work in the mills, factories and homes of those who can afford servants hereabouts.

Plenty Comes Off

Six dollars is only the beginning of the deductions, however. Two dollars is also taken from their pay weekly towards a fund of \$104 to insure their return transportation at the end of their working contract one year from now. They pay approximately daily \$1.50 for food and fifty cents a day for lodging.

Clad in tee shirts and cotton slacks, shivering workers were outfitted by Inland from army surplus stores. Although the cost to the worker varies according to the clothing he draws, the price paid by one for his outfit is an average. For one mackinaw, one pair of O.D. trousers, one O.D. shirt, three pairs of cotton socks, and three suits of cotton underwear, twenty dollars is marked against his earnings. These clothes are, for the most part, reconditioned instead of new.

Figuring social security, insurance, and other drains which all of us have on our gross incomes, in addition to the above named deductions from the Puerto Rican's pay checks, they'll be just about out of hock to Inland Steel a flat.

Evening Classes Reopen Jan. 13

Evening classes of the East Chicago schools will reopen the week beginning January 13, 1947. Registration of new students will be taken at all evening school centers, and those registering will be assigned to classes already organized or to new classes. Regular attendance is required of all who register in order to keep classes open. No registration fee is charged to residents of the city.

The regular high school course always has attracted those who need and want a high school diploma. During the last twenty years many who dropped out of high school have attended evening classes and have been graduated after meeting the state and local requirements. In the fall term more than a hundred veterans were enrolled in the evening classes.

The shops hold a special interest to those who wish to learn a trade or to improve their skills in the trade at which they are employed. Others attend class as a recreation. The shop courses now open are auto mechanics, blueprint reading, drafting, electricity, and wood work.

There are several classes for those who wish to learn to speak, read, and write the English language. Special classes have been organized to prepare aliens for the citizenship examinations. For those who want common school subjects, two classes were started in October and are well attended.

For further information, call Bruce B. Bell, director of evening classes, at E. C. 2050.

and Castle, Barton and Associates, by the time their year is up.

Industry Tradition

Few of these boys have probably ever heard of Judge Gary, pioneer steel baron whom steel workers of a passing generation remember on two counts: his sentencing of the Haymarket Martyrs to hanging, and his classic summation of labor relationships, "keep the boys hungry and you'll keep 'em working."

But they're finding that Judge Gary's spirit goes marching on.

A provision of the agreement which states these workers signed before they were imported to the Chicago area states that in the event of strikes or other interruptions of production "beyond the company's control," they will be fed and housed on credit for the duration of the emergency.

If a strike arises, a condition for such credit will, doubtless, be made that in return, these workers remain in the plant to take over strikers' jobs. But, as did Mexican workers and Negro workers whom the steel bosses imported after World War No. 1 to break strikes, these boys from Puerto Rico will prefer striking with their fellow workers who merely happen to have arrived here before them.

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By FRANCIS MALLOY

Feeling somewhat like that most of the nudist camp — we only know where to begin. And all because, in the very first Christmas column we presented recently for this excellent paper, we up and quit in stoned high dudgeon. Just like

now, in the spirit of truthfulness, we must set down the undying fact that right there in a long, steady, uninterrupted flow of no comment. Nothing at all. You might at least have expected hundreds of people to gather in the street corners or in the guttering such exclamations as "Well, I'll be damned!" or some other vigorous vulgar Americanisms. But didn't. And it's been going on that day in and day out for two weeks. I'd almost think nobody! Mighty discouraging. However, a couple of lovely came through with a fifth very best Kentucky swill to sing over Serbian Christmas, and at the same time that gave a few journalistic tag to take care of. And so...

ANTIME, at Lefty's excluded Union cocktail lounge we across a couple of Tin Millies who shape up, if we may expression, as possible repal material. They wanted to about a Youngstown boss took a trial bath in a new bathrobe his wife had given for Christmas and then red in disgust that he might well have climbed into the fifth his everyday clothes on. Been done before, according up" who pours with such ect the Auditorium establish-

SSWORD for the week was al-to-portal." Timid souls to sign when impending first were publicized, finally up enough courage to get here were many others—ac— who hadn't yet heard it.

papers and the radio are various. Congressmen, too.

AY back in the gay nine-Phil Penna, who was then president, told the United Workers—who at the time anything but gay—he had it that catering to public or to its whims while privately it would help about useless and wide-suffering would indicate by a demagogue but a moral

hurried abroad recently to or public clamor. We didn't y. At least not the kind we looking for.

rain, in the spirit of honest ng, we make bold now as that, if what we have heard is any indication of the among workers nationally, will be no steel strike this Drew Pearson's prediction in March notwithstanding. came to this momentous con-

clusion after making a personal poll of acquaintances here, in Gary, and in South Chicago, who also make personal polls. They report steelworkers greatly dispirited with their comparatively low pay but—for the moment at least — economically whipped. Maybe you don't feel whipped? Well, take a poll. Ask anybody.

Lines to J.R.P.

Barney's Grille rang loud with laughter; Song and joke shook hold and rafter,

While those Youngstown bosses feted gorgeous George S. Brigham Green— Gorged on kraut and Polish sausage they'd licked the platter clean.

But of all of those who frolicked, Rasseled, kicked their heels and rollicked,

None there was among the many in that famous banquet grille Who performed with half the flourish,

or with greater social skills. Than did Big Chief Little Round Man (as they know him at the Mille).

So generous! So joozbrous, To protect him from himself, They had to move the Pepsi back onto a higher shelf!

They feared the sonovabun might give some sonovabun a raise, Then turn around and hate himself forever and always!

Appeal for Brotherhood

C. S. KARNES of Local 1011 has a word or two about things in general. He writes:

"Franklin D. Roosevelt has said, we have only to fear fear itself. To combat fear, we must make our Union strong and progressive, better to serve the needs of labor. We have a huge investment in ourselves, our lives and the lives of our children and loved ones.

"Let us strive to be stronger and more brotherly.

"The time is gone when certain elements used to strive to divide us. They are running; and to keep them that way we must keep up the good work.

"A worker is just that: a worker. He works for a living, and his problems are the problems of La-

bor as a whole.

"Get up and think and work for your union. Read labor literature and study it. This is important. Proper thought for a union man is: Hold up your union and your union brothers. Allow no one to say evil in this regard. "Unite, so that we may live!"

Downey Dies

HIS co-workers in the Steel Plant Machine Shop were shocked upon arriving at work today (Monday) to learn of the sudden death yesterday of machinist Ray Downey at his home in Hammond. A top-ranking bowler, Downey had bowled Friday night, worked Saturday in the shop. In the bitter Sunday cold he shoveled snow from the walks at his home, went in, collapsed and died from a heart attack.

Red Cross Needs Women to Serve In Overseas Jobs

The American National Red Cross has an urgent need for qualified women between the ages of 23 and 35 for overseas positions of staff assistants and secretaries.

In order to be qualified as a staff assistant, the applicant should have some college training and experience of aptitude in recreation activities. The qualifications for secretary include business training and experience.

Interested applicants please contact Miss Madeline S. Blachly, executive secretary, East Chicago Chapter, 911 W. Chicago Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana.

NUTLEY, N. J. —(FP)—Five CIO unions joined in demanding substantial wage increases, group insurance and improved working conditions for 7,000 employees of the Intl. Telephone & Telegraph Co. The unions demanded a 20c hourly raise for production workers, a \$12 weekly increase for salaried workers and a \$100 monthly boost for engineers.

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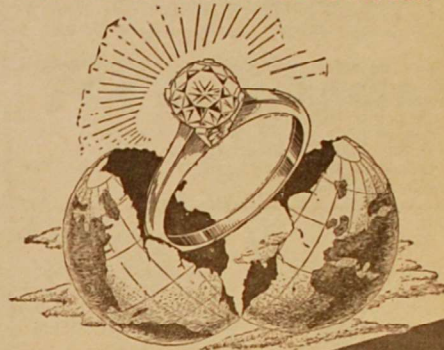


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Which Way, 1947?

Hidden away in most of the papers, at the turn of the year, are numerous little items that furnish guideposts for anyone who wants to make intelligent predictions for 1947.

Here are a few news headings from two or three papers picked at random:

"Retail Food Prices Highest Ever."

"Corporate Dividends Up 12.6 Per Cent."

"Cost of Living Index Soars to New Peak."

"Profits After Taxes at Record High."

"House Group Says Monopoly Gained in War and Demands New Curbs."

Everything is high as a kite, except wages. Average weekly wages have dropped away down since January, 1945 and real wages have been cut by nearly a fourth.

More prominently displayed in the same papers are other items indicating what various big-shots think should be done in 1947 about this lopsided situation of inflated prices, inflated profits, deflated wages and increased big-business monopoly.

We read daily frienzy warnings from leaders of the Nat'l. Association of Manufacturers and Chamber of Commerce and every Wall Streeter who can get his name into print, that the country will go to hell if wages are allowed to catch up with the increased living costs.

Politicians like Harold Stassen, Senators Taft, Ball and Smith, and many others, join the chorus opposing wage increases.

Senator Taft says that what the country needs is "not higher wages but lower prices"—this from the man who led the fight in Congress to wreck price control and to raise living to their present inflationary level—from the bitterest enemy of the CIO's fight to keep prices down!

If all this sounds rather negative, it takes little further searching through the papers to find the positive recommendations of most of these gentlemen.

What do they propose to do about the undue share of the national wealth that is being diverted from the consumption of the masses to the savings of the wealthy?

"Tax relief" for business and the well-to-do, is their answer, at the expense of social measures for the benefit of lower-income groups.

What do they propose to do about growing big-business monopoly—as shown by the report of a subcommittee of the House Committee on Small Business that 200 corporations now own more than 50% of all the country's non-financial corporations—monopoly that is choking the little fellow and throttling the competition that might bring down prices?

Go after the unions as a "labor monopoly," is their answer. Emasculate or scrap the Wagner labor relations act. Pass anti-union laws. Do everything possible to weaken the workers' bargaining power for higher wages.

As to prices, do the OPA wreckers, who now claim to favor lower prices, propose any steps to bring them down? Oh, no. On this, though not on bargaining for higher wages, nature should be allowed to take its course. The workers "should wait patiently for prices to fall."

If the NAM and its political and press stooges have their way, we can predict that 1947 will not be a "happy new year."

It certainly will not be happy for the working people, struggling along on reduced real wages and lowered living standards, with nothing to look forward to but lowered prices when depression forces the hand of business and when layoffs and unemployment will cut their purchasing power still further.

It won't be a happy new year for farmers, professionals and business people, whose incomes depends upon the purchasing power of the masses.

And it will be a pretty sad new year for the whole country when the bubble of super-profits and inflated prices is pricked by the needle of reduced real wages and consuming power—and the "bust" follows.

The CIO, however, is sincerely wishing everyone a really Happy New Year, and putting forward a program to make it happy.

This calls for substantially higher wages, to increase the mass buying power that will keep the wheels of industry turning; for tax relief for the needy and not for the

Labor Around The World

ALLIED LABOR NEWS

Germany

German unions must be allowed a greater scope of activity if denazification and reconstruction are to be realized, Vice President Israel Feinberg of the International Ladies' Garment Workers (AFL), declared here on his return from a 6-week tour of Germany.

Feinberg, member of a 3-man AFL delegation, said U. S. Army authorities are severely restricting the German unions by brushing aside their aid in uprooting Nazi ideology. Their economic activity is curbed through strike bans and imposition of wage rates, working hours and other working conditions by the civil government.

The unions have no part in establishing these conditions, the AFL leader charged, although employers have a voice through a semi-official advisory council on which the unions have been denied representation. German labor, Feinberg said, should be allowed to speak on all matters dealing with production, distribution and economic stabilization.

England

A 4-man delegation of the powerful British Trades Union Congress will meet with Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin to express the TUC's strong dissatisfaction with the Labor government's policy toward Greece and Spain.

After reviewing the behavior of the British representatives at the United Nations general assembly, the TUC general council at a meeting Dec. 18 decided to press Bevin into breaking all diplomatic and economic relations with Franco Spain.

The TUC will also ask British government aid in obtaining freedom of organization for Greek unions.

Members of the delegation who will confer with Bevin are TUC chairman George Thomason, vice chairman Charles Dukes, general secretary Vincent Tewson, and Sir Joseph Halliworth, chairman of the TUC international committee.

Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the British fascists, has filed injunction proceedings against three officials of the National Union of Printing, Bookbinding & Paper Workers because the union leaders instructed their members not to handle any of Mosley's publications. The fascist leader wails that because of the union's action, Britain's largest bookstore chain, W. H. Smith's, has refused to sell the Mosley News-Letter.

Greece

The Greek government has turned down wage demands of the Confederation of Civil Servants whose members, being salaried employees, have been particularly hit by the dizzy inflationary drop in the value of Greek currency. The only concession made by the minister of finance was an increased Christmas bonus.

Mexico

The general secretary and two other officials of the Confederation of Workers and Farmers of Mexico (COCM) have been expelled by the confederation's national council here.

The three officials, Mario Suarez, Agustin Carillo and Julio Castaneda, were declared guilty of having used the name of the organ-

greedy; for strengthened, not weakened, unions to raise the people's living standards and defend democracy; for curbs on big-business monopoly; for expanded social security and intelligent planning for the maintenance of full employment.

If America takes this road in 1947, it can look forward to a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

(THE CIO NEWS)



CONTRACT TALK OPEN JAN. 15 INLAND STEEL

Whether Inland Steel ground in the matter of a new contract, union security, demands of its organization, or whether they fight it out on these lines all winter, will be indicated by Jan. 15th.

On that date local union contract negotiating will close with management's first round of what bids the 1947 agreement. For the time in the history of Inland Steel, no governmental mediation in existence to settle disputes between the management and the union. The War Labor Board late both parties were through their respective strength in organized labor against organization.

General demands which made or an industry wide amount of wage increase, annual wage, and welfare provisions are published elsewhere in the issue of the Sentinel. These demands applying only to workers in the Indiana Harbor of Inland Steel, however, negotiated locally.

A report of progress in resistance encountered, given at the local union of Thursday, January 15th.

Those serving on the committee for local union are: John Sargent, local union and grievor for the time; Calacci, vice president for the 44-inch slab mill; Sopko, recording secretary; grievor for the mechanism; Harry Powell, grievor for the health, and Breen, grievor for the finance department.

States Can't Time Limits Portal Pay

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Claims for retroactive portal pay received a boost here when a U. S. court ruled unconstitutional a Wisconsin law imposing a 20% limitation on claims arising from federal statutes.

The case arose from the back wages brought by Kampe against the Milwaukee Co. of Waukesha. Kampe, ing pay under the wage for 1,715 overtime hours, rate of time-and-a-half performed between June 1943 and March 1946.

The company contested under a Wisconsin law August 1945 Kampe could back more than two years suit, which is pending in wage and hour and contracts divisions of the Labor entered the case of the court, maintaining Wisconsin law was unconstitutional.

Judge F. Ryan Duffe their contention, ruling state statute may not deny against rights arising from federal laws.

Several states either are reported considering laws in an effort to curtail liabilities in suits, portal-to-portal pay recently been instituted as a result of a ruling of the Supreme court in the Pottery case.

The law preventing suits from making contributions should be made, says some of the thinkers.

Of course, a union boss, would still be a moderate \$10,000 out of funds to some extent.

1010 AT INLAND STEEL

Report of Int'l Wage-Policy Committee Meeting

By Peter Calacci
Committeeman from Dist. 31, Subdist. 2, USA-CIO

On December 18, 1946, the International Wage and Policy Committee met in Pittsburgh to prepare a program for new contracts in the steel industry.

President Philip Murray delivered the opening address in which he discussed the present economic situation as it affects the steelworkers. He reviewed the trends in the last contract settlement and pointed out that in the case of supposed government regulations, the steel industry and the rest of the manufacturers were successful in shattering the purchasing power of the working people. Brother Murray demonstrated quite clearly how the rising prices quickly wiped out the wage increases granted less than a year ago.

The Wage and Policy Committee in raising its wage demands is being guided by the report of Robt. Nathan, the former government economist who was commissioned by the CIO to prepare an economic report. The Nathan report revealed that the steel industry's profit position is so good that the steel companies could easily afford a substantial wage increase without increasing their prices.

Already, the National Association of Manufacturers is screaming to the high heavens about the Nathan report and our Union's demands. They are crying that our demands are based upon facts which were true during "abnormal" times, etc., etc. The N.A.M. living up to its reputation. Whenever the working people begin demanding wage increases, the N.A. begins to tell us about the "imbalances" of the corporations. We were to listen to them long enough, they would have us believe that a collection should be taken up to help out the millionaires. The truth is that the corporations piled up tremendous profits during the "abnormal" years. That is why those years are "abnormal." As far as the working people were concerned, they got no more than they were getting now. For us the only abnormal was the strain of overtime work and the speed-up of production.

In spite of the protests of Big Business, the Wage and Policy Committee is demanding a "substantial" increase from the steel corporations. Along with the basic wage increase demand, the union will demand that all geographic differences in wage scales be wiped out. This is aimed to raise the southern steelworkers' levels up to ours.

Among other demands are the following:

1. Improvement in premium pay for shift work, and severance pay for termination of work for reasons other than voluntary quitting.
2. Union shop. This is a little different from the present maintenance of membership. Under a union shop every employee, after short period of employment, is required to join the union or give up his job.
3. Insurance to which the companies are being asked to contribute. Heretofore, the steelworkers have been paying all of the freight life and social insurance. For the first time in history, the steel industry is now being asked to send some of its money for insurance for the steelworkers.
4. A guaranteed annual wage.
5. Portal-to-portal pay will be demanded in the coming negotiations.
6. Premium pay for week-end work. The union is demanding one-and-one-half for work performed on Saturday and double

day.

7. Adequate protection against changes in hourly and incentive rates. It is an old trick in the steel industry to drive the workers to ever greater speed with the tonnage bonus, and when the wages and production reach a higher level the bonus is cut making it necessary for the worker to put out more than ever. The union seeks protection against this practice and is also demanding that earnings should increase in accordance with increased productivity.

8. Improved vacation provisions.

9. Elimination of trial periods for new employees.

10. Improved grievance procedure.

11. Double time for holiday work and straight time pay for those who do not work on holidays.

12. Full protection for returning servicemen insofar as it concerns their reinstatement, promotions, accumulated seniority, and vacations for the year in which they left employment for the service.

13. Better application of local conditions in the various agreements. Some local unions have provisions which are a little better than those of the steel industry generally. These should be applied vigorously.

14. Improvements relating to allowed time, health, and safety. The companies will be asked to supply special wearing apparel and safety devices.

These points will be the guide for the negotiating committees throughout the steel industry in preparing the new contracts. It will be necessary for all union members to give their wholehearted support to their negotiating committees in order to see that these improvements get into the new contracts. I wish to take this opportunity to appeal to every union member to attend the union meetings in the coming weeks and participate in the work of preparing and establishing the new agreements. The strength of the new contracts will depend upon the support that you give to your union in this struggle.

Rumors on Legal Fees Are Called Strictly Phoney

Twenty percent attorney fees, biggest beef among 1010's membership about the handling of the suit against Inland Steel for portal-to-portal pay, has little or no foundation in fact.

Attorney's fees are being asked of the court as part of the damages. If the union's claim for portal-to-portal pay is upheld by the courts, therefore, it is reasonable to expect that the court will also adjudge attorney's fees as part of the damage claim. In case the suit is lost, the law firms are stuck. Each power-of-attorney signed by individual members of the union clearly provides that no payment is owing to attorneys preparing and arguing the suit except as a part of the damages collected.

Management of Inland Steel, against whom local union 1010 filed suit in Hammond District Federal Court, Wednesday, December 18th, asked and received from the court 60 days in which to respond to the action. Ordinarily, 20 days is the time allotted for a defendant's response in legal actions of this kind.

Despite that the local union has gone to the considerable expense of maintaining offices at both main gates of the plant in order to speed the gathering of authorizations and forms essential to successful prosecution of the suit, a heavy proportion of those eligible for filing claims are slow about doing it.

Strictly Phoney
Rumors are flying that "you can collect back pay without signing away 20 percent of it," and that "if anybody collects, everybody will." These rumors, originating from the same locker room lawyers who, ten years ago, owlishly assured everybody that "they'll never organize the steel mills," are as phoney as a three-dollar bill.

Action for obtaining portal-to-portal pay is a law suit; not to be confused with the more familiar process of union-management negotiation. Only those who enter suit through channels provided and backed up by the collective strength of the United Steelworkers of America, CIO, will be entitled to damages.

Since every steel worker who can be influenced to refrain from filing a claim for back pay against

the company means a sizeable lessening of the total damages, it is plain who benefits from the flood of phoney information.

Watching Pottery Case

A ruling on the extent of damages to which employees of the Mt. Clemens (Mich.) Pottery Company are entitled is expected to have a great deal of bearing upon the eventual settlement of similar suits against the owners of American industry which total two and one-half billion dollars. The ruling will be handed down some time this month in the court of Judge Picard, Detroit, in which the pottery workers' claim was first upheld in 1941. It has been fairly well established that the rates which are paid for regular work will not apply to non-productive time.

One important factor in pending suits is the present Congress. The only thing certain from this body of legislators is that if a possible angle enabling big industry to weasel out of returning any part of its 15 billion 1946 profits to the workers is to be found, the Honorable Gentlemen of the 80th Congress will ferret it out.

Unemployment Compensation

Although unemployment is, so far, still a wolf howling in the distance, it's advisable for steel workers to keep informed of what benefits are available to them in case of lay offs.

The United States Employment Service provides twenty dollars weekly to those whose incomes are cut off altogether. In cases of persons earning less than twenty dollars weekly, they may collect compensation to total twenty dollars.

A worker whose wages fall below twenty dollars in any week should report immediately to his compensation office. Failure to report in the same week of his lay off or dropping of wages below the twenty dollar level will prevent his collection of a week's compensation benefits.

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- Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P. M.
Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.
- Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P. M.
Power department.
- Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P. M.

NEA Report Shows That Low Pay for Teachers Causing National Crisis

WASHINGTON — (FP) — America's most qualified school teachers cannot earn enough in the school systems to keep up with the current cost of living, so they are leaving the schools for other jobs and our millions of children suffer for it.

That is the gist of the annual report of the Natl. Education Assn. issued Jan. 5. The report was graphically outlined by NEA Exec. Sec. Willard Givens at a press conference, in which he emphasized the long-term seriousness of the greatest crisis in the history of American education.

The solution, he said, lies in "an aggressive, nationwide, professional program which, although addressed primarily to the nation's teachers, deserves the careful study of all citizens." A broad unity of teachers, parents and progressive community leaders, said Givens, organizing to raise teachers' salaries and educational appropriations through political action, is the true road ahead.

Pay Under \$2,000

The main features of the serious dangers to the nation's schools now are:

1. Low teacher salaries. The 1945-46 average salary is about \$2,000, with wide variation between the states in pay scales. Fourteen states pay 75% or more of their teachers less than \$2,000 annually.

2. Teacher shortage. For 1946-47, it is estimated that out of 865,000 teachers, 110,000 are teaching on emergency certificates and over 14,000 jobs are vacant. This means that over 13% of today's teaching jobs are held by people not yet fully qualified, and jobs are still going begging.

3. Class curtailment. An estimated 62,000 children are now deprived from schooling by the teacher shortage, either through shortening of the school day or elimination of departments or classes.

PTA Backs Raises

Focal point of the NEA program, entitled "A Professional Way to Meet the Educational Crisis," is that teachers should demand decent salaries. NEA standard calls for a minimum annual salary of \$2400 for a qualified beginning teacher who is a college graduate, with annual raises up to a \$4,000-\$6,000 range for experienced teachers. The National Congress of Parents and Teachers, consisting of 4 million PTA members, stands for the same scale.

Long known as a conservative, professional outfit, NEA is particularly sensitive about teachers organizing into unions and taking strike action. But the situation is such, Givens told newsmen under questioning, that the most effective action in the face of a determined resistance to teachers' organized wage demands would probably have to be the sort of

NMU Press Airs Differences Over Curran-CMU Feud

NEW YORK — (FP) — The pros and cons on the resignation of President Joseph Curran of the National Maritime Union (CIO) as co-chairman of the Committee for Maritime Unity were presented to the union membership in statements from top NMU officers which appeared in The Pilot Dec. 27.

Distribution of the NMU's newspaper came as it was disclosed that Curran had met with Sec. Treas. Harry Lundeberg of the Sailors Union of the Pacific (AFL) Dec. 12 in San Francisco and would attend a legislative meeting of maritime unions in Washington called by President Vincent J. Malone of the Marine Firemen Oilers Water-tenders & Wipers (unaffiliated), who resigned from the CMU executive board last September.

Curran said he met with Lundeberg to seek joint action against the proposed continuation of wartime Coast Guard control of seamen and to block anti-labor rules in the proposed recodification of U. S. maritime laws. Invitations to the Washington conference, which Lundeberg is also expected to attend, cover all AFL, CIO and unaffiliated maritime unions but exclude AFL and CIO longshoremen.

Opposed by Some

Curran's resignation as CMU co-chairman, which he announced after returning from a CMU meeting on the west coast, was endorsed by NMU Treasurer M. Hedley Stone, whose statement will appear in the Jan. 3 issue of The Pilot, and Vice President Jack Lawrenson, who also resigned from the CMU executive board. Opposition statements which appeared on the same page in The Pilot came from Secretary Ferdinand Smith and Vice Presidents Joseph Stack and Howard McKenzie.

Curran said he was quitting "to bring sharply to the attention of our membership the intolerable situation that now exists in the CMU." He charged that CMU bungling had unnecessarily prolonged the nationwide maritime strike last fall and accused west coast unions of using the CMU as a "weapon of warfare" against AFL unions and the MFWO.

The three opposition statements charged that in resigning without first consulting the other union officers and the membership, Curran betrayed the NMU, which voted overwhelmingly to join the

CMU. Stack criticized Curran for not having voiced any of his objections to either the NMU national council or the membership at several recent meetings. Curran's resignation, he declared, "is a move to destroy the most effective working relationship we have had with the other maritime unions in the last few years."

AFL "Blasts"

Smith said Curran's objections to the CMU structure could be resolved at a forthcoming delegated convention where a permanent constitution is to be adopted. While it was possible to work out unity with AFL rank-and-file maritime workers, he maintained, all past appeals for unity with their leaders "have not only been turned down but answered with blasts against our integrity."

McKenzie said Curran's action had weakened the CMU and consequently injured the NMU's chance of winning its current 25 percent wage increase demand. He credited the CMU with having won the seamen a \$17.50 monthly wage increase and the 40-hour week in port last June after the NMU alone had been able to get only a \$12.50 offer from the shipowners.

Lawrenson, in a brief statement, said the CMU had departed from its original purpose of working for the unity of all maritime workers, CIO, AFL and unaffiliated. He said the CMU was under the leadership of a "handful of people who attempted to operate it selfishly and blindly."

NLRB Again Okays Right of Foremen to Join Unions

WASHINGTON — (FP) — The National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) said Dec. 30 as it gave the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals at Philadelphia for its decision of its order against Phillips & Laughlin Steel Corp., N.Y.

By a 2-1 vote the Board ordered the steel company to desist from its policy of excluding Supervisory Employees (AFL) from the union. Chairman John H. Reynolds, Jr., dissenting, said the company's policy was "an unfair labor practice."

The action covers J&L's coal mines in western Pennsylvania.

In its decision, the majority said: "This order, which does more than reaffirm the previous case decision, issues at a time in order to expedite earlier court review of the earlier holding, a result desired by the Board and by the public."

The situation is in line with the famous Packard case, which was argued before the Supreme Court on Jan. 9. The court refused to take the case with the Foreman's Assn. (unaffiliated).

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New Congress Needs Plenty Rodding—CIO

call for increased legislative activity "back home" was sounded by 10 legislative representatives of the Eightieth Congress when they met at Washington.

Despite the progressive setback in November 5 elections it was noted out, both conservative and liberal Congressmen and Senators responsive to the will of voters in their districts.

With many Republicans jockeying for power and position, the Republican forces on Capitol Hill do not mean represent a cohesive and strong indications of sentiment against anti-labor legislation and for progressive social bills will be noticed in Washington.

Write and wire your Congressmen about the bills which concern you. Keep an eye on what Congress is doing and let your representative know what you think about them; demand that they do not set clock back to the days of conservatism.

Strong pressure from union leaders can halt the tide of conservatism.

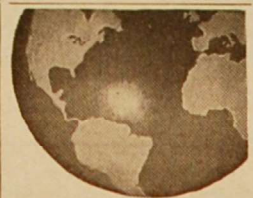
U Vet Leader Tells Report on my "Justice"

The report of the American Bar Association's special committee to Secretary Patterson on the court system stops short of making adequate recommendations as to how really help democratic the Army upon which the CIO has been insisting, Meyer Bernheim of the CIO Veterans Committee declared this week. He said out:

The committee would control the authority of the command over court, but does not advocate the end of every connection

between the commanding officer and the court. "The committee also recommended that enlisted men serve as members of general and special courts-martial, but no method is proposed to assure that they be free from domination by enlisted officers."

"The need for the end of officer domination is illustrated by the report itself which found that the majority of officers questioned did not think that the courts were dominated, whereas 22 out of 29 enlisted men replied that the courts were dominated."



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Produced by Peter Lyon, prominent N. Y. radio figure, Labor-USA will use music, stories and interviews with union men and women to explain the major issues of the day. Much of the radio time will be used to show the need for higher wages to keep Mr. and Mrs. Joe America at a decent standard of living and to keep the entire country on a prosperous keel.

In the course of the series, it is expected that the Labor-USA microphone will travel to various large industrial centers to pick up the voices of union members straight from their homes or places of work. They'll talk about the problems of meeting strained family budgets which face them and millions of others.

Labor-USA is a regular sustaining feature of the ABC. CIO sponsored the program through the first half of 1946, after which the time was made available to the AFL.

WASHINGTON — (FP) — Bureau of labor statistics said retail prices of consumer goods in large cities rose 2.2 percent between mid-October and mid-November, bringing the consumer price index for the U. S. to the highest level on record.

When Hearst and Roy Howard finally get the U.S. into a war with Russia, we suggest they be permitted to be the first Unknown Dead of World War III in honor of their efforts.

Consumer Cooperatives Democracy in Business

First of a Series of Brief Articles
By AL REES

If an election had been held among the stockholders of the General Motors Corporation during last year's G.M. strike, it is likely that a majority would have favored agreeing to the Union demands months before the actual settlement. But such an election, unfortunately, wouldn't mean a thing. Majority rule prevails in our unions and governments, but corporations count one vote per share. Alfred Sloan, the corporation executive, and the DuPont boys own or control enough shares of G.M. to outvote thousands and thousands of small stockholders, who can't even get to see the company books.

The only corporations that don't work this way are cooperatives, where every member has one vote regardless of how much or how little he has invested. It's because people, not money, run the show in a co-op that cooperation is the democratic way of doing business.

A second principle of co-ops also makes for democracy—the principle of open membership. America is covered with organizations devoted to special interests and open only to certain groups. If membership in an organization brings valuable rights and privileges, its members may become choosy about sharing these privileges with others. People may be "blackballed"—forbidden to join—because someone doesn't like their face. The excluded groups have no choice but to set up their own organizations to work against the older ones. Here is fertile soil for Fascism, which well knows how easy it is to turn exclusion and division into hatred and strife.

Everyone eats. The very young and the very old are not workers, but they must eat as well as anyone else. Men have not been able to agree about religion or politics, they are of many nations and

many colors, but all need food and shelter. And anyone who eats may join a co-op, regardless of race, religion, politics, or class. Co-ops pull people together instead of splitting them into hostile groups.

The last of the three great co-op principles is the one which makes co-op business non-profit: the principle of returning savings in proportion to purchases. In 1941, before the war, American corporations made profits after taxes of \$8,519,000,000. This had no necessary relation to a fair return on their investment. It is simply all that was left over after corporations had charged what they could get for their products and paid all expenses. Co-ops believe that pure profit, or the amount left over after workers get a living wage and investors get reasonable interest on their investment, does not belong to the owners of the business. It belongs to the customers. The fact that profits are left over after all expenses are paid is proof that the customers were overcharged. A co-op charges market prices to be sure of meeting expenses. If "profits" (or savings) are left over after all expenses are paid, they go back to the customers as a patronage refund. If all American corporations were run that way, all of us as consumers would receive some of the billions of dollars of profits which go each year to a small group of big stockholders.

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"But what if there had been no funds from which to draw? That is why people must give more this year. We don't know but what another epidemic might hit us again in 1947.

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A HUMANITARIAN

CHANGES IN YS&T SCENERY; POISTER QUIT STARTS RUMOR STORY GOING FULL BLAST

By Francis Malloy

regarded as important to the Youngstown steel company's fraction of the local economy were expected during the past week. While some several top officials were just settling in bigger jobs, out here on the bank of the canal (Jack) Poister resigned as manager of the Youngstown district. With the company thrown somewhat off balance, he had to be packed off to take his place. He is Stubblefield.

for the Papers toward turn was duly in the daily press with unity and a minimum of

Indiana Harbor Works in tongue-wagging was set of it having to do with what in the district Poister — widely as an able, sincere and official—to throw up his hands. This two-bit fellow might expect, has a special offer by way of a. However, it seems to be established that Poister with Pittsburgh Crucible as vice-president in operations and a member of the board of directors. Now it will be that he is simulating that he was not hard work and did they open with a chance for it. And it's also quite a handwriting and that it happened there was a vacancy in the Monday and on there.

as "Passed Up" way they have it figured was much more to it than that, the consensus being as much as he could very well pleased with it up in company announced for 1947, he had sought surcease discontent over internal within the Y.S.&T. company as from a feeling of in this industrial Hooand where even slight policy purportedly are from Youngstown "maple, ready for use." other any of the above bearing on events that transpired, your report of knowing. That a chafed overmuch bearded authority to inside policy, but had to of what was handed in, seems unlikely. Such ment is not new or un- steel business. And we got reasonably used to nine or ten years he though giving responsibility to some of the lines from on high (to from back-firing) might standably have stuck now and then.

Company Tried of the union who are to go into Ohio to with Mister Youngs- well as minor officials revealed that beneath a serene surface there in just the average bit bowing around among g-wigs for power and at if it is allowed to its present intensity the utilization might be

company has lost a deal in Mr. Poister is needed, and though it is a surprise to him, with whom he had most voluble in their long other things, they had found him honest and not given to whether favorable or

adverse he strove to abide by his decisions to the letter; that as a result he made a minimum of enemies in the kind of position he held.

Stubblefield, new district manager, was one of seven Campbell and Brier Hill executives who took new jobs Jan. 1, under appointments made by H. E. Englebaugh, just recently made manager of the Youngstown district. Formerly assistant general superintendent of Campbell Works, he was raised to the rank of general superintendent of Campbell Works steel plant, blast furnaces, and Struthers Works. But the ink had scarcely dried on the Youngstown edition of the company Bulletin announcing this momentous change, when he was whisked away to Indiana Harbor and another new job.

According to our information, Stubblefield is a native of McLean, Ill., a graduate of Illinois University in pharmaceutical chemistry. He went to work for Youngstown in 1916, since the early 20's has been superintendent variously of Campbell coke plant, blast furnaces, Brier Hill Works, and assistant superintendent of the Youngstown district.

And recurring most frequently in discussions of the changes made was the name of A. S. Glossbrenner, formerly general superintendent of the Youngstown district manufacturing properties, recently made the assistant of J. L. Maule, vice-president in charge of operations. It was following his elevation to this high post that all the other promotions were made.

AND now we might just as well admit that all of this was "dictated but not read" from our bed of pain on Hancock street. Since our wild fling at "poetry" in the last issue of this paper we have not been so well, had no more then read those stirring lines in print—to Mr. Jack Price—than we started running a temperature. Of course, the omission of one word (it was "till") left something to be desired in the poem's lyric excellence, it must have been powerful stuff, nevertheless. We trust no one else suffered so much.

SINCE our precipitate flight from beautiful "Rat Hole Manor-on-the-Dune" and subsequent futile attempts to assume the role of solid citizen in our new home in the Miller lowlands, we had not (until today) seen hide or hair of Mister Duffy. In fact the woman had mentioned worriedly on several occasions that all the dogs in our neighborhood seem to be females; that as a result three trunks already were in sad need of attention. Well, believe it or not, we looked out the window today and there, sniffing around our garbage can, was the inspector himself—Mister Duffy. The kids invited him in but he was a little stiff and formal, we thought, remembering no doubt the time the woman chased him with a broom for desecrating our onion patch. Mister Duffy uses the splash system and before he left had given each of the trees a proper application—one of the piano legs, too, only the woman doesn't know that.

WHILE all these important events were taking place, William Christy, president of Local 1011, and Les Thornton, subdistrict director were in Youngstown to open negotiations with the company on a new contract. Little expected at first beyond the usual formalities.

Handsome John Bricker of Ohio announces he won't run for president but will "throw his weight behind Sen. Robert Taft." . . . With a head start like that, all Taft needs is about 30,000,000 votes. Bricker could have done worse. He could have thrown his weight in front of Taft.

GOP SPOKESMAN CHARTS COURSE FOR HIS PARTY

Washington — (FP) — Having just returned from one of those highly restricted "for background only" luncheons with a high Republican personage and 1948 presidential candidate it is both proper and necessary to relate a few items to indicate top GOP thinking and programming.

Since some 400 Washington correspondents attended the same luncheon at the National Press club, and all saw the smiling face and heard the flat mid-western voice of the party's spokesman, we'll let them be first to violate the oath and name the speaker.

As to labor legislation, he said, "we're going to adopt a labor bill in five or six weeks. We are going to start hearing experts and try to determine the best solution."

The GOP voice said he'd not commit himself on any matters on labor legislation other than the terms of the Case bill last session for which he voted. But the goal, he said, is to meet the people's demand for fewer strikes and less industrial trouble.

One gratifying note came when the speaker said, "I don't think that an absolute prohibition of strikes is necessary or desirable."

Holding second position on the GOP calendar of importance is the national budget, which the speaker said must be reduced. He pointed to a \$39 billion national outlay, plus what he said was \$10 billion in local taxes, or nearly \$50 billion that amounts to almost half the national income.

The speaker also chided the press for being "no longer interested in what has happened," because reporters now want "predictions" and to "read our minds on future actions."

He indicated that last session's Wagner-Ellender-Taft housing bill might be cut up into about three bills—one on public housing, another on the federal housing authority, and the third on health.

As to foremen in unions, the Republican chief indicated approval of withdrawing the protection of the Wagner act from them, but quickly adding "they can, of course, join a union . . . so can the vice presidents of the Guaranty Trust Co."

There is no actual set date for the conclusion of labor legislation, he said. He hopes for completion by March 31, "but I won't promise a date to anyone."

BANQUET—

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"help those who are sick or in distress through liberal constitutional provisions of the club, and to develop and promote a friendly attitude of cooperation among workers who, because of the stresses and strains of their occupation have little opportunity for becoming intimate on their jobs. The club, with frequent meetings, provides an incentive for making friends, for seeing each other as we really are, and building a spirit of cooperation among us."

Speaking of the campaign to raise funds, he said, "It has been fairly successful, but there still has not been enough conviction of the purpose to make it the outstanding achievement we would like."

Present with their wives at the dinner were the officers of the Club, including Eddie Brandt, president; Charlie Hubbic, financial secretary, and Mike Mau, secretary-treasurer.

The arrangements committee paid special tribute to a group of merchants who bought substantial blocks of raffle tickets, but waived the prize should it fall to their lot, in preference for a steelworker winner. Some of these merchants were Phil Nagdeman, Chas. Lipner, M. Kostel, Abe Kaplan and Bert Mitchell.

County Unions Interested In "Full Production Bill"

Lake County CIO locals have one bill in particular which they are interested in as it comes up before the 80th Congress. The bill, introduced in the last Congress by Indiana's LaFollette, is designed to create a Full Production Finance Authority.

A resolution endorsing the bill passed a Fall meeting of the Lake County PAC, stating:

"There has been introduced before the 79th Congress by Rep. Charles LaFollette of Indiana a bill creating a Full Production Finance Authority which through constructive financing of non-profit corporations such as incorporated municipalities, cooperative enter-

prises, trade unions, and the like, proposes to forestall depression by increasing employment, production and consumption according to the public need, a function not filled by the Senate's Murray bill."

Ron Cochrell, secretary of the USA-CIO local over Youngstown way, says that the executive board of local 1011 is interested in receiving comments on this bill. Says he, "The bill would put the government into business more than it is at present, something on which there is considerable controversial opinion. Before our executive board acts on the measure we would like to hear what 1911 members think about it."

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Behind Ford's Price Cut

When Henry Ford sliced up to \$50 off the price of Fords he offered tacit evidence of the milking the auto manufacturers have been giving the car-buying public.

The slice is just a fraction of the amount that auto prices could be reduced while still leaving manufacturers a substantial profit, according to figures published by Boris Shub in the February issue of This Month magazine. After talking to members of the Automobile Manufacturers Assn. and the United Auto Workers (CIO), Shub came up with figures revealing that auto producers have almost tripled their profit per car since 1941.

A car selling wholesale for \$789.75 in 1941 brought its manufacturer \$33.17 or 4.2% in clear profit while the same car, which sells today for \$1,121.45, brings a profit of \$129.84, or 11.6%.

At the same time, although the amount paid out in wages per car has increased, the percentage of labor cost per car has dropped from 25.5% to 24.1%. While wages jumped from \$201.39 per car in 1941 to \$269.86 in 1946, increased labor productivity has greatly reduced the unit cost of autos. Thus a new electric welding machine speeded the welding of crankshaft balances from three to 36 per hour and multiple spindle drills perform 14 lapping operations simultaneously instead of the single radial drill operation.

The only major hitch to increased auto production are failure of the steel industry to expand to fill the necessary needs and refusal of the auto manufacturers to plan on long-term full production instead of trying to skim the cream off the present market, Shub declared.

Although Pres. C. E. Wilson of General Motors recently announced any increase in wages for auto workers would have to be matched by increased prices, Shub points out that Wilson himself increased his earnings 94% from 1939 to 1943 to total \$459,000—or \$177 an hour. Meanwhile most GM workers are lucky to average \$52 a week, with many of them making between \$32 and \$42 because of curtailed workweeks.

Your Congressman Reports

Gentlemen:

I thought your readers might be interested in knowing how their Representative in Congress stands on the House Committee set-up under the new Reorganization Act. The streamlining Bill which was passed last session, reduced the number of standing committees in the House from 48 to 19. This reduction places all House committees under the classification of "major" committees.

I served on the Naval Affairs Committee in the 79th Congress and under the new law, this committee is merged with the committee on Military Affairs and will be known as the Committee on Armed Forces. This committee, under the new set-up, will be composed of 33 Members; 19 Republicans and 14 Democrats. Under the seniority system, the Members in each party having the longest seniority in Congress, will get preference. My seniority is not sufficient, so that means I will get "bumped."

Although the committee will not be officially announced until the Thursday session, I have been appointed to the Committee on Education and Labor. I made application for this committee because I believe this committee will be very active and busy, especially during the first session of the 80th Congress, considering the numerous labor bills which have been introduced by some of the Members of the Republican Majority. The Committee on Education and Labor will also have supervision over legislation pertaining to education. It is my hope that legislation will be favorably acted upon to extend aid to the States in providing the teaching profession adequate compensation for their services. A living wage and security for the future of our American teachers will be the number one requirement to place our educational system on a higher level.

The new Committee will have supervision over measures relating to education and labor generally; mediation and arbitration of labor disputes and also wages and hours of labor. The Committee also will have supervision over convict labor and the entry of goods made by convicts into interstate commerce—regulation or prevention of importation of foreign laborers under contract—child labor—labor statistics—labor standards—school lunch program

Labor Around The World



France

The entire population of Paris was without newspapers Jan. 9 as the Federation of Newspaper Owners locked out all printers in the city and called on publishers throughout the country to take similar action. The lockout came just as the government was seeking the widest possible publicity for its drive to clamp down on soaring prices.

Excuse given by the newspaper owners for the lockout was that the workers had started a slowdown to win their demand for a 25% wage increase. Average pay for printers is about \$3 a day.

Italy (Sicily)

A total shutdown of industry and traffic throughout Sicily— island off Italy's southernmost tip took place for one hour Jan. 9 as workers protested the murder of labor leader Accursio Miraglia. The stoppage was called by the regional committee of the Italian General Confederation of Labor (CGIL).

Miraglia, Communist secretary of the Sciaccia Chamber of Labor, was responsible for assigning untitled land to peasants. Killed by machinegun fire on his way home Jan. 4, he was the seventh union leader involved in carrying out government land reform decrees to meet violent death in the past three months.

According to local CGIL leaders, absentee owners of large Sicilian estates are employing pro-fascists to frighten workers into abandoning the land reform measures. The government decree awarded uncultivated land to farmers' co-operatives and changed the former 50-50 sharecropping arrangement to 40% for the landlord and 60% for the peasant.

Mexico

A strike of all workers in the government-owned Mexican oil fields "if the government maintains its arbitrary attitude" was recommended to an extraordinary convention of the Oil Workers Union at Mexico City. The convention was called after the government met a 1-day stoppage of oil workers—called to demand higher pay—by firing virtually the entire union leadership. Possibility that the strike may not be necessary loomed as Mexican Pres. Miguel Aleman indicated readiness to support reinstatement of those fired.

India

Faced with pledges of full support from railwaymen, textile and

engineering workers for a projected strike of 22,000 port workers, officials of the Calcutta Port Trust have conceded union demands. Instead of going through the usual legal tangle, the officials agreed to negotiate pay demands directly. They also granted temporary reinstatement to 1,000 workers fired for economy and agreed to discuss union proposals for reabsorbing these people into the staff.

Korea

American correspondents who just returned to Japan from American-occupied south Korea say they were escorted at all times by U. S. army intelligence officers. They could only see rightists, since all union and left-wing leaders are in jail or hiding. One American intelligence officer told the correspondents that he didn't like them snooping for news because "the army will tell the American people what they ought to know."

Greece

The elected executive committee of the Greek Confederation of Labor has called upon all elected union leaders to stand firm in their refusal to step down in favor of government-appointed union officials. Many elected leaders are already in jail. Others who try to hold union meetings are being arrested daily because the government won't recognize their meetings as legal.

Latin America

GUATEMALA CITY—The nation's three most important union groups—the Guatemalan Federation of Labor, the Federation of Guatemalan Unions and the Regional Farmers' Federation—have amalgamated as the Guatemalan Confederation of Labor. Equality of wages regardless of age, sex or race and complete freedom to organize are the foremost immediate demands of the new body. Its program calls for industrialization, the abolition of feudalism and "opposition to all imperialist penetration into the country."

MEXICO—Unemployed Italian industrial and agricultural workers may soon be absorbed into Latin American industry, according to the Latin American Federation of Labor. The federation has appointed a special group to study the manpower needs of Latin American countries as the result of a visit here by Dina Berti Di Vittorio, wife of the general secretary of the Italian General Confederation of Labor. Italian industry, Mrs. DiVittorio reported, cannot absorb the nation's more than two million unemployed.

witnesses make but a single appearance to voice their position on each measure.

Taft also said it was now planned to complete hearings by March 1, which means no labor legislation will reach the Senate floor before that date except possibly a plan to solve the portal-to-portal pay issue.

Labor Secretary Lewis Schwellenbach and other government officials will be in the first list of witnesses, the Republican leader said. Each witness will be required under the 1946 congressional reorganization act, to state what issues he will discuss, which side he is on, and to file a brief summary of his views.

—vocational rehabilitation and U. S. employment compensation commission.

The Ways and Means Committee which functions as the Committee on Committees, have completed selecting the personnel which will make up the committees under the new Reorganization Act.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Ray J. Madden, M.C.

Local 1412 The Ho For

Perhaps one of the most famous hubs in the world is the one in the Congress over the pay suits. The legislative group stands in an attitude of the macabre, potential cases. We can't help but tears of anguish companies! "Some done," sayeth Congress industry is forced for the hours it has them, our industrial bankruptcy!"

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1010 AT INLAND STEEL

Moving Day Still Far Away

Say 1010's Vocal Members

Climaxing the stormiest membership meeting since the seniority issue simmered down several months ago, local union 1010 voted Thursday night, January 16th, to remain in its present quarters, the Auditorium Building, by a margin thinner than a ham sandwich.

Balk Speeding-Up Of Electrolytic Line at Tin Mill

Attempting to speed up the tin mill's electrolytic line without duly compensating its crew, the general foreman succeeded, instead, in shutting down the whole operation Tuesday morning, January 14th. The stoppage did not arise from mechanical difficulties; it stemmed from management, who should know better by this time, ampering with the loyalty which workers in that department give to each other.

M. Selzer, coiler on the line, was ordered by the foreman to increase operating speed. Since bonus earnings on the electrolytic line are calculated on the percentage of spoiled material rather than on total output, speeding up the line would have decreased the crew's pay.

Refusing to step up the production rate without any assurance of a change in bonus rates, Selzer was sent home. The rest of the line's crew, who could, of course, have worked with another coiler, promptly reached for their street clothes instead. Neither the four o'clock nor the midnight shifts reported for work.

Subsequently, the 8 to 4 shift, upon whose turn the stoppage occurred, was disciplined with a five-day lay off. Both of the other crews are voluntarily taking the me off in preference to operating the line while the day crew is being disciplined.

According to the latest information, all three crews will resume working Monday, January 20th, at the normal rate of operation. A change of rates to meet the contemplated change of speed on the electrolytic line is being negotiated.

Pinch Pennies At Expense of 65-Year-Olds

If Inland's executives had chosen to inflict their cruel joke upon those over age employees whom they scrapped last spring instead of reserving it as an added measure of bitterness for those who were arbitrarily discharged this year, it would, at least, have been in keeping with the tradition of the day, April 1st.

John L. Webber was one of the eighty odd workers who, having expended both youth and maturity creating corporation assets, were, themselves, adjudged liabilities to the company and treated as such.

On January 1, 1947, Brother Webber retired after 17 years in the service of Inland Steel. To maintain himself and his wife in their comfortable little apartment at 3431 Fir St., Indiana Harbor, he has recourse to \$20 weekly unemployment compensation plus the \$15 pension allotted discarded wage earners by the Inland Company.

At the expiration of twenty weeks, of course, the twenty dollar weekly compensation will end. In its place, the Webbers will draw the meager sum of \$52 a month in social security benefits. That, supplemented by the \$15 pension, provides a total income of \$67 a month.

Rent alone on such modest rooms as they live in costs at least half of \$67.

But the drab prospect of subsisting upon \$67 a month was brightened somewhat on the morning that John Webber and the rest of the retiring contingent went into the main office to complete the formality of leaving the company's employ. Among other forms, he was given one which stated that \$432.38 was due him in cash; a lump sum bonus apportioned to men having from ten to twenty years' service. Amounts varied; a few reached \$700.

On January 3rd, Brother Webber received another communication from W. L. McClure, Superintendent of personnel. It stated bluntly that a mistake had been made; that neither \$432.48 nor any fraction thereof was due John L. Webber. Identical letters were received by each of the other retired employees who had thought himself eligible for the cash bonus. The letters also instructed them to report to Mr. McClure's office to have the matter explained in detail. "I ran into several of the others there the day I went over," Brother Webber said.

CIO Principles And Policies Are Restated

As a bulwark against attacks certain to be launched by enemies of labor in the coming months of wage demands, the eighth National convention of the Congress of Industrial Organizations stated its composition and objectives in terms which give even Westbrook Pegler trouble in twisting out of their meaning.

Reaffirming the principles upon which the CIO was founded eleven years ago by a small group of forward looking workers, and including new ones adopted to meet present day developments of labor concerns, a new preamble to the CIO Constitution and a Statement of Policy were drawn up by the eighth constitutional convention last November.

"The struggle for human freedom is a continuous one. The task of those who would bring security and greater understanding to mankind throughout the world is endless. It is in this all-consuming struggle, however, that men and organizations make their contributions to a better life. . . . It is to those ends that this Constitution of the CIO is dedicated. It is the charter of our lives; through it we seek to maintain and extend liberty and opportunity here and throughout the world."

In these words the Preamble of the Constitution sums up the whole purpose and meaning of industrial organization.

In its Statement of Policy, the Constitutional Convention emphasizes the CIO as a thoroughly American institution. It plainly regrets the efforts of reactionaries and upholders of alien ideologies to utilize the mounting strength of the CIO for any but the legitimate ends of organized labor.

Both of these documents from the eighth annual convention are posted upon the union hall bulletin board. Revised rules limiting the activities of industrial union councils to conformance with the announced policies of the CIO national organization are also a part of the posted report.

All active union men and women are advised to read these documents carefully in order to carry out their respective union activities in accordance with CIO principles.

Wage Inequities Ruling Delayed To January 27

Failing to appear before the Steel Commission January 10th to present its side of the wage inequity issue with local union 1010, Inland's management has been summoned to argue its case before that body on January 27th. The company has, however, indicated its willingness to carry out the decision reached by the Steel Commission without further legal quibbling.

Wage inequalities were finally settled between the International Union and the United States Steel Corporation on January 9th. The settlement provides for a 3½c hourly raise for each of the thirty job classifications except the lowest one. Retroactivity is limited to a total cost to the corporation of 3½c for each employee.

Although all jobs in U. S. Steel plants have been placed in one of thirty classifications, those who are dissatisfied with the classification under which their jobs fall may enter negotiations to have it placed in a higher bracket.

Retroactive pay had not been started by U. S. Steel at the time of this writing. Joe Goin, sub-district director of the Gary area, who is in Pittsburgh on this matter, could not be reached for comment.

Contract Talks Begin at Inland

Headed by John Doherty, international representative of USA-CIO Inland local union's negotiating committee will begin contract talks with management on Monday, January 20th.

Comprising the Inland Committee is Joe Jenesse, staff representative; John Sargent, local union 1010 president; Peter Calacel, vice president; George Sopko, recording secretary; Don Lutes, chairman of the grievance committee; Harry Powell, grievance committeeman; and Archie Breen, grievance committeeman.

Talks with Inland will begin exclusively on local conditions. Industry-wide wage demands have not yet been published by the national wage-policy committee.

TIN-MILL SAFETY MEETING

At the final safety meeting for 46 the following points were discussed between Asst. Superintendent W. J. Walsh and union representative John Durcho:

Old Business

1. Leak in roof over No. 8 car shipping department.
2. Foremen not holding two safety meetings per month.
3. Signs at tin mill entrance it meets roadway to warn pedestrians of danger of oncoming cars.
4. Tractor operators should be obliged to check tractors at start of each shift for loose brakes, etc., etc.
5. Truck bed on shipping track dusty. Fill was asphalt.
6. Shower sprays in men's shower room do not work. Nine spraying, two showers out entirely. Sinks are slow, do not remove water fast enough. Refuse in sewer water such as bits of fish. Sinks are not completely screened before delivery to showers and shower stand.
7. Exhaust fan in machine shop shed. Odors unpleasant and not conducive to good work.
8. Better light for charging car battery in annealing department.
9. Floor mat for rollers' position.

tion on electrolytic plate line. Floor plate needs scraping down, greasy.

10. Investigate possibility of platform over pinion side of hot pot (tin pots).
11. Tin pots No. 15-19-20, fumes blow back into operator's face.
12. Floors on entry side of the pots in bad shape. Makes it very difficult to change pool feeders. Tough on tractor operators when floor is rough.
13. Set up scrap racks by tin pots for racking green plates instead of throwing them on the floor.
14. Hydraulic system at tin shears working poorly; splashes fluid; relief valve very noisy.
15. Lockers in third row from south entrance loose on their base, men's locker room.
16. Adjust heater on side of locker room so it throws heat inside shower room.
17. Floor west side of assorting room needs repairs.
18. Wash-house floor still needs repairs.

New Business

1. Wires to signal bells on electrolytic shears strewn on floor.

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LOCAL 1133 at GATX

We have received the following letter which is important for all of us to read:

"Let's begin the New Year with better support to our union, local 1133; each of us owes this to ourselves. We cannot build a real union with an empty house each meeting night. Neither should we criticize our leaders or our representatives unless we have a legal cause. It is our duty to encourage our leaders.

"Our president, Pete De Rosa of local 1133, as delegate to the convention should be congratulated for his splendid work, also Joseph Germano of district 31 deserves praise for surprising our workers by dumping six million, eight hundred thousand dollars in their pockets.

"Meanwhile, most of our members play hooky on meeting nights when they should be united together a hundred percent. Your support is needed more now than ever before.

"The Justice Department asked Federal Court permission to enter the portal-to-portal pay controversy. U. S. Attorney General Clark offered his aid in settling the legal question involved in the Mt. Clemens, Mich., Pottery Co. case.

"Further, each of our members are requested to write their senators and representatives and urge them to oppose the proposed changes in the Wagner Act and the LaGuardia Act. Write to Rep. Halleck of Indiana and Rep. Allen of Illinois.

"I trust this issue will be the beginning of a great program for each of our members in Local 1133. Let us pull together from now on... nothing can be done constitutionally to outlaw the suits already filed."

Mr. E. Bennett, 4266

Our Sympathy

Our sympathy goes out to David Forsythe of the Stores Department on the passing of his wife and to the family of Samuel Tatalovich of the Steel Car who passed away over last weekend.

Wants Callers

John Nowarczyk, better known as "King" to workers in the Wood Car repair, has undergone his second operation and is convalescing at St. Margaret's Hospital in Hammond. He is well enough to receive visitors and would like to see some.

Sign That Form

The deadline in drawing near for all portal-to-portal forms, so it will be your last chance to file as there are only a few days left.

New Contract

The executive board is busy preparing the new contract which will be presented to the company when the old one expires a few weeks hence.

It is the duty of every member to be present at all meetings as

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the moving in date for us has been postponed indefinitely. Continue to attend local meetings at the present headquarters, 3436 Michigan. You will be officially notified before the move takes place.

Yugoslav Aid Dance

Tom Miksch, local businessman and well known in General American, is seeking the cooperation of Local 1133 in sponsoring three dances and helping out on relief for the stricken people of Yugoslavia. Tom says he is not asking for donations from local 1133, but simply the members' cooperation in putting over the three dances scheduled for April 26th; July 4th and November 2nd this year.

Moving Date Not Set

The old owners of the IOOF Hall, recently purchased by a few of the CIO unions including local 1133, are being slow in getting all their equipment out, and therefore

GENERAL AMERICAN BOWLING SCORES

Team	Alleys	Won	Lost	Total	Ave.	Hnd.
1. Painters	1-2	35	22	43206	758.	194
2. Blasters	1-2	34	23	43206	758.	194
3. Tank Cars	3-4	32	25	41928	735.33	212
4. Box Cars	3-4	30	27	40845	710.33	227
5. Punchers	5-6	28	29	39581	694.23	245
6. Bar Flies	5-6	24	33	38281	671.34	263
7. Stores	7-8	23	34	38298	671.51	263
8. Milk Cars	7-8	21	36	37570	659.17	273
High Team Series—Painters 2501 with Blasters 3152.						
2nd High Team Series—Blasters 2435 with Painters 3104.						
2nd High Team Game—Blasters 874 with Blaster 1099.						
High Team Game—Painters 856 with Bar Flies 1090.						
High Individual Game—Lehman 239 with Lehman 289.						
2nd High Individual Game—Zajac 236 with T. Scurtu 274.						
High Individual Series—Zajac 591 with Lehman 699.						
2nd High Individual Series—Thomas 589, 697 with T. Scurtu 697.						
Player	Team	Hnd.	Games	High	Total	Ave.
1. Westbowski, Box Cars	24	57	230	9726	170.36	
2. Rajscak, Bar Flies	28	57	213	9459	165.54	
3. Zajac, Painters	30	42	236	6848	163.	
4. Sako, Milk Cars	32	57	216	9149	160.29	
5. Thomas, Painters	33	57	210	9101	159.38	
6. Farina, Tank Cars	33	57	228	9081	159.18	
7. R. Huber, Blasters	34	57	221	9069	158.54	
8. Sygiel, Tank Cars	34	51	215	8054	157.47	
9. C. Huber, Blasters	34	39	218	6132	159.9	
10. Robinson, Blasters	37	57	221	8820	154.35	
11. Sporich, Box Cars	37	57	202	8781	154.3	
12. Russ Huber, Blasters	38	51	202	8808	153.5	
13. Lehman, Punchers	38	51	239	7792	152.40	
14. Sluder, Box Cars	38	30	199	4587	152.27	
15. Navian, Punchers	38	57	210	8670	152.6	
16. P. Scurtu, Painters	38	57	203	8667	152.3	
17. Kowalczyk, Stores	42	39	201	5807	148.35	
18. T. Scurtu, Painters	42	54	225	7971	147.3	
19. Burney, Milk Cars	43	57	201	8352	146.30	
20. Franz, Tank Cars	45	57	202	8239	144.31	
21. Gerovac, Bar Flies	46	54	197	7738	143.16	
22. Butkiewicz, Stores	48	57	196	7986	140.6	
23. Smith, Tank Cars	50	54	190	7434	137.36	
24. Koniarski, Punchers	50	51	204	7012	137.25	
25. Novac, Tank Cars	50	57	198	7827	137.18	
26. Capers, Punchers	50	54	199	7409	137.11	
27. Bernatos, Painters	52	57	212	7777	136.45	
28. Gloza, Blasters	53	18	187	2423	134.11	
29. Day, Bar Flies	53	45	168	6013	133.28	
30. Foster, Milk Cars	54	42	157	5612	133.26	
31. Mroczkowski, Stores	56	48	186	6247	130.7	
32. Skwitz, Stores	56	57	174	7411	130.1	
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34. Bevis, Milk Cars	63	57	187	6933	121.36	
35. Cassidy, Box Cars	63	39	180	4728	121.9	
36. Krukowski, Box Cars	64	48	185	5691	118.27	
37. Ballah, Bar Flies	65	54	172	6259	115.49	
38. Fay, Punchers	69	57	161	6521	114.23	
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Tin Mill Safety

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Wires should be in conduits. (This safety item on agenda since March 14, 1946.)

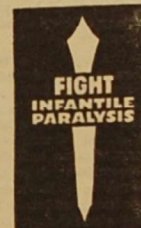
2. Add another lean-to that is occupied by checkers and stencilers of tin mill shipping department or move office to another location. Preferred moving office to another location because of blind corner created by lean-to.

3. Bonderizer floor at finish end in need of repair.

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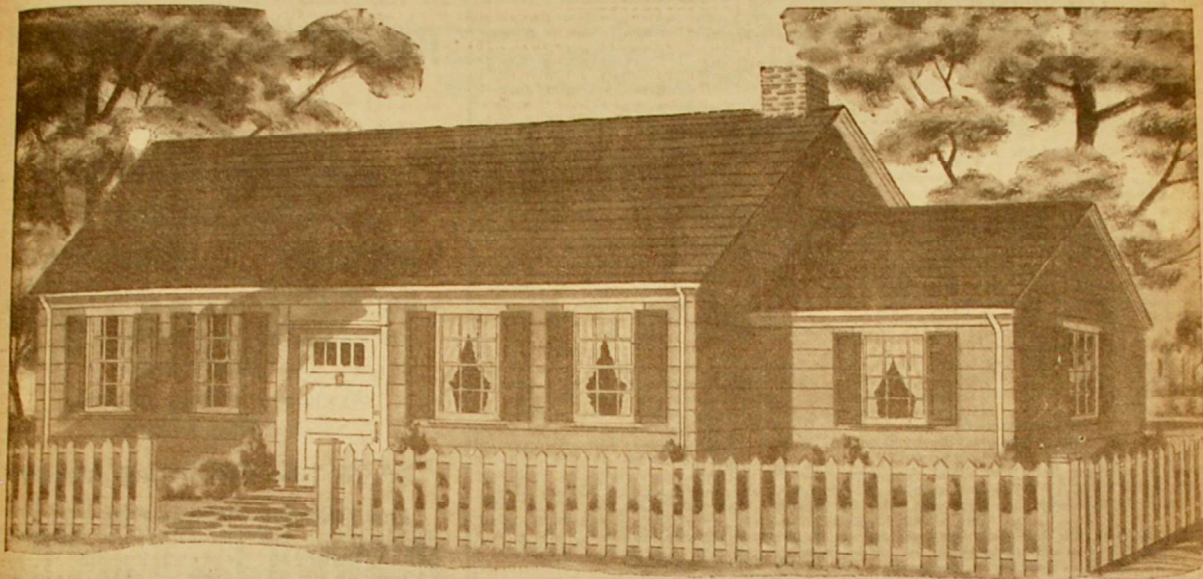
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Negotiations Between 1010 And Company

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are to be accorded upon the conclusion of one week's vacation for one year's service; two weeks' vacation for five years' service; and four weeks' vacation for 10 or more years' service to the company. The committee refused to concede sixteen hundred hours or any other stipulation of minimum time to be worked as a condition to an employee's right to a paid vacation.

Union position upon the method of arriving at the amount of vacation pay is expressed by the following section:

"The hours of vacation pay per week shall be the total number of hours worked in the preceding calendar year, divided by the number of full weeks worked at the scheduled work week of the plant. The total hours of vacation pay shall be not less than forty (40) hours per week and not more than forty-eight (48) hours per week." A temporary shut down in a department, the union also holds, may not be designated as a vacation period except between June 1 and September 1.

"Company Rules"

In the article dealing with plant management, Inland's negotiators have devised the phrase "to make and enforce company rules and regulations." Seasoned grievors see in this a big obstacle to be overcome in combating speed-up and other unreasonable working conditions. A marked resemblance between the Plant Management provision and the 96th Article of War may occur to ex-GIs. Omitted from management's proposed revision of the existing article on Plant Management is a sentence prohibiting its application to discriminating against union members.

Don't Want Agreement?

Upon matters directly concerning the life or death of organized labor in the steel industry, Inland's spokesmen demonstrate that they are little interested in reaching any point of possible agreement with the contract committee. In line with its associated members of the Iron and Steel Institute, Inland is obviously bent upon smashing the union or depriving it of all power to interfere with the corporation's complete subjugation of their workers. Proposals which local union 1010's negotiators rejected wholly are these:

Prohibition of strikes, work stoppages, and lockouts. Section 1. "The union agrees that neither it, its officers, agents, representatives, or members, individually or

collectively, will authorize, instigate, cause, condone, or take part in any strike, work stoppage, stay-in, slowdown, or other curtailment of or restriction of any operations of the company. The union agrees that the company may discipline (including discharge) any or all employees taking part in a violation of this section."

No provision or clause is included to penalize company or departmental supervision for provoking such incidences by stalling grievances, discriminating against union or minority groups, or like acts.

Consent to be sued and appointment of agent for service of process. Section No. 7.

"The International Union and the Local Unions hereby irrevocably consent that any suit or action by the company, in law or in equity, for alleged violations of any provisions of this agreement, may be prosecuted against them as associations, in their respective association names, in any State Court of Lake County, Indiana, or in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana, as to the International Union and Local Union 1010."

Given a judge dependent upon corporation support for his continuance on the bench or furtherance of his political ambitions, no better method for breaking labor's organizations has been devised since the bloody days of Judge Gary.

Since the life of the existing contract has been extended to April 30th, management's arrogant insistence upon union busting will not force the membership out on the picket lines, at least for another three months.

Having reached agreement with management on all points possible, the contract committee expects to recess during the week of February 9th for an indefinite period. Negotiations will be resumed shortly before the contract expires at the end of April.

Best Kilroy sign, reported by the newspaper PM, was on a Revere, Mass. butcher's window: Kilroy was here today—saw your prices and ran away.

Jail Indiana Organizer of "Hate" Outfit

INDIANAPOLIS.—(F P)—Raymond G. Vick, Indiana organizer of the Nazi-like Columbians Inc., was arrested here for involvement in the slugging-robbery of a 52-year-old man. The 34-year-old organizer was held in \$5,000 bond after being identified by Edgar Walker as one of two men who slugged and robbed him of \$23, a fountain pen and pencil.

Questioned on his other activities, Vick told police he has 4,500 potential members in the state for the Columbians, now being prosecuted in Georgia where it had a brief career marked by violence and stirring up of race hatred in faithful imitation of Nazi storm-trooper methods.

Vick added, however, that he was "not taking in new members at present" pending a possible decision by the legislature to outlaw the Columbians. He also said he had been contacted by people in Kokomo and Muncie for approval of chapters there but had refused until the legislature adjourns.

State Assembly

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mate unions in the State of Indiana."

A mass delegation of 1500 AFL members descended on the Capitol Wednesday, February 5th. Demonstrating outside the Capitol building and thronging its corridors, they served unmistakable notice upon Indiana's Senators and Assemblymen that they will be held responsible for their actions in this session.

Further prompt action of this kind by CIO and RR Brotherhood organizations, in addition to the AFL, could, according to State Senator Fleming, not only prevent enactment of the three bills coming up on February 12th; it would also kill off 64 other pieces of union busting legislation now in preparation.

COOKING IN CONGRESS

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	ACTION
S. 55 Taft-Ball-Smith bill.	Closely follows last year's Case bill. Bars check-off, limits health fund, sets up 60-day cooling-off periods, outlaws jurisdictional disputes, etc.	Write Senators, Labor Committee reject proposal.
S. 105, Ball anti-union security bill.	Outlaws various forms of union security, union shop, etc.	Protest to Senators, Ball and members of the Senate Committee.
S. 133, Ball anti-bargaining bill.	Bars any union from negotiating with employers outside same "labor marketing area." Outlaws industry-wide bargaining, national contracts.	Send protest your Senators, Ball, and members of Senate Committee.
HR 7, Case Bill.	Revises Wagner Act, permits injunctions against unions, permits states to bar union security.	Now in House Committee, be merged with other bills, your Congress for defeat of or other version same bill.
HR 17, 34, 68, 75, 76, Anti-strike bills.	Proposed by five GOP Congressmen, gives President power to break strikes, compel arbitration.	Write members House Labor Committee and Congressmen mandating defeat.

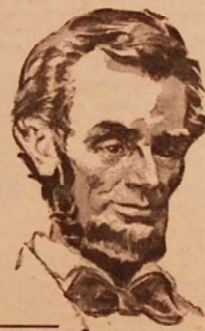
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Christy and Thornton at Youngstown for '47 Contract Negotiations

BY FRANCIS MALLOY

The overall picture at Youngstown this week is a trifle blurred but not very amazing, not very surprising.

One thing, Local 1011 has been through a pretty busy time with moving to the new hall all, and everyone—everyone has the official right to that, hanging around full of importance, and for all we know, full information they seem in no inclined to share with the ordinary variety of union members.

That as it may, from divers here and three we have heard these not very astounding it must be admitted, some stale facts.

The local is finally and officially at home to friends and admirers in its new and grand quarters in the Odd flows building.

The old contract—like all others agreements in steel—has been extended to April (This holds true also for Youngstown Clerks' Local 27, and Property Protection Local 2775.)

Negotiations on a new contract are proceeding in Youngstown (Ohio) at a snail's pace.

Wait Corporation Deal

What we hear is correct, the any has been reluctant to any very definite commitment until it "sees what Big Steel" Its representatives will not budge, their excuse being they see what is decided on wage ties first. The company's need program for this important matter still is being studied by union.

Meanwhile, bargaining talks confined to "non-economic" of the contract. Early last William Christy, president of 1011, joined forces with District Director Lester Thornton a conference with management on such issues. According to information, company representatives finally have "agreed" to arbitration. And this, one knows, was pretty big news.

Nobody Too Excited

As far as your reporter could see, an unusual dearth of interest has been shown in the possible outcome of the talks. Like his boss, the steelworker also seems to wait patiently to see Big Steel does. Even the reworked back from Youngstown a couple of weeks ago that company would seek to effect a reduction in wages failed to use the spontaneous burst of one might naturally have. Though there was a little smile at first, the majority inclined to laugh it off as pany "bear story," raising the fact that Y. S. & T. could dare even to refuse to raise inasmuch as it is almost impossible now to keep enough extra help on hand to man the mills at the present low scale.

According to a report made to the local two weeks ago, representatives at the start of negotiations outlined what they sought to have included in the new agreement. These were a "substantial" in wages. When it was C. C. Argetsinger, chief of company's legal staff, interjected information that for its company would attempt to cut; that a lot of new machinery would have to be bought; that anyhow living costs most sure to drop, etc., etc. Accord with the International Union of what is fit and in negotiating a contract war, only Thornton and

Christy are taking part in the talks with management. Though in no way questioning the integrity or bargaining ability of either of them, there are those who point out that neither will sit down with company representatives in step 3 meetings later when the contract has been put into effect. In this connection it also is pointed out that Grievance Chairman Elroy Campbell and Cecil Clifton, staff representative, who will represent the union in these future grievance sessions, more than likely will be confronted and perhaps, upon occasion, confounded by claims of agreed upon interpretations of which they will not have been informed. Many contend that Campbell and Clifton should be in Youngstown for the negotiations, that the fact that they are not constitutes what may prove to be a serious oversight in planning.

At the Bar, etc.

AND so, this is not time for levity. However—brief though it may have been, the sudden reappearance last week of Inland's Col. Harry Pizza Powell in the better places along the avenue provided a bright but fleeting period of juvenescence in January. Luckily, your reporter was able to catch the colonel—in one of his rare loquacious moments, too—at the dead end corner of Dominic's revolving bar. His (the colonel's) brow and his pants were wrinkled. He said he'd been delving deep into economics and this and that. He had come to the conclusion, he declared, that just because millionaires are so unpopular is no damn reason to think that's why there are so comparatively few of them. Now, the colonel is just full of such side splitters, and he was tossing them around with his customary abandon. But about that time the bar began revolving again and—well, that's where we lost him.

Study Relief Changes

THOUGH he may seem apathetic for the moment on matters of contract making, the Youngstown worker apparently has lost none of his old-time consciousness of the value of a buck.

Word had got around the mill

that the Employees' Relief Association officers and directors were toying with the idea of raising the premium charge to members from \$1.50 to \$4.00 per month. On January 31—date for the association's annual general meeting—workers jammed the steel side's main restaurant dining room to see what it was all about.

They learned. What they had heard was true enough, but there was more to it. A raise in rates is contemplated—but also embodied in the plan outlined would be an increase in benefits. As for the \$4 charge—that would be for married members, single members would pay \$2.80.

Explain Proposed Changes

Among financial and other facts set forth by officers at the session these stood out:

That the association has over 7,000 members; has a reserve of some \$352,000 which of late years has been steadily dwindling; that, taking into consideration the \$1,000 death benefit, the reserve is not enough, and \$1.50 is too low a rate; that the average age of members is increasing (somebody said it is now 47 or 48 years).

That under the proposed new plan no death benefits would be extended (after an agreed upon fixed date) to new members of whom married members would be charged \$2.70 per month, single members \$1.50; that hospitalization would be increased to 31 days at \$4.50 per day—with surgical charges (of which there are none at present) up to \$150. Hospitalization benefits (but not surgical) would be extended also to the member's family; benefit payments upon the death of a member's wife would be increased to \$150. Relief payments of \$14 a week for 13 weeks would remain unchanged.

Fred Jay revealed that he and John McGinn, as officers of the association, had studied a variety of plans for employees' relief, hospitalization, etc., that the "new plan" is one currently being tried out at Youngstown's Campbell Works. Someone wanted to know if there would be a referendum, was told that quite likely any changes would be made by duly elected directors. As far as he was concerned, said Pat Waters, new director from the Merchant Mills, any new plan would have to be passed upon by those in attendance at a general meeting such as the one then in session.

"Why Now?" Vezey

Howard Vezey, president of the Clerks' Union, declared it looked to him like a "funny time to be bringing all this up." He said the CIO was endeavoring to negotiate

hospitalization benefits and the like from the company; that he thought everything should be held in abeyance until the union agreement is announced. Nobody blushed, but for a moment there could be felt a definite chill. Chairman George G. Zink said he was sure whatever was done would take longer in the doing than the mere matter of effecting a contract, that the association should "continue working at it."

\$200,000 Decision

THEY have finally settled all that trouble the CIO has had with Youngstown about the "holiday week"—over whether the company should figure in holidays as days worked whether worked or not. (Don't let words put together like that get you down.) The company lost. The contract is so specific no one could see how it figured to get out of premium payments it had refused to make. Disputed holiday pay back to July 25, 1945 will have to be settled up. It

is estimated the company will have to let loose of \$200,000 it has unfairly withheld from its workers.

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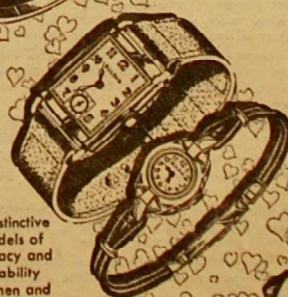
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American Robber Barons

The lie that price raises are based upon wage increases, one of the most vicious swindles originated by industrialists and spread by their agents, is thoroughly exploded by the CIO's recent, famed Nathan Report.

Somewhat annoyed at having their ace propagandists liars by simple facts and figures, big business is endeavoring to discredit Nathan to the fullest extent of their prostitute newspaper men and radio commentators. The standing of Robert H. Nathan and Associates as reputable economists of national prominence, nevertheless, remains undamaged.

WITH STATISTICS and graphs as impersonal as a stop-and-go light, this 28 page study exposes the methods by which industrialists are continuing their war-time looting of the nation's wealth. That their profit hogging can end only in another depression that will make Hoover's hungry thirties remembered as "the good old days", is the principal conclusion at which these studies have arrived. The report expresses it like this:

"There is no evidence to date to indicate that business will cut prices prior to a depression in which unemployment, declining incomes, and shrinking demands will make price declines unavoidable."

"The Office of Price Administration has demonstrated that price advances were NOT necessitated by wage increases (eighteenth quarterly report, June 30, 1946, pages 6-11). The OPA points out that actual price increases made by fifteen industries before June 30th, 1946, were 3.2 times as large as necessary to offset wages granted. Since June 30th, the increase in manufacturers' prices have been even greater and their relation to wage increases even more remote."

"In the second quarter of 1946, profits after taxes for all corporations were already well above the war peak (due, in part, to removal of war time taxes—ed.) Yet since June, wholesale prices have risen 21% to bring a further sharp increase in profits."

"In the years 1936-39, all corporations earned an average return equal to 3.2% of their total sales. In the last half of 1946, they had a net return of 5.8% on total sales. This is an increase of four-fifths in their net return on sales."

Steel workers contrived to jack up their wages from a weekly average of \$29.88 in 1939 to an average of \$46.98 in July of 1946; an increase of a trifle over 1/2.

EXHAUSTIVE ANALYSIS of this point adds up to the following summary which Nathan and Associates make of the rise in corporation profits:

"At full employment, the present price and wage structure of American industry yields a level of corporate profits before taxes as high as the lushest period of war prosperity. It yields a level of corporate profits, after taxes, about fifty percent higher than the war war peak and utterly without precedent in our national experience."

That workers' incomes have been increased in the past two years, even in dollars and cents without regard to real wages, i. e. what they'll buy, is another piece of mass production lying on which this survey call the turn.

"In durable manufactures," it discloses, "where the decline has been concentrated, there was a net loss of \$4.48 in weekly earnings."

This wage loss, the economist shows, is due to reduction or abolition of overtime which more than balanced the wage gains wrested from some industrialists.

This factor has also caused man-hour production costs to drop in a considerable degree since the end of hostilities. The Nathan report supports that statement in the following words:

"Demobilization has permitted employers to increase the number of their employees, eliminate overtime, and effect a corresponding reduction in their labor costs."

MARSHALLING FACTS and figures, Robert Nathan not only proved industrialists' abundant ability to increase wages 25% at this point WITHOUT RAISING PRICES.

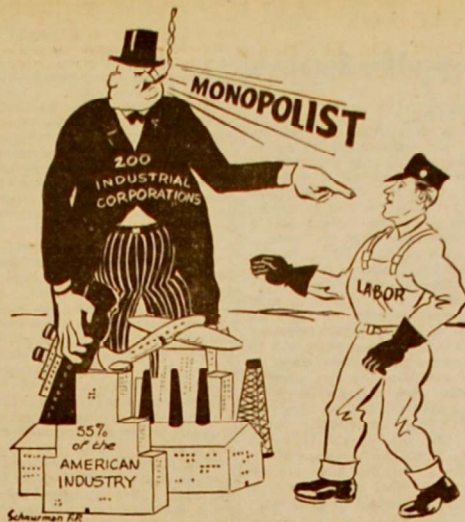
He also displayed data from sources beyond questioning to prove what every wage earner and his wife know from their own bitter experience in the past months. That a substantial wage increase is an absolute essential to restore living standards to the level of two years ago.

"Taking into account the increase in living costs during the past two years, the decline in real weekly earnings of almost all classes of workers have been very great. On the average, in all manufacturing, an increase of about 21% in weekly earnings—without an increase in prices—would have been required in October, 1946, to bring real weekly earnings back to the January, 1945 level. By the end of 1946, with the present trend of prices, an increase of about 23% will be required."

THE FOREGOING excerpts from the analysis made by Robert H. Nathan and Associates are only a few of its salient points.

In order that steel workers of sub-district #2 may understand in detail where and why management's slick-paper arguments against wage increase are phony than a B girl's smile, the Sentinel will publish further extracts from this searching document in succeeding issues.

LOOK WHO'S TALKING



Labor Must Have Unity

Almost two months ago CIO President Philip Murray proposed to the American Federation of Labor that labor present a united front against the mounting anti-labor hysteria which he rightly anticipated would be crystallized in a flood of union busting bills in the 80th Congress.

Murray specifically proposed a conference of AFL, CIO and Railroad Brotherhood unions to consider joint immediate steps to meet the emergency.

After duly pondering the proposal, the Federation recently replied.

In their reply to Murray, the AFL Executive Council agrees that the situation is so serious that if labor does not show a united front, unions face the grave danger of being totally hamstrung if not actually destroyed.

However, the lords of the "House of Labor" did not accept the CIO head's suggestion of immediate united action. They offered, in its place, a committee of five which would meet with a similar CIO committee to work out a plan for organic unity between the nation's two largest labor groups.

Well and good. No clear thinking unionist can deny that the position of American labor would be vastly strengthened if it were united in one organization. But such a unification, desirable as it would be, cannot help but take months if not years to become final. During all the negotiations that would be necessary, what would happen to the two bodies desiring to unite?

Further, would not such unification be carried out on a stronger basis, if, while merger talks go on, the AFL and CIO were already working together and becoming better acquainted with one another and more familiar with each other's problems?

We cannot see that the AFL's answer to president Murray is in any way a substitute for the proposal for immediate action. It is rather a supplement to it.

It is to be hoped that it will be considered as such. On local, state and national issues all branches of labor must work together NOW.

Here in Indiana where the legislative hopper bulges with bills against AFL unions specifically: against CIO unions directly; against the railroad workers, and against ALL of organized labor, the joint force of every branch of the labor movement in the state is needed if Hoosier unionists are not to find themselves deprived by law of any and all freedom of action.

We hope that the nation and Indiana will soon see organized action by a united labor movement to defeat state as well as national drives against the union movement.

In the next issue of the LABOR SENTINEL we will present as a forum of opinion the statements of various key labor leaders in Lake County on this subject. In addition, we will welcome the comments of rank and file unionists on this question.

CIO Sec'y In Debate On Rent Ceilings

The desirability of scrapping federal rent controls, a matter already the subject of proposed legislation and of widespread controversy everywhere in the United States, will be debated by spokesmen for real estate interests and organized labor on Columbia network's "People's Platform" Sunday, Feb. 16 from 12 noon to 12:30 p.m.

Joining moderator Dwight Cooke will be Herbert U. Nelson, executive vice-president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, who will take the affirmative, and James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer of the C.I.O., who will oppose the lifting of rent controls.

British Unions Want Ceiling on Profits

British unions are insisting that a ceiling be placed on profits before they give their okay to a government wage-freezing proposal.

The government plan, put forward as a way to prevent inflation while most products are still scarce, would allow wage hikes in underpaid industries — including coal mines, iron foundries, building and railroads — but would freeze wages in over-manned and well-paid trades.

The plan is being argued back and forth at a joint meeting of the Trades Union Congress and employers' organizations called by the government.

Chicago Firm Fair Employment Is Good Business

Racial discrimination in the Calumet area lessened noticeably during the war, and one of the aims of the recently concluded war is equality; and despite such groups as the Fair Employment Practices Committee and the War Relocation Authority to promote better race relations.

Reports from industries that racial discrimination subtly increased now a fair employment practice is a compel observance. Many firms which cannot hire employees because of racial factors are again regrading them and keeping menial jobs.

Businesses of the apart from government refuse to employ Negro clerk in a store would as would a Negro. And a Negro in Calumet businesses is a positive capacity is still. Such demonstrations of democracy have appeared even been considered.

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Negro Has Topic

In proof that topics denied Negroes, Flitz ed the well-educated Negro who is head of Book Co., a Wilcox subsidiary, and the Negro as editorial assistants the supervisors, stenographers, typists. A Mexican who intends the translation of the Export department, bers of other instances cited.

Flitzcraft considers of ethnological groups good for business. Identity are not confined it and he feels Wilcox experience has proven that.

Moreover the policy lead to strife, as so many Negroes and whites too each other very well. The personnel director interpret one group to and that false notions of other race are dispelled, craft, and this he remarkably successful. G results speak for themselves. This reporter has observed months.

If a large Chicago firm make non-discriminatory and placing pay division and profits, there is no Calumet businesses and could not similarly keep the same time just which the ideals of democracy achievement of the him equality, human brotherhood employment office.

1010 AT INLAND STEEL

RESULT OF UNION-MANAGEMENT SAFETY MEETINGS FOR 1946

Special Contract Meetings

Local union 1010's membership may leave the exact program being made on contract negotiations from the men who are making it every Tuesday and Friday. Meetings are scheduled in the union hall at 4:30 P.M. on these days while the negotiations are in progress.

One or more members of the contract negotiating committee will be on hand to acquaint the membership on details of developing provisions and to receive their suggestions.

WAGE INEQUITIES RISE AT INLAND TILL UNSETTLED

By order of the Steel Commission local union 1010 resumed bargaining Monday, February 2nd, on management's original proposal to eliminate wage rate inequities, which the union rejected September. The Steel Commission held that neither party had made a sufficient attempt to arrive at an agreement in the matter and directed them to negotiate further for fifteen days. If progress is made in that time, the case is to be again brought before the Steel Commission.

The two meetings which have taken place between the local's negotiating committee and management have served only to emphasize the lack of value to Inland workers as the proposal now stands. It would not only fail for correcting rate inequities existing among occupations departments in the plant. In majority of cases it would reduce rates as well.

Would Cut Tonnage

Upon jobs for which the plan provides an increased hourly rate, reduces tonnage or other types incentive to counter balance raise. Since it is based principally upon hourly rates, it would pay the those employees who have comparatively high hourly rates but low average earnings comparison with those of workmen whose incomes are based upon wage or other bonus earnings. Complete acceptance of the company's job descriptions is another outstanding among the points which bar the union's approach to agreement with the company on this program.

Cautions Against Haste

Joe Jeneske, staff representative head of the committee negotiating the inequity program, states the Steel Commission showed disposition to decree the setting up of a plan similar to the one operating in the Gary plant.

The plan is greatly superior, the wage earner's view point, one advanced by Inland and a pattern for agreements in majority of the steel industry. Steel Commission indicated, however, that they mean to use themselves to ruling on the points of the negotiations. They ordered resumed bargaining and management.

Brother Jeneske cautioned, however, the membership several weeks of dollars in addition to what they would benefit only the corporation.

Gary Plan Begun

Carnegie-Illinois' Gary Works, program for eliminating wage inequalities in big steel was put upon in full on January 15th. It went into effect on February 9th.

Each employee of the Gary Works into the particular of the thirty rate classification, which his job description and present negotiations had decided him began on January 15th. According to John Rick, president of local 1014 chairman of the grievance

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"Dom" On The Beam

Steel workers who believe that union men have the right to enjoy a glass of beer or a plate of spaghetti together, regardless of their different color, are reminded that they can relax in the comfortable atmosphere of the Roma Bar and Grill, Proprietor Dominic's action in ignoring the traditional Harbor color line ought to rate him the support of every union member of the sub-district.

Grievance Committee

The grievance committee held its regular monthly meeting with management of Inland Steel Company on Tuesday, January 7, 1947, at 4:30 p.m.

The following agenda was discussed:

1. **Plancor paydays.** — Head timekeeper Ralph Zern agreed to the union's request that all Plancor employees will be paid at the Plancor regardless of their check numbers.

2. **New paydays every other Friday.** — Beginning on Friday, January 24th, paydays will be every other Friday. On January 24th, employees will be paid for time worked between January 1st and 12th inclusive. This will be the only short pay period, however. Pay periods will then begin on Monday and end on the second Sunday thereafter.

Where tonnage was paid semi-monthly, it will be computed for two weeks. Where tonnage was computed monthly, the workers will receive this bonus on the first payday of the succeeding month.

Total earnings to date for 1947 tax withheld; gross earnings; hourly earnings; bonus; shift differential; overtime pay; union dues, etc. will all be shown on wage statements attached to time cards.

Until the company issues new identification cards, employees will keep the clock card stubs they now use for this purpose. If a holiday falls on Friday, you will be paid on Thursday. Employees who live out of town may get their checks a day early if they are scheduled off on payday. They will be required to get an order from their foreman or departmental clerk.

Those who draw their pay weekly will be paid on Friday.

Since workers are enabled by the data agreed to be shown on their wage statements to determine when they have been shorted, this system looks like an improvement on the old one. There are, however, still a few shortcomings to straighten out; principally the matter of holding up payment more than five days after the end of the pay period until the checks are handed out.

3. **Overtime lunch slips.** — The present practice of furnishing overtime workers in the blast furnace and coke plant with cold lunches will be discontinued. Instead a few men will be permitted time to go to the canteen and return with hot lunches. Mr. Luellen again promised a canteen in the very near future for the blast furnace and coke plant.

The union told Luellen that the tin mill canteen is in the wrong location; he agreed to check on it.

The had tasting coffee served by Miner-Dunn and occasional use of six-ounce cups were also protested. The union insisted that the only method of guaranteeing drinkable coffee was in putting urns into the canteens. Luellen agreed to take the matter up.

4. **New construction bus service.** — Luellen agreed with the union that bus service should be extended to the end of the 44 hot strip. A decision on whether or not men will be permitted to ride the women's bus while it is transporting female workers will be given next week.

5. **Case 6.E.7: Power department and maintenance workers.** — Luellen agreed to meet with grievance committee and superintendent of the power department to determine the matter of power department maintenance and oper-

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Team	Games	Won	Lost
1. Blast Furnace	63	42	21
2. Cold Strip	63	36	27
3. 76-inch Slab Yard	63	36	27
4. Trans. Dept.	63	30	33
5. 76-inch Hot Strip	63	24	39
6. 44-inch Hot Strip	63	28	35
7. Plate Mill	63	27	36
8. Germano Brothers	63	23	40
Individual high game: Michnik, 226			
Individual high series:			
1. H. Mahaska	607		
2. Hoppe	592		
3. Campagnoli	600		

ating employees getting equal time during holiday weeks.

Case 6-B-8 — Luellen has the answer in the mail now.

Case 11-B-9 — Rate cutting in the bolt and spike.

This involves a veteran who returned to a job upon which the rate was immediately cut. Luellen refused to budge on this case. It is now in the hands of the International Representative, Joe Jeneske.

6. **Application of hourly increases to the Halsey bonus system.** — The union lost the first case on the Halsey system in arbitration. On new jobs set up since the last raise was given, however, the union feels that the company is violating the contract. A grievance will be filed on this case and taken to arbitration if necessary.

7. **Apprentice trainers doing foreman's work.** — It was brought out that men assigned to training apprentices are also supervising the work of other machine shop employees. The union feels that their titles should be changed to hourly foremen in order to stop the confusion this situation is causing.

8. **Woolen clothing for scarfers and welders.** — The best company would offer at this meeting was woolen clothing at cost for these

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Company Representative: W. J. Walsh
Union Representative: John Durcho

1. Handrail for stairs under 24" pot has been replaced.
2. Overhead lights installed at all three stairways leading into tin house basement.
3. Guards placed over openings at tin pots to prevent objects dropping through into basement.
4. New oil tanks installed in tin house basement. These oil tanks are now water cooled so as to prevent excess heat in the tin house basement and to keep oil at right temperature.
5. Sewers repaired to prevent sewer gas from escaping into basement.
6. Acid pipelines in palm oil room painted so as to warn of acid in pipes. Also sign is erected to warn of contents of overhead pipes.
7. Warning sign has been attached to railroad gate at entrance to railroad shipping. This sign warns "new" switchmen to raise draw bridges in tin mill shipping department before switching cars in. Draw bridges have, in the past, been hit quite frequently.
8. Steel floor has been laid at No. 4 shear (electrolytic).
9. Shower room floor over No. 8 car in shipping department repaired.
10. Tractor mechanics now have partners when working 4 to 12 and 12 to 8 turns. One man on night turns considered unsafe.
11. Partners are also required in tin mill shipping department when tractor operators are working night turns.
12. Air fan in girls' welfare room repaired. Window screens installed. Water fountain, wash basins, and plumbing also repaired. Locks installed on toilet stall doors as requested.
13. A sign warning employees of danger when passing near assorting room scale installed. This

sign visible to persons using nearby stairway also.

14. Floors on packers side in tin house filled in and repaired where needed.

15. Crane pulleys in tin house have been checked and repaired.

16. Chute opening in salvage department has cover welded on to eliminate hazards.

17. Safety locks have been provided for employees working on slitters in salvage department. These locks to be used to keep unauthorized persons from closing the main switch of the slitter.

18. Concrete wall at staircase has been removed and a steel plate wall erected in its place. This stairway leads to mill basement.

19. Heater has been installed in battery shop for comfort and health of the employees.

20. Guards installed at feeding end of washers as requested.

21. Table platform has been made and is now being used at electrolytic unit in place of ladders. Table platform allows more freedom of movement and eliminates hazard of slipping.

22. Wood blocks for storing tin plate lifts in warehouse are to be cut 28 1/2" instead of standard size when requested by tractor operators.

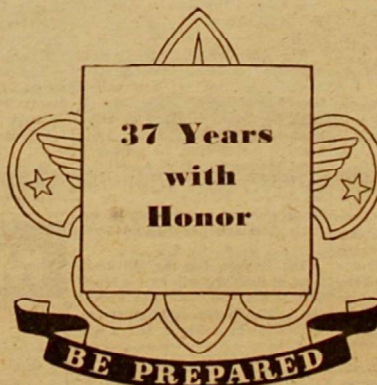
23. Electric light cord at drill press in machine shop has been laid in conduits. Wire was frayed and exposed.

24. Lockers in men's locker room welded to bases. (A few more to complete).

25. Racks for green plate have been installed on either side of tin pots.

26. Hydraulic box at tin shears adjusted and repaired.

27. Wires of signal bells at tin shears have been placed in conduits.



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From February 7 to 13 the Boy Scouts of America will celebrate their 37th birthday. Since 1910, 14,000,000 boys have registered in Scouting in the United States. The Scouts' aim is to build into boys joining it, the foundations, of character, citizenship and brotherhood. Is your son a Boy Scout?

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Joe Lien

1720 at Standard Forge

Greetings. Briefly, I would like to review with all of my readers some of the interesting facts and accomplishments of your local union 1720.

In going over the happenings of 1946, we find that the membership of 1720 donated generously to any good cause that was worthy of financial aid.

The annual picnic was enjoyed by all, and the members are looking forward to the 1947 union picnic.

Election of both local and international officers was held in the past year. The percentage vote cast by 1720's membership was one of the largest of any local in the district.

Four arbitration cases were handled, with three victories and one defeat.

A job training program for vets and youngsters was worked out and is progressing satisfactorily.

Twelve grievances were presented to management and the local union. Eight of these were won, two held open and near settlement, one case was lost, and a compromise settlement was effected on another.

Grievances were not as numerous in 1946 as in the war years due to the fact that no women production workers are in the shop now and also to the fact that management has, we believe, awakened to the fact that when an employee is justly dealt with, grievances decline steadily.

Three different representatives of the international union served 1720 during 1946. They were Joseph Jeneske, Herbert Lieberman, and last and currently, sub district director, Lester Thornton. With the aid and knowledge of these three very fine leaders, many of our cases were won, and local 1720 takes this opportunity to thank each and everyone of the above mentioned for their splendid co-operation.

We have had representatives at every conference and convention held in America which merited and requested our presence.

At all local union meetings, officers and committeemen have been in attendance 95 percent of the time.

216 new members were added to our fold in the past year.

This completes a short report of the activities your local union engaged in during the past year, 1946.

One of the boys from the Drop Forge works for a local butcher on the days that the hammers don't operate, in order to earn a little extra spending money. While operating the hamburger machine the other day he accidentally backed into it. He got a little behind in his work.

On Friday, Jan. 30, a meeting was held at the union headquarters. The meeting was for the purpose of mapping plans for the continued publication of the Labor Sentinel. The publishing committee and editors were present. Come to your next regular local union meeting and hear a complete report.

Edwin Quist has worked in department 38 for a number of years and is well known to most of us.

Ed is a devotee of soap operas on the radio. His favorite program on the air winds up with the announcer saying, "In just ten days your hands, too, can have that Ivory look." Ed would look at his hands after hearing that, and wish, and wish, and wish.

The other day while he was shopping for groceries, Ed stopped to pay for his purchases, pocketed the change, and left with the bundles.

On arriving home he discovered that the cashier at the store had given him \$10 too much in change.

He therefore went back to the store, and told the girl that he had too much change given him by her. She called the manager of the store and, sure enough, a thorough check revealed that the cash register was ten dollars short.

The manager was so elated that he offered Ed several items of groceries and meats as a reward for his honesty.

Ed picked a couple of slabs of round steak and—yes, you guessed it—six bars of Ivory soap.

Now the boss wonders what to do with him. It's almost impossible to get Ed to do much work as all he does all day long is read the directions on the soap wrappers and wash his hands in Ivory soap. Doubt this? Just ask Ed to show you his hands!

The next regular local union meeting will be held at the new union hall, Broadway and Grand Boulevard, in Indiana Harbor. Come on out everyone and see our new home. The date is Tuesday, Feb. 4, 7:30 p.m.

The Chrysler bigshot who told congress (cribbing from another guy named Scoville) that collective bargaining is like love—it can't be forced by laws or regulations—must be a bachelor. After a gal is married or the worker is hired in when collective bargaining comes in—and there are plenty of regulations, brother, . . . Or is Mr. Hutchison an advocate of entirely free and unregulated love?

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Local OTC Offices Get Nearly 500 Petitions Asking Permission To Increase Rents

Unless strong measures are taken to resist all efforts to terminate or weaken federal rent control laws there may be a wave of evictions within the next 60 days, CIO Councils Director John Brophy wrote affiliated city and state bodies.

Brophy's warning was dramatically underscored by last week's action of President Truman cancelling a scheduled 10 per cent boost in rents, a measure dreamed up by rent "control" officials in the capital.

Brophy forwarded a memorandum prepared by John Thornton, chairman of the CIO cost of living committee, warning against both sweeping and subtle methods of forcing tenants to pay out more for rent.

"The most subtle suggestion," said Thornton, "is the proposal that any home or apartment shall be decontrolled if the landlord gives the tenant a lease for one year at a 15 per cent higher rental." He listed as results of such legislative action:

1. A wave of blanket 15 per cent increases across the nation.
2. Landlords using every pretext in the book to get rid of tenants once a lease is signed, knowing they can charge unlimited rent to the next occupant.
3. A national wave of dissatisfaction with all rent controls on inequity grounds if the lid is let off some properties.

More than 250 persons paid personal visits and 143 telephoned the Gary-Hammond area rent offices last week Monday—close to a record number—and it was estimated that half of them were landlords petitioning for rent boosts.

The onrush of landlords was caused by the announcement in Washington Friday that rent ceilings in certain instances would be "relaxed."

The relaxation consists of removal of one of the two requirements by which landlords are granted increases for abnormally low rents.

Connie Claptrappe, who confuses easily, thinks the name of that song is Open The Portal, Richard.

RICH, CREAMY, DELICIOUS MILK

WOMEN WANT FREE TRADE CONTINUED

The East Chicago League of Women Voters last week initiated a campaign in the community for support of the Trade Agreements program now in danger of foundering in Congress. The Reciprocal Trade Agreements, so successful between 1942 and 1946, promoted free trade among nations by lowered tariffs to nations trading with this country.

"It is most important that as a part of our international cooperation in the development of peace, we bring about the removal of the trade barriers which developed in the economic warfare of the '30's," said Mrs. Paul Kleinholz, League president.

"This trade agreements program is a vital part of our whole economic program," she explained, "and its aim has been to develop world economic relations which would make possible higher living standards for our own people and for people in other countries. Economics warfare, which is what high tariffs mean, leads in time to political and military warfare."

Tariffs and Monopoly

A critical fight against the Trade Agreements program is shaping up in Congress. Hundreds of industries are sending representatives to the capital to protest further tariff reductions. When American industries were in the infant stage, tariffs were justified, but today high tariffs merely aid monopolies, hurting labor, consumers and the general welfare as well as people in other countries, the League explains.

The results of legislation repealing or emasculating the program would be disastrous, the League charges. If, after leading the world this far in negotiations for better trade relations and economic peace, the United States backs down on its stand for cooperation, isolating the nation behind high tariff walls, the rest of the nations have no choice but to form economic blocs. They will be forced to use all the old devices of trade wars such as quotas, embargoes, preferences and bi-lateral agreements.

The League is explaining the program and how it affects everyone, urging that citizens register their support. Also Congressman Ray J. Madden is being contacted for his aid in fighting for the program in the House of Representatives, said Mrs. Kleinholz.

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THE HONEST FORGER

The recent announcement that the Steel and the United Steelworkers mutually agreed to an extension of the contract now in effect has been welcomed with enthusiasm by both sides of the track. However, certain members of the press, and a few labor-hating politicians, such as our good friend David Lawrence, are interpreting the concession by steel labor as a sign of surrender on our part. These labor-hating citizens will be caught off first on the theories if, at the end of the session, the big moguls are still around. Labor has always been willing to "go along," but it is to pay if they try to go along!

Making of men like Lawrence, it is like to be a hidden specter while a good psychiatrist took them apart and checked up what makes them tick!

We can appreciate an industrial financier hating the worker's entrails. That is a hatred which probably was intense when men used stones for hammers as a medium of exchange. The age old story tells "have's" trying to increase wealth, and the "have-nots" trying to better their lot by a bigger share of that their labor produces.

Why a newspaper columnist who works for wages, hold such a deep-seated hatred for his fellow man is something again. Surely, such men have a twisted mentality like the apes in the jungle! I David Lawrence's column say, not because I think he is a Poe; not because he, Lahey, can analyze a sub-as to pick faults on each or yet because as an admirer his technique. No—him just to see what he can think of next!

Enough said of this smallness of labor hater. We have new ones.

Knutsen, for example, who is all and sundry that will be no tax cut if the port-

al pay suits are not quashed. Of course, the working man, who won't gain anything much by a tax cut is worried sick.

And there's Sen. Wiley who, in sepulchral tones, warns all corners of the dangers hovering over America since the portal suits appeared. Poor Wiley! We bet he looks under his bed each night to make sure Lee Pressman isn't there, waiting to jump out and holler "BOO!"

On top of all this, Rep. Martin has removed all barriers which might slow up legislation to stop this silly business of a working man bringing suit against his employer. You know that isn't the thing to do! For shame, you over-all morons!

Yep! Looks like the only way a factory worker will be able to get his day in court under the republicans will be to spit in a tough traffic cop's eye and run two red lights.

And so to bed, Don Carey P.S. Fellow told me that if labor were to benefit by it, a republican congressman wouldn't give ten cents to see the Statue of Liberty turn around on her pedestal and into the Pacific Ocean. Nasty, nasty.

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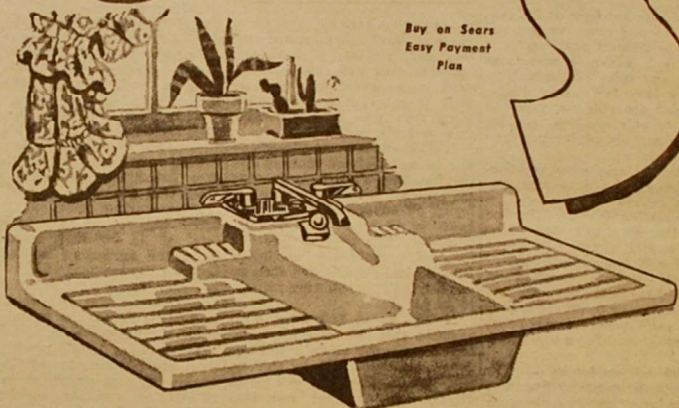
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Monthly Meeting of Inland Grievance Committee Reported

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workers. The union insisted on clothes being furnished at one-half cost. The matter is still open to decision.

9. Failure of company to furnish records of jobs declined by machine shop employees.—Luelien agreed that the senior man should have the preferred job as a work condition. Luelien, the grievor, and the master mechanic will have a joint meeting on this matter.

10. Ingot scales in No. 1 open hearth.—At the present time weights of ingots are estimated because the scales are not working. Although he protested that differences between car weights prevent accurate weighing, Luelien agreed to have the scales put into working order.

General Discussion

1. Toilet paper and hand soap.—There is still a shortage of these items, Luelien said. He agreed to have more put out in the plant but asked the co-operation of employees in not wasting it.

2. McKee construction workers.—The union reminded management that they had promised that no construction workers would work six days a week or overtime unless Inland's construction workers were on a six-day schedule. Nevertheless, McKee workers are working six days a week and some of them on regular Inland equipment. Luelien agreed to investigate, and, if true, stop it immediately.

3. Unsafe entrance at Plancor.—This is being remedied now and should be finished next week.

4. Final answer on crane case in bolt and spike.—This involves one man doing two unrelated jobs. The union contends that one man has to do only one job. Luelien made a study of the case and give an answer.

6. Retired employees vacation.—Company refused to give employees retired on January 1st their vacation checks. Luelien stated that employees had to be on the payroll one day in March to be eligible for vacation pay.

To the union's question of whether these employees were covered by company insurance in case of sickness, Luelien answered that they were covered for a ninety-day period.

7. Laid-off employees.—The union told the company that it is unfair to lay off employees or work them part time and put them on unemployment insurance and at

Membership Asked To Help Decorate 1010 Headquarters

The annual "clean up, paint up" campaign, so dear to the hearts of the city beautiful, is hitting local union 1010 a couple of months early this year.

Due to the exodus of its brother locals of sub-district No. 2 from the Auditorium on February 1st, the Inland local now has the entire premises in which to expand its facilities. A recreation room, into which the small hall on the third floor will be converted, a bar, and ample office space for the use of grievors and other functionaries of the local, are among improvements contemplated for the local's increased elbow room.

Number one on the list is a thorough cleaning and repainting of the building's interior. Although the building fund has a sizeable balance, local heads are reluctant to reduce it for refurbishing the Auditorium. The accumulated money should, they feel, be reserved for purchase or construction of a suitable headquarters in the not-too-distant future.

Those members whose loyalty to their union extends to contribution a few hours of their leisure to it are being solicited to lend a hand with this work. Equipment has been procured for the job by committeemen in charge.

All union men and women willing to participate in this activity are requested to notify their departmental representatives or leave their names and addresses at the union office.

At the same time keep hiring new employees. Management stated that they needed plenty of manpower and will send out a bulletin regarding employees who want to work in some other department when their own is not working forty hours a week.

8. Probationary employees.—The union informed management that No. 2 open hearth is violating the contract in that they were not laying off anyone but cutting the hours of all workers in that department. The contract provides that all probationary employees must be laid off first and then no one else until the hours are reduced to 24 per week.

9. The union instructed management that the following members are on the straight tonnage delay committee. Clyde Harvey, Bill Young, Harry Powell, Nick Migas, John Sargent and Don Lutes.

SIGNED: Donald Lutes, chairman; Sam Krupaw, vice chairman; Edw. Ditmars, secretary.

McShane Named Head of Drive For Red Cross

John J. McShane was appointed chairman of the 1947 American Red Cross fund campaign, announced Melvin H. Specter, head of the East Chicago chapter. The campaign will be held during the month of March.

A veteran of World War I when he served in the Army, and of World War II during which he served in the Navy, McShane has long been associated with Red Cross work, having headed the Junior Red Cross for several years before entering the service. On return to civilian life he became principal of the McKinley School and has since been active in the East Chicago Red Cross as vice chairman of the Board of Directors.

National quota from East Chicago for the 1947 campaign is set at \$27,510 while that from the country at large is \$60,000,000. McShane is expected shortly to announce appointment of committee chairmen. Plans are now being made to open the fund drive on March 1.

Inequities At Inland Unsettled

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committee, will be completed by the end of this month. Those workers whose pay rates under the inequity program entitle them to back pay will begin receiving it in March.

Retroactive pay under the big steel agreement is restricted to 70% of the accumulated raise calculated from January 4, 1944. The War Labor Board directive provided that the whole cost of the program, current raises and retroactive pay, would not exceed a total of 5c for each employee. Since the agreement arrived at between management and the union calls for a total cost to the company of 6c for each employee in current raises, the union conceded the difference in back pay.

Local union 1010's representatives will continue to meet twice weekly with management in an effort to get a similar program established for Inland workers. Regular reports of progress made, or lack of it, will be made at each local union and group meeting.

Joe De Rosa

LOCAL 1133 at CA

The long awaited day when local 1133 will move into its new quarters has arrived. We will hold our first meeting there on Wednesday evening, February 12, 1947. The new quarters are located on Grand Boulevard and Broadway in Indiana Harbor. Those of you who are unfamiliar with the streets in the Harbor will find that the new location is just a few blocks south of our old meeting place.

This will be your first opportunity to get a firsthand glance at your new meeting place, so be on hand at this initial get-together in our new home.

Sympathy to 1010

All the local unions of the United Steelworkers are moving into the new building except Inland Steel. Well, I've seen enough of the old place, and all I can say is "Poor Inland!"

Report on Contract

President Peter De Rosa will make a first hand report on his recent trip to Pittsburgh where he attended the union's national wage and policy committee meeting. It was there that it was decided to extend the contract to April . . . but attend the next meeting and hear it all yourself.

Gift

A \$20.00 check was sent to disabled war veteran George Guzorek.

Cagers Lose

Local 1133 entered a team in the Whiting Basketball Tourney and the chin in the first round of 51-40. Johnny who played with Hammond state champions, sparked offense and defense against the team's loss, and he was Ford, former Hammond star. The team is looking to playing several more before calling it a season.

Drawing Up Demands

The committee for the new contract has been diligently for the past few days and the members have drafted ready for presentation to the company soon. Members of local 1133 should be their business to attend things when the drawing contract is taking place.

Watching stooges off is of something, besides that. That's always behind a



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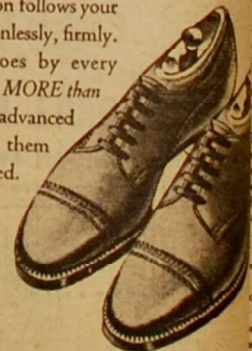
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Fleming Leading Fight Against Union Busters in Indiana Assembly

Outnumbered by the foes of labor in Indiana's Senate but poorly supported by representation from the state's labor organizations, Senator Fleming of Hammond and Decker of Evansville are, nevertheless, leading a successful delaying action against the anti-labor bill being waged in Indianapolis.

At the week of February 19, Republican forces were begun up to drive Senate bill 52 through its 3rd reading and action by the Senate.

This bill, which outlaws all token picketing, passes the Senate, it may still be stopped in lower house. Unless Indiana is alerted to the danger, however, it is likely that assemblymen take Senate approval of the picketing bill for their own end of it into law.

Kill One Measure

move to illegalize closed shops, maintenance of membership, and check-off agreements in Indiana was killed in the State during the week of February 16th. Senator Mitchell, an independent dealer from La Porte, Indiana, and his employer-minded allies diverted their weight that measure in order to get it wholly behind Senate bill 52.

A 1014, Gary big mill, together a scattering of delegates from 7 and UE locals and some representation, was a big in an abandonment of the anti-shop bill.

Chandler, one of the Gary men, contacted CIO organizations in Indiana's industrial areas and rallied their resistance to the Mitchell bill as well as its union piece of labor destruction legislation.

Bill On Compensation

maneuver to prevent genuine realization of Indiana's unemployment compensation law from being acted upon by the Assembly embodied in House bill No. 161. stands at present, Indiana's employment compensation is fixed chiefly from corporation. Assembly bill No. 161 is in up to relieve the state's straits of this burden and to the scope of the compensation by reducing its financial. Assemblyman George Henley, of Ellettsburg, supported by James, of East Chicago, and a full of other labor-elected labor, is endeavoring to introduce an amendment increasing the amount of unemployment benefits extend their coverage. Pro-assemblymen and senators too few in this legislative session to challenge withholding of pension from workers idled strikes.

revenue action has not yet been on the law prohibiting men from working between the hours of 10 P.M. and 6 A.M. Following a four year, war-time suspension, this law, if not revoked, will go back into effect on March 15th. A bill in Senate, No. 240, which would let women to work until 1 A.M. and of 10 P.M., is now being considered by that body.

PHILADELPHIA — (FP) — Industrial savings in the U. S. topped \$1 billion from the second quarter of 1946, according to the Securities & Exchange Commission, contrasted a normal seasonal rise for the first.

Parley on Education

The CIO Dept. of Education & Research is sponsoring a national education conference to be held at the Neal House, Columbus, Ohio, March 13-16.

Attendance will be limited to 500 delegates. Each State Council will be entitled to two delegates and each City Council one delegate.

International Unions are being represented on the basis of the number of full-time educational workers and the size of the union.

All those interested in attending the conference are urged to write to the Dept. of Education & Research, CIO, 718 Jackson Place, N. W. Washington 6, D. C.

Murray Ready To Meet With AFL On Unity

Last week CIO accepted the AFL invitation to discuss means to end their rivalry. CIO Pres. Philip Murray named a committee of five top officers to meet AFL Pres. William Green's committee.

Although Green's letter of Jan. 31 to the CIO called for organic unity of the AFL and CIO, Murray told newsmen he thought the two organizations ought to take "first steps first and then concern ourselves with the other problems of unity of the organizations."

The AFL letter was in reply to a letter from Murray dated Dec. 5, 1946 calling for "unified action" to fight "a deliberate and monstrous movement under way to cripple, if not destroy, the labor movement of this country."

Murray was speaking specifically about unity against pending bills to restrict union activities and said that if "we are able to develop a common understanding upon those problems and are able to effectuate this understanding then we may discuss other means to achieve common unity."

"Enemies United"

In his letter to Green, Murray said:

"It is clear that both of our organizations recognize the profound dangers which lie ahead through continued disunity between the CIO and the AFL. Our enemies are united. They seek through the enactment of anti-labor legislation, in Congress and in the state legislatures, to eliminate the gains which the workers have achieved over many years through union organization."

"We do not believe that words or clichés should prevent the organized labor movement from taking immediate and effective steps to protect our entire membership."

"For the CIO there has been appointed a committee consisting of the following: Walter Reuther, Albert Fitzgerald, Emil Rieve, Jacob Potofsky and myself. This committee representing the CIO is fully prepared to meet with the committee which you have designated and we suggest with a committee which we should request the Railway Labor organizations to appoint for the purpose of taking effective measures to prevent the enactment of anti-labor legislation."

Brophy Urges Lilienthal's Confirmation

CIO Director of Industrial Union Councils John Brophy has wired affiliated state councils in eight states whose senators are on the Senate atomic energy committee to get behind the confirmation of David E. Lilienthal as chief of the atomic energy commission.

Brophy said he wanted state councils and as many people and groups as possible to urge senators "to confirm speedily these nominations including that of David Lilienthal as chairman to oppose attacks on the Acheson-Lilienthal report and its authors. Such attacks only serve to arouse suspicion of our good faith in proposals to the United Nations for international control."

FDR Memorial Medal on Sale

A striking bronze memorial medal to the late Pres. Roosevelt is available at the U. S. Mint in Philadelphia for \$1.50 plus 15c postage and insurance. The price represents actual cost.

Three inches in diameter, the medal bears a portrait of the late President on the obverse and on the reverse is a seated draped figure, with head bowed, representing the sorrowing nation and all the human race. The inscription at the top, For Country and Humanity, indicates Roosevelt's labors for the benefit of the oppressed of all mankind.

Serving as an attractive memento of Roosevelt, the heavy medal can be used as a paperweight. Orders should be sent to U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa., enclosing money order for \$1.65, and asking for the Roosevelt Memorial Medal or Pres. No. 31.

Dramatic Action Points Need for Continuation Of U. S. Rent Controls

Tenants of more than a quarter million homes and apartments from Rhode Island to California awoke last Thursday to find "Eviction Notices" under their doorsteps. They weren't legal notices of mass evictions, however. They were warnings, distributed by community groups of the Progressive Citizens of America late last night, that mass evictions may take place if rent controls are lifted.

Pointing out that if controls are lifted and rents rise, many families will face eviction and will have no place to move to because of the housing shortage, the "Eviction Notices" urged tenants to support the fight for maintenance of rent control which will be brought out on the floors of both houses of Congress next week.

In justification of maintaining present rent rates, PCA claimed in the leaflet that with apartments 100% rented and few repairs being made, landlords have higher income than ever before.

"Shocker" Necessary

In a joint statement announcing distribution of the "Eviction Notices" as part of P.C.A.'s national rent control program, Jo Davidson and Frank Kingdon, co-chairmen

The Legislative Front

Murray Gives Congress Facts and Figures on Record of U. S. Labor

The National Ass'n of Manufacturers and their congressional mouthpieces got a vigorous "comeuppance" last week when CIO head Philip Murray appeared before

the Senate labor committee to testify on proposed legislation to restrict union activities. And no one was able to answer when the union leader, questioning the reason for the proposed bills, shouted, "God Almighty, what crimes have these organizations (unions) committed except to perform a patriotic duty as Americans?"

Although Murray came prepared with a written 16-page summary and a text of 41 pages plus five heavily documented statements on prices, profits and wage trends together with a legal analysis of some of the proposed bills, he never got started on them.

The CIO witness touched on labor's war and postwar record, showing that productivity was at the highest point in U. S. history along with efficiency, and remarked that despite these facts 200 or more bills have been introduced to punish labor.

"Statutory Assault"

With this as a starter, Murray launched into a discussion of corporation profits and the cost of living compared with average weekly wages. He had tables of figures, citing a 201% increase in profit of the Continental Baking Co. from 1945 to 1946 and said "it's the business of the U. S. Senate to look into the facts. Rape has been perpetrated on the people of the U. S. The facts

show a lopsided, unfair, discriminatory maldistribution of wealth."

Murray was questioned by Sen. Wayne Morse (R. Ore.) on the jurisdictional strike issue. Morse said: "I'd like to hear you justify them."

Ready for Unity

Murray replied "there's no moral justification for the jurisdictional strike that throws a lot of people into unemployment." After saying he was definitely opposed to jurisdictional strikes, Murray was pressed for further word on how he'd settle them.

The CIO leader, who drew one of the largest audiences to date in the Senate caucus room leaned toward Morse and said: "Have your committee send for Mr. Green of the AFL and let him and me work out an agreement on jurisdictional problems in your presence. We will set up the machinery."

Stating that he had "made repeated attempts" to reach such a settlement, Murray repeated "get Willie Green here, select your own committee members. Let's perform a public service."

Must Reverse Trends

The following paragraphs, selected from Murray's summary, are part of his testimony which was introduced into the record without being read. Speaking of general trends, he said:

"If we are to establish an American economy of continuing full employment and full production, we must reverse the trends of the year and a half since V-J Day. Unrestrained monopoly in finance and industry is generating this trend."

"Our reconversion from war to peace has been dangerously lopsided, thus strengthening the position of those forces working toward monopoly and weakening the ability of workers, farmers and independent businessmen, professional and white collar workers to reestablish an equilibrium."

Monopoly Profits

"Profits, after all taxes, are running far above even the high wartime levels set by leading corporations. At the same time take-home pay is below wartime levels while living costs, already at record highs, are still rising."

"The President has estimated corporation profits for 1946, the first full peacetime year, at \$12 billion. This is approximately \$2 billion higher than the highest peacetime year. For 1947, estimated profits before taxes for all (Continued on page 2)

State Outlaws Ku Klux Klan

A bill outlawing the Ku Klux Klan rolled through both houses of the Indiana legislature with ease after it had been endorsed by Republicans and Democrats alike.

Equipped with a penalty clause which subjects violators to fines of \$1,000 to \$10,000, the bill requires all secret organizations to make public their constitution, membership lists and the oath required of members. The bill is aimed also at the Columbians Inc., which obtained a foothold here after formation in Georgia.

Max Blumenfeld Plans New Store Opening for Middle of Next Month

New features, ranging from a record department complete with soundproof listening room to a private consultation room where diamond buyers can make their choice away from prying eyes, will highlight the new headquarters of Max Blumenfeld, veteran Harbor Jeweler. The store, scheduled to open next month, will be next door to Mr. Blumenfeld's present Main street location.

Once customers have torn themselves away from admiring the all-glass, distinctively designed exterior, they will enter a shop which has no counterpart in the Calumet region. Beautiful, bleached-gray mahogany showcases, modern lighting fixtures, vivid colors in the ceilings contrasting with pastel walls, specially built displays for various types of merchandise, will combine to attract the customer's eye.

"And," explained Mrs. Blumenfeld, the proprietor's wife, while conducting a preview of the new store, "we want all our old friends to know that even though we're dressing up the store, we are not changing our old policies of doing business. We shall add new lines and types of merchandise to our stock, but not at the expense of any of the popularly priced items our customers have come to expect from us. We aren't going high hat, but we are trying to give our customers what we think they deserve in the way of attractive, convenient shopping quarters."

One of the many advantages the new store will offer will be the departmentalization of the different types of merchandise. Diamonds will have their own, exclusive spot. Still another section of the store will be reserved for radios. Luggage, cameras, stemware and silver will each have its own special location.

Quality merchandise will be carried in all lines. Mr. Blumenfeld has announced that he will handle Decca, Victor, Columbia and Capitol phonograph records in the record department. Rogers 1847 and Holmes and Edwards will be two of the leading brands of silverware in the store. Among cameras, Revere will be represented in a department that will offer not only small cameras but a complete line of motion picture projectors.

The new store has been under construction for some months. The plans were drawn for the establishment by Charles S. Telchen, an architect specializing in the design of jewelry stores. Paul Maginsky, local contractor was the general contractor employed.

In the next issue of the Sentinel we will carry the date of the grand opening of the new store.

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First Federal Reports a New High in Assets

East Chicago will have facilities in 1947 of a \$6,600,000.00 home lending institution for the first time in its history. The annual report of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association made public today by Stanley Wiekliniski, Secretary and Treasurer, showed that the association had reached a new high in assets of \$6,617,618.61, a gain of \$910,024.53 in the course of 1946.

In the same annual report Mr. Wiekliniski emphasized the volume of loans made to assist home owners in this community in 1946, including \$700,000.00 made to

veterans under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, and \$1,000,000.00 to non-veterans for building or buying homes. The total \$1,700,000.00 loans disbursed during the year represented an increase of 80 per cent over the 1945 lending activity.

Citing the attention which the management of the association is giving to the real estate market, Mr. Wiekliniski said that the monthly amortization of loans means a steady strengthening of the safety of the association's loans.

"The ratio of the money which the association has loaned out to the appraised value of the properties which are security for the loans is now 70 per cent, a highly favorable indicator," he said. "We believe that full consideration is being given to the unwarranted inflation in the prices of some properties although there has lately been a tendency for the number of such residences to fall off somewhat."

The association secretary and treasurer further pointed out that 1300 of new accounts were opened in the course of 1946 bringing the total number of investing and saving members up to a new high of 4,800 as of December 31.

CIO Head Gives Labor Viewpoint To Senate Body

(Continued from page 1)

manufacturing corporations are \$15.5 billion.

"Meanwhile, the share of the national income going to wages and salaries has declined from 68.5% in the 1942-45 period to 62.5% in 1946, with a corresponding larger share of the national income going to business. Consumer income must rise by \$22 billion above the level of the third quarter of 1946 if the goods coming into the market are to find buyers."

Strikes Take Two

"Isn't it obvious that it always takes two to make a strike? Obviously a strike is avoided if either the union or the employer is willing to yield, or if the two meet part way. Can you say, Sen. Ball, that the union is and has always been the unyielding party and therefore it is clearly the union that must be weakened in order to compel it to yield?"

Industry-Wide Bargaining

"It would be far more accurate

A congressman's bid against war fraud charges to be to get himself May of Kentucky has been after the Republicans in his district. Bilbo is still drawing his pay.

Note found on wall of powder room:
"A man's ambition must be darned small
"To let himself vote like Ball."

to refer to this bill as to inhibit the existence of unions. It outlaws any of the members of local unions to organize international organizations for legislation and formulation of policy. This is a conspiracy."

Conclusion

"The bills before you supported only by a pro the ills of our economy of our nation, reflect a solely a need—for weak labor at the bargaining compelling labor to accept management without the answer 'NO'."

The committee agreed Murray's testimony as to the merits and to call him



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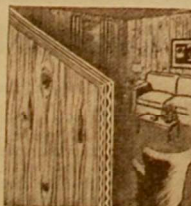
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Robeson Leaves Stage to Devote Self to Workers

DETROIT.—(FP)—The internationally acclaimed singer and actor Paul Robeson formally announced his departure from the stage and concert platform at a dinner in his honor sponsored by the Detroit council labor committee of the National Negro Congress. At the speakers table in the Civic Center ballroom were L. and CIO union officials. Robeson himself is an AFL member.

"I see here the real democratic America," Robeson told the diners, "where many nationalities, many races, many nationalities, are working in warm human friendship. As labor unionists we have a certain responsibility to all workers fighting for their rights. Detroit is a special city to me because of the strong fight my people and all workers have made and are making for their rights."

Same All Over—Rough
The struggle is rough today it is getting rougher. On the range, in the beetfields, in the fruit region, among the sharecroppers, in Liberia where your brother comes from and the African workers die like flies—they don't go well there as you do in Detroit. In South Carolina, where I attended a conference on human rights some months ago, a police officer caught me on a side street and might have gouged my eyes as he did those of the veteran Isaac Woodward. Is anyone going to tell me that the interests of the Allis-Chalmers workers are the same as those of the owners, or that the Ford workers have the same interests as Ford II with his millions of dollars? No man is worth more than his own sweat and blood. How can a few people in this country gather in all the cities and make?

The rest of the world is being to go in the opposite direction. It's getting tough for the upper class to drain the gravy of India and out of Indonesia. That's why they are coming to Detroit and the owners over here. In Yugoslavia, Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria the gravy isn't out of the country anymore. The time must come when we workers here will no longer beg for a few cents more. Labor can forward to taking power as already done in other lands. Understanding, great knowledge, great sacrifices will be made.

"Time For Courage"
The rich think they can stop the progress of the Negro people by keeping one here and another and lifting them up. They are wrong. We Negroes stand with all other workers. I must my artistic work away from the place back to the workers, to tie up my personal with the cultural side of the Negro. This is a time for great courage. The boys way up on top use of devious methods to divide. I like to hear it said that we are all of us—can't get together. Unified labor defeat fascism. We cannot have divisions among us. We have every ounce of strength."

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We Miss Him Too!

Now don't pelt us with questions about why Malloy's missing this issue. We dunno, but maybe he just wanted to rest for an issue. Page 3 just doesn't look right, though, without him.

Smokeless Air For East Chicago Seen Possible

At very long last official action will be taken to work for a clean atmosphere in East Chicago through measures to control the out pouring smoke from the city's industrial smokestacks and other chimneys. It is good news and we heartily commend the City Attorney, Loyd J. Cohen, for his vision, courage and efforts to achieve clean air for East Chicagoans.

However, he can't do it alone. It's a job calling for the cooperation of every industry and every coal user. We can have clean air if we want it enough, just as we have clean water when we are sufficiently aware of the penalties we pay for impure water. Engineering can provide it. The question is will we afford it? It takes a little money to install good equipment, and to hire smoke control engineers.

If we are alert to what smoke costs us in health, well-being, in maintenance of our homes and just general satisfaction in living, general support necessary to enact the ordinance for good control will be forthcoming. It had better be. Surely East Chicago is not so far behind other communities of this country in civic feeling that we can't register a "yea" for something that affects us as intimately and vitally as the air we breathe.

East Chicago can't purify the air of the whole Calumet area, it is true. But this city can assume a little leadership for once in its existence and show other Calumet cities how to go about this business. Others then will have to follow suit. Chicago is already attempting smoke control. Some day we'll achieve clean air and laugh at the foolishness of some people back in 1947 who had the strange notion that smoke meant prosperity and that you couldn't have the one without the other.

Hitler was a piker as a war-monger. Our native warmongers, their pockets full of atom bombs, tell us: "We can get it for you wholesale."

Indiana Council Formed To Further Cause of Democracy

"In order to strengthen the democratic structure through better understanding between all religious faiths, racial, cultural and civic groups" was the call issued which resulted in representatives of seventeen Indiana communities meeting recently in a two-day session in the Indiana Hotel, Fort Wayne, Indiana. The Indiana Jewish Community Relations Council was formed, Byron F. Novitsky of Fort Wayne being elected its President.

Among the members of the Board of Directors of the council are three East Chicagoans: David Cohen, Asher Siegal, and Harry Tarler. Mr. Cohen told the LABOR SENTINEL that the local representatives were anxious to cooperate with all community groups interested in taking an active part in the drive to stamp out intolerance among the peoples of the state.

As an example of the type of work in which the state council is interested he spoke of the bill recently introduced in the Indiana General Assembly by Senators Van Ness and Brockenbury, S.B. 59. This bill would make it impossible for any organization to "combine, unite, confederate, conspire, organize or associate with any other person or persons for the purpose of creating, advocating, spreading, or disseminating malicious hatred by reason of race, color or religion not prohibited by law, for or against any person or persons not an alien enemy of the United States."

It further makes it "unlawful for any person or persons with malice to create, advocate, spread, or disseminate hatred by reason of race, color or religion, for or against any person or persons, which threatens to, tends to, or causes riot, disorder, interference with traffic upon streets or public highways, destruction of property, breach of peace, violence or denial of civil or constitutional rights."

Violation of the provisions of the act are considered "racketeering in hatred." Penalties are disfranchisement for ten years, fine up to \$10,000 and imprisonment up to two years. Constitutional liberties are protected.

In accepting the state presidency Mr. Novitsky declared that the new organization will cooperate with all civic, religious, cultural and educational bodies in Indiana to further the common objectives for the democratic ideal

and the total welfare of the entire population. He stated that the new group's objectives will be entirely affirmative in fortifying constructive civic spirit and good citizenship and, through educational media and intergroup relationships, shall help safeguard and preserve the civil, political, economic and religious rights of all peoples in the United States and in the State of Indiana.

Mr. Novitsky compared the preamble to the by-laws of the new group with the nation's desire for peace, stating: "It is our profound belief that unless these same principles are applied on a neighborhood, local, state and national plane in our own and other nations, the United Nations will not attain its ultimate or even its immediate objectives."

"We have, therefore, launched a program to strengthen our democratic structure through intensifying the plane of understanding between the members of all religious faiths, racial, cultural and civic groups in the State of Indiana."

Brotherhood Week, February 16-23

As chairman for East Chicago of American Brotherhood Week, I am calling upon all of our citizens to join with the Brotherhood Week committee in the observance of this important celebration.

Its purpose is to affirm anew the principles upon which the realization of Brotherhood depends, and to strengthen the bonds that bind us together as American citizens.

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Labor Around The World



Latin America

The AFL is planning to organize Latin American workers in competition with the Latin American Federation of Labor (CTAL), according to a statement by Pres. Felix H. Knight of the Bro. of Railroad Carmen (AFL).

While AFL leaders have sharply attacked the CTAL in the past—drawing harsh counter-charges from CTAL leaders that the AFL is interfering in Latin American affairs—this is the first public announcement by an AFL leader that the organization is planning to form a rival Latin American movement.

According to one report, the AFL visitors were sharply rebuked during a private talk with Argentine Pres. Juan D. Peron when they told him they wanted to make an independent study of labor conditions. Peron reportedly told them: "You are not here to make any investigation. You came to fraternize with our workmen."

The CIO declined a similar invitation from Peron on the grounds that his regime is fascist and that he would not allow a free investigation. After showing American labor leaders what he thought they should see, the CIO said, Peron would then try to use them to whitewash his regime.

Canada

Thirteen thousand miners in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have been alerted for possible strike action by the leadership of Dist. 26 United Mine Workers of America, with the warning that "there will be no extension of the present contract beyond Jan. 31."

The miners are seeking a wage increase of \$2.50 a day. So far, all employers have offered is \$1 a day along with a program for "increased production" which local UMW leaders term an outright speedup proposal.

An increase of \$2.50 a day would raise basic pay from 75c to \$1 an hour. At present rates, average take home pay for a miner on a 5-day week is \$28.08. According to a labor survey in the typical mining town of Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, bare essentials for a family with two children cost over \$40 a week. About 70% of the miners in the area are married and have families.

The UMW in Canada is affiliated to the Canadian Congress of Labor, which includes CIO and national unions. Although Canadian miners withdrew from the CIO in 1942 along with American miners, Canadian UMW branches retained their CCL affiliation.

Egypt

Egyptian workers scored major victories in recent contests with the owners of the Bata shoe company. Bata was originally a Czech firm and its owners before the war gained notoriety for their anti-labor practices. When the Bata plants in Czechoslovakia were nationalized after the war, the owners spread out to the Middle East and India. Egyptian workers struck at the Bata plant in Alexandria when management failed to pay promised bonuses. In Cairo, a strike was called when Bata fired union leaders. Workers won both.

China

Workers in two retail stores in Shanghai found unique ways to force their bosses to grant year-end bonuses. Instead of plugging the items on the counter, the employees of one store stood around telling customers of their financial troubles. In the other store the employees rolled up their sleeves and started scrubbing the floors during rush hours. In both cases the bosses settled quickly.

Russia

Soviet labor unions have undertaken to seek homes with the families of working people for some of the hundreds of thousands of children whose parents were killed in the war. Conditions in public orphan's homes will also be supervised by the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions.

France

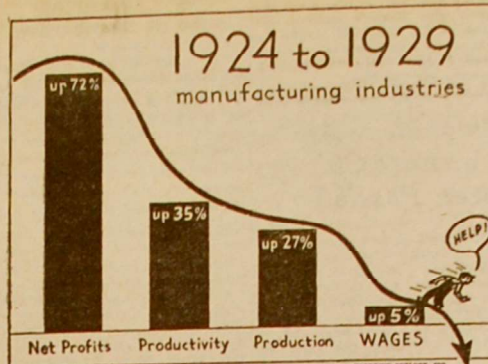
The General Confederation of Labor (CGT) has called for immediate government action on its demand for a yearly minimum wage of 84,000 francs for all workers. Resulting increases should be retroactive to Jan. 1, the CGT declared. At a meeting of the CGT national council, delegates decisively rejected a call for postponement of the wage demand until results of the government's proposed 5% price cut are seen. Living costs have soared so high that the minimum wage demand must be enforced immediately, national council members agree.

Greece

Greek union members won't have any collective bargaining rights from now on as the result of a government decision reviving a law introduced by the fascist Metaxas regime.

Under the law, all wage and conditions must be set by employers and a government-named "spokesman" for the workers. The workers themselves aren't consulted at all. A strike against conditions established by this procedure is

NOT THIS AGAIN!



This chart from the CIO Economic Outlook shows how profits, production and worker's productivity rose much higher than wages during the 1924-1929 period. We all know what happened in 1929. To prevent another devastating depression substantial wage increases must be granted to raise purchasing power. (Federated Pictures)

COOKING IN CONGRESS

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	ACTION
Confirmation of David Lillenthal to Atomic Energy Commission.	Former TVA head, outstanding liberal, was named to Atom post by Pres. Truman.	Wire your secretary and Sen. Hickenlooper to vote confirmation of Lillenthal.
S. 49 S. 70 Capehart-Wiley Bills HR 584 Gwynne Bill	Bills limit workers' rights to collect on portal-to-portal suits for "make-ready time" wages; also weaken vital sections of Wage-Hour Act.	Write, wire your Senators and Congressmen to reject portal bills.
S. 55 Taft-Ball-Smith anti-union bill.	Sets many new rules for unions. Bars check-off, limits health fund, sets up 60-day cool-off periods, outlaws jurisdictional disputes, etc.	Write Senators and Committee members to reject proposals.
S. 105 Ball anti-union security bill.	Outlaws various forms of union security, union shop, etc.	Send protests to your Senators, to Senator Ball, and members of Senate Labor Comm.
S. 133 Ball anti-bargaining bill.	Bars any unions from negotiating with employers outside same "labor marketing area." Would atomize collective bargaining.	Send protests to your Senators, Sen. Ball, and members of Senate Labor Comm.
S. 360 Ball Amendments to Wagner Act.	Proposes batch of Wagner Act changes to aid employers. Weakens status of bargaining under law.	Write your Senators and Sen. Ball; demand defeat as dangerous to industrial peace.
S. 415 Hawkes Rent Control Bill.	One of several bills on rent control. Provides 15% increase; no controls on new homes.	Write, wire Committee and Senators to defeat this bill.
S. 528 Wagner-Murray Rent Control Bill.	Extends rent control "as is" to June 30, 1948. Would keep lid on rents.	Write, wire Senators to pass this bill, keep rents stable.
HR 725 Case Bill.	Revises Wagner Act, permits U. S. to get injunctions vs. unions, permits states to bar union security, etc.	Write your Congressman for defeat of this and other versions of same bill.
HR 17, 34, 68, 75, 76 Anti-strike bills	Proposed by five GOP Congressmen. Gives Pres. power to break strikes, compel arbitration.	Demand defeat as dangerous to national welfare.
HR 1 Knutson "soak-poor" tax bill.	Offers 20% tax cut; little saving for low income families, big profits for wealthy.	Ask Congressmen to pass bill to place heaviest tax burden on high incomes.

Address all Representatives at House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.—all Senators at Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

Illegal and carries severe penalties. Elected leaders of the Greek labor movement have called on the World Federation of Trade Unions for help in fighting the fascist measure. The elected union leaders are not recognized by the Greek government, which arrested many of them and replaced them with its own appointees.

Man on radio last Sunday said I own part of the local electric light company because I carry life insurance and the insurance company invested in the utility company. I should be proud to own part of the light company, said he. . . . Guess I'll cut my light rates when I get downtown tomorrow, seeing as I'm an owner.

Social Security And You

Effective January 1, 1947, all workers entitled to Social Security retirement benefits must qualify for monthly payments if they have been to the insured man for the Charles S. Davis, manager of Hammond, Indiana Social Security field office announced that "Until January 1, 1947, who had married the insured before 1939 or before 60 years old were said. 'The amendment now make it possible to fit to the wife 36 months after her marriage. Of course, he 65 years old living with the worker, and of the wife's monthly one-half that of her benefit.'

These benefits can be if a claim is filed, Any woman whose receiving social security benefits, who is 65 years who has been married years, should get in nearest Social Security immediately to avoid benefits that may be paid.

Our Traveler In Arkansas

Hot Springs, Ark.

Received the issue of the Sentinel dated Jan. 8th. It is late, yet it was good news.

We had a little snow last week, and it made my dear old Indiana home temperature got down and the home guards and it was cold. It is just here today with a rain. Mighty nice!

The Labor Sentinel when Bro. Malloy made face and is going to job as reporter. Wish connected with the 1010 included) had as a reporter.

Got a letter from Bro. of 1011 last week, and I'd get along with over in the field of efficient. He definitely does not Vicki."

Must admit the "crops" of 1010 is on the committee. Can just "Super Suds" Powell see all the details of his findings. He's plenty good.

Talked with some of who just got back from and the policy meeting asked me what became of low who sounded like auctioneer. After some ing, I found out he was Young! The locals seem any too happy meeting.

The furniture workers, Ark., are having in twelve hours on the Monday, and yesterday handed down a decision only two pickets to the locals are now attempt to picket the weak brothers. Might there are plenty of weak along with a few no-bills.

Well, Kelley, this is Give my regards to as Vicki would say, Fraternally J. E. DICK

Returning the Xmas gave us reminds us better they run stores politics. When someone a stinker in politics, brother, and no excuse for something better.

Those lads who think break the strikes of don't like should read the Stein's famous scab is a scab is a Billy Shakespeare occasion. "A scab by any would smell as sweet."

010 AT INLAND STEEL

From A Mousehole

A small mouse, driven into open by the recent frantic building of the premises at 18 Michigan, has given the page of the Labor Sentinel exclusive rights to the publication of the following article and more in the future, we hope. The author, who is nicknamed "Belshazzar" because of literacy, tells us that he has hated to give his own viewpoint on things and people and the union for years, but recently gained sufficient courage to do so. We present comments below and will come your criticism of this feature.)

Local union 1010, at its meeting of last Thursday, chose to go into one year of living in the walls of what an able man termed "GAL WITH POWDER AND ROUGE". Must say that each look very after effort is set forth! A result, and somewhat an ersatz marker this article appear for this year which is to unfold. Aren't you all to be especially interested in 1010's sheet now? That we see. Maybe we can give Malme competition.

In addition to the powder and on the walls of our union let me inform you of a new action which was very much of late . . . A NEW 12. Yes sir, you rank and file who don't come in each day stop and see it. The door the entrance to the main and it's the first step to a congenial atmosphere in financial Secretary's office. It be careful here, that of all secretaries" as the or calls her will be out before I even begin this of writing for a year. . . .

It seems to be setting this and all 1010 atmosphere — may we introduce you to some people around the place and all union members who do play a role in the surrounding come in and make the difference? Introduction business is on my sympathy chamber presents the desire to introduce the men who cleaned up the place and brought out the can do. They took the abuse of the well rehearsed Thursday, but they also you all a rolling start to a bigger year for L. U.

... making are before beauty we TOM CONWAY. Tom is financial secretary, and his no doubt, is known by all more than just a "name". Is an alright guy — why from yours truly? Stop in your troubles to him. In a good position to see get to the proper fellow. The line of fairer sex and a sent thing is "Vicki". She's

Six-Day Week on New Construction

Beginning February 17th, management placed all construction department workers on a six day weekly schedule to continue for an indefinite period.

The extended work week is the outcome of an agreement made on January 27th between management and a union committee headed by Griever O. H. McKinsey. Under its terms, construction workers on Inland's pay roll are entitled to an amount of weekly time equal to that being worked by contractors' employees on jobs within the Inland plant.

Men working less than a forty hour week in other departments of the Indiana Harbor plant may fill out their week in new construction labor gangs under a further provision of this agreement.

Local Stands Pat

Local union 1010, will continue to occupy its present headquarters in the Auditorium building, 3436 Michigan ave., Indiana Harbor. A capacity membership meeting voted Thursday night, February 20th, to table for a period of one year the issue of moving elsewhere.

the office clerk and can help you as well if you can't see Tom. You should come around some time when she's raving mad about something. . . . Boy, that's a picnic. But those who know her can vouch that her "bark is louder than the bite".

Kelley, you're next; Joan Kelley, the editor of the Sentinel. Have to classify her as "people around the place" too. In scouting for bits to use in this article I remember Vickie's phrase "The mail delivery and Kelley go together." Much of Kelley's business is done by mail, you see, so I picture the life of the Sentinel staff revolving around the mail deliveries. Who knows; you may stop in one day just as the mail comes in—watch for the picture.

Next, Bowman or "Booz". Booz has been watching the place and doing errands for the girls.

At the present time the top notch group of important men-on-the-scene are those of the NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE. They are around frequently, but at the same time keep Mr. Luellen busy on a new Inland contract. Better not say "new contract" too loud, might remind too many of how much harder it is going to get when the leading issues come to be ironed out. The negotiators; Sargent, Calacci, Lutes, Breen, Powell, and Sopko, oh yes, and Jenesse, (only he doesn't live with us anymore) might be found in Dominic's for lunch each day. Trying to stretch that daily expense boys, by eating Dominic's delicious but reasonably priced T-bone steak? That's alright fellows . . . eat well; more food for negotiation. . . .

Must bring this chatter to a close for this issue, but more will continue next time.

Company to Give Inland Local New Plan on Wages

A plan for settling the wage inequity issue, much closer to U. S. Steel's program than the one now offered to Inland employees, will be presented to USA-CIO local 1010's negotiating committee on Thursday, February 27th.

Aware that Inland's ten thousand and organized workers aren't going to sweat out any further stalling on the equity program, management's spokesmen indicated at a meeting with the union committee on Wednesday, February 19th, that they were not so determined as they have so far been to consider nothing but the plan which the union rejected last fall.

Following the meeting of February 19th, Fred Gillies, chief representative of the company, left for Pittsburgh to confer with corporation heads.

William Jacko, staff representative from the USA-CIO's research department, headed the union committee at the meeting of February 19th. Jacko has been working with the Malloy committee, the body which worked out the wage inequity program now paying off in U. S. Steel, from the beginning of negotiations in 1944.

Other representatives of the International union and of local 1010 are Joe Jenesse, field representative; Sam Parrish, field representative; John Sargent, local president; Pete Calacci, vice president; Don Lutes, grievance committee chairman; Archie Breen, blast furnace griever; George Sopko, machine shop griever; and Harry Powell, No. 2 open hearth griever.

A Dedication to Anyone Who Grips But Never Offers Anything "Right"

He always has something to grumble about,
Has the man with a chip on his shoulder;
The world is the dogs is going, no doubt,
To the man with the chip on his shoulder;
The clouds are too dark, the sun is too bright,
No matter what happens, it is never right;
When peace is prevailing, he is spoiling to fight,
The man with a chip on his shoulder.

Signed,
—Richard's Brother

The phony argument about whether the NAM's new anti-labor policy is more "liberal" than its old one reminds us of Hair-Splitting Harry.

He went to the booby hatch trying to figure out whether Hitler was a bigger fascist than Mussolini or Mussolini was a bigger Nazi than Hitler.

Group No. 10 To Socialize

Group No. 10, galvanize, sheet and plate mills, and the bolt and spike, whose beer bust of three months ago rattled windows and shook down dust for blocks around local 1010 headquarters, is set to do it again on Sunday, March 2nd, at 2 P. M.

Clyde Harvey, griever for that group and in charge of arrangements, plans to conduct a regular business session followed by social activities until everybody decides to go home. Tickets, at 75c each, may be obtained from union representatives in those departments or purchased at the door of the union hall where the affair is being held.

LETTERBOX

Only letters that are signed with the name and address of the sender will be published. At request of the sender, his name will be withheld from publication.

To the Editor:

As one of the members of local 1010 who contributed to repainting of our local headquarters, I would like space to counter slander being circulated that we are guilty of scabbing on AFL painters.

Not one of those devoting their leisure to redecorating the premises received a penny for their work. The paint and materials were supplied by the owners of the building who are also allowing the union two months' free rent in consideration of the building's upkeep. We were, therefore, not working gratis for the landlord, but for the best interest of the local union treasury.

A delegation of AFL officials, informed that this work was being done by other than AFL workers, visited the hall while the work was going on. After having the situation explained to them by John Sargent, local union president, the AFL officials agreed that we were violating no principle of organized labor's in contributing our time and energy gratis to improvement of our own quarters. They shook hands and left in perfect accord with local 1010.

We who did this work for the common benefit of the local's membership resent, therefore, the charge of scabbing made by our brother members and feel that such charges work only to divide the local's strength in the face of imminent wage battles with the company.

I wish it to be known that I will personally kick the teeth out of any brother (or get my own kicked out in the attempt), using the word "scab" in this connection in my hearing.

Signed:
Hugh McGilvery, local union 1010

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QUESTION of the Week

What steps do you think organized labor should take to defend itself against the union busting bills pending in the United States Congress and Senate, and in Indiana's State Assembly?

Answers

L. M. Paulus—28" mill, 3542 Jewett St. Highland, Indiana:

"Legislation should be passed to make both the unions and management carry out their contracts and avoid trouble."

Clarence Lassiter—10" mill, 4204 Drummond St., Indiana Harbor.

"We should watch the men in public office who vote against labor now and vote them out at the next elections. Until elections come around again, I think we should use every way of protesting these bills that we can think of."

A. Brown, coke plant, 742 East 49th St., Chicago, Illinois:

"I believe that regardless of the attempts by employers and their agents to break us, we should not back down by a step from our demands for the next contract or abandon gains already made in the past ten years."

E. J. Haake—10" mill, 3822 Connecticut ave., Gary:

"The best defense labor has against the powerful drive to break us by legislation is in united action under one director. I don't know if immediate re-organization of the CIO, the AF of L and the RR Brotherhoods into one union is necessary at this time, but we certainly do have to recognize each other as labor organizations having the same general aims and work together in every possible way to protect ourselves against this attack which is being made against all labor."

The army and navy are trying to get U. S. university jobs for the Nazi scientists who developed V-1 and V-2 bombs. Some of them were brought over here some time ago by the war department.

When they leave the army labs at Dayton and go to work educating American youth, we suggest their paychecks be sent to widows and children of the worker families whose men were killed in the V-bomb attacks on England.

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For all the subjects of discussion which are injected into our life, perhaps one of the most important is the subject of communism. The "red menace" has been upon us 'til some people have mesmerized themselves into the belief that menace actually threatens our country and our lives to-

do not believe it. As our nation stands today communism or other ism has about the same value to America as a lone flea on a bulldog. A minor irritation, no more!

However, it can become a very real threat to our way of life—very great danger, and in this

the American workingman is, must admit, the best paid, best fed, best dressed and best educated man of his class in the world. But despite all this, he is the most gullible man of his class in the world. His class is a class that when struck by mass advertising grasps at any panacea which gives promise, truly or falsely, of lifting him out from the mass into which he has been thrust. This has been proven beyond all doubt and will likely be proven again and again.

is the most powerful physical force in our country—he is

ive him a decent standard of living, a fair share of the profits that which he produces and do not try to deprive him of his freedom as guaranteed under the situation, and he is not and will be susceptible to the whisperings and beckoning of any foreign ism.

like his freedom away from the state with police clubs, and he is a different man. A man in his righteous wrath, and willing to follow any man who can convince him that lies the road to freedom. Communists are very persuasive

and yet the very people who do not lose the most, should demand or civil tumult change nation from a healthy democracy to a soviet state are the least concerned about the shadow on the wall of time.

majority in Congress, with "labor" legislation, and comrades-in-arms, the big trialists, are doing more to communism in America than Browder.

ey who should, if only in self defense, be leading their poorer brother to a deeper respect for decency and to a fuller, more honest life, are, instead, by their contempt and oppression, leading him into the slough where dependency, class hatred, and ruin.

have had great leaders in our history. From Lincoln to Roosevelt, Debs to Murray, our march has been ever upward. Now as we see the apex we are to be hurled down one hundred years to begin again under a different type of leadership?

member what Mazzini said to

Little Helpers!

TROIT — (FP) — The Nat. of Manufacturers has joined in a procession of parties intervening in the Mt. Clemens Pottery overtime-pay case. In federal court Jan. 9 the NAM asked permission to file a brief. The government has done the same. The CIO is about to do so. Picard is expected to rule in a month how much each pottery worker is entitled to pay and penalties for time under company control that is paid for under the wage-at.

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his band of ragged followers?

"I would not lead you into the promised land if I could, because if I could lead you in, someone else could lead you out again."

The men Mazzini spoke to may have dressed different and spoke another tongue, but he and the American worker are still the same man, the common man who loves his freedom and will fight for it under any leader, and the devil take the hindmost. And the hindmost in this case would be the very men who today are fighting for the protection of their own vast wealth and by their very action hastening the day when they can lose it all and perhaps their lives as well. I refer to the capital part of the capitalist system.

Better leave well enough alone, gentlemen!

—Don Carey

Brewery Union Mapping Fight Against "Drys"

An all-out drive against prohibition forces is being mapped by the Brewery Workers Union, CIO, in which that organization will have the support of the CIO national office and affiliated CIO organizations.

The 1946 convention of the CIO unanimously adopted a resolution declaring "that this Eighth Convention of the Congress of Industrial Organizations go on record as being unalterably opposed to the enactment of any and all prohibition laws, Local, State or National" and instructing "the National, Regional, State and Local officials of the Congress of Industrial Organizations . . . to aid the International Union of United Brewery, Flour, Cereal, Soft Drink and Distillery Workers of America in their fight against the return or spread of Prohibition."

As part of its plan to fight the Dry movement, the Brewery Workers Union CIO has elected Joseph E. Brady of Detroit to the new office of Co-ordinator of State Councils, to unify and co-ordinate the work being done by the various State Councils of Brewery Workers in this field.

Brady expects to get in personal touch with CIO state and local officials for the purpose of enlisting their cooperation in the anti-prohibition drive. Victories for the prohibitionists mean loss of employment and earnings for workers in the alcoholic beverage industries, as well as industries which supply equipment and material used in the manufacture or distribution of alcoholic beverages.

This is one of the many important points Brady will bring to the attention of CIO officials and members, to convince them that much more than the question of personal liberty is involved in the prohibition issue, and that prohibition is, in fact, a threat to the economic welfare of every member of the CIO.

They let Richard Reading, the crooked Detroit mayor, out of jail and now they talk of shoving the highschool rebs in there instead. And no parole for them!

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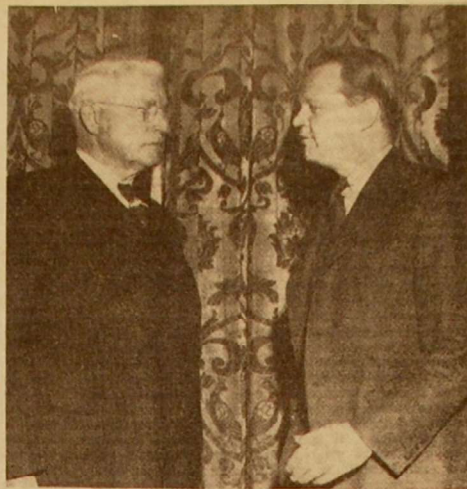
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U. S. Coast Guard Recruiting Drive Backed by Mayor

Mayor Frank Migan paid tribute to the record of the U. S. Coast Guard in a recent statement and commended the present recruiting drive of that unit to the thoughtful consideration of the young men of East Chicago. He said:

"The coast guard is engaged in an intensive emergency recruiting campaign, which will continue through February in East Chicago and the nation. The commandant of the guard has requested the assistance of state and city governments in this campaign."

"Some of the brightest pages in the military history of our republic have been written by the men of the coast guard. Besides its tasks, which include search and rescue, weather patrol, and aids to navigation, the guard has numerous other responsibilities. It needs additional manpower to maintain these vital facilities."

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Joe Lien

1720 at Standard Forge

An educational conference was held at Philip Murray Hall, Gary, on Feb. 9. Local 1720 was well represented at the conference.

The Nathan report of which you have heard and read so much, was illustrated in pictures and thoroughly explained to those who attended. 1720's delegates reported themselves as greatly impressed by the illustrations and report.

Prominent members of the Indiana legislature appeared on the program, speaking on a number of bills that are up for passage. It was plain to be seen that the minority party now in power is running things to its own liking. Unless those of us who are union men and women are alert to that fact they will continue to do so. Attend your local union meetings regularly, members, and let your officers know what kind of legislation you would like to have put into effect. We as officers can then act accordingly, urging those we placed our confidence in and voted for at election time to stand firm in their demands that proper legislation be enacted and put into effect to benefit the common man and woman instead of just those big wigs who are called industrialists.

These are things that have to be done NOW, while the state legislature is in session. Otherwise it will be too late for your opinion to have any effect. You and I know that bills are being railroaded through our national congress and state assembly, that would outlaw the union shop and union security. That, my friends, must not be allowed to happen. You and only you can keep this from becoming a fact by attending your meetings and voicing your opinions.

On Saturday, Feb. 8, Bro. Steve Servil had the misfortune to fall and injure one ankle. At this writing Steve is confined to St. Catherine's hospital. Steve is crane-man on No. 12 crane. We hope to see you out and back to work again soon, Steve.

Highlight of the last Lake County Industrial Union Council meeting was the appointment of various committees. Local 1720 gained representation on the committees as follows: Bro. Joseph Elias, trustee, budget committee; Bro. Lloyd Burton, co-op committee; Bro. Stanley Lewandowski, transportation committee.

Juveniles are not responsible for all acts of vandalism.

Some time between the 3rd shift Friday, Feb. 7, and Sunday morning, Feb. 9, someone passed his time in the wash rooms by cutting two roller towels and making off with parts of both. Towels

were placed in the washroom for the convenience of the employees by the Standard Forge Corp., with no cost to the workers.

We feel that any decent man with respect for the rights of others would appreciate this service and, instead of destroying the accommodations put there for his convenience, would help protect them.

Soap for the face which was once supplied us by the company has now been taken away because of its misuse by a few who are ignorant.

Bathroom and face towels were given to each and every employee to use, but they, too, were taken from us because of misuse. We have had to warn our membership about carelessness on the shelves and throwing them in the foot baths.

We do mean to work with the company in maintaining these conveniences and anyone caught destroying anything that is put in to accommodate the workers will be dealt with accordingly both by union and management.

Signed,

Harold Earle, chairman, 1720
Joe Lien, vice chairman, 1720

Bro. Carl Moberg says, "Many a gal will yell when seeing a mouse, but thinks nothing of getting in a car with a wolf." Nuff said, Carl.

At long last, the Home of Opportunity for wayward boys will become a reality. The home will open on or about March 1, 1947.

The writer of this column had a nice letter from the Rev. Michael A. Campagna, founder and director of the home. The project has a tract of land near Schererville, Ind., with buildings already on it suitable for the purpose.

We have just received the sad news that Mrs. Herman Grundholm passed away to the great be-

yond while vacationing in Sweden. Mr. Grundholm is an oldtime employee of the Standard Forge. Local 1720 extends its heartfelt sympathy to all those surviving.

Bro. Bill Carlson from department 38 has undergone a very serious operation. At this writing he is getting along very nicely. As many as possible to you boys who know Bill should call and see him. Good luck, Bill, and may your many friends see you up and about again in the very near future.

A great many people do not know the meaning of the word "scab" as it is used by unionists. On numerous occasions we have heard the word discussed and also have read various definitions of same. Here is one coming from some source we cannot identify:

"A scab is to his trade what a traitor is to his country, and though both may be useful in troublesome times, they are detested by all when peace returns; so, when help is needed, a scab is the last to contribute assistance and the first to grab a benefit he never labored to procure. He cares only for himself. He sees not beyond the extent of a day and for a momentary approbation he would betray his friends, his family and his country. In short, he is a traitor on a small scale, who first sells his journeyman and is afterwards sold, in his turn, by his employer, until at last he is despised by both and detested by all. He is an enemy to himself; to the present age and to posterity."

Do not forget our new meeting quarters, Broadway and Grand boulevard, in Indiana Harbor. Local 1720 meets the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 7:30 p.m. Let's as many as can attend these meetings.

Now a last word.

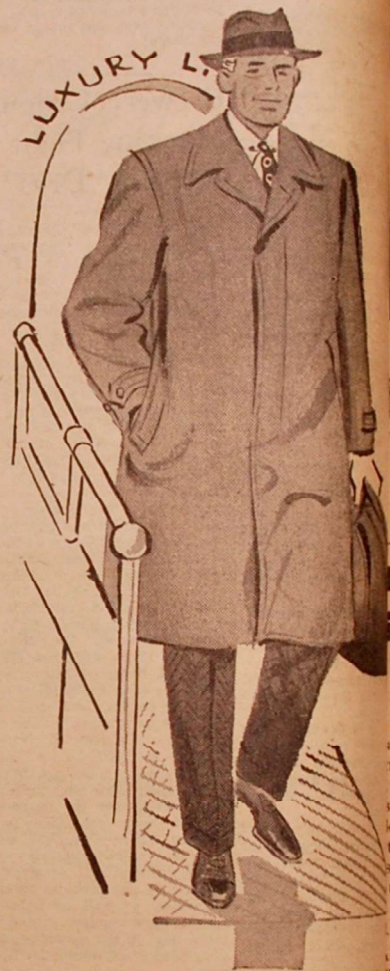
To union men and women: If we don't care who governs us, we may find ourselves governed by those who don't care about us.

John J. McShane, chairman of the 1947 Red Cross Campaign has chosen committee chairmen for the drive which will be held in March.

Committee chairmen are as follows:

Industries: E. J. Carlson, J. W. McAtee, and M. H. H.
Organizations: E. B. Bell
Schools: Miss Agnes Winters
Publicity: Miss Margaret Mulligan
City, County, State and Federal Employees: George Dunbar
Residential: Mrs. S. D. Robinson and Mrs. Eli
Business & Professional: Ed. Higgins and Aaron Warshaw

Chairmen are making plans for the opening of the campaign on March 1st. East Chicago's quota is \$27,510.00. National quota is set at \$60,000,000.00.



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State Assembly Raises Licenses and Cigarettes But Cuts Layoff Pay

Laws which open a broad avenue to overriding labor's right to strike, raise auto licenses and cigarettes 3c a pack, and which may easily stifle unemployment compensation were maneuvered through Indiana's legislature in the closing week of 1947 session.

Hampered by the largest labor delegation ever to crowd the corners and galleries of Indiana's state building, big business' "McCarthy's", who dominated over both the State Senate and the Assembly under the astute guidance of Governor Gates, were never blocked in their sleazy efforts to pass more than half of union-busting, soak-the-poor laws which bulged their brief cases the session began.

By outlawing strikes in public utilities, with penalties of from \$10 to \$2500 and/or six months in jail for violators, enactment of the Bill No. 392 is an encroachment upon the right of any and all American workers to strike. Passing of this measure purports to be adopted because such laws effect the public interest. The stage is set for more sweeping abridging the right to strike, from the nation's congress and the next session of the legislature.

Senator Charles Fleming, Hammond, during his inflammatory opposition to H. B. No. 392 charged that: "The only way that this bill has been written is by copy word for word and line by

line from Hitler's "Mein Kampf." The Senator from Hammond substantiated the charge by reading the exact passages from "Mein Kampf" to which he referred.

Reaction to pressure from a 700 man delegation of CIO members from all parts of the state, maintained at the Capitol throughout the final week, the Senate tabled a proposed law to legalize all picketing worthy of the name on Thursday, March 6th. Senate Bill No. 52, if it had passed, would have imposed heavy fines and jail sentences upon any picket who so much as spoke to a scab to restrain him from entering a struck plant.

Compensation Cut

Indiana's wage earners face looming unemployment with present compensation, \$20 weekly, sharply reduced or wiped out altogether by reason of Senate Bill No. 161 which also passed in this session. In order to slice taxes upon corporations 59%, compensation funds are reduced under this law's provisions from \$14,000,000 to \$5,000,000. If industrial depression re-occurs within the next two years, the drain upon these funds will exhaust them within a brief period.

Senators Fleming, Hammond, and Decker, Evansville, led the resistance made by the democratic minority and a small number of republicans against the avalanche of bills introduced during this session by the republican caucus to crush vestiges of the New Deal remaining in Indiana. Senator Makowski, Gary, also raised his voice repeatedly and voted consistently in the interests of his Calumet area constituents.

Contract Talks At Inland Reach Question of Pay

Wages and standards of work were the points at issue between local union 1010's contract committee and Inland's management at their latest meeting, Thursday, March 6th. Atmosphere for these negotiations was sweetened in no great degree by company's lockout of 1500 cold strip and tin mill employees and its arbitrary firing of a plant #1 assistant grievor during the same week.

Following the pattern established at previous meetings, company advanced proposals which the union committee could consider only at the cost of selling the local's membership out.

Details of each proposal made by management are too lengthy and complicated to explain in a few newspaper paragraphs. Section 5, Article VI (wages) is however, typical of what management is endeavoring to put across in other provisions which deal with bonus and incentive rates, basic job duties, and like concerns under the heading of wages. Section 5 reads:

"The right of the company to establish, determine, maintain and enforce standards of performance for all jobs is fully recognized. Continued failure of an employee to perform on the basis of (company, ed.) established standards shall be considered due cause for discipline unless the failure is due to cause beyond his control. The company shall not be required to retain in its employ any employee who refuses to meet established standards or who engages in any plan to control or limit the amount or speed of production."

Despite the tone of this and most of Inland's other proposals, the negotiating committee will continue meeting with management at intervals in an endeavor to arrive at mutually acceptable agreements before the contract expires on April 29th.

Nice Story, But—

Youngstown Barristers Weren't Bounced Over Clerks' Strike Clause

Two Dissenters Criticise Fine On Lewis and UMW

Justices Frank Murphy and Wiley Rutledge wrote vigorous dissents from the supreme court's opinion upholding the conviction of the United Mine Workers (AFL) and UMW Pres. John L. Lewis.

Murphy held that the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction act barred federal action in the case and that "a judicial disregard of what Congress has decreed may seem justified for the moment in view of the crisis which gave birth to this case. But such a disregard may ultimately have more disastrous and lasting effects upon the economy of the nation than any action of an aggressive labor leader in disobeying a void court order."

"The cause of orderly constitutional government is ill-served by misapplying the law as it is written, inadequate though it may be, to meet an emergency situation, especially where the misapplication permits punitive sanctions to be placed upon an individual or an organization."

Rutledge pointed out that the decision affirmed Lewis' fine but made it wholly a criminal penalty, while reducing the fine on the UMW, but making it a criminal one plus a contingent penalty of \$2,800,000 "said to be entirely for civil coercion although the strike was ended in December."

He also criticized his colleagues for not unscrambling "the coercive and criminal elements" and imposing "grossly excessive criminal penalties."

Wleklinski Announces Candidacy

First to Enter Race For Mayor, Will Run On GOP Ticket

At the insistence of a large number of East Chicago voters, Stanley Wleklinski today formally announced that he is a candidate for



STANLEY WLEKLINSKI

Wleklinski today formally announced that he is a candidate for (Continued on page 4)

By FRANCIS MALLOY

Looking out of their economic squirrel cage, some local unionists thought for one brief, blithe moment last week that they saw something funny. What they thought they saw—but very likely didn't—was Mr. Youngstown giving the Chicago law firm of Pope & Ballard the boot for something he doesn't like in the clerks' union contract.

And what Mr. Y. is supposed not to like is astounding, if not downright appalling—and, besides that, the awful truth! It's this, that of all the CIO unions here and there, big and little, Youngstown Sheet & Tube Local 3127 has the right to strike. It says so right there in their written agreement; and the legal chore on that important document had been entrusted to Pope & Ballard.

Now it comes out that P&B were not retained in the portal-to-portal suits, and have had no hand in the Local 1011 contract now being negotiated.

Parting of the Ways

The implication is, of course, that the company and its legal representatives came to a parting of the ways either because the former thought the latter had botched the job on the clerks' contract, or that the lawyers had developed and introduced on their own hook a dangerous idea without the poor, old, innocent company being aware of what was going on. The latter version draws up a further intriguing picture of Mr. Y. flim-flammed and furious, crying out in distress:

"O McGosh! O'Malley! How the hell, etc.!!!"

But all that is a little more than your reporter can take in one gulp. If Youngstown has switched brands of legal talent, it's a pretty safe bet the size of fees had more to do with it than anything else. Mr. Y. has ever shown himself touchy in the region of the pocketbook.

There Are Restrictions

As for the little, wonder strike-clause which has caused all this speculation, it's highly improbable that the company didn't know all about it all the time, may have been a little over-confident, or just didn't give a hoot.

Not that they ever would, you understand, but the clerks do not have the right to go on strike for just anything, or even for the pure hell of it. It has to be over failure to agree on what the company sets up for "rate range and job evaluation." For anything else it would be a sin. That, in effect, is what the contract says.

So far management has presented the clerks with nothing they could agree to or turn down. Not long ago, Howard Vezey, president of the local, and Cecil Clifton, international representative, made known to the company that the clerks were not at present of a mind to stir up a strike over the matter, that in lieu of making use of their right to walk out and because of their forbearance in not doing so, the company should at least set a date to which any agreement later to be made would be retroactive.

It did—April 1, 1947.

Fights Pay Secrecy

And now Vezey is appealing to the members of his local to reveal their present rate and title, has sent out forms for them to fill. He has pointed out that the information sought will be great help in changing wages and

(Continued on Page 3)

Famed Chorus Singing Here Next Tuesday

Rwy. Union Demanding Rule Changes

The Music Department of Roosevelt High School will present the General Platoff Don Cossack Chorus in one performance on March 18, headed by its brilliant leader Nicholas Kostukoff. The Chorus is touring across the country in another of its victorious advances.

The 27 members of the General Platoff Don Cossack Chorus, are appearing in this concert. The Chorus was organized in Prague, 1926. Official founding took place under the high patronage of the President of Czech-Slovakia.

Since 1926 the Don Cossack's have given over 4,500 concerts throughout the world. Making their debut in 1926 at Vienna, in 1939 in the United States at the San Francisco World's Fair and in 1940 in New York at Carnegie Hall.

Their repertoire covers the field of Russian Song—the beautiful liturgical Music of the Russian Orthodox Church, the exquisite haunting folk Melodies, and the wild Cossack Songs which are filled with exciting mixtures of shouts and whistling.

The Leaginka—the spectacle of a dancer juggling 12 knives from forehead, shoulders, and clenched teeth is startling enough to hold any audience breathless; while in the final Kozatchok, a dozen of the men join in the dance, each vying with the other in spectacular leaps and whirls while the rest of the Chorus eggs them on with shouting and clapping.

The Chorus is named after a famous Cossack general of a century ago, who played a hero's role in routing Napoleon in his march on Moscow. The men come from the region bordering on the river Don which flows through western Russia down to the Sea of Azov. They were the finest soldiers of Imperial Russia, and at the time of World War I counted some two million in the Czar's armies. They are skilled horsemen—lusty, self-sufficient, daring, and brave.

It takes a Chorus such as the famous General Plato Don Cossacks to give full flavor to the various war songs that have recently come out of Russia, such as Lev Knipper's "Meadowland", Bogoslovsky's "Beloved City", and "Borodino", a Russian Cavalry Song, all new Soviet soldier songs that only the true soldier knows how to sing.

Tickets for the concert may be purchased at the Roosevelt High School office and several stores throughout East Chicago and Indiana Harbor. Seats are reserved by sections and priced at \$.60, \$1.20 and \$1.80.

If brains were britches, says Billy the barkeep, a lot of people would be arrested for indecent exposure.

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Cleveland — (FP) — The work rules program which two railroad brotherhoods were forced to postpone for one year after Pres. Truman broke their strike last May will be renewed this spring by all five operating unions on a united basis.

Announcement of the joint action on a militant rules program was made by Pres. A. F. Whitney of the Bro. of Railroad Trainmen (unaffiliated) after he met here for three days with representatives of the Bro. of Locomotive Engineers, the Bro. of Locomotive Firemen & Enginemen, the Order of Railway Conductors (all unaffiliated) and the Switchmen's Union (AFL).

The campaign for long overdue rules changes will move forward as fast as possible and will embody the improvements sought in the previous movement which began July 24, 1946, Whitney said. The 1-year moratorium was imposed on Whitney's union and the BLE by Truman after their 48-hour nationwide strike for immediate changes in the working conditions was lost. The three other unions had voluntarily agreed to postpone their rules demands.

Formal notice will be served on the three Carriers Conference Committees not later than May 26 and will be signed by the chief executives of all five unions. "Cleveland meeting, which Whitney described as thoroughly harmonious, unanimously adopted a report that called for 'joint and concerted action, prosecuting to a final conclusion the rules demands submitted to the carriers July 24, 1945.'"

Republican leaders, pausing to look forward to next year's elections, are beginning to wonder about the promises they made to wreck unions, cripple federal bureaus and spit in the world's eyes. They've reached the same point as the man who wondered if it was really worthwhile after all, going to the gallows just for the pleasure of murdering his mother-in-law.

American unions can't decide whether to fight the union busters together or separately, the papers report. Same trouble the American Indians had.

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Ink—but No Elephants

YS&T Scribe Revisits Old Haunts; And What He Sees There—Oh Dear!

By FRANCIS MALLOY

Not so long ago, while snooping out for some lively bits of this that to brighten this drab page, I blundered rather unexpectedly to the grim and hollow confines of the old "Kremlin" where, I have been assured, solitary Inland sits and sulks with naught but mealy hundred thousand bucks to soothe her in her loneliness, and while all unaware of the somewhat questionable joy of being in a clear up to the—well, clear

Now, it may have been due to a delicate state of our health—had just been administered a dose of shots of frolic acid (with a) by ol' Doc Jasper J. Jitterisk at the Auditorium Bar & nic—or it may have been any old thing you might care to mention, but the fact remains we're totally unprepared for the path-taking beauty that burst in on us beyond those ugly portals Michigan avenue—beauty magnificently born anew, with a rich play of light and shadow caught and in a great expanse of Galway in, it looked like to us, though may have been just ordinary missance spot agate.

Strange Welcome

For a confused moment we stood in rapt contemplation of what we could see of this—this odd piece in pastel. Then suddenly, a hoarse whisper of warm-pierced the silence on the steep away above:

"Past! The past!" a pair of nylon knees, etc., skidded across the second floor; high heels clicked hurrying back into the hall. Somebody teddy chattered a half-stifled thing about "a spy man over a chair."

Well, well!" he gargled, "I'll go-to-hell!"

Now you've probably guessed had it not been in answer to call of duty we would never, er any circumstances, have had a return visit to these once surroundings. We had, and from authoritative eyes, that Local 1010 planned.

To do its bit toward the preservation of wild life in Indiana by setting up a third-floor—for the sinful distribution of drinks, we are reluctant to—and,

To manufacture a patented chicken gizzard stuffed soft gouper feathers and manted to aid in breaking in teeth during their first 500

Lots of Lucie

had come to our ears a nor-

did story to the effect that the old union hall had been stacked with huge bales of vulgar one-dollar bills, and that the people from the bank had established a picket line. Besides, there was the matter of investigating persistent rumors of strange goings-on only the night before when the local had voted definitely that it wanted to be alone—for a year, anyhow. This last we would scorn to mention were it not for the tepid treatment it received later in the public prints.

And so, as fast as our old half-soles could make it, we lumbered lightly up the stairs and, without so much as a polite "be damned to you, sir," passed up Mister McGilvery and burst unannounced into the meeting hall. You'd hardly know the ancient joint, now a lofty limbo for liquid assets and lately done over—like some tired old radical—in pale pink. In somewhat gay mood along the walls the panels were in lollipop lavender, but we sighed to note that in all this display of subdued splendor there were no flights of cherubs with fat backsides.

Away With the Dirt!

In the center of the hall two strapping guys sweat at sweeping up the previous night's debris of battle: assorted brass knuckles, broken dentures, cigarette butts, and several detachable coat sleeves. Off to one side, like a star on a movie lot, stood Vicky, Inland's beautiful and talented secretary, alone and aloof.

"Well," she said defiantly, "don't look at me. I didn't do it. But it's murder!"

"Huh?" we said, "What is?"

"The colors," with a weary wave of a dainty hand at the pinkish panorama. "I didn't pick 'em. The men did it. And it's murder—"

"Hey!" we hollered, "that's it! Murder! (And a bloody shame!) Now you looky here, sis, something mighty suspicious has transpired within these hallowed walls. Where are the bodies? Where's the district attorney? Where's—"

She wheeled angrily. "See how he does?" she blazed at no one in particular. "Just hangs around waiting for somebody to say some-

thing. Then twists it into something—or something!"

McGilvery closed in like a body of men. "Brother," he said evenly "may I call you brother? Some-buddy has been filling you full of—or should I say, you've got this all mixed up. We just had a little get-together up here, practically informal, to talk over contract and stuff. Well, what with one thing and another, the boys took a little vote in favor of culture and sol-ture and things like that there. Ain't that about it, Nick?" he called to some character named Migas.

"Yes mam," agreed Migas. Then with reluctant cordiality, "Perhaps we should assist the brother to the street."

Almost before we knew it we had shaken the dust of this mansion of mystery from our feet and left Inland to do its own delving into the labyrinth of monetary science, to determine the fate of the common man in the same old cock-pit with a different color scheme.

Hey, who said that?

Pass the Hymn Books

Not having that "innocence of mind" which goes with a pocketful of bucks, we find ourselves muddled, broke and hard put this week in dealing with new puzzles on the economic scene.

Youngstown Local 1011, we are officially informed, has discontinued subscribing to the Labor paper. In a spirit of retrenchment, we presume. Farm and food prices are still climbing—pork, butter and other articles that are really none of your business anymore.

And yet, or so they say, certain chain stores somewhere or other have started cutting cigarette prices. Ball point pens are dirt cheap. And out in Seattle, we read with some astonishment, increased amateur and free lance activity has forced down fees in the better brothels from \$10 to \$3.

The brightest picture, however, is presented in the patent medicine ads. They still "Can't Keep Grandma in Her Chair" and at last reports she's "Shopping Cash and Carry" again, though where she gets the dough to indulge such energy is not explained.

Still, as a sample of good old American sanity, there has been nothing better to gladden a worried nation than reports from Massachusetts that its state legislature, which lately refused to place a ban on BB guns, last week went a step further and defeated a move to outlaw pea shooters.

Sing, brothers, sing!

Be a Capitalist

HOW to stop the Reds: The economic way, Msgr. Fulton J.

Sheen is quoted as saying, is to "make capitalists out of workers." The disillusioned and the frustrated may line up (on the right, of course) for a swift transformation.

AS far as your correspondent is concerned, he seems a little farther away this year than ever from being a capitalist. Frequent admonitions that only a week remains "to file your income tax" invited a comparison of figures. We found that our 1946 pay total was less than the 1945 gross by more than \$400. An inquiry in our department at the plant revealed nothing unusual in that.

White Hands?

AND now, we see in a contemporary labor paper that the Teamster's Union (AFL) is still having trouble on the Pacific coast with the notorious anti-labor firm of Jergens Company which manufactures a hand lotion and sponsors Waltah Winchell on the radio. Employees of the company's Burbank plant have been on strike since February, 1946. West Coast unionists have placed the firm on the unfair list, are conducting a consumer boycott on Jergens Lotion, Woodbury Soap and other of the company's products.

We took a one-man poll in the 46-inch Bloomer—just to see.

Asked if Jergens was what made his pinkies so purty, Big Mike Zuzich said: "Naaa!"

Said Greasy Mike Rosinski: "I'druther have garlic."

And Juan (Murphy) Lopez

Women to Stay on Shifts

Women on shift work in Indiana plants will not be prevented by law from holding their jobs. Senate bill No. 240, which amends the law prohibiting women's employment between 10 PM and 6 AM, enables female workers to be employed around the clock. It was passed the week of March 3rd.

Lawyers Got Gentle Boot

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titles later. All rates, he pointed out, will be revealed anyhow, so the quicker it is all brought out in the open, the quicker and better able the union will be to get at the job of eliminating intra-unit inequities.

"We've got to defeat this secrecy on pay," Vezey declared. "It has never served to do anything but keep low the salaries of those who were ashamed to reveal how little the company paid them, whereas it's the company that should blush for failing to give some employees their rightful hire."

"Eet sténkens!"

So, unlike the movie stars, millwrights voted 7 to 0 that they don't give a damn for the stuff.

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S 55 Taft-Smith-Ball bill S 105 (anti-union security) S 133 (anti-bargaining bill) S 360 (Wagner Act amendments)	Bills would weaken unions, prohibit union security, industry-wide bargaining, curb strike rights, strengthen employers vs. unions.	Wire Senators to defeat all bills to cripple union rights.
Buck rent control bill	Ups rent ceilings 10%, ends effective enforcement by OPA.	Wire Senators to defeat weakening of rent control.
S 528 Wagner-Murray Rent Control Bill	Demands OPA return \$9 million. Would destroy effective rent control.	Write, wire all Senators to oppose, demand additional funds.
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HR 725 Case Bill	Revises Wagner Act, permits U. S. to get injunctions vs. unions, permits states to bar union security, etc.	Write your Congressmen for defeat of this and other versions of same bill.
HR 17, 34, 68, 75, 76 Anti-strike bills.	Proposed by five GOP Congressmen. Gives Pres. power to break strikes, compel arbitration.	Demand defeat as dangerous to national welfare.
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SPORTS STUFF

By Joe De Rosa

Coach Johnnie Baratto of Washington High School Basketball team can look forward to better basketball right along in his underclassmen.

Coach George Kendall brought his freshman basketball squad through an undefeated season and these young prospects under the expert tutelage of Coach Kendall have all the requirements needed to make Washington High school a cage power for years to come.

A candidate for the first base job on the Chicago White Sox team is none other than Jack Tree, son of Leonard Tree, president of the Calumet Industrial Baseball League. Tree made the trek out to California with the Chicago American League club and is participating now in intra-squad games before playing in exhibition games. In his first game he went hitless in four trips to the plate. Tree formerly played at Catholic Central HI; played with Washington American Legion state champs; starred for Notre Dame under Jake Kline.

There is a rumor afloat that had Coach Pete Rucinski successful in landing that head football coach job at Purdue. He would have picked as his assistants his line coach at Roosevelt HI, Ernie Miller, and George Kendall, freshman football coach at Washington HI. Coach Kendall had charge

of the 1945 Washington football team after being given only a week's notice to take the team over, and he had a highly successful season, almost stopping Roosevelt's undefeated state champs. His team led the Riders 6-0 at the half.

Subdistrict 2 of the United Steelworkers has elected Joe Jencake to head a sports program in this area, and the first sports event to be sponsored will be a baseball club. A schedule is being lined up to play big league opposition. Also, it might be possible that this region will again see night baseball.

Tickets are now on sale for another card of sparkling boxing bouts to be sponsored by steelworkers' local 1010 at Inland steel. The bouts will be held April 25, 7:30 p.m. at Hammond Civic Center, and the card will be announced in the near future.

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Joe Lien

1720 at Standard For

Greetings!
Again we will bring to you readers our little bit of philosophy and news.

Red Williams is out from the hospital and up and about again.

Lloyd Burton from the inspection department and chairman of the grievance committee of local 1720 has resigned his duties at the Standard Forge. Lloyd is now an employee of Carnegie Illinois Steel Corp., Gary Works. Brother Joe Meyers has been appointed to succeed Lloyd. We feel sure that Brother Meyers will serve all members of the local union to the very best of his ability, so give

Wleklinski In Mayor Race

(Continued from page 1)

the office of Mayor on the Republican ticket.

A native son of East Chicago, Wleklinski is widely regarded as a successful business man, best known for his accomplishments as an executive officer of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of East Chicago, which has grown from a modest beginning to one of the strongest institutions of its kind in Indiana.

Born in East Chicago 51 years ago, he was educated in local schools, later taking courses in business administration at St. Joseph's Institute in Techny, Illinois, and at the American Savings and Loan Institute of Chicago.

He entered the real estate and insurance business after he returned from service in the United States Army during World War I, and together with his brother, Joseph C. Wleklinski, former City Treasurer, has been associated in that business and the savings and loan business successfully since 1922. "Stan," as he is known to his friends, is a member of the American Legion, Post No. 78, and served the Post as its commander. He is also affiliated with many civic organizations of the city.

A home owner and taxpayer for the past 25 years, Stanley is married and lives with his wife and three children at 1804 E. 142nd street, East Chicago, Indiana. He served the Republican party as treasurer and secretary of the County Central Committee, and during the 1944 campaign, was a candidate for County Treasurer and District Chairman of the Veterans' organization.

Wleklinski said, in declaring his candidacy, that he "is not affiliated with any clique or organization, nor is he the candidate of any group or machine, which would deter me from serving the best interests of all the people of East Chicago, regardless of race, color or creed." His qualification, experience and ability make him an outstanding choice for the office of Mayor.

(Political Ad.)

him all your support. And good luck to you, Lloyd, in your new venture.

New cooperative stores will soon be a reality within the Calumet district. Attend your local union meetings to get information on this subject.

Brother Kenneth Ellis is back on the job again after an absence of over two and a half months. Glad to see your homely face around again, Ken.

As of Wednesday, March 5, while reading the "Voice of the People" in the Hammond Times, we came across an article on machine politics, written by someone who signed himself, "A Vet."

Machine politics should be blasted. We have vets who are able and capable of handling most administrative jobs. Register now, and above all, vote when elections come around. That, my friends, is the only way machine politics can be blasted. Pick the vet of your choosing, ask him to make a race for some administrative job. When he accepts, go to the polls and vote. You will then have accomplished your purpose.

Stanley Lewandowski says, "The Best Seller of the Year is

"Modern Pipe Fitting Sinko."

U. S. President just completed a visit public of Mexico. We to know that our friendly people and of making friends with all of the people on. Since the reign of Preman, in Mexico, been crushed. Mexico was dominated by a trigue. What can be done can be done by President Aleman can in the U. S. A., too, ca

One of our local girls backed down the aisle, why she did so, replied "I heard someone saying to grab her seat gets up."

Brother Bill Carlson fined to St. Catherine at this writing. He along very nicely and out and at home this end. Bravo, Bill.

A last word. Don't marry a girl looks sensible, because, girl has more sense than sensible.

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1010 AT INLAND STEEL

From A
Mousehole

Anyone who may have gotten the impression, because of the many issues, that 1010ers aren't needed, can dismiss the thought. . . . Just "family quarrel" doesn't make it a T. It just proved wrong again! The "UNITED" stood directly when Hugh McGilvery, assistant Griever of the Mechanical Department was dramatically removed last week, that Inland Department found him highly disconcerted. The word traveled FAST and support FASTER—and in progress of the case is left, right, or in. . . . Who said we weren't in it together? Persons who over the "family quarrel" borrow the MOUSE HOLE—aren't either!

Watch for a new door on the west door, too—try not to walk at the place when it's changed.

Did you say something of picture last time? Well, there's nothing wrong with this one. Good group of Porto-Ricans out of the Lincoln forming a well known position for a "send picture. Gets complicated each has to stand in such a way that ALL the CIO buttons are plainly. Did you ever talk of the Porto-Ricans? If you work with them and have a minutes to while away, visit them. Their stories and problems will leave you with much to think about.

Isn't very often see Nick Migas (he's hardened by all attention he gets in the city papers). But when he covered the eyes of a gal and asked "WHY WHO" only to find out they were complete strangers to her that "surprised look" was all over. Interested observers tried to be helpful in this situation. "Nick," one of them explained, "always does that to the gals around here and then he gets out of it."

Wednesday, March 5, 1947, is the day which showed organization's strength better than a delegation of 1010ers went to lobby—KILL THE LABOR LEGISLATION. Who went and those who telephoned were compensated for the same bills were dropped others have a good chance of it.

Mr. Abrams met everyone (Continued on page 7)

Men Collect Due—14 G's On Grievance

James lingered into March for flying shear crews, all black plate division. On March 7th, they collected the balance of \$14,000, the settlement by them in a grievance case dated on October 16, 1946.

Flying shear crew men received the bulk of the first installment to their regular pay at Christmas. Highest \$400 awarded to an individual for a shear crew. Approximately 150 more men of the department also received less than \$20 each at the time as their share of the settlement.

Party, scheduled for Friday March 7th, to celebrate the was thrown out of gear by the officer's neglect in failing to pay out the back pay checks given out with regular pay to whom they were due. Although the extra payment was made on Friday afternoon, it was late for plans for the social to be carried out. The party will be held in local union headquarters at an early date.

Rigger Griever Fired, Union Charges Company Violated Contract Rule

Whether or not Inland steel can require their employees to work overtime and on unscheduled shifts, with discipline including discharge as a penalty for refusal, came sharply to a head Wednesday, March 5th, with the firing of an assistant griever in the mechanical department.

Hugh McGilvery, the assistant griever, was fired on the spot by James Helm, assistant superintendent of industrial relations, for assuring a group of riggers that they were not required either by contract or departmental agreement to continue working after their scheduled eight-hour shift had finished.

Sticking to the slogan, "No agreement, no overtime," neither riggers nor field boilermakers have worked a minute over their scheduled eight hours since their union representative was discharged. On Thursday, March 6th, a ladle crane in No. 2 open hearth was left idle for 16 hours with a hundred rivets yet undriven on a repair job uncompleted at the quitting time. The crane, festooned with scaffolds, was confined merely to moving out of the other ladle cranes' way all night.

Underlying McGilvery's firing, however, there are a number of currents. For some months, mechanical department supervision has shaved maintenance costs by retaining riggers and field boilermakers for brief periods instead of scheduling men for full shifts or enlarging the gangs sufficiently to take care of the work in hand.

On Wednesday, February 26th, the men of these mechanical divisions unanimously agreed to insist upon a minimum of overtime as a concession from the company in return for the sacrifice of otherwise free time. Rollie Myers, assistant superintendent of the department, was duly notified of

the decision and he and the assistant griever agreed upon a five day period for his disposition of it before the decision was made effective. He turned it down with no indication that it was a matter to be considered by management.

Despite the fact that no company spokesman dares assert that overtime is anything but voluntary, McGilvery was fired upon the alleged grounds that he had interfered with company operations. Six employees of the 46" bloomer also have been given reprimands, with a threat of discharge for recurrent "offenses," over this issue. Pete Calacci, griever for that department, is fighting a grievance upon the issue over which McGilvery was unceremoniously thrown out of the plant.

McGilvery's firing in violation of contract relationships was confirmed Monday morning, March 10th, following an alleged hearing held in assistant superintendent Luellen's office on Thursday, March 6th. The case now goes into the fourth or international union representative's step after which, it is expected, it will be referred for arbitration.

Union Charges Lockout of 1,500 Inland Workers

Inland's management was charged in a grievance file Tuesday, March 4th, with locking out 1,500 cold strip and tin mill employees during the week of March 3rd. Rather than arrange schedules to permit normal operations of those departments, management chose to impose five consecutive days' discipline against all the cranimen of one shift on Monday, March 3rd.

After duly notifying their respective department heads of their intended absence during the morning hours of Monday, cranimen scheduled on the 8-4 shift assembled in union headquarters to discuss a long standing grievance concerning incentive pay which they feel is due them.

Although the cranimen signified their willingness to return to their jobs Monday noon, Assistant Superintendent Luellen ruled that their suspension began immediately.

Stick Together
Alleging that they were also concerned in the dispute, cranimen on the 4-12 and 12-8 turns declined to man the crane controls while the day shift was forced into idleness.

The original grievance, which had been simmering for several months with no indication that management meant to consider an equitable settlement of it, is for an incentive for the cold strip and tin mill cranimen. Under the existing set up, cranimen receive no incentive or bonus. They are, despite that, actually a part of the same operations for which these rates are paid.

Reports in the local, commercial press that the cranimen were striking and had refused settlement offers amounting to 20c an hour increase are without basis.

Neither the cranimen nor any other employees idled by suspended operations were striking; they were willing to return to their jobs at any time they were permitted by management.

In negotiations on the rate, which proceeded during the week, management's best offer was 7½c for the top bracket cranimen and graded sharply downward.

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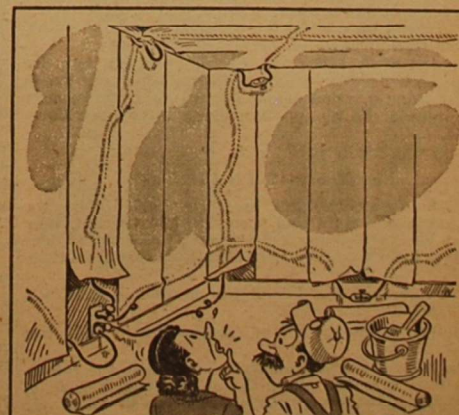
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"Pacemaker for Production"

It is to be regretted that the grade of paper selected by the American Iron and Steel Institute's propaganda bureau for "Steel—Pacemaker for Peacetime" is too stiff to permit that hymn to the company being put to its proper use.

Such slick arguments as the one headed "Wages? Highest in History" lose some of their simonizing in contact with the roughness of actual circumstance as steel workers know them. Forced to choose between sinking into debt and undernourishing their kids, those who depend upon the "The Highest Wages in History" may conclude that the figures, have, somehow, been finagled.

They have been.

On that page of "Steel—Pacemaker for Peacetime", carefully selected statistics are offered as proof that workers' average weekly income has advanced 63.8% since 1939. Cost of living, these statistics seem to bear out, limped along to a point only 44.5% higher in the third quarter of 1946 than they were in the same months of 1939. Try that one on the missis. Or maybe you'd better not; she might not be in the mood for kidding.

This trick is done with the aid of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, a federal agency which steel operators found very co-operative in tying wages down to the "Little Steel Formula" during the war while profits went wilder than a spilled heat. B.L.S. figures are based upon all consumers' goods. Most of these were under rigid price control and many of them were off the market at the time these statistics were taken. Food, chief item of working families' expenses, leaped, meanwhile, to a point 89.1% higher than late 1939. (Nathan report).

Good Intentions

The introduction to "Steel—Pacemaker for Peace" is about evenly divided between blaming existing short production on strikes and a statement of the mill owners' pious intentions.

The steel industry's aim, it alleges, is maximum production that: (1) Gives steel consumers all they need at the lowest possible price;

(2) Supports highest possible wage levels for workers, under good working conditions;

(3) Affords investors a fair, long-time return.

The American Iron and Steel Institute is crossing somebody up. And anybody can have 8 to 5 that it isn't the investors.

Between the 3rd and 4th quarters of 1945 and the same period of 1946, wages went up 9.9%. A price rise of 1.9% would have offset the wage increase. But actual prices on steel jumped 16.7%.

The cost of shoes for the baby is based on the price of steel. So is bus fare, a bottle of beer, a house to live in and everything else that people in our complicated society desire or need. So this profit hogging was passed down the line.

Guess who finally paid for it.

Nice Money—But Not for You

If Inland's stockholders aren't contended with the "fair, long-time return" on their 1946 investment, they ought to be. They wrung 128.6% more profit out of their workers in 1946 than they were able to squeeze from them in 1945.

Net income for the Inland Corporation in 1946 was \$15,556,897.

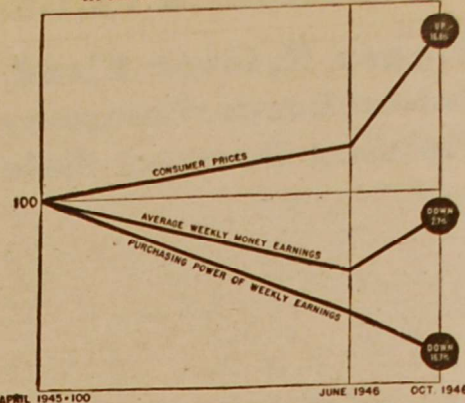
Net income for the Inland Corporation in 1945 was \$9,261,210.

Salaries of the Board members are among the considerable items over and above the acknowledged profit of \$15,556,897. The corporation has not seen fit to provide late data to the labor press, but a copy of the 1945 stockholders' report indicates that this year's crop of Inland's directors and major stockholders probably aren't working for peanuts either.

Joseph L. Block, then Director and Executive Vice President in charge of sales, managed to scrape along on a salary and bonus payments of \$60,000 a year. That's \$5,000 a month, \$1500 a week, or a fraction over \$214 a day.

Some of the other boys did a little better than that. Wilfred Sykes, Director and President, for example, re-

PRICES, WAGES, AND PURCHASING POWER in all manufacturing industries



Here is what has happened, since the war in Europe ended, to factory workers, as shown in reports of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor. The top line shows the trend of the Consumers Price Index, the middle line shows what happened to average weekly pay checks and the bottom line shows what happened to purchasing power. The bottom line balances "average weekly money earnings" against "consumer prices" as shown in the two top lines.

Labor Around The World



Mexico

A new national political party will be started within two months and will be functioning before the end of the year, Pres. Vicente Lombardo Toledano of the Latin American Federation of Labor revealed here. Toledano described the party as a national front designed to attract all progressives and estimated its preliminary membership at 250,000.

Australia

The slave system under which natives in western Australia must work was brought into sharp focus recently when a white man was convicted for having aided a native strike. The treatment of Australian aborigines, who have no political, civil or union rights, has led a group of labor and public leaders to appeal to the United Nations on their behalf.

The strike took place among native ranch workers, who earn less than \$2 a week and frequently work 14 to 16 hours a day. The white man, Donald McLeod, who aided the strike, was charged with having "enticed" aborigines from "lawful service" in violation of the western Australia native administration act.

This act makes it a criminal offense for a native to "absent, desert or quit" employment without the permission of his employer. Natives can be fined the equivalent of \$162 or sent to jail for six months for the first offense, \$324 or one year for the second, \$648 or two years for the third. Since the natives have no money, jail is the only alternative.

McLeod's defense was based on the argument that the native administration act is illegal because it violates the British

received \$80,000 for his exhausting efforts to keep ingots rolling through the mills.

On the other hand, others of the seventeen man board seem to have been snouted away from the deep end of the trough. Lowest salary on the list is that of James H. Morris, Director, Secretary, and Assistant Treasurer, who

skipped through 1945 on \$24,000.

What Inland's board of directors stands most in need of, apparently, is a strict seniority set up and a good grievance man.

Inland's contribution to maximum production during the week of March 3, 1946, consisted in locking out 1500 employees.

Peace? It's wonderful.

Especially if you live on steel mill dividends instead of

slavery abolition act of 1833, which applied to Australia. McLeod was sentenced to five months in jail or \$162 fine.

France

The French Cinema Technicians Union, which has already pledged support to locked-out AFL studio workers in Hollywood, reaffirmed its stand at its national convention here. The AFL members, united in the Conference of Studio Unions, have been locked out since last September.

A resolution passed by the convention said that French workers will continue to prevent dubbing of films produced by the nine American studios involved and will aid the AFL workers "by other most effective technical means." Convention delegates stressed in a floor discussion that they were not deluded by press attempts to portray the 10,000 AFL members as a small group of trouble-makers.

The union also adopted a program to defend the French film industry against the encroachment of American producers, who managed to swing a deal during negotiations for a French-American trade pact last July whereby French movie houses are obligated to show about six American pictures to one French.

The union proposed the following steps to the government: (1) encourage French production through a special premium on home-made films, (2) encourage export of French films to prewar markets in central Europe, Belgium, Canada and Latin America, (3) modernize technical equipment immediately, (4) reduce taxes on small movie houses but not through a general tax slash-

ing by which the big ones would be the principal benefit.

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What he forgot was that day's papers and counts of pigs selling at

est price on record, pork chops due in a

England

The Natl. Union of Workers is circulating a petition throughout rural seeking one million signatures against "dispossession" in such cottages, which dismissed he has to house. Using the threat workers will lose their many employers have stopped movements for or improved conditions.

Norway

Faced with government to ban two openly Nazi tions, the Norwegian Union has taken main own hands and forbidden bers to work on the

A resolution adopted union's executive ad stressed that the papers have been stopped long reason why no action takn so far is that expected that the authori ban the publication of the odicals.

The printers' action screaming protest about dom of the press" from newspapers but the press backed the stand.

Even the government of Social Democratic Arne lined up behind the ing editorially: "Social democratic Norwegians to spreading Nazi again? If the people democratic countries in more resolutely in the

tween the wars, many might have been avern

Similar action was taken by British printers fused to print the publi Sir Oswald Mosley, head of the British Union who was imprisoned in war for pro-Hitler activi

Japan

Strikes in key indust unlikely at least till national elections schet some time this spring. Labor News survey of labor opinion indicates.

Regardless of the American authorities, said that strikes by unions would not be Japanese union leaders that walkouts now would be unwist.

Some of the unions by the abortive general strike was set for Feb. 1 but vented by order of Gen. MacArthur, have ready promise agreements. The railroad dispute has been

Labor leaders emphasize, that many major press their demands by the short of a strike. Some enter a "state of struggle" means that the workers on their jobs but will occasionally and let the know they are not on

Speaking Briefly

Unions may be enisish to make some money—corporations pay as much to have an employe taken in a plant of 100. They could get the same tion from a good union hour session. But that the easy way, and, personnel man has to job look tough someho.

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MORE ABOUT 1010

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

(Meeting of Feb. 26, 1947)

First on the agenda were eleven grievances from the 76" slab yard finishing end. These grievances were failure of management to adhere to proper scheduling, provide adequate force, and their disciplining of one employee in a discriminatory manner. Lutes and Calacci severely criticized management on these issues. Although Mr. Luellen upheld one of his assistants in his rulings on these issues, he consented to review the cases.

In-plant Feeding

The grievance body plugged away again on this issue. The failure of Min-Dunn to provide food on all turns, the failure of management to issue lunch slips to some departments, the out-of-control prices on food, and the poor coffee still being served. The company agreed to pay the men who had not been provided with lunch slip 65c each. They also agreed to a committee of union and company representatives visiting local eating places for comparison of prices and quality of food being served outside and in the mill. The police car is to be used to transport lunches for employees unable to reach the canteen.

Woolen Clothing For Welders and Scarfers

Management evidently was having trouble clarifying a former promise made by Mr. Gillies on request. Mr. Gillies had, in broken promise, told the committee that the war ended and the type of clothing was no longer necessary, these workers could wear it. Mr. Luellen agreed to provide woolen shirts for these workers and the committee agreed.

Vacations

At the management meeting on first Tuesday of February, the company stated that no employees would be allowed to take money out of their vacation. At the meeting the company reversed its decision and stated that the employees could choose between pay and time off. Their claim of man power shortage, which has become apparent in the last thirty days, caused this reversal. The committee does not agree with this and believes that the use of the inconsistency of the former position with the action they now have taken on employees working overtime is the way they have done this. Let not forget that the principle of maintaining a vacation period was to break the monotony of work—52 weeks a year with no time

65-year-old Employees

in company, in grievance procedure, did not change their position on the discharge of employees. The National Relations Board in their decision upheld the right of the union's position on this. The board stated that the age of 65-year-old men was a condition under the act. The Board also recommended the company to recognize

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Indianapolis Solons Meet Union People

Inland union's delegation to the Indiana State Capitol on Wednesday, March 5th, returned convinced of two things: That organized labor can easily become the strongest force in the political field; and that the majority of Indiana's current law makers will listen to reason only from the National Association of Manufacturers and the Chambers of Commerce.

Herded by O. H. McKinsey, veteran griever and a sure footed man about the Capitol building, eighteen of 1010's most active members visited James McEwan, president of the State Industrial Union Council, and Walter Frisbie, secretary, before Wednesday's session began. There they were briefed upon issues to develop that day and introduced to as many of the hundreds of other CIO delegates from various CIO unions as time permitted.

Slated to come up for decisive action in the Senate Wednesday morning, vote on the anti-picketing bill was stalled throughout the day and finally held over. Although Thursday's turn out was much smaller, the effect of Wednesday's labor lobby lingered: the anti-picketing bill was tabled and, thereby, killed for the remainder of the session.

"Republican strategists had planned to railroad not only the anti-picketing bill through on Monday, March 3rd, but the anti-strike bill and a long list of other laws as well.

"This show of labor's strength defeated most of these bills and delayed action upon those which did get through until they were passed by a desperate tactic of the administration's on Friday morning, only twenty-four hours before the session ended.

Walter Frisbie thus summed up the effectiveness of the Indiana CIO's political activities.

"If Indiana's labor organizations had taken this concerted action earlier in the session," he continued, "we could have defeated all of these bills and passed some badly needed ones of our own."

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1. Obtain form 501 from the plant employment office where you work. Inland's employment office is open Monday through Friday of each week.

2. Apply at U.S.E.S. office immediately and sign up. This can be done any day during the week, preferably at the office nearest your home within twenty-four hours of being laid off. If you live out of the state, sign up in the office nearest your home in the state of Indiana.

3. If you have not been laid off and collected unemployment compensation during the past 52 weeks, you will have to serve a one week waiting period. This waiting period, for which you receive nothing, does not start until you have signed up in the U.S.E.S. offices. In other words, you must be out of work more than one week before you receive any benefits.

Example: Assume that you have worked steadily in the past year and are laid off Friday evening. You immediately sign up at the U.S.E.S. office and wait one week. You then return to the office sign up again and wait one more week, and sign up the third time.

You have one week's compensation due you and will continue to receive it for twenty weeks under the following provisions: a) that you continue to sign up every week; and b) that the U.S.E.S. fails to find you a job.

Unpaid waiting periods do not have to be served twice in one year. Example: Assume that you were called back to work after having been laid off for four weeks. During this period, you would have served a one week period without compensation and you would have drawn compensation pay for three weeks.

If you were laid off again within a year of your first application for unemployment compensation, you would not have to wait out the first week of unemployment without compensation. You would sign up as quickly as you were laid off the second time and, after being off for one week, you would begin drawing compensation for it. You would continue to draw compensation pay until you returned to work, found other employment, or the twenty weeks' of unemployment compensation provided for by law had been exhausted.

For example: The second time you were laid off, you would draw four weeks' compensation for four weeks' unemployment.

A Mousehole—

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from Governor Gates down to the page girls. He'll even answer to "Paging Ann Mahoney" these days. Try it sometime when you think life is getting you down; Louie will laugh you right out of trouble.

The slow pace of the cars coming back in the evening should NOT lead labor's opposition to think we were TIRED—just staying with Gene Waslewicz's "bad luck" car. Couldn't leave him behind.

Congratulations Walter Leonard, Tin Mill Griever! Girls are less trouble anyway. Baby girls, we mean.

ANNOUNCING: Donald Lutes and Harry Powell are risking some of that big money they earn at Inland Steel on some bets. Get on the gray train boys! They think they know who writes this stuff.

ADVERTISING: George Sopko is looking for some one with a pocket size P. A. system to let. Poor George doesn't have a chance with his "soft voice" since all the noise is going on. It's a bad situation when he has to say "Mr. Chairman" two or three times at a Management meeting . . . and then someone else gets the floor. This Sopko has less chance than a bug in a chicken coop when it comes to sounding off over us guys with the big voices.

Looks like Vice President Calacci is working on ways and means of getting out of the "Pork Chop" category. . . . He very noticeably made an appearance at a meeting recently with that "something different on" look. It was soon discovered that the cap he had on converted into three or four different purposes. NOTHING BUT ECONOMIC PURCHASES FOR YOU, eh Pete?

Mike Mamula, Steward Chairman, had a contented sparkle in his eye after the last steward's meeting. Seems he had a good turn out and hopes the next three meetings will bring out every steward on the list. Hear that he's got big ideas for his stewards. Let's not miss the meetings, stewards!

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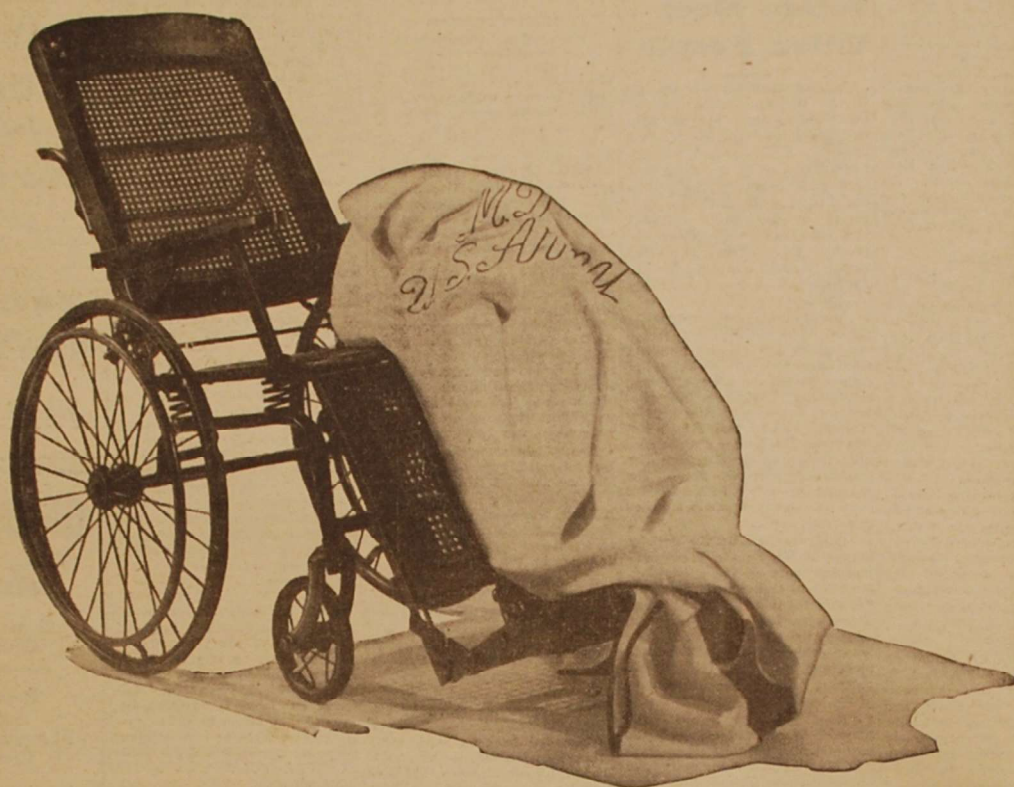
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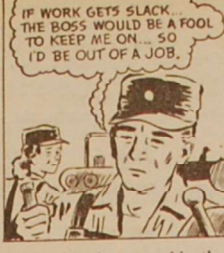
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Abolition of the double wage standard—"male" and "female" rates—has long been urged by the U.S. Dept. of Labor Women's Bureau. To get new facts on the problem, the Bureau recently sent field agents to 29 manufacturing plants to study methods of wage setting. Results of the study will be published later this year. They are expected to be useful to unions interested in establishing sound wage structures for men and women, to State administrators of equal-pay laws, and to private employers.

There are many instances which show that women's pay levels are below men's. Historically, "women's work" has been undervalued. In the traditionally woman-employing industries rates often are low not because the work is unskilled but because it is performed by women. Women are sometimes paid less than men even when they perform identical work. In many cases women on skilled jobs have been kept on wage rates lower than those of men on unskilled work. To correct these abuses, the Women's Bureau advocates the principle of equal pay for comparable work.

Consumer Cooperatives: Housewives Won't Bite On \$1 Chops

By AL REES

The self-made man is a great American tradition. We are told that Ford, Rockefeller, and some other fellows we have never met pushed their way to the top of the heap by hard work. So it can be done. But you and I work hard, and where does it get us? Our bank balance still struggles to keep its head above water. Even in the balmy days of Ford and Rockefeller, they were the rare exceptions, and the average worker could hardly make ends meet. As time goes on, the rare exceptions get rarer, the self-made men get fewer, and the great American tradition becomes the great American myth.

Let's not kid ourselves. The ordinary wage earners of 1946 don't stand a chance of becoming Fords, or anything like it. We'll always be wage earners, because despite strong unions, it's all we can do to keep our pay checks level with the cost of living. We'll be lucky to save a little for our old age, much less enough to go into business for ourselves.

But if no one of us can set up his own business, still we can set them up together. Ford and Rockefeller made their pile by plowing most of their profits back into the business when it was still small; the profits nourished the business and made it grow. That's just what our co-ops are doing now! Herman Gardens Co-op, selling at competitive prices, saved about \$2,000 last year on sales of \$60,000. That's not a lot of money, but left in the business as most of it will be, it helps make bigger savings next year. The Standard Oil Company didn't earn a fortune its first year, either. Most older co-ops earn more than new ones. The co-op Trading Company of Waukegan saves over 5% on annual sales of over \$1,250,000—saving of more than \$62,000. Some co-op factories and refineries have annual savings in the hundreds of thousands of dollars, and the figures grow every year.

The important thing about these savings is that they all belong to the consumers whose purchases made them possible. Split up among consumers, they make no one rich, but many people richer. A 5%

saving, paid in cash, means two weeks free groceries out of the year. Savings left in the business mean increased ownership of factories and mills by the people and more cash savings later on.

When Co-ops buy a factory out of savings, they do just what Ford, Rockefeller, and the other self-made men did. The Ford River Rouge plant was not built out of original investment, but out of profits made on the early Ford cars. The people who bought those cars paid for it, and Ford got the benefit. The people who buy co-op gas and oil paid for co-op oil refineries, and get the benefit themselves. That is why this slogan appears on Co-op factories: "Consumers have paid for many factories—this one they own."

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Those little gals in a Detroit suburb who want to swim in the school pool uncumbered, just like the boys on their days, should remember that swimsuit workers will be stripped bare too if nobody wears suits anymore.

While the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers is working its tonsils to the bone yelling about increasing productivity of workers, how about spending five minutes trying to increase the productivity of the wage dollar?

Ours have produced only about half as many groceries lately as they did five years ago.

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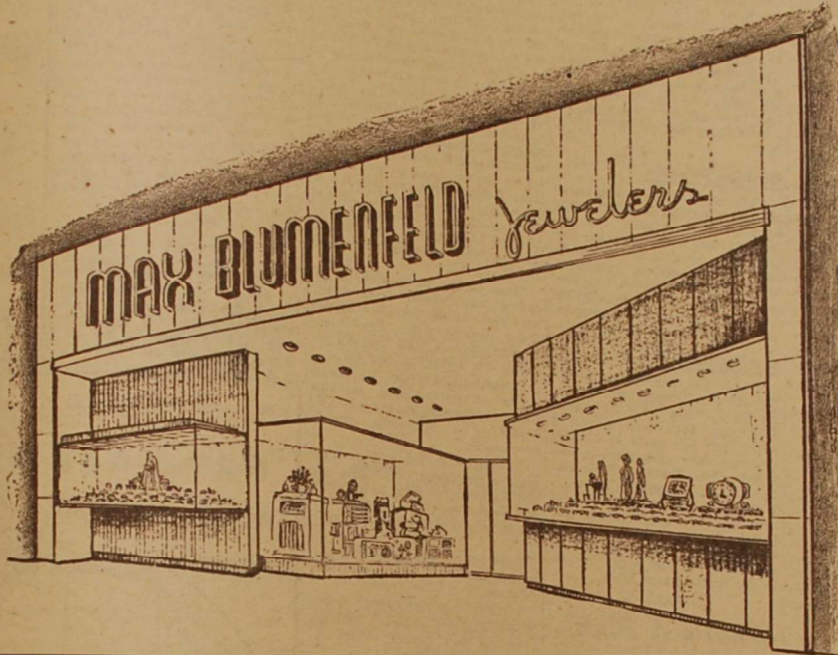
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LOCAL 1133 at GATX

Reading of the new contract which will be tendered to the company will take place at our regularly scheduled local meetings until all of it is covered. A large turnout heard the first articles of our contract, and we hope for a bigger crowd on next meeting night. Each section is gone over carefully and explained with suggestions and recommendations from members.

Thank Us

We have received a letter from a local union in California thanking us for our financial assistance. The company which was on strike was the California Brass.

At Indianapolis

More than 1000 delegates representing virtually all the unions in Indiana, with our own president Peter De Rosa and Jack Navian as 1133 representatives, stormed the state house in Indianapolis last week in protest over proposed anti-labor bills. These were scheduled to be voted on the day the delegation appeared, but a republican solon moved that the vote be taken the following day. The huge union delegation in the gallery urged an immediate vote, but the republicans had their way, and the vote was taken the next day. Senator Fleming of Lake County took the floor amid cheers from the unionists and spoke in labor's behalf.

Welcome, Vets

The Wood Car is being flooded these days with many former GI's. We invite them to join our union and attend the local meetings at our new location, Grand and Broadway in Indiana Harbor. Tonight, March 12, is our meeting and you are all invited to attend. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

Goodfellows Party

The Goodfellows Club first get together was a great success and was held at the new union headquarters in Indiana Harbor.

President Ray McCurray announced that these parties will be held more often in the future. Refreshments were served and games and entertainment were enjoyed by all.

Most Valuable

Ed Morris of the Welding Department received a trophy as the most valuable player on the soft-

New Office Hours For Local O.T.C., Kitchen Announces

T. M. Kitchen, area rent director for all of Lake County announced that both the Gary Area Office and the Hammond Branch Office have made a change in their public office hours to conform with the new public office hours for the entire Sixth Region. The new public office hours will be from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M., Monday through Friday, inclusive. The new public office hours will become effective on Monday, March 3, 1947.

All people having business to transact with the Area Rent Office at 320 W. 5th Ave., Gary, Indiana, or the Hammond Branch Office in Room 205A County Court House, Hammond, Indiana, will please take notice of the new hours.

All area and branch offices throughout the United States are on a schedule of five days per week, eight hours per day and the working hours for all employees are from 8:15 A.M. to 5 P.M., with hours for public reception established at 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. until further notice.

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Buy Cooperatively

There is talk of a cooperative market for food that would open in the near future. This will be open to all union members who wish to take part. A fee of \$5.00 is charged and entitles members to full membership in the cooperative market. Anyone can make purchases in the store, but only members will share in the end-of-the-year dividends. This idea has taken root in many parts of the United States, and the stores that have been established have not only been highly successful but have greatly increased the purchasing power of co-op members.

Bowling Banquet

With the bowling season coming to a close, Jim West, chairman of the bowling league has announced that plans are going forward for a banquet and entertainment for the bowlers. Prizes, individual and team, will be given away at that time. A sweepstakes will be held prior to the banquet.

Shirley Steps Up

Shirley Tratebas who has served the union faithfully since its inception and who did a lot toward organizing 1133 into a strong union, left our ranks to become the new labor foreman in the Wood Car Repair. We wish Brother . . . I mean, Mr. . . . Tratebas a lot of luck in his new job and want to thank him in behalf of the membership and officers of the local union for his good work in the past. Success to you in your new job.

What's A Pink? A Congressman Claims He Knows

WASHINGTON — (FP) — After Director Van A. Bittner of the CIO Organizing Committee flatly denied charges in a recent Saturday Evening Post story that the CIO was under communist control, Rep. Samuel K. McConnell (R. Pa.) inquired for details.

Bittner explained the story was written "by the Alsop boys," (Joseph and Stewart Alsop, Washington columnists who are violently anti-communist.)

"I deny the charges of the Alsop boys," Bittner said. I don't know whether you know them or not, but they are a couple of parlor pinks."

McConnell, in a helpful mood, said he understood "a parlor pink as a man who is too yellow to be red."

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The American Red Cross 1947 Fund Campaign officially opened March 1st with a quota of \$27,510.00 to be raised in East Chicago. Mr. John J. McShane, General Chairman of the campaign, announced that many of the industries, organizations and labor unions have already made their contributions.

The house-to-house and business and professions solicitations began last week. People are again reminded that when you contribute to the 1947 Red Cross Fund you become a member of a great working family—a family of American neighbors who are pledged to help each other in time of need.

Mr. McShane reports that part of the money collected is used for Home Service. Mrs. Paul Kleinholz, chairman of Home Services, meets once a month with her committee consisting of the following: Rev. Colyer Brittain, Dr. K. J. Nakadate, Mrs. Robt. M. Pilkington, Mr. Dana R. Cornell, Mrs. Mildred Hawkins, Mr. Henry Walker, Mrs. Astor Tillotson, and Mr. T. P. Amidie.

They decide on chapter policy and discuss difficult cases which have come to the attention of the Home Service staff. The Home Service given in East Chicago includes the following services:

COMMUNICATION between active servicemen and families when commercial means are unavailable or regarding family problems.

REPORTING for military regarding emergency furloughs, social histories for men in hospitals and dependency discharges when specifically requested by the military.

INFORMATION regarding legislation affecting servicemen and veterans.

WORK ON CLAIMS AND BENEFITS for veterans and dependents and family allowances for active servicemen.

FAMILY CONSULTATION AND GUIDANCE in problems caused by military service.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE on basis of need to families of servicemen and disabled veterans.

Since the beginning of the fiscal year, July 1, 1947, East Chicago chapter has worked on 967 cases. During the month of February 58 visits were made and 180 interviews taken.

Uncle Sam Says



Benjamin Franklin's devotion to thrift is as well known to my nieces and nephews as his love of liberty. The two go hand in hand because with wise savings you can give yourself the freedom to achieve many personal goals for yourself and family. We remember Franklin's advice that a penny saved is a penny earned. Were he alive today, he would revise this advice to fit these times by saying that a three dollars saved in United States Savings Bonds earn an extra dollar in 10 years.

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Social Security And You

"Some firms in this area have gone back to the pre-war practice of retiring employees who are 65 or older. If you are over 65 and were retired or laid off at the end of the year or before then, you may be able to get social security retirement payments," Charles S. Davis, Manager of the Hammond, Indiana Social Security Office said today.

"You should find out about your social security retirement payments even though you plan to get another job," Davis said. "If you're 65, and have worked long enough on jobs under social security, you can get social security payments for any months you do not work. Drawing those payments does not mean you cannot go back to work—although benefits cannot be paid for months when you earn more than \$14.99 from work that comes under social security."

Davis urged all workers over 65 years of age who have had jobs covered by social security to find out about their retirement benefits whether or not they are continuing to work. "If you file a claim when you're 65," he said, "you'll make sure not to lose any

benefits which may be payable months you do not work of illness, slack seasons, etc.

Scripps - Howard, "advise that what's needed pay raises but cuts in prices the newspapers lead the lion?"

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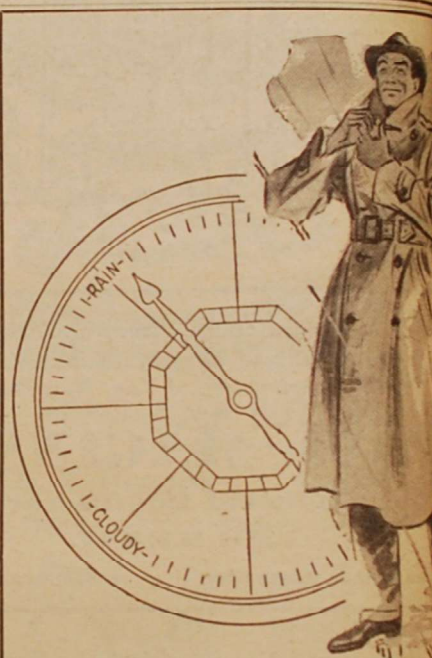
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Nothing's Too Good" So That's What Vets Get From Youngstown

By Francis Malloy

There, you will no doubt be surprised to hear, have not been any at all well lately on the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. side of the canal. No uprising of any kind, you understand, but just a feeling of uneasiness. Some of the men, they say, are getting dissatisfied with things like that, though they could possibly want more to imagine.

However, that's how it is. Some of them are even quitting their jobs. Orders have become downcast, impolite, calling each other names, or uncomplimentary remarks of bastard. All nonsense, of course, and they don't mean it. Probably some kind of anxiety. But not too nice, either.

Machine Shop Madness
This local point of confusion, the Steel Plant Machine Shop where some ex-G.I.'s are said to think they should be getting a sixth day of work now and then, with an equal chance as the rest of employees in the plant to make a living. Where they could have picked up that stuff one shudders to think of.

Just get the company pretty mad with it all, too, and the way it has to work so hard to keep wages down and profits up is to turn a few extra honest dollars for the stockholders.

But don't you worry, those veterans are not likely to get a sixth day. That is, they won't unless they are machinists or apprentices. The machinists and laborers in the plant—practically 100% of them—will just have to make do on five. They are some of the men we used to say nothing about for a short time back, but now it looks like we might have had the foresight to list a few of them. It could have saved the embarrassment.

It's Even, But It Ain't
There are in a pretty muddled state of mind. As things stand now, the machinists (Nos. 1 & 2) and apprentices will get six days a week—some weeks. Presumably it is to be apportioned within each group, but as

PAC Actions Score Hits in East Chicago

East Chicago's Political Action Committee, political arm of the CIO, went into action early in March to defend labor in Indiana. A delegation to the city's Common Council resulted in a resolution from that body to the Indiana state legislature which aided the defeat of most of the anti-union measures then awaiting action in the capitol.

Another step forward was taken at the March meeting of the East Chicago PAC, composed of delegates from all CIO locals in the city, in making unanimity between Harbor's two big locals of the USA-CIO, locals 1010 and 1011. A condition of support for all candidates and issues.

As a means of acquainting candidates of what organized labor expects in return for its support, a sub-committee was instructed to prepare a list of questions to be asked each candidate for office.

Check On Promises
The questions, which deal with the candidates' attitudes toward labor, on remedying the existing housing shortage, and similar issues vital to working people, are also a check upon the campaign promises of candidates who gain office with the support of PAC.

A standing committee to attend all meetings of the Common Council was set up and authorized to speak on community affairs in the name of the East Chicago PAC. The standing committee members are Lawrence Meskimen, Abraham Ali, James Flynn, and Louie Abrams.

Regular meetings of the East Chicago PAC were established for the first Sunday of each month. Special meetings may be called by authorization of Chairman John O'Malley.

Another KO? Strause Will Be on Inland Boxing Card

Virgil Strause, whose sensational one-round KO of his man climaxed the recreation committee's boxing show at Hammond's Civic Center last January, has been obtained by chairman Red McGregor for the second show scheduled for Friday, April 25th.

In addition to Strause, Johnny Stachon, and the Milligan brothers, David and Russell, all of whom contributed to the fans' enjoyment of the union's first show, have been lined up for the coming one. Dale LaBounty and Lew Scerna, two more local boys who are consistently making good, are also slated to show their wares.

Chairman McGregor is combing the stables hereabouts for opponents for the above named boxers as well as to make other matches for a well rounded show.

Pioneered by local 1010's recreation committee, the idea of union sponsored boxing has been picked up by the rest of sub-district No. 2. The event of April 25th is being staged jointly by all the steel locals of the East Chicago area.

Tickets for the sub-district's card, which will go on at the Civic Center, Hammond, are now at the printers. They will be available shortly from all active union men.

Curran Charges Truman Policies Leading to War

NEW YORK—(FP)— Linking the current antilabor drive with the reactionary foreign policy of the U. S., Pres. Joseph Curran of the National Maritime Union (CIO) warned March 19 that these policies "can be the sure road to war."

In a 33 page report to the union's national council, Curran charged that reaction had launched a worldwide offensive against the common man. "It is part of a carefully planned pattern," he said, "refusal to provide relief for the hungry in some countries because of political reasons; the bolstering of crumbling kingdoms and bankrupt empires in others; the support for such countries as Turkey, which openly played with the German Nazis during the war; . . . the giving of guns to be used against the people, instead of relief for the hungry people of Greece."

Curran also rapped the recent U. S. supreme court decision against the miners and repeated his criticism of a proposal by Sec. of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach to outlaw the Communist party. "An attack against any political party," he said, "is a danger sign and an attack upon the basic rights of the people."

The NMU leader called for the utmost unity throughout the labor movement to save itself from destruction and also urged unity of all maritime unions, including longshoremen, around a common program.

Radio To Tell Truth of Health Situation in U. S.

The appalling contrast between the swift advances in medical science and the inadequacy of medical care for the American people, will be examined in a special one-hour program now in preparation by the CBS Documentary Unit for broadcast Friday, April 4 (CBS, 9:00-10:00 PM, CST).

The cost of insufficient medical care for all sections of the American people, in terms of longevity, happiness and day-to-day life, will be the program's central theme.

Conceived and produced by the CBS Documentary Unit, the broadcast, titled "A Long Life and a Merry One," will turn the spotlight of exhaustive first-hand investigation on another urgent national problem, as did its predecessor, "The Eagle's Brood," which dealt with juvenile delinquency.

Based on four months of unremitting work by the Documentary Unit staff and on an extensive nationwide tour of investigation by Howard Rodman, brilliant young radio dramatist who is writing the script, "A Long Life and a Merry One" will present in warmly human, authoritative and dramatic terms, an objective report on the state of our nation's health.

Much of the Unit's investigation was aimed at discovering the scope of medical facilities—hospitals, doctors, laboratories, public health activities and health education involving such questions as: Are there enough of them? Is the quality of their service adequate? Are they within reach of the people?

In his tour on investigation, Rodman talked with everybody concerned. He conferred with medical associations, voluntary health associations, doctors, nurses, public

April Named 'Defend Labor' Month by CIO

Facing up to the mounting attack on labor's rights in Congress and through the nation, the CIO executive board Mar. 13 designated April as Defend Labor Month, and urged "all union members to use this month to demonstrate to Congress that the labor movement is united against the passage of antilabor legislation."

The call to action released by the board said the following program would be put into operation through all CIO channels:

"Mass labor and citizens rallies. "Plant gate and neighborhood leaflet distributions, and petition campaigns."

"Delegations to call on governors, state legislators, mayors, city and county officials, local civic leaders, local politicians, fraternal, religious and consumer organizations."

"Special radio programs."

"Delegations to Washington to call on senators and representatives and report to their local communities."

"An all-out campaign to get resolutions, letters and telegrams sent to Washington."

"We feel confident that through our united efforts in this campaign we can show our elected representatives in Congress that neither we nor the American people want to take this step down the road to poverty and depression but rather insist on moving upward to the obtainable goal of a more abundant life for all."

Inland Gets Reminder That Slavery Is Past

Loyal to the tradition written in steelworkers' blood at the gates of Republic Steel ten years ago next Memorial Day, Inland's field boilermakers and riggers are proving that they, too, are union men, not company mice.

Upholding the right of working men to call their free time their own, these men have refused to work overtime as regularly as their scheduled quitting time has come around since Tuesday, March 4th.

Although delay in repairs to essential machinery is costing the company heavily, management, so far, is withholding an agreement on a guarantee of minimum overtime. The request for a minimum guarantee is the simple matter which Inland Steel chose to inflate into another of the current wave of provocations of their organized workers.

The case of Hugh McGilvery, assistant grievor for the mechanical department who was fired March 5th for advising the men of their rights under existing agreements, is tentatively scheduled for arbitration early in April.

Health officials, representatives of insurance companies, hospital directors and medical students. He talked to miners, farmers, city-dwellers, factory workers, children, housewives. He cut across classes from the very rich to the very poor.

Based on the answers to these questions and the dramatic examples found all over the nation, the broadcast will create a comprehensive picture.

Consumer Cooperatives Democracy in Business

Third of a Series of Brief Articles
By AL REES

If you moved in Detroit's "best circles" with the mink coat and Cadillac crowd, you would surely know Lou Maxon, the big advertising man. Perhaps you remember that a year or so ago Mr. Maxon had an important job in O. P. A. Mr. Maxon found out, were trying to make canners put a government grade on every can of fruit or vegetables, an A, B, or C grade to show the quality. Mr. Maxon went to his friends in the advertising business and started a campaign to show that grade labelling was a socialistic scheme to destroy free enterprise. They persuaded Congress to pass a law preventing O. P. A. from requiring grade labelling. Somehow, all this puzzled Mrs. Housewife, who is used to buying government graded meat, and has never thought it communistic. But, of course, if Jones' Beans are graded A and Smith's beans are graded C, then it would be silly for Smith to pay Mr. Maxon to tell the public that his beans are best, and Mr. Maxon's free enterprise would be destroyed.

If you shop at the Co-op, you know that Co-op canned fruits and

vegetables do have government grades on the label. The owners of the co-op believe in telling the customers the truth about their merchandise, which isn't very strange, because the owners are the customers. Why should they kid themselves about what they buy? Why should their employees cheat them by weighing thumbs with the sausage, or using one of the more subtle tricks for short weighing well known to the less scrupulous private businesses.

The purpose of a co-op is to buy for its members, not to sell to them. It tries to get the best quality at the lowest price, and to give full information about every product.

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Can my rent be reduced?

A. If the landlord furnished the service on the maximum rent date, and now fails to do so, this may constitute a ground for a reduction in rent.

Q. I am now paying the water, gas, and electricity bills, and I'd like to have my tenant pay them. Can I do this?

A. Before you can make this change, you must petition your area rent director and secure permission. He, in proper cases, may order a reduction in rent. When the property becomes vacant, you may make such changes before renting to a new tenant, but must notify the area rent office of these changes within 10 days.

Q. If my landlord is obligated to furnish heat, what temperature must he maintain in winter and what day must he start furnishing heat?

A. In general, the temperature and day on which your landlord must begin supplying you with heat depend on local law or practice.

Q. My landlord furnished heat last winter. Now he refuses to do so. What can I do?

A. This may be a violation of the rent regulations and should be reported in writing to the area rent office.

Rents Can Be Reduced Too Says Rent Head

"Under certain conditions the Gary-Hammond area rent office is authorized to order a reduction in rent," Thomas M. Kitchen, area rent director, said today. These conditions usually concern situations where there has been a reduction in the services furnished on the maximum rent date. For example, discontinuance of telephone or maid service or payment of utilities by the landlord, etc. The regulation also provides for a reduction in rent when a landlord rents a house (or apartment or room, etc.) for the first time and charges more than similar accommodations rented for on the maximum rent date.

Q. What should I do to compel my landlord to make essential repairs which he refuses to make?

A. Report this in writing to the area rent office. If the furnishing of this service is included in the ceiling rent, the rent director may reduce the rent if the landlord continues to refuse to make the repairs.

Q. If I make the repairs (or replace outworn equipment, or redecorate) when my landlord refuses to do so, can I deduct the expense from my rent?

A. No. But you should report this to the area rent office. Whether a reduction in rent is warranted will depend upon the facts in each case, for example, whether the landlord was obligated to make the repairs on the maximum rent date. If a reduction is in order, the area rent director will reduce the rent.

Q. My landlord has discontinued my telephone service (or payment of utilities, or removed some of the furniture, or no longer allows me to use the garage, etc.).

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War Refugees And Hospitalized Vets Aided By Red Cross

The work of the American Red Cross overseas has been directed to new channels which include providing recreation and amusement for G.I.'s in hospitals and distribution of food and clothing to needy Europeans.

A letter received recently by Miss Madeline S. Blachly, Executive Secretary of the local Red Cross chapter, from a friend in Germany told of the pitiful conditions of European war refugees. She praised the good work of the Red Cross in providing recreation for G.I.'s in hospitals in Germany.

She wrote: "The Red Cross is doing a wonderful job over here. They have a marvelous craft program in the hospitals. Of course, there is a shortage of materials. Beautiful wool material is woven by the boys into rugs which they can send home. The G.I. while away many hours working on the rugs of which they are very proud."

She learned that the need of clothing and food is greatest in Greece, Poland, and France. Most of the French children are barefooted. Wood is the only means of heating homes and there is a scarcity of wood. "No coal is available to heat hospitals," she added.

Pioneer Leader In Oil Industry Dies At Denver

DENVER—(FP)—Harvey C. Fremming, who headed the Oil Workers Intl. Union (CIO) from 1926 to 1939, died here at the age of 54 after a long illness. Elected when the organization, the affiliated with the AFL, consisted of only a few locals, Fremming remained its president during the union upsurge of the '30s when the union joined the CIO. He resigned his office in 1939 because of ill health.

Just wait until the guys who yell about totalitarian states making slaves of the people hear about the supreme court ruling that miners are slaves! But don't hold your breath.

...
If Garry Moore of the Durante-Moore radio program doesn't get a medal from the labor movement, it will prove the ingratitude of unions. Moore is the man who coined the expression: "When I woke up this morning, my mouth tasted like the last four lines of a Westbrook Pegler column."



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Social Security And You

Businessmen and others who are asked to cash checks should not accept a social security card as identification of the bearer, Charles S. Davis, manager of the Hammond Social Security Field Office, warned today.

"A social security card," Davis explained, "is issued to anyone who applies at a social security field office for a card. Its sole purpose is to show the absence of other identification, there is no way of knowing whether the bearer of a social security card has obtained it under a false name or is attempting to use a card issued to another person."

Davis urged merchants and others to bear this warning in mind particularly during the Easter buying season when the rush of business and new personnel may mean less care in identifying persons.

Workers who produce the new "fused collars" for men's shirts are exposed to methyl cellulose, a chemical which destroys the blood cells and injures the nervous system.

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But Youngstown Has to Say No to Rate Boost

By Francis Malloy

COLD strip floor clerks at Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company recently filed a brass grievance for "an adjustment of compensation in accordance with duties performed" — which meant, no wonder, that they were doing more for what they were doing, the customary number of hours around the mulberry bush, the company came up with this little piece:

"We do not mean to be curt, but a nice touch there! but we are bound by a contract which under Section 1, Article 5, of the Agreement and salary schedule and company policy with respect to adjustment in individual wages shall continue for the duration of this agreement except as provided pursuant to this article."

(And now don't you feel silly?) This means that wage rates remain in effect for the duration of the Agreement except that there is an inequity procedure to be followed through with respect to all jobs in the unit. That is provided for in Section 1 (b) of the same article. If something is found inequity under the inequity program it will be recognized...

Later, on down in the company's version of what had gone on at step 3 meeting, the usual "Denial" was duly rendered. It was "Denied". Added by way of explanation, and so that no one should feel too hurt, was this (not very) complacency:

"Company living up to Article 5 of the agreement."

Clerks' union officials who long have sought to impress upon members the importance of their wholehearted co-operation in the matter of rate range, job evaluation, etc., point to this devastating decision as Exhibit A.

If you are one of those well-meaning steelworkers who have been suffering from what you mistook for hunger pains, please pipe down! It may just be that you haven't realized fully how bad things have been for other poor people. Did you know that the \$10,000 income of 1939 would buy only \$5,400 in real goods now? The \$10,000-a-year man of 1939 had to make damned near \$25,000 today! So you see...

For a Red Nose: Switch to water. On the other hand, what's wrong with a red nose?

Out of Season: "Boy! This is a bed of roses!" complained a "radical" from the Auditorium as a Clinic as he arose unsteadily among the front yard nasturtiums.

Had a Tear

Just that it gives a hang, but sometimes in its ardor to save a sick the company — that's the U.S. & T. — presents proof aplenty that it's far and away the best to going to a union — if you can. Now we have it — on unimpeachable authority, too — that Youngstown's "own" are the only ones that "family" who as yet have not received a dime extra as a result of the steel strike last year. They are only about 28 of them, are told, those "favored few" of individuals who work so close the blinding light of company policy and confidential stuff and that it is not considered fitting or safe, even — that they be represented by any union, steel

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LOST: Brown plaid skirt on 140th st. between Evergreen and Grace.—TF-13.

Gee! Congratulations!

"It's so simple you'll just love it," writes Miss Sophie Glutz, society correspondent, of an intriguing item this month in the Youngstown Bulletin (our favorite paper, by the way) about a "precision" engagement. You never this:

"Mary 'Babs' Hylek . . . became engaged to Joseph Olenik of East Chicago at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21. The time of the engagement carries significance as she became engaged exactly 25 years after date and hour of her birth. . . Mr. Olenik is employed at Inland Steel Company."

See how it is?

With the Sick

HIS many friends, no doubt, will be sorry to hear that Mr. Bigue Dan'l Kokot has been feeling rather poorly lately, in fact ever since the annual Spring Frolic of the Bide-a-Wee & Burp club. Mr. K., as you may or may not have heard, was carried twitching from that festive affair, in the shadow of Dominie's revolving bar, to the strains of some juke box favorite about "Nicaragua." His strange case has been diagnosed as the Juke-Box Jerks. It was also found he is now strongly allergic to small coins, will clasp a paw over his pate and scream "No! No! etc." at the mere sight of a Jefferson nickel.

Some of the more sensitive know just how he feels. As for us, we are always made violently ill by that one about O how we danced the night we were wed. Enough to drive a man on the wagon!

More than 10 million persons in the U. S. belong to some type of cooperative.

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Let the mourners rise and chant a solemn requiem for the Communist party in America! The brains down to Washington have decided to legislate them out of existence.

What a farce! These bumble-headed egotists masquerading as intelligent law makers actually think you can make laws banning even a spurious ideology. We wonder if they forget the glorious experiment called the Volstead Act which made more soaks out of non-drinkers than Doc Miles has pills.

That is the most pronounced characteristic of the American citizen. Tell him he can't do something and watch him do it or bust a gut trying. A law outlawing the Reds will make secret party members out of men who wouldn't walk on the same side of the street with one of Br. Stalin's comrades now.

You may stop Communism with ridicule or truth, but I'll be damned if you can stop it by law. Hitler couldn't stamp it out and he had some pretty tough boys in the Gestapo.

The best method I can think of would be for Congress to quit their pogrom against the common people—I mean labor—and concentrate on making our own system work. Right now it isn't operating so good. In fact it is running so poorly and so one sidedly as to offer poor competition to any foreign dogma. As of now the majority of the boys in Washington consider any one with less than twenty thousand as poor white trash. As people who shouldn't ask more than a jug of wine, a crust of bread and 'hou. Thou being the Constitution of the United States as they interpret it at the call of the mighty source from whence floweth the graft—Wall Street and the National Association of Manufacturers.

Took a walk down Main street, just sauntering along while mein hausfrau made with the window wishing. Suddenly a clarion of music struck my unsuspecting ear drums. Using my wonderful powers of deduction I traced it to its source. My old friend, and erstwhile creditor, Max Blumenfeld's gorgeous new store.

Impelled by the great friendship which I hold for Max, and the sign Free Gifts, I drew back the spotless glass portals and voila! I entered what appeared to be a heaven of flowers bathed in the sedate glow of a clever lighting system.

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What a store! Magnificent blonde fixtures presided over by beautiful brunettes—er—fixures. Soundproof record rooms, private sales rooms for the fastidious buyer. Typewriters, radios, nic-nacs, clocks, combs—you name it—Max has it!

Never saw so many watches in my life. Can't no one say Max bids for any particular class of customer! I was explaining to my young hopeful why she couldn't have one at \$12.95 when the madame called me over to show me a cute little Benrus at \$1225.00.

Yoicks! Grabbing my yearning spouse I rushed her over to show her the swell tools to make a martini. No dice! She is a W.C.T.U.

About then Max comes up with a big hello and passes me a plate. "Have some?" says Max, offering the cashews.

"Thank you," says I, "and nuts

to you, too." Then we looked at the diamonds. Ce la magnifique! Diamonds at \$12.95 for a tightwad and at \$5000 for the filthy rich or the screwball. Man Lord!

Frau screams, "Oh lookie, Maxie has the Mixmaster I ordered ten years ago."

"Tush, child," I snarl. "Twasn't but last year."

Finally, by dint of great effort, I get her outside. But as I close those splendid doors behind us I can't help but think that at last I have seen the treasure trove sublime. Treasure for the whole family. Rings for mama, shavers for papa, radio for junior and for big sister—well, she should see that handsome, clever Adonis who presides over the watch repair department! Drop your watch, babe!

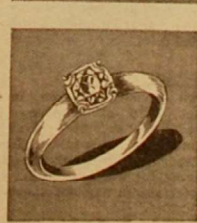
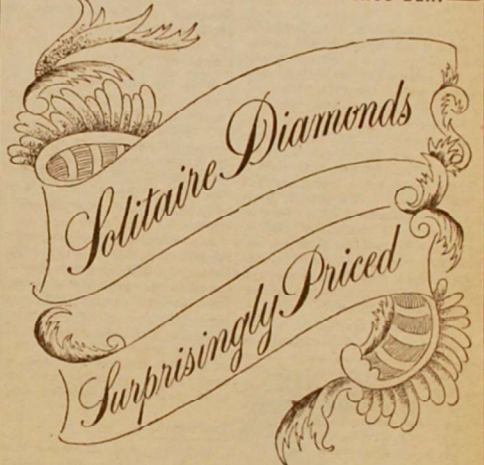
Max—A' votre sante—you are the only guy who ever trusted me who didn't harass the hell out of me when I was having a run of bad luck and was short of moola. You're a right guy in my book.

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Labor Around The World



India

Membership in the All-India Trades Union Congress has passed the million mark, according to figures released at the 25th AITUC conference in Calcutta. In 1945 the organization had 450,000 members.

Delegates held a long debate over the strike situation, with some arguing at first that strikes should be kept to a minimum because India now has popular Congress governments both in the provinces and nationally. Other delegates pointed out that a number of provincial governments have passed anti-strike laws and are therefore working openly against labor's interests.

The debate resulted in unanimous agreement that strikes are justified as long as there is no "all-round improvement in the working and living conditions, including the grant of a minimum living wage, adequate housing arrangements and the introduction of social security measures."

Another resolution passed unanimously restated the AITUC aim of a socialist state, demanded withdrawal of British troops, complete independence for India and a democratic constitution based on full adult franchise. The resolution warned workers not to pin faith on promises of freedom from British imperialists, but to rely on their own strength to win full independence.

S. A. Dange, a Communist, was unanimously elected as president and N. M. Joshi, a non-party man, as general secretary. Every political trend in the labor movement—Socialist, Congress, Liberal and Communist—is represented on the newly-elected executive board, which was put in office by unanimous vote.

Russia

Government housing regulations in the Soviet Union insure that no worker pays more than 4 1/4% of his wages for rent, according to an English-language broadcast from Moscow. The percentage is calculated not on the total earnings of the family but on the wages of the highest-paid member alone.

The amount of rent paid varies according to the floor space occupied, with kitchens, bathrooms and hallways not counted. It is also subject to the classification under which the tenant comes.

The highest rent charged is 1.35 rubles (27c) per square meter of floor space and the lowest standard rate is .53 rubles (11c). Further reductions are granted to those least able to pay.

Under this system, army officers pay .80 rubles (16c) per square meter but the wives of rank-and-file soldiers get even lower rates than the standard minimum, paying only .055 rubles (1c). Soldiers in units away from home

retain the right to their apartments but pay no rent while they don't occupy them.

England

With the immediate fuel crisis over and 1 1/4 million workers back on the job, British union leaders have started an all-out production drive. The miners are spearheading the movement and their leaders are coupling this with a demand that the government speed pledged improvements in miners' conditions.

A meeting between government officials and leaders of the Natl. Union of Mineworkers has resulted in an agreement that more food and consumers' goods will immediately be sent to mining villages, that top priority for building homes will be given to mine areas and that the union will cooperate in recruiting new manpower for the understaffed pits.

Indonesia

Industrial and plantation workers of the Indonesian republic have formed the Central Indonesian Labor Organization as a result of the first labor congress in the islands.

Indonesian Vice Pres. Mohammed Hatta, chief guest speaker at the congress, warned the workers that, even when the fight for political independence from the Dutch is won, the country will still have to win its economic freedom.

Indonesia's rich resources of oil and rubber are owned mainly by Dutch, American and British financial interests.

Germany

The province of Saxony in the Soviet zone of Germany has passed a law that 90% of all accommodation space in rest homes and spas (health resorts) must be reserved for workers. Saxon spas are famous throughout the country.

Peru

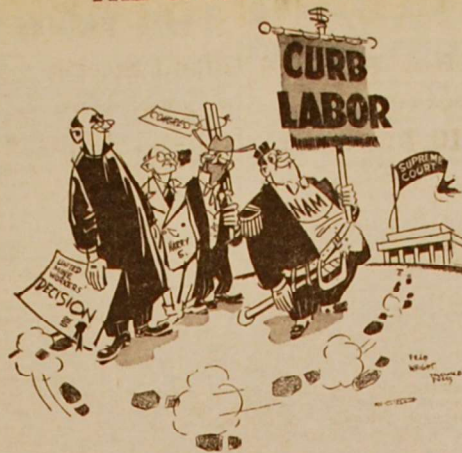
Workers in Callao, industrial center and chief seaport of Peru, held a 2-day stoppage to protest project legislation limiting use of the strike. After marching through the city's main streets the workers called at government offices to demand that labor's fundamental rights be protected.

Canada

Spokesmen for 50,000 workers affiliated to the Toronto Trades & Labor Council (AFL) have warned that unless price controls are kept and prices rolled back to the Jan. 1 level, they will "immediately seek wage increases in order to meet the increased cost of living and to maintain their families in decency and comfort."

Some 1.7% of farm operators control 40% of U. S. farm land.

THE UNITED FRONT



Give for Democracy

This is a time of despair in most of Europe and Asia. Millions of people are hungry, cold and frightened. Their children are dying in untold numbers for lack of food and clothing. Reports come back of the unspeakable suffering.

We in the United States are failing those people. Government action and private charity lag for want of popular support. We get so wrapped up in our own relatively petty problems we forget the terrific struggle of other peoples of the world just to keep alive.

The war ended but we have not achieved peace. There can be no peace in a world where children are starving. This is a test for us. As we act now to help starving men and women wherever they can be reached, we reaffirm our faith in the oneness of mankind which is the foundation of our American way of life.

What can we do as individuals? Much. Very much if we all do it together. As citizens, we can make known in Washington our wholehearted endorsement of government plans to carry on large-scale food shipments that heretofore was UNRRA's task.

As Protestants, Catholics or Jews let us give largely and quickly to the established church agencies of our faith.

As members of our communities let us work for and support the relief agencies aiding Greece, China and other nationalities now campaigning for funds. The Red Cross and the American Friends Service Committee are two American organizations giving aid abroad. Worthy of note is the AFSC, a Quaker religious society in chalking up the best record for aid to the unfortunate during the war and afterward. Quaker volunteers personally supervise the distribution of supplies to those in greatest need, regardless of race, religion or politics. The AFSC may be reached at 189 West Madison St., Chicago, if you want to make your contribution to them. It makes little difference through what established agency you give. But give! Help.

LOCAL UNION 1010 MEETING SCHEDULE

Group #1: Second Tuesday of each month; 7:30 P. M.

Blast furnace; ore docks; fabricating; laboratories; coke plant, tar plant; sintering plant; plancor.

Group #2: First Friday of each month; 7:30 P. M. #1 and #2 open hearths and steam department.

Group #3: First and Third Sunday; 10 A. M. 40" mill; rail mill; 28" mill; tie plate mill.

Group #4: Second Sunday of each month; 2 P. M. 10" mill; 14" mill; roll shop.

Group #5: Third Wednesday of each month; 7:30 P. M. 44", 76", 46". Bloomer, 44", 46" Slab Yards.

Group #6: First and Third Tuesday; 8 P. M. Cold strip and tin mill.

Group #7: Fourth Monday of each month; 7:30 P. M. Transportation department.

Group #8: Third Monday of each month; 4:30 P. M. New construction.

Group #9: First Monday of each month; 7:30 P. M. 36", 19", 24" mills, stores, machine shop, blacksmith shop, boiler shop, pipe shop, riggers.

Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P. M. Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.

Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P. M. Power department.

Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P. M.

In Hammond

Erb Heads Business PAC Committee

The Hammond Political Action Committee has been organized and an educational program being directed by the Chairman, Charles Erb. Two meetings already been held.

At the first meeting, Judge J. J. dola, Superior Court Judge, on "The Courts, their purpose and functions." At the second meeting, attended by some fifty guests, Leon Granger, Township Assessor lectured on the duties of his office, and Blas Lucas, Lake County Prosecuting Attorney, very ably discussed the work of the Prosecutors Office as it relates to the average citizen.

The third meeting was held on Friday night, March 21, 1947 at 7 P. M., with the guest speaker, non Sigler, of the Lake County Registration Board, Clyde H. Porter, Representative of Lake Porter Counties, and James E. Ewan, President of the Indiana State Industrial Union Council and Indiana State Political Action Committee CIO.

At all meetings registration being stressed. Some eighty-two thousand voters have dropped from the registration in Lake County. Thousands of people in Lake County have not registered. The Lake County Political Action Committee has decided to spend a thousand dollars in the three major cities in education and urging people to register.

To date no candidate has endorsed in the coming primary in any city. "If we can bring our people the importance of offices involved, to their everyday life, we feel we can safely win the various campaigns to the benefit of our people. We desire to again stress the importance of registering. On election day, a candidate who is friendly to organized labor, but the friends are helpless to help unless they are registered," committee spokesman said.

Friday, April 3, 1947, the city organization of Gary will have a free Bingo Party in the workers Hall. Everyone is invited.

Sleight-of-Arm

SHANGHAI—(AN)—The Shun United Democratic League which is fighting against Kuang troops in the area, the capture of Special Order 5891 of Generalissimo Chiang shek's northeast front headquarters. The order instructs all to remove U. S. insignia and identification numbers from American weapons with which they are armed "so that no one can pretend that the U. S. is participating in China's civil war."

Africa

About 400,000 union members from French colonies in Africa and from Nigeria, Sierra Leone, the Belgian Congo and the Republic of South Africa will be represented at the first Pan-African Union Conference to be held in Dakar April 10-14.

The conference, first of its kind in history, is being sponsored by the World Federation of Unions in an effort to develop unionism in Africa, the backward continent in socialization.

All delegations have been asked to prepare full reports on conditions and laws in their respective territories. The secretariat of the WFTU is expected to attend.

Of New York City's 2.5 million families, 31% are living in standard housing, according to Chairman Edmund B. Butler of the New York City Housing Authority.

Plenty of people can play the piano, but only one can do it with his foot in his mouth.

1010 AT INLAND STEEL

From A Mousehole

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Labor Baiting Protested by 1010 Meeting

Without one vote in opposition, Local union 1010 adopted a strongly worded resolution Thursday night, March 20th, protesting the vicious attack currently being made against labor in congress and congressional committees.

The resolution stated: "We protest the brow beating of labor leaders, which Philip Murray, R. J. Thomas, and others are being subjected to."

"These attacks are camouflaged by the red-baiting tactics initiated by the National Association of Manufacturers and the United States' Chamber of Commerce."

In the rush to get the grievance committee report to the press, a mistake was made in the last edition concerning the Machine Shop employee who was accused of being un-American during the war.

The truth of the case is this—The man was treated in a discriminatory manner. After many verbal attempts by the man involved and also myself to get the reason for such treatment by the supervisors, a formal grievance was filed. As in most cases, the answer of the general foreman was false and irrelevant.

The Superintendent, being a busy man, stated "I agree with the foreman's decision."

The Superintendent of Labor Relations used enough words to fill his space on the grievance form but stated nothing.

Next, a meeting was arranged between the man involved, myself, and Mr. M. M. McClure, who was in charge of Industrial Relations during the war and knew of the status of all aliens and undesirable characters in the employ of the Inland Steel Co.

At this meeting, Mr. McClure assured us verbally that the record of this man was clear and never has there been any doubt about his loyalty.

The answer from the fourth step was not quite satisfactory, but Mr. McClure graciously agreed to correct the answer. The case is now satisfactorily settled. The man involved has the assurance that the government and the company have always considered him to be a good American, and any damage to his character originated solely from the actions of his immediate supervisors.

—George Sopko

NAME MANAGER FOR 1010 TEAM

Harry Kosinski, widely known pitcher and manager of industrial league ball clubs in the Calumet area, will handle local union 1010's hard ball team this year.

Now employed by Inland Steel, Kosinski's experience as a player in baseball includes a tryout with the White Sox in 1935, and regular bertha with the St. Louis Cardinal's "Chain Gang" and Danville in the old Three I League.

Inland Steel's Inequity Plan Snagged Again

Further progress toward settlement of the wage inequity program under negotiation with Inland Steel Co. is held up until the carrying out of the program in U. S. Steel are straightened out to the union's satisfaction.

Topping the list of beefs against the U. S. Steel plan in practice is the corporation's maneuver to finagling raises in hourly rates by employee who hourly rate is exceeded by bonus or incentive, the corporation alleges, shall receive no retroactive pay.

Further, in order to continue receiving his incentive earnings over and above his new hourly rate, he must speed up his production proportionately.

Limit Grades
Maintenance men in the crafts division are also taking a ream-stand in big steel. Job grades have been limited to three as stipulated in the agreement, but the corporation claims the right to limit the number of men in the two top grades regardless of their capability or length of service.

Since the objective of the program in the crafts division is to permit machinists, pipe fitters and other skilled and semi-skilled workers to rise to their proper rate of pay, the union is refusing to accept that interpretation of the agreement.

Although each detail of the big steel program is not binding upon Inland and local union 1010, the program under negotiation here is patterned upon the one in effect in United States Steel. Until these knots are unsharled, therefore, local union negotiators have been advised to submit all company proposals to the International office for minute examination before the committee agrees to them.

"Patience, Brothers"

Comparison studies between present rates at Inland and rates under the new program in U. S. Steel have been completed. Management is now drawing up proposals for allocating all jobs among the thirty classifications provided for by the agreement. These proposals will then be considered by the committee before offering them to the membership of the local for ratification.

The union Inequity Committee urges the membership to be patient. Revisions are being made and the membership will be notified of any major developments. The program will definitely be completed or agreed upon before the new contract is signed.

COUNSELING AID GIVEN AT I. U.

A new program of counseling service was inaugurated with a series of vocational orientation tests at Indiana University Calumet Center last week, said Dr. Harold Burns, director.

Object of the tests will be to guide the student in his college work. A full time counselor will shortly be appointed who will work with each student and counsel him concerning his future program.

Open only to students now, the service is planned later to be extended to businesses, schools and the general public, said Dr. Burns. "These tests will serve as a guide to industry in aiding them to select personnel," he said.

No charge is made for the service and tests are optional. There is no such thing as failing these tests. All students who plan to complete their work for a degree at Indiana University are urged to take the tests and register for appointments at the school office by March 20th.

WHAT IS OUR POLICY?

By George Sopko
As a member of the Executive Board of Local 1010, at our last meeting I made a request for statement of policy to our membership. The request was approved and I was told to write the article. I could think of nothing more fitting than to quote, word for word, the Statement made by President Philip Murray which is printed in another column of this issue.

As further assurance that our Union is not dominated by any outside source not in accord with the interests, ideals and progressive principles of true Americanism, please read the following carefully—it is a declaration of our policy adopted at the 8th Constitutional Convention of the CIO held last November.

Declaration of Policy
The Congress of Industrial Organizations is an American institution dedicated to the attainment of its well defined social and economic objectives within the framework of American political democracy.

The basic reason for the organization of CIO was and continues to be the organizations of the American workers into trade unions for the protection and enhancement of their legitimate aspirations in regards to wages, hours and conditions of employment. The CIO in pursuit of these aims and to protect the security of its members has encouraged its membership to exercise its rights and obligations as citizens of the community by supporting progressive legislation affecting their economic and social well being.

The CIO records with pride its achievements in protecting and enhancing the interests of its members and in providing leadership for the labor movement and the common people in the struggle for a better America. The record of the CIO in raising the living standards of its members, in promoting the well being of all the people, in support of the war ef-

fort, in the projection of national plans for the orderly reconversion to peacetime production, in its program of an economy of full employment at decent wages and full production is unequalled by any other organization in America.

In our efforts to win economic security and social justice and to unite our movement against the forces of reaction and the enemies of democracy, we reaffirm our faith that these goals can be achieved for the American people through the democratic process and without sacrificing any of our basic human freedoms. The CIO as an American organization has no interest apart from the interest of our people and our country.

We stand opposed to all forms of oppression and in favor of the Four Freedoms—freedom of religion, freedom from fear; freedom from want; and freedom of speech for everyone—everywhere.

We stand unwavering in our loyalty to these principles which America symbolizes and will resist with all our might every attempt by elements from within our country or from without to undermine or destroy our free institutions.

In the words of our great President, Philip Murray: "We must devote our lives as trade unionists towards the upbuilding of a better life for Americans, and we must pledge only one national allegiance, and that allegiance is to our own country, the United States of America."

In pursuit of the principles set forth herein and adopted by the CIO Executive Board, we, the delegates to the Eighth Constitutional Convention of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, reject efforts of the Communist Party or other political parties and their adherents to interfere in the affairs of the CIO. This convention serves notice that we will not tolerate such interference.



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1720 at Standard Forge

Greetings.

Again in my humble way I will bring you news and happenings as I have been able to gather them.

Chairman Harold Earle recently returned from Indianapolis. While there, he along with many other local union chairmen from surrounding districts, attended a conference presided over by USA-CIO president Philip Murray. President Murray urged that members from local unions give radio addresses, talks on helping strengthen our unions, on the anti-labor legislation, contract negotiations, and so forth. All in all, Harold says, "The trip and conference were both interesting and educational."

At a specially called meeting on Saturday, March 15, local 1720 nominated and elected a committee of three delegates to go to Washington D. C. to lobby against bills that are injurious to organized labor. The elected committee stands ready to leave at short notice, if and when they are called to the capitol.

Smoky Joe says, "A lot of people nowadays have respect for old age only when it's bottled."

On Wednesday, March 19, Brother Ray Sekularac was taken to St. Catherine's Hospital, having contracted a severe case of pneumonia. Brother Ray had been at home with an attack of flu. Feeling better, he was up and around when stricken with pneumonia. All members of local 1720 wish you a speedy recovery, Ray. Get up and around soon.

Due to the resignation of Lloyd Burton as chairman of the grievance committee and also as a committeeman, Brother Joe Meyers was elected at our last regular meeting to fill the vacancy. Please give Brother Joe your all-out support.

In the Calumet district there are a number of manufacturers of window shades, curtains, Venetian blinds, etc. One firm in particular uses the word "blind" to good advantage in advertising, employing such slogans as "Let the blind man bring your curtains or shades." On its trucks it carries signs like "This car driven by the blind man."

Brothers Harold Earle and Paul Mipula were standing at the corner of Michigan avenue and Dickey road the other day when one of the trucks of this firm appeared. It carried a sign at the front which read, "This car driven

by the blind man."

Brother Earle noticed the sign and after reading the inscription he began chasing the truck. He finally caught up with it, and ran alongside for about four blocks. All the time he was staring at the driver.

Finally, Brother Harold came back to where he had left Paul and said, "Isn't it wonderful what the doctors can do for blind people?"

Thereby he proved, once and for all, that while you can take the man from the country, you can't take the country from the man.

After spending a vacation period of more than three months in Sweden, Brother Henning Gradin has returned to East Chicago and is back at the old forge shop, hard at work. Henning says, "I had a wonderful trip, although on arrival in Sweden I found it pretty cold." He was glad to be able to visit with his relatives and friends, and we're glad to have him back with us again.

Local 1720 voted at its last regular meeting to send letters and telegrams to congressmen and senators at Washington to further bills that are favorable to labor and to protect those bills that are not in labor's interest.

We feel confident that through united effort in this campaign, we can convince elected representatives in Congress that we know what we want and need.

Writing our wiring senators and congressmen is a simple matter. Here is a sample of how to write or wire any of them:

Name of Congressman
House Office Bldg.
Washington, D. C.

or
Name of Senator
Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D. C.

We urge your support of legislation beneficial to all labor. (Place name and number of bill you are interested in here). Hoping this plea receives your due consideration, I remain respectfully yours,
Your name and address

Brother Charlie Wagner has been appointed temporary outside guard to replace Brother Emil Lindberg who is taking a long-earned vacation. Brother Emil will leave for Sweden on March 28th. He expects to be back in the U. S. A. again in about three months. Good luck to you, Brother Lindberg. May your vacation be a pleasant one.

Just recently a few of the boys from around town were paying a social call on our friend, Mr. Ern-

est Nordlof.

While visiting, the boys decided that a good dinner would be beneficial to all.

Charlie Olson was to be chief cook, and he proceeded to start the meal. Having started a pot of chili cooking on the top of the stove, he then decided to put a roast of beef in the oven. He placed the roast in the oven and turned up the gas—but he forgot to light same. The inevitable result is, of course, known to all. Bang went the stove, and chili and roast were no more.

Damage from the explosion was confined mostly to the gas range and ceiling light fixtures. Lucky for all present, no one was hurt except in their feelings. Swan Bergstrom, Eric Carlson, as well as Mr. Nordlof, were present at the time but, fortunately, none of the three were in the kitchen when the explosion took place.

A moral to this story might be, "Do not drink too much of Mike Prebanich's mountain dew before starting to cook meals for others." The boys, Swan, Charlie, and Eric, have a new theme song now. It runs,

Our hootch and money is all gone,
our heads ache and how,
Oh Dear Lord, or somebody, get us some money so that we may
Buy Nordlof a new gas stove now.
No more will we indulge, no more we'll try to cook.

The next time we visit Nordlof, we'll just sit around and read a book.

A lesson we have learned, and we have learned it well:
Never try cooking on a gas range when imbibing—for it may blow you all to h—l."

The Standard Forging ex-servicemen's club held its monthly meeting on March 8th last. A banquet for the veterans of World War II will be held April 19th, in Romanian Hall, 3422 Guthrie street in Indiana Harbor.

All ex-servicemen, their wives and sweethearts are welcome. Plenty of eats, refreshments, and dancing. Come on you privates, corporals, sergeants, lieutenants, etc. Fall in!

Do not forget local 1720's next regular meeting, Tuesday, April 1 at 7:30 at the new headquarters, Grand and Broadway. Let's fill the house. Discussion on the new contract will be heard as well as the regular order of business.

A last word.

It's not the number of hours that a man puts in, but what the man puts in the hours that counts.

"HAND IN GLOVE"



Retail food prices at the start of 1947 were 98% higher than before the start of the war.

Real estate operators have converted 121,000 apartment units to non-ceiling commercial use since the end of OPA.

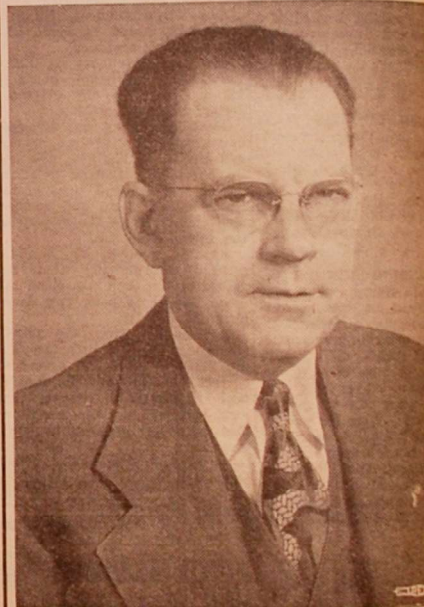
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cut in half since this program was begun.



DO YOU LIVE IN ONE OF THESE AREAS?

Every one had a serious disaster
last year!

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emergency food and medicine, even
restores homes according to need.



WILL YOU BE IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT?

Even the most careful driver
can't be sure!

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mobile units operating in your
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HAVE YOU A BOY (OR GIRL) IN THE ARMED FORCES?

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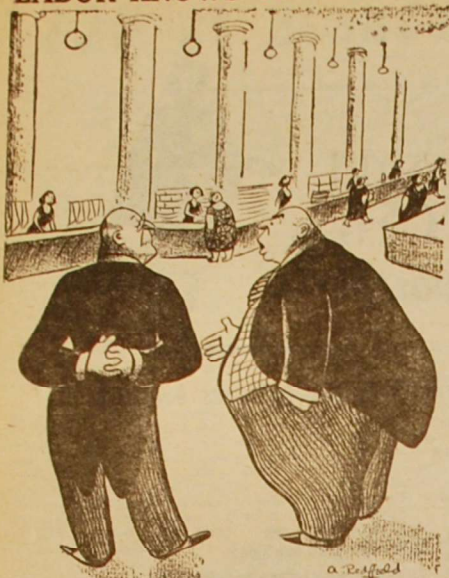
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Don't you see? How easily it may be you
who will need the Red Cross? See—how much
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"Why isn't the savings department busy these days?"

Bread Prices "Leveling Off" At New Height

A big profit grab is behind the increases on bread, whose prices have been jumped from 1c to 3c a loaf in cities throughout the U. S.

Heavy speculation has forced wheat up to \$2.64 1/4 a bushel, the highest price since 1920. Although trade authorities ascribed the steady advances in prices to the overseas demand and the possibility of a scarcity, official government figures show that because of the record wheat crop last year, a surplus of 149-164 million bushels of wheat is expected by July 1. This carry-over will exist despite an expected increase in exports from 267 million bushels to 325 millions and expected use of 792 million bushels in the U. S.

The retail price increases ordered by major baking firms more than cover advances in wholesale wheat prices. Sixty-six loaves are obtained from each bushel of wheat. A 3c per loaf jump gives them an increase of \$1.98 for each bushel now, as compared to the trading increase of 52c a bushel on wheat which will be sold in May 1947.

Profits of the major firms would likewise more than enable them to cover increased costs. According to the Natl. City Bank monthly financial bulletin, 16 of the nation's biggest bread baking firms doubled their profits in 1946 over 1945, showing net profits of \$44.

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Co-ops Call Newscaster's Words "False"

A petition calling on the Federal Trade Commission to investigate charges against cooperatives made in recent broadcasts by Fulton Lewis, Jr., has been filed by John Carson, director of the Washington office of Cooperative League of the USA. Mr. Carson has been joined in his petition by the Potomac Cooperative Federation of Washington, Midland Cooperative Wholesale of Minneapolis, Central Cooperative Wholesale of Superior, Eastern Cooperative Wholesale of New York, Central States Cooperatives of Chicago.

Statements made by Lewis were "false in part" and "half true in part" and "confusing where they are true," Carson said in his communication to the chairman of FTC, and were designed to defame and injure, and perhaps destroy "honorable cooperative business organizations." Significantly, the Potomac Cooperative Federation in its petition also named Lewis's local sponsor, the Mazon Company, as "unknowingly engaged in unfair competition and defamation of cooperative competitors" in the area, and suggested that the Mazon Company would be glad to have the subject thoroughly explored.

Lewis began to broadcast last week a series of attacks on cooperative business. He broadcast over Mutual, which he describes as a "cooperative" organization. He has indicated that he intends to continue his attacks indefinitely.

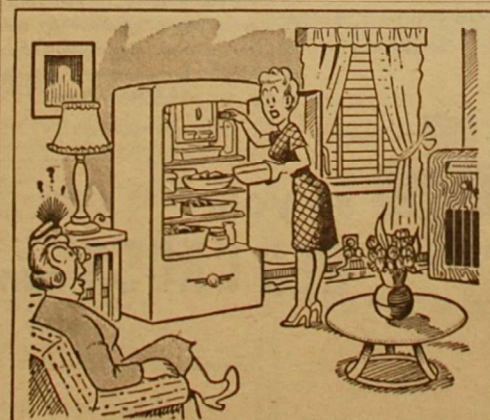
Veteran Labor Leader Dies

Indianapolis — (FP) — Adolph Jacob Fritz, known as the old man of Indiana labor, who for 27 years was secretary-treasurer of the Indiana Federation of Labor, died here at the age of 70.

Fritz retired as secretary-treasurer in 1944 because of ill health. He was known throughout the state among both labor and civic groups, and is said to have served on more than 1,000 civic committees. He was a member of the Indianapolis city council from 1935 to 1939.

A pioneer in the Indiana AFL, Fritz joined Local 56, Intl. Molders & Foundry Workers Union (AFL), in 1902 when the AFL had only 20,000 members in the state. Today there are 250,000.

Pres. Carl Mullen of the state AFL declared that Fritz "made the state federation what it is today."



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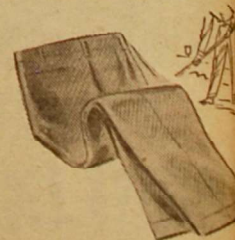
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Inland Management Malemates Negotiations

Progress toward an agreement between local union 1010 and Inland Steel to succeed the present contract, which expires April 30, can be summarized in three words: none, none, none.

Demands upon the union, which the committee point by point, rejecting the past six weeks, were assembled and offered to 1010's negotiators as company's basis for the new contract at the meeting on Friday, April 4.

Overriding union representation of all right to contest speed-up and other unjust working conditions, undercutting grievance procedure, and reducing vacation pay are among the several points upon which management is making a resolute stand.

Reports from International Steelworkers indicate that management's insistence upon a contract which would destroy existing working conditions or no contract at all is not restricted to Inland Steel; it's being done throughout the industry.

U. S. Steel, Youngstown Sheet and Tube, and other basic steel producers are also making management clauses an absolute condition to their signing of contracts. Because every concession which the companies appear to make can be denied in practice by management clauses, the concessions are valueless.

Attention Candidates

John O'Malley, chairman of the East Chicago Political Action Committee, announces that April 14, 15, and 16 will be "open hearing" days for local candidates in the May 6 primaries.

On these dates the PAC will interview the candidate for the mayor, city council, and judicial positions. Questions will be asked to determine the candidates' stand on such matters as housing, railroad improvements, city government and other key issues.

Interviews will take place in the basement of the new union headquarters at Grand and Broadway, starting at seven o'clock each morning.

The schedule for interviews is as follows:

Monday, April 14—Mayor, City and Judicial Candidates.
Tuesday and Wednesday, April 15 and 16—Candidates for City Clerk and City Council.

(For more news of East Chicago's PAC see page 2.)

1010 NOTICE

In order to inform the largest possible number of local 1010's members about developments in contract negotiations, a special meeting is called for 8:00 p. m., Thursday, April 10, in the City Hall, 3436 Michigan Avenue.

Both the committee's position and that of management on every contract proposal will be reported in detail by members of the negotiating committee.

DEATH PAYS THE DIVIDENDS



Another Nathan Bomb—

Steel Can Raise Pay 20-30 Cents an Hour And Not Cut Profits

The U. S. Steel Corp. can afford to raise wages anywhere from 20c to 30c an hour without endangering its profits, according to a report prepared for the United Steelworkers (CIO) by economist Robert R. Nathan.

The report estimated that if U. S. Steel operates at 95% of capacity it can earn a profit of \$136 million if it grants a 30c increase and \$181 million if it grants a 20c boost.

If operations fell to 75% of capacity, the report said, a 30c raise still would permit a profit of \$50 million, or a 20c raise \$86 million. At 50% operations, a 30c raise would result in a \$31 million loss while a 20c raise would permit a profit of \$8 million.

Production Tops
 Steel production averaged 94% of capacity in 1946. U. S. Steel, as of the week of March 24, 1947, was operating at 101% of rated capacity.

The report, which has been kept secret during the union's negotiations with U. S. Steel here, declared that while the profit position in the steel industry is perhaps more favorable now than at any time in peacetime history, the position of the steel worker is rapidly deteriorating.

It would take a 21c hourly increase for the steelworker to recover economic losses forced on him since last year by the soaring cost of living, the report said. The 18 1/2c increase won by steelworkers last year was actually only a 12 1/2c increase because of a decrease in the number of hours worked, Nathan said, estimating that the steelworker would need a \$1.51 hourly wage now to match the purchasing power of the \$1.29 he earned a year ago.

No Figure Set
 No specific wage demand has yet been posed by union officials in their talks with industry representatives here other than a bid for a substantial wage hike. The contract, which officially expired Feb. 15, has been extended to April 30 to provide the maximum time for a peaceful settlement.

Nathan's report, which was based on a study of 19 companies representing 90% of the industry, estimated that steel profits in the third quarter of 1946 were 322% greater than the average of 1936-39 period. Profits of U. S. Steel in 1946 were \$30 million higher than the preceding year. Its 1946 haul was \$88,683,530 as compared to \$58,015,056 in 1945.

Steel industry spokesmen, according to the Wall Street Journal April 3, said they have no intention of reducing prices.

One out of five full-time workers in the U. S., says a Twentieth Century Fund survey, is self-employed as a business, farmer, professional man, retail merchant or independent craftsman.

Mine Shutdowns Backed by 1010 In Resolution

Steelworkers are backing the miners' drive to make the nation's mines safer places to work in. Although safety shutdowns may result in lost time for the men in the mill, not a dissenting voice was heard last Thursday when Inland local adopted a stinging resolution, condemning the mine operators and supporting the mine shutdown.

The resolution, voted on by many men who themselves come from the coal fields, read:

WHEREAS: In the recent mine disaster in Centralia, Illinois, more than a hundred miners fell victims of unsafe working conditions which prevailed because of the greed for profit on the part of the mine owners, and

WHEREAS: Both the Federal government and the Illinois State government were directly responsible for this disaster since both of these agencies failed to enforce the safety codes, and

WHEREAS: The United Mine Workers of America has effected a six day shutdown of the mines in order to call nation wide attention to the scandalous working conditions in the coal mines of America,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, That Local Union No. 1010 of the United Steelworkers of America-C.I.O. declares itself in solidarity with the action taken by the United Mine Workers of America in protesting the negligence of the government officials and the coal mine operators.

Expendable?

Centralia: Peacetime Battlefield

We understand wars involving guns and tanks and planes. Recent years saw to that.

But it is seldom that we see clearly that a very real war underlies the social unrest and upheavals in this "peacetime" era.

On March 25, at Centralia, Illinois, a blast in a coal mine focused the eyes of a startled nation upon the inevitable results of this ever-present conflict.

One hundred and eleven men lay dead on the field of battle—the bottom of the wrecked, gas-filled shaft of Old Ben No. 5.

The story of their protests against their working conditions, the tragically brief notes a few of them left behind, move even the most callous. Yet, if past experience is any yardstick, our shock and horror will soon pass.

And until another Centralia or Straight Creek befalls us we shall forget the unrelenting rolling of the juggernaut which daily kills and maims untold scores.

Accidents in America's steel mills, auto plants, and machine shops are not so spectacular as the disasters which occur in the coal fields. But the toll is heavy, the resultant suffering equally heart rending.

During the years of the last war, industrial accidents killed and injured more persons than fell on the field of battle.

If this were the normal price to pay for human progress we might be able to accept it as the unfortunate toll of modern industrial society. But even highly conservative sources tell us that prevention would eliminate almost 75 per cent of these accidents.

And there is our answer: prevention.

But—prevention costs money.

Prevention means less profits.

Prevention be damned—and the people be damned!

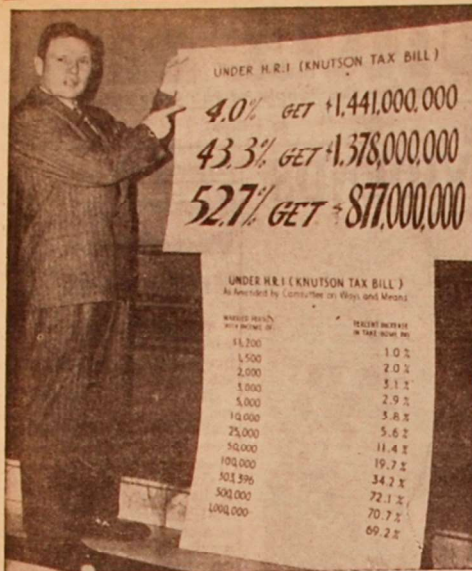
Organization Established By City PAC

With interviewing of all local candidates for elective offices scheduled for next week, East Chicago's PAC swung into high in its program for the coming primaries and fall elections.

Under the chairmanship of John O'Malley, the scheduling of the work ahead is taking final form. Organizations are being established in five of the city's six districts. It is expected that in the sole lagging district, the first, a ward leader and precinct workers will soon be established.

District committeemen for PAC, announced by Mr. O'Malley last

(Continued on page 2)



Rep. Albert Gore (D., Tenn.) points to charts that prove how unfair the GOP-sponsored income tax reduction bill is to low income groups. Already through the House, the measure is also expected to pass the Senate. It once again bears out the old adage: "It's the people who pay and pay." (Federated Pictures)

Something to Think About

"It is not military strength alone that I have in mind. What is primarily needed is national strength—or national health—here at home. Without it, in the last analysis, military strength will be futile at best; at the worst, a threat to our freedom in the hands of unscrupulous men, admitted to positions of power through the heedlessness or folly of citizens who failed to take their citizenship seriously. A strong Army and a strong Navy can become instruments of tyranny and despotism."—President R. C. Clothier, Rutgers University.

APRIL

A million melting flakes of snow;
A hundred brooklets trickling slow;
The earth in green with patch of brown
Upon her crocus-broidered gown—
That's April!

A flock of clouds wind-shepherded
Through blue-green pastures over-head.
A glint of color in the trees;
A robin's note upon the breeze—
That's April!

A whiff of smoke, an earthy smell;
The ringing of a warbler's bell.
Hepatica in furry hood,
And many-colored as her mood—
That's April!

A sudden quickening of the heart,
As if forget-me-nots would start.
A timid joy that stirs and sings;
A fluttering of the spirit's wings—
That's April!

—Anon.

Organization Established By City PAC

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week, are: Second district, Ronald Dakes; third district, Lawrence Meskimen; fourth district, Fred Mataas; fifth district, Abram Ally; sixth district, Mike Mamula. Activity in the districts is already underway. In the third, for example, handbills were distributed just prior to the closing of registrations, urging that residents of that district make sure they were registered for voting.

In all the districts, the committeemen are being furnished with large batches of postcards, to be distributed through their precinct workers, so that residents may easily let their congressmen and senators know how they feel about specific legislative measures.

Local unions affiliated with PAC are also in the swim, preparing to send delegations to Washington, D. C., for the "Indiana Day" planned shortly. On this day Hoosiers will invade the capitol to let their thoughts be known on the barrage of anti-labor bills now up before Congress. This technique—sending the voters to their representatives—paid off at the recent session of the state assembly.

Internationals whose local unions are represented in the city PAC include the United Steelworkers, the Oil Workers, and the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America.

Substandard teachers' pay caused the closing of 1,500 Missouri schools in the past five years.

Profits of 1st Natl. Stores, chain grocers, were up 110% in the last quarter of 1946 over the same period of 1945. The reason? No OPA.

More than 59% of the population are dipping into savings for current living expenses.

Profits in nonferrous metals for the third quarter of 1946 were at a rate exceeding any war year.

A union study at a typical Dayton, O., plant revealed 71% of the workers have been forced to cut their families' food consumption.

At the end of 1946 a family of four needed \$72.07 to live. Actual average income was \$45.74.



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Labor Around The World



Peru

Twelve thousand textile workers shut down every textile plant here in a move to force an American company to negotiate with its workers. The U. S. firm, W. R. Grace & Co., owns four large factories in which the working conditions are described as terrible by Peruvian union spokesmen. The workers, who sought unsuccessfully to meet with company representatives, sent a petition to the government urging it to press for a satisfactory settlement.

England

The British government has decided against introducing equal pay for women in civil service jobs, it is reported here.

The government decision represents a severe setback for the Trades Union Congress, which has been fighting for years to abolish industry's chief cheap labor source by establishing the principle of equal pay for all jobs.

Japan

American Military Government officers in Kobe broke a 3-day strike by nearly 2,000 steel workers, informing the workers that the strike cancellation was ordered by Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters in Tokyo.

According to the AMG officers, the strike violated MacArthur's order of Jan. 31 banning the general strike scheduled for the next day. At the time the order was issued, however, it was stated that it applied only to the general strike and did not restrict strikes by individual unions.

The steel workers were striking against the Kawasaki Heavy Industries Co., which is controlled by the Zaibatsu, financial-industrial barons who subsidized Japan's war effort.

AMG officials ordered union leaders to sign a statement that they would call off the strike but the union leaders refused a copy of the statement to keep themselves. The steel workers had voted 10 to 1 for the strike, which came after weeks of unsuccessful negotiation.

Starvation wages were at the root of the walkout. The average steel worker with two dependents is making 935 yen a month, from which he must pay taxes. According to a January survey, a family of five living in Tokyo needed 2,400 yen a month, excluding taxes. Even conservative estimates by occupation authorities put the living minimum wage at over 1,600 yen a month.

Palestine

Arab and Jewish workers of the Iraq Petroleum Co. in the Palestine port of Haifa have won their joint strike for higher pay. The

Haifa strike was the latest of several in which members of the two nationalities cooperated closely, resisting company attempts to split them by exploiting the prejudices that are fostered among other sections of the population.

Puerto Rico

A Puerto Rican court, acting under U. S. laws, found a unique reason to stop the distribution of throw-aways demanding Puerto Rican independence. Four young men, arrested on the order of naval authorities after they distributed leaflets to U. S. sailors, were told that it is a serious offense in this U. S. possession to distribute a leaflet without a union label. The four were released on \$500 bail each.

Russia

Fifty thousand prefabricated houses will be completed by the end of this year, the government announced. All sections of the houses are completely finished—the walls are prepared and insulated and doors and windows, including glass panes, are in place. The houses come in one and two floor sizes, each with a sun porch. They can be set up by five people in a single day.

France

The French General Confederation of Labor (CGT), a traditional advocate of labor political action, is running its own candidates in the April election for administrators of France's new social security program.

There are 2,000 CGT candidates in the field, whose campaign costs are being borne by the union body. In the Paris area alone, a speakers' bureau of 300 people has been set up to address local rallies and mass meetings and to visit factories to talk to the workers.

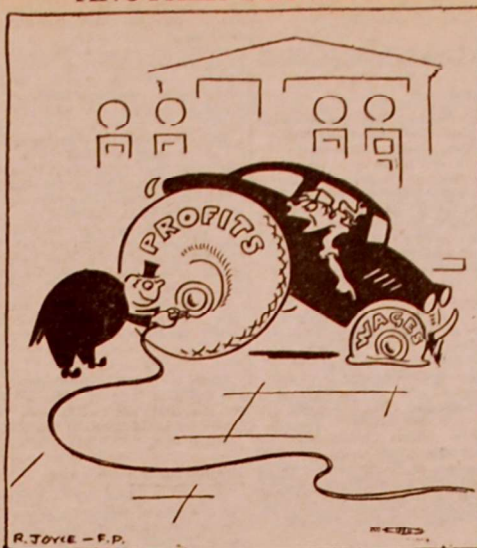
The new social security plan, which became law Jan. 1, gives lifelong protection to every category of worker against every conceivable hazard. Among its provisions are guarantees for medical attention and hospital care in case of any illness or accident; maternity care and allowances for each child born; old age pensions and unemployment compensation.

Both employers and employees contribute to the social insurance fund with the former giving 9% of the total payroll and the latter having 6% of his salary deducted.

Greece

Pilots employed by the Greek Co. of Air Communications held a 24-hour protest strike when they learned that the company chairman has sold 2,000 shares of stock to American airline interests without approval of the company council. This gives Americans control of the firm.

ANOTHER BLOWOUT?



A Rainy Day

You can always tell when contract negotiations are on between the steel corporations and the union. The companies, when they hear the word "raise", break out with a rash of public statements "explaining away" their profits.

Speaking between acts of a fair-to-middling radio drama the other night, a spokesman for U. S. Steel got into the swim.

He mentioned how much money the company took in last year. We don't recall the exact amount, but it was better than a billion dollars. Then he explained how they spent all the take—except for a measly six percent!

Part of that six percent, he said, went to their two hundred thousand odd stockholders in the form of dividends. The remainder was put aside "for a rainy day".

We don't know how the stockholders are finding the weather these days, but the steelworkers think it's pretty doggone wet. We'd like to suggest that as long as the cash is there, U. S. Steel open the window down in Pittsburgh, get a look at the "rainy days" their workers are having, and split up some of that reserve fund among the men and women whose labor earned it.

The City Elections

Candidates for the various elective offices in East Chicago are springing up faster than Spring flowers—if not prettier.

Voters, quadrennially faced with the problem of reading between the lines of campaign speeches, have something to be especially grateful for this year.

East Chicago's Political Action Committee is arranging interviews with candidates for the mayoralty, the judicial openings, and the city council. In these interviews the would-be's will be asked pointed and specific questions as to their stand on such vital community problems as housing, transportation, civil rights, and so on.

Results of these interviews will be published in the next issue of the Labor Sentinel. We urge all readers to study the answers the different candidates make, and use them as a measure by which to judge.

Deliver Us From Such Friends!

Mr. Charles Halleck is majority leader in the House of Representatives. He told Indiana CIO leaders recently that he considered himself a friend of labor. To a meeting of the board of directors of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce he said, "There is no desire or intention in Congress to curb the rightful privileges of the working people of the United States in the matter of collective bargaining."

"But there is a firm determination that lawlessness, force, and violence, coercion and intimidation, conspiracy and repudiation of contracts SHALL NOT BECOME ACCEPTED PARTS OF AMERICAN LABOR RELATIONS."

Most labor leaders could agree with Mr. Halleck that lawlessness, force and violence, coercion and intimidation, etc., ought to have no part in the labor picture. Every leader and worker we know believe these are not good whether they come from workers or from employers.

But Mr. Halleck and his party approach their friendly goal in the

most fantastic manner.

No lawlessness, force or violence, they say. Yet last week they voted to destroy the conciliation service.

We're friends of the workers, they say. Yet they voted last week to destroy the Bureau of Labor Standards.

We won't curb workers' rightful privileges in collective bargaining. Yet last week they reduced the National Labor Relations Board to impotence.

And now Mr. Halleck predicts that the House Labor Committee will report a bill for "remedial" labor legislation in a few days, that it will be up for debate in the House about April 14.

The Senate will act about the same time; then the sound and fury will rock Capitol Hill. But while reactionaries will support these spectacular attacks on labor and progressives rally to labor's defense, already the rights of workers, organized and unorganized, have been seriously weakened.

(From Indiana Political Action Committee.)

Malloy—

(Continued from page 3) place him somewhat in the line of John L. Lewis following the Centralia mine disaster, says he has been put off claims that materials for important installation have not been available.

In a step 3 hearing of a case filed by the union following rather testy "answers" given:

Mr. Spencer (Industrial Relations chief) advised that order has been placed with firm to install the first escape and there is nothing there we can do about it except wait until the job is done. The firm doing the job, however, to get the approval of state fire marshal on the installation.

Dear Mr. Malloy:

Just wondered if you could down the facts on a story circulating over here at the mill (by the way, the bar is finished; drop around). On reliable authority" has it that local, 1011, is now making rounds of the local members asking for contributions to pay for the new building. I know if this is so; perhaps we could help them out in destitute circumstances.

Deck Is Stacked Against Unions in U. S. Congress

The House Labor Committee stacked the cards against the unions in two ways, Congressman G. Klein (Dem., N. Y.) has told a group of union representatives at New York.

First, seven of each ten witnesses at the labor legislation hearings have been spokesmen for management, so organized labor had little chance to answer the attacks made upon it.

Second, the "great majority" management spokesmen presented employers who have found guilty of "unfair labor practices," by the National Labor Relations Board and the courts.

In other words, the committee has been asking law violators to help write laws against their times.

At the same union meeting other significant fact was pointed out by Charles S. Zimmerman, president of the A. F. of L. National Ladies' Garment Union.

The present anti-labor legislation, Zimmerman said, is enough to "get tough" result, his union recently nearly had its first strike years.

Textile Industry Due for a Fall From the Heights

"A nervous Humpty top a high wall of inflated looking for a hard fall," the way the "Wall Street" describes the cotton textile industry, which is accused of profiteering.

For what was 65 cents of cotton goods in 1933, "Journal" said, people now pay \$2. Some cotton cloth is well over 450 per cent above war level.

Wholesale prices of all commodities average only 81 per cent above 1939.

"A fall is indicated," the "Journal" prophesies. "It may be a fall for Humpty Dumpty, but it will be a sweet sight for the consumer, who works and wears cotton cloth. By day he wears cotton shirts, socks, and overalls. He eats from tablecloths. At night, he wears pajamas, he sleeps on cotton sheets."

As we understand it, getting tired of trying to get the apples her pupils eat. What she wants is a cabbage.

1010 AT INLAND STEEL

Incentives are Current Hitch on Inequity Deal

When the wage inequity plan in U. S. Steel, which shows the plan is put into effect, are enabling local 1010's to bring inequity negotiators to eliminate similar flaws in their own company.

The executives of the international union, who examined the plan under consideration by the U. S. Steel and Inland Steel, indicated that none of the same technical flaws which are proving objectionable in big steel are included

in the Murray, Elmer Malloy, secretary of the international union's inequity committee, James J. McDonald, secretary, advised Joe Jeneske, local 1010 staff representative, to re-examine the plan in the light of the inequity committee's findings.

Meetings between representatives and management were suspended two days ago pending discussion of the matter with top leadership of the union.

Wish On Incentives
Chief obstacle to smooth working of the U. S. Steel plan is inequity of incentives. Worded as the program which went into effect there February 9, it permits the corporation to raise hourly rates by the amount of incentive earnings from

the plan proposed to Inland Steel, incentives on jobs pay day rate and tonnage to an average of 1.33% of the same proportion which other types of incentive plan also maintain the same relationship to the new hourly rates which they now have to the

Representative Joe Jeneske, who returned from Pittsburgh April 4, began meeting management again this week.

"If milk costs as much as it does, it would still be your best buy," says the Chicago Federation. And a lot of people would be drinking it in the city.

NOTICE

All stewards, grievance committeemen, and assistant committeemen, and other active union men are warned to attend a meeting called for Friday night, April 18, in the union hall. Keep the evening open; it's important.

Open Air Meetings

Unless East Chicago's city officials see fit to deny the union the right to assemble in a public park, union meetings will be held across from No. 2 gate several times weekly at shift changes.

Purpose of the meetings is to keep everybody abreast of what's going on in both local and industry-wide efforts of the union to arrive at a just agreement with the steel operators.

Listen for the loud speaker and hustle over.

Ship and Hotels Resolved Upon

At the last meeting of local 1010 two resolutions were presented to the membership at the request of the Lake County Industrial Union Council.

The first, concerning maritime strength of the United States, called upon the U. S. Congress to see that funds sufficient to ensure an outstanding merchant fleet be allocated; asked that existing Maritime Commission funds be also utilized to this end; and urged that all citizens of Lake County co-operate in this drive.

Another measure, closer to home, was embodied in the second resolution. It supported the current service workers' strike against the Claypool Hotel and condemned the failure of the state AFL president to see that the CIO picket line around the hotel be respected by the Federationists. Seems that the gent in question continues to have his GHQ in the struck hotel!

Raven Named To Meet Strause In Fight Feature

Rough going is slated for Virgil Strause in the feature bout of USA-CIO sub-district No. 2's boxing show Friday, April 25. The rough going is in the shape of Buck Raven, winner of this year's Gold Gloves championship for the light-heavy division in Gary, who combines a fair degree of boxing skill with a positive bent for the unorthodox style of combat so highly regarded in the barrooms of Calumet City.

Raven also reached the finals for the Indiana Kentucky heavyweight belt which were held in Indianapolis in late March.

Fans who attended the recreation committee's initial show last January have the opportunity of again seeing several of the same fighters in action against carefully selected opponents two weeks from next Friday night.

La Bounty on Card

A trifle on the unorthodox side, Red MacGregor, athletic director of the sub-district's recreation committee, has two semi-windup bouts simmering to dish up to the customers on April 25. Johnny Stachon, Inland No. 2 open hearth's own, is tentatively carded with Tom Simmons, a stable mate of Buck Raven's in the Joyce gym, Gary.

In the other half of the two-decker semi-windup, Dale LaBounty will meet adequate opposition; probably Johnny Brown. A passing illness prevented LaBounty, who is employed in Inland's steam department, from appearing on the first show.

Paul Hernandez is another entrant whom local fans will have no trouble remembering from last winter's card. He had a little difficulty. In plastering Irving Patterson thinly on the deck from time to time throughout their bout. A hard man to convince, Patterson was, however, still sopping up Hernandez' best licks and asking for more at the final piling up Hernandez' best licks the coming bouts is a rangy 17-year-old from Gary, rated a comer, named George Bradley.

Milligans Back

Also returning to the ring was sponsored by the union sub-district "rec" committee are the Milligan brothers, Dave and Russ, and Paul Ramirez.

In order to assure themselves of choice seats, fight fans are advised to purchase tickets from their local union stewards or grievance committeemen at an early date.

Mine Tragedy Decried by A.F.L. Chief Green

Deep sympathy for the victims of the appalling tragedy marked by the Centralia, Ill., mine explosion and for the workers' families was expressed in a message by A.F.L. President William Green to Edward Auberry, Secretary of the United Mine Workers' local there.

At the same time Mr. Green expressed hope that a thorough investigation of the disaster "will disclose who, because of negligence or otherwise, is responsible," and that those found at fault will be punished properly.

Mr. Green said he was in full accord with the decision of the United Mine Workers (AFL) to observe Holy Week as a full period of mourning for the 111 members who died in the gas-filled pit and for their families.

Bowling Dates

Local union 1010's bowling league will bowl on Wednesday nights, April 23 and 30, at 8:00 p. m. The change from the current schedule, 5 p. m., Saturdays, is due to tournament bowling slated for those weeks.

Freedom of press means only freedom of the "white" press to the four brave newspapermen who voted not to allow any Negro correspondents to sit with them in the press galleries at Congress. Wonder what kind of curtain you'd call that—or is it simply that they're ashamed to let Negro newspapermen hear what filthy-mouths like Rankin and Bilbo say?

LOCAL UNION 1010 MEETING SCHEDULE

- Group #1: Second Tuesday of each month; 7:30 P. M.
Blast furnace; ore docks; fabricating; laboratories; coke plant, tar plant; sintering plant; planer.
- Group #2: First Friday of each month; 7:30 P. M.
#1 and #2 open hearths and steam department.
- Group #3: First and Third Sunday; 10 A. M.
40" mill; rail mill; 28" mill; tie plate mill.
- Group #4: Second Sunday of each month; 2 P. M.
10" mill; 14" mill; roll shop.
- Group #5: Third Wednesday of each month; 7:30 P. M.
44", 76", 46". Bloomer, 44", 46" Slab Yards.
- Group #6: First and Third Tuesday; 8 P. M.
Cold strip and tin mill.
- Group #7: Fourth Monday of each month; 7:30 P. M.
Transportation department.
- Group #8: Third Monday of each month; 4:30 P. M.
New construction.
- Group #9: First Monday of each month; 7:30 P. M.
36", 19", 24" mills, storer, machine shop, blacksmith shop, boiler shop, pipe shop, riggers.
- Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P. M.
Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.
- Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P. M.
Power department.

Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P. M.



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Spring is in the Air!



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Dreadful losses and such during would have made Centrola No. 5 safer. Management protest of the coal-miners, as you may recall, would have been more insistent. The operation did not value the lives of their workmen at even eight dollars and eleven cents per man. The 111 men were swept into oblivion to make the profit lost in the hearts of the operators.

In an effort to look the horns deer after the horns has been stolen, Mr. Evans, the man from Truman named to administer essentially the operation of the nation's coal mines—but who, in his previous actions, must have been laying a few feathers in the King nest by being one hundred percent pro-operation—the lamarkia premeditated that make mine must be closed.

Had King done this six months ago the population of Centrola would be larger and happier today. The answer to this is visible: the leopard does not change his spots and a headstrong man is still a headstrong man, neither trustworthy nor trustworthy.

Even the Missouri republicans seem touched with the spirit. Ben Baerens of Missouri, speaking of that grand old labor fighter, John L. Lewis, said that Lewis knew that Centrola No. 5 was unsafe last November but did nothing "to safeguard the men whose lives he was officially sworn to."

For heaven's sake! This after Lewis only, about that time, did everything but expectorate in H.B.L.'s left eye trying to get a new contract in which one of the prime parts was a greater degree of safety.

Has Ben Baerens forgotten Mr. Goldfinger's injunction, and did the "no more"? His memory must indeed be bad. We of labor have not forgotten, and if Mr. the honorable Goldfinger's sleep is not bothered by a nightly process of 111 broken, hurried bodies it is only because a rich man has no scruples and therefore no conscience.

I think things will be different this time. Old Lewis has an unswerving public with him and he is loaded for bear. I believe that if the government really wants to clear up these death traps, and is not just playing politics while the time

and cry is up—and that's hard to believe—Mr. Lewis will see to it that they do a damn good job while they are at it. While not a member, naturally, of Lewis' union, I remember him from the old U.M.W. days of ten or twelve years ago and know that he did keep them out of things halfway. (Oh! Oh! I have always thought that if there is to be a more able labor leader than John L. Lewis he has not yet been born.)

But the temporary closing up of these treacherous pits is not all we need. There should be—and there must be—a nationwide code of mine safety. A law with teeth in it. That is up to the responsible men in Congress. I think such a bill, introduced into the House, called the Madden Bill, would be very wise. Have about it, boys!

The owner a law is made which will force these pernicious placards who own our country's mines to provide adequately for the safety of their hireling employees, the owner will be the witness who are left to mourn. And the flower children's children to grow baffled to maturity.

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In their regular monthly meeting held on March 22, 1947, the membership of Local No. 42, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, CIO, donated \$100.00 from their local treasury to "The Sidney Hillman Foundation Fund". The executive board of the local is taking the lead in an individual contribution campaign among the membership, directed by Business Agent, Jelle Ronte.

It is the aim of the national officers of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America to raise \$1,000,000 in this drive, as a last tribute to their late President's memory.

The fund will be used to finance projects of an educational character in the field of labor and social relations in which Sidney Hillman spent his life, such as University scholarships for trade unionists, grants to educational institutions for special studies on labor, social and economic problems. Sidney Hillman awards for books on important labor subjects and to individuals for distinguished public service.

The following well known and public spirited citizens have been invited to serve on the advisory board of the Foundation:

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These Pittsburgh miners examine a picture of women working at the site of the Centralia, Ill. mine disaster in which 111 men died. On a 6-day memorial stoppage called by UMW Pres. John L. Lewis are (l. to r.) Tony Nedzesky, Frank Phillips and Al Hoffman. The miners are bitter about the lack of safety precautions that caused the tragedy. (Federated Pictures)

Social Security And You

Children of workers who have died after working on jobs that were under social security long enough to be "insured," may get monthly payments even though their mothers may not get such payments, Charles S. Davis, Manager of the Hammond, Indiana, social security field office said today. Payments can be made, however, unless and until a claim is filed.

To make sure of getting all the social security benefits that may be payable, Davis urged that some member of the family get in touch with his office at Room 417 Post Office Building, whenever a workman after having had employment that is covered by social security. His office is glad to find out whether the deceased worker was insured under social security. If so, to help the family file claims for benefits. This help is free of charge.

A historian we know is trying to raise a \$500,000 education fund. He wants to educate Washington newspapermen about who won the Civil War. Any money left over will be used for an iron curtain around the bill of rights, to protect Americans from getting radical laws out of the constitution.



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Greetings

We have just heard the testimony of John L. Lewis, president of the U.M.W.A., before the Congressional committee investigating the mine disaster at Centralia, Illinois. It is obvious that those who are the operators and managers of the above mentioned mine, as well as the head of the Bureau of Mines, were negligent in their duties with the result that proper precautions to safeguard the lives and well-being of the men who mine coal were not carried out.

The press throughout the country has published a statement, said to have been made by one of the mine officials, who when asked why a sprinkling system was not used which would have kept down dust and helped prevent the explosion, said, "We did not find it economical."

Any person or persons making a statement of that kind, placing their lust for the almighty dollar ahead of the safety and lives of their employees should get shown no mercy.

Heaping abuse and ridicule upon the heads of those responsible for the loss of the 111 lives in Centralia will not bring these men back to live any more than it will bring comfort to their dear ones left behind.

Proper action MUST be taken by the officials of the Bureau of Mines and enforced. Everyone, unionist or non-unionist, should write to Sec'y Krug at Washington, urging—nay, demanding—that all safety rules and regulations be enforced so that another disaster may be avoided in the future.

Local 1720 held its regular meeting on April 1 at the new union hall. Brother Harold Earle, president, being unable to attend, Joe Lien, vice chairman of the local, presided.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. Communications were read and acted upon accordingly.

Brother Joe Elias made a report on the recent meeting of the industrial union council and Brother Stanley Lewandowski reported on a meeting of the Legislative Council. Brothers Fleming, Hunter and McEwan were present at that meeting. It was reported that the Lake County Labor News wants opinions and criticisms on the contents of the paper. Either Stanley Lewandowski or Joe Lien can be contacted at the shop for news items and criticisms, and these brothers will see that same are written up in the paper. Come on, everybody, let's have that news.

Financial secretary Joe Elias made a report on membership as

of March 1st. A total of 709 Standard Forge employees belong to local 1720.

Brother Joe Meyers was nominated and elected to serve as a two-year trustee. Give him your cooperation, please.

A number of the boys from the shop have been confined at home during the past few weeks due to colds, "flu", and what have you. President Harold Earle has been among those laid up, having been confined to his home for a week, but he hopes to be back at work soon.

Brother Bill Carlson, at this writing, is again confined to St. Catherine's Hospital. Bill underwent a serious operation a few weeks ago, was getting along nicely and went back home. Complications set in, and he had to return to the hospital. Members of 1720 hope to see you out and around soon again, Bill. Good luck and a speedy recovery!

Plans for the annual picnic of the local are being formulated. Keep your eyes open for the early announcement of the date.

Brother Dan Arlington, planer from department 38, was ill recently, so the report goes.

Mrs. Arlington called the doctor, who gave her instructions as to her husband's treatment. The next day the doctor called again and asked, "Did you take your husband's temperature as I told you to do?"

"Yes, doctor," replied Mrs. A. "I borrowed a barometer, and placed it on his chest. It said 'Very dry' so I bought him a quart of beer, and now he's gone back to work."

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Oil Workers Win Pay Hike In Contracts

Nearly two-thirds of the nation's union oil workers have gained wage increases of 20 to 25c an hour through contracts signed by the Oil Workers Intl. Union—CIO. Pres. O. A. Knight announced March 31.

Most recent contracts, providing 25c an hour increases, were won by Socony-Vacuum and Cities Service refinery workers in the big Chicago area oil center of East Chicago, and Hammond, Ind.

Cities Service members along the Atlantic seaboard won a 20c increase after a 4-day strike. The agreement calls for a permanent 12c an hour increase with another increase of 8c effective for the rest of the year. Retroactive pay at 18c an hour for November and December, 1946, was also gained.

Sinclair, Texas Co., Cities Service groups of OWIU have now settled the wage campaign initiated when OWIU called for a 25c an hour increase last October. Call-form oil workers have settled for 20.2c an hour. Sinclair workers, under a sliding scale based on the cost of living, won a 25c an hour raise.

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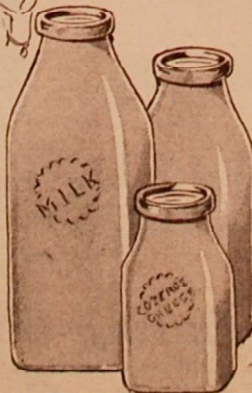
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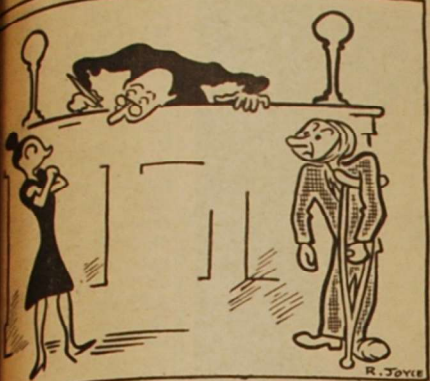
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Inland Steel Gets Down to Business As U. S. Steel Signs

At the next meeting of Local 1010, on Thursday, April 24, 10:30 p.m., a full report will be given by Wage-Policy Committee member Peter Calacci on the U. S. Steel contract. A report on today's (Wednesday's) meeting with Inland Steel will also be made.

The increase of 20c an hour, increased annual wages, 10c per hour for a welfare fund, shift differential, and pay for holidays were demanded by Inland Steel by local union contract committee at the meeting (as this is written, Sunday) on the new agreement, April 18.

Lesniak Entry in Mayor Race, Tips Apple Cart

A surprise move that caught the majority candidates a little off guard, Albert Lesniak, former controller who was ousted in 1945, by Mayor Frank J. ... filed at the deadline, ... for mayor on the democratic ticket.

The race is a four-cornered race with the democratic nomination; J. Migus, John Zivich and ... are the other candidates, although it seems ... that the incumbent mayor ... present the stiffest competition at his disposal a well-known machine.

Lesniak as city controller ... finance policies of the city ... on a sound basis by refunding the city debt at a lower rate of interest and inaugurating a systematic retirement of that debt with serial bonding. Previously the financial condition was ... Lesniak advanced the ... rating with bonding ... from B-2 to A-1.

One of the oddities of the ... campaign that the Migus ... is taking credit for ... work, using it as a ... argument, even after ... who made the achievement ...

mands, management's spokesmen evaded committing themselves in any degree. Outcome of pending portal-to-portal pay suits is the reason management gave for stalling on wage demands. Actual reason is, as everyone is aware, that little steel is permitted by its senior partner, U. S. Steel, to come to no agreement on demands affecting the whole industry.

Participation of a lawyer from Pope and Ballard, Inland's chief counsellors, in Friday's talks indicated that company is getting ready to get down to brass tacks on the contract. Conclusion of Friday's all day session, nevertheless, found union and management very little closer than they were several weeks ago.

No further discussion on vacations, management clauses, grievance procedure, union security and other points vital to the membership of local 1010 have been held since negotiations were stalemated by the company's arbitrary attitude on April 4.

With only seven days of life left remaining to the existing contract, meetings will be resumed Wednesday, April 23, and continue daily until the expiration deadline, April 30. Since detailed proposals for each provision of the new contract have already been prepared by both sides, it is possible, given an atmosphere of sincere attempts to bargain, to reach an agreement within that time.

city administration which were rejected by the administration. Among them were development of an adequate program for the administration in all departments. At present Lesniak declares operation of city government is haphazard and backward.

He also advocated the making of reports by all departments to show work accomplished, providing a full accounting of money spent. At present only financial accounting is required permitting some departments to spend appropriations without being answerable for any service.

Other agencies in the city have waited on the mayor to ask for the same full report and accounting, as the East Chicago League of Women Voters, but were unpleasantly dismissed by the mayor for their pains.

Lesniak also advocated a centralized purchasing system for all city buying; it was his objection to favoritism in buying policies of the mayor that led to his dismissal.

Anti-Labor Bill Passes House Over Protest of Cong. Madden; Fight Shifts to Senate Floor

"Under the false guise of 'correcting labor abuses' the Hartley labor bill reported by the House Education and Labor Committee is designed to so weaken as in effect to repeal the National Labor Relations Act," says Congressman Ray J. Madden.

The bill passed the lower house last Thursday, and the fight now centers around defeating the measure in the Senate. Wires to Indiana Senators Jenner and Capehart, are urged.

Madden, as a member of the Labor and Education Committee, charged that the anti-labor House majority paid little attention to evidence pertaining to major problems in labor relations and the labor disputes dealt with in the bill. The bill, he says, "could have been written by the would-be destroyers of organized labor just as well before as after the hearings."

In a special to the Sentinel Madden reported that Chairman Hartley delayed the closing vote on the bill until Saturday morning, April 11, at ten, catching pro-labor members short-handed. They worked late Saturday and all day Sunday to get their minority report to the government printing office by Sunday evening.

Among provisions of the bill are these:

● **INDUSTRYWIDE BARGAINING OUTLAWED.** No collective bargaining unit would be permitted to represent employees of competing enterprises, except in a few small plants in a 50-mile radius.

● **CLOSED SHOP ILLEGAL.** No union contract would be permitted which called for hiring of union members only.

● **UNION SECURITY ON ICE.** Contracts calling for all employees to join a union would be permitted only when the employer agreed to bargain on the subject. No strike with a goal of union security would be permitted.

INJUNCTIONS GRANTED.

Would allow Dept. of Justice to get an anti-strike injunction against unions when Attorney General decides that a "threatened or actual strike imperils public health, welfare or safety."

LABOR BOARD ABOLISHED.

Present Natl. Labor Relations Board would be wiped out, with a new "Labor Management Board" in its place to act against unions

be legal unless majority of all affected employees have voted wish to strike and to reject management's "final offer."

UNION ACTIVITIES ENDANGERED.

Mass picketing or "unlawful concerted activities" would be banned by law. Unions would be subject to injunctions against these and other normal workers' strike activities.

WAGNER ACT REPEALED.

Substantial sections of Wagner Act upholding unions' rights to free collective bargaining would be repealed.

UNION DEMOCRACY LIMITED.

"Communists," persons favoring change of government by illegal means, and persons believed to have supported Communist doctrines or policies, would be liable to expulsion from union organizations.

Following are a few excerpts from the blistering minority report submitted by Congressmen Madden, Lesinski and Kelly.



Calling the smash-labor bills of Sen. Robert A. Taft (R. O.) and Rep. Fred A. Hartley Jr. (R. N.J.) the first real step "to the development of fascism in this country," CIO Pres. Philip Murray (above) told the union's national legislative conference the CIO must lead the fight against passage. (Federated Pictures.)

as well as employers. New independent conciliation service would be created, and an administrator to enforce new act.

STRIKE ACTION LIMITED.

Thirty-day cooling-off period would be compulsory. No strike would

"By making all strikes unlawful the bill repeals the Norris-LaGuardia Act signed by President Hoover. It makes unions and their members subject to suits for treble damages under the Sherman Antitrust act. It revives the common law doctrine of conspiracy against workers who band together to protect their living standards and throws the law back to where it was in England in the late 1700's. The bill does not merely wipe out labor's gains under the administration of Roosevelt, it turns the clock of history back at least a century and a half, eliminating safeguards and protections which both republican and democratic congresses have sponsored for generations.

"The bill undertakes to do this at a time when rising price levels have begun to squeeze the American worker dry. It does not propose any measures to give hope for a rising standard of living made possible by our enormously increased productivity. It does not propose to treat with fairness those millions of American workers who have contributed so much to victory and reconversion. It only proposes to swell the coffers of gigantic industrial combinations by rendering labor impotent.

"By placing heavy penalties upon industry-wide bargaining, this bill forces workers to compete with each other to see which can work for the lowest wage. . . .

"It revives company unionism as a method by which the employer may sit at both sides of the bargaining table."

The Senate labor committee softened some of the harshest features of the House bill, but it is still a legislative monstrosity, reminding labor vividly of the Hitler labor front.

known around the stables as a spring board for leaping into the ranks of gainfully employed gladiators. Three of the boys on last January's card, Milton Love, Jose Manjoras, and Doug VanHoff, have since taken out professional licenses and are doing all right.

Tickets, with the exception of a blanket charge of 25c for high school kids, are the same as they were last winter: 75c general admission; \$1.00 bleacher; and \$1.50 ringide.

Even if you don't like fights, the organ interludes are worth the admission price.

Strause-Raven Headliners In Friday's Fights

If Messers. Strause and Raven, who constitute the piece de resistance of Friday night's boxing show at Hammond's Civic Center, wish to be remembered as the evenings featured fighters, they'd better turn in an especially sparkling performance. Like the main course of a Swedish dinner, Friday night's stars may be outshone by the supporting card in Lake County's fistie firmament.

Idle since last August by illness and an excursion down the main aisle with one of the neighbor's children, Dale LaBounty, local union 1010's sole representative on the sub-district show, is, nevertheless, reaching peak condition for his semi-windup bout with Johnny Brown.

"I think I'll win, OK," he answered a direct query Saturday night, "but it won't be easy. Brown's a rough boy and he's beaten some good men lately."

Navy Fighter

At 21, LaBounty is a veteran of six years' ring warfare. Three years ago, he copped the Indiana-Kentucky belt in the 126 pound

division shortly before he shipped in the navy. Between main goes with the Japanese Imperial forces, the East Chicago boy whiled away the time by licking 58 shipmates out of a possible 60.

"Dale is a better fighter at his present age and seasoning than Tony Zale was at a like stage," Red McGregor, "rec" committee athletic director, declared. Red's in a good spot to judge; he fought on many of the same local cards which readied Zale for the middleweight championship of the world.

Johnny Brown, Ringside AC, whom LaBounty meets, dropped a very close decision to Keith Nuttal in his latest fight three weeks ago in Michigan City. Nuttal, a youngster from Utah, has been cutting a wide swath through middle west light weights in the past couple of months.

Stachon Out

Both Johnny Stachon and Lew Scerna, whom Inlanders especially looked forward to seeing on this show, are off the card because of improper conditioning.

USA-CIO shows are becoming

ALBERT LESNIAK FILES AS A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR

MY FAMILY HISTORY AND QUALIFICATIONS

I was born in East Chicago in 1885.

My parents John and Magdalene Lesniak settled in East Chicago in 1889 as immigrants of Polish extraction. In the year of 1897 my parents became full fledged citizens of the United States of America.

My father worked in the factories of this city, later became a teamster and then a businessman, a position he held for 35 years until his retirement a few years ago.

As a pioneer settler he took an active interest in civic and social affairs of his day. He saw East Chicago grow from a village to its present status of a great city.

I happened to be the second of eleven children born to my parents, (seven sons and four daughters). Two of my brothers and one sister have dedicated themselves to the religious life and were ordained to the holy priesthood and sisterhood of the Roman Catholic Church. The others hold responsible positions in business and industry in East Chicago and the Calumet Region.

I received my early education in the St. Stanislaus Parochial School, my high school at the Weber High of Chicago, Ill. and my business training in the Chicago Business College of Hammond, Indiana.

When I was 18 years old I represented the Public Savings Life Insurance Co. (now known as the Western and Southern) in East Chicago. In the year of 1915 I entered into the real estate business, a business that is still flourishing today.

In 1917 I assumed and still hold the position of secretary and treasurer of the Peoples Federal Savings and Loan Association of East Chicago, the oldest institution of its kind in this city; an institution which during its time weathered a few depressions.

I have served in the United States Army during World War I.



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WHY I AM ASPIRANT TO THE OFFICE OF MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EAST CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

Upon the advice of my friends, as well as many well known and respected citizens, men, business and professional people, parts of our great city upon the inducement of all these respectable citizens who have known me for years, and who are for the welfare and improvement of the City of East Chicago at heart, I have come to the conclusion that the citizens of East Chicago do not desire a mayor who would administer his office with INEPTITUDE, COURTESY, and EFFICIENCY.

It is gratifying to me that so many citizens have placed their trust in me. Their confidence and confidence in me has enflamed in me a sense of responsibility to my fellowmen. It is my assurance that I am determined to aspire to the office of mayor.

MY CREDO

Politically I have always been aligned with the Democratic Party.

I was elected to the Presidential Electoral College in 1932 and in 1939 I was appointed to the office of City Controller of East Chicago, an office that I gave up because I did not want to approve certain claims that were submitted to me for payment and which were contrary to existing laws.

I have always maintained that the administration of any municipality should be on a sound business basis, and that an account of such administration should be given to the people every year.

I believe that every municipal office holder and employee should be adequately compensated for his services and should be free from any obligation to contribute to the campaign funds of political parties.

It is my firm belief that every citizen has the right to aspire to any city job, regardless of his race, creed or nationality or political affiliation as long as he or she can qualify for such a position.

I also believe that the various departmental heads such as the Chief of Police, Fire Chief, City Controller, City Engineer, etc., should be selected from among the best and given full responsibility for their respective offices without any interference from political factions.

I believe that politics have no place in our School System; that only qualified and dependable citizens should be appointed to the School Board who in turn would seek and engage only the best educators available for the proper educating and training of our dear children.

I believe that there should be a definite program established for community recreation not only for children but also for the adults. The City Recreational and Park Departments should co-operate wholeheartedly with the various service clubs, church and industrial organizations in providing such facilities and equipment as may be needed to carry out such a program, and thereby curb juvenile delinquency.

I believe that every effort should be made to beautify our city by eliminating the blighted areas and substituting therein adequate housing facilities and creating conditions that would be conducive to proper living, to which every human being is entitled.

I believe in co-operating with the various industries in our city; to see that their rights are respected, because after all we do earn our living there. However, I would be very vigilant to see that industry would not encroach upon space needed for residential expansion and that various industrial nuisances be eliminated as far as possible for the general welfare of the people.

And lastly I do heartily believe that there should prevail a spirit of brotherly love and co-operation among the citizens of this great city of ours. We have the possibility of showing the whole nation and in fact the whole world, that the citizens of East Chicago comprised of the various nationalities and races of the world, can be tolerant and considerate of each other and therefore set an example to the world on "World Peace."

MY CAMPAIGN

Every citizen knows this fact, that the aspirant to a political office spends more for his campaign than the salary for that office warrants. He therefore must of necessity use ways and means and sometimes use corrupt methods to reimburse himself for and above his expenditures or otherwise he would be a failure.

On the other hand if an aspirant for office accept financial assistance from wealthy individuals, political groups, syndicates or corporations must then make certain concessions to them, rendering special favors and therefore he cannot carry out his trust as an honest and efficient servant, because his hands are tied due to promises.

Now as far as my campaign is concerned I want every citizen to know that I am not connected with any political faction, syndicate, industrial group or corporation that would hamper me in fulfilling my obligations and that I do not intend to accept any such offers that may restrict me in carrying out my duties.

Although I have been successful in business I do not contemplate to spend any more money on my campaign than the salary of the mayor's office warrants.

I do not intend to buy my way into this office. I want to earn my way.

Therefore I appeal to your sense of good government. If you honestly and sincerely believe I will make a good mayor then cast your vote for me.

Tell your friends that Albert P. Lesniak is the man to trust.

Tell them that a vote for Lesniak is a vote for a better East Chicago.

I also want to assure you that after I am elected, my office as well as the office of any official will be open to you and the wishes of the people will be my greatest concern.

Yours very sincerely,
ALBERT P. LESNIAK

(Adv.)

Correction: Slightly But Warmly Put

By FRANCIS MALLOY

Editor: Our undying affection for you as an innate sense of propriety prohibits it—as does also the suspicion that we have been over-long on Inland's hospitality—we never are tempted at the moment to make this formal and inquiring:—

When you hand you one in the "Bloomer" if your old man wasn't a bit of a "Bloomer" we'd probably aim at the "Bloomer" (?) left at your place, anyhow. And without much as a by-your-leave, we have decided to be a bit of a "Bloomer" to maintain a pained and polite silence about the whole thing, let you just sit in your old high-toned, "Bloomer" and worry about the "Bloomer" and worry about it—hardly.

When you know what has been meant, that nasty "Bloomer" in the last issue of Labor about Local 1011 canvassing about Local Harbor business for you know what. We never read that dastardly "Bloomer" (as you suggested) and if possible, the fair name of 1911.

When you ran down the good combination of Phil Holt & "Bloomer". At bay in a bar and all. And do you know "Bloomer" were wrong! Holt & "Bloomer" were firm. They had not

been asking donations to pay for the new building. They had been selling ads for printed programs of Local 1011's big house warming on May 10.

And now aren't you ashamed of yourself?

Return of Mr. P.

BEFORE we tip our hat politely, and head for—never you mind!—we are happy to announce that there has been singing and laughing and general carrying-on these past days at Youngstown's Blooming Mill soaking pits. Cause for all this jubilation was the return of Millwright Theodore Popp after three weeks of convalescence from a peeled eye.

Citizen Popp, who will readily be recalled by many of our readers as the famous Bloomer

servant and patron of the arts—also of the newspapers—is still slightly in the purple, so to speak. One night, while he was on his way home with a sack of eggs, something suddenly went popp! It wasn't the eggs exactly. It was Mister P. He woke up in the hospital.

Our hero vehemently denies current exaggerated reports of his mishap, particularly one to the effect that he had stepped to the curb, stopped to let a building whizz by, and was sideswiped.

"That," declares Mr. Popp, "is spay-cificaly untrue, or—how shall I put it?—a damn lie." He says he stepped to the street into a tangle of baling wire, scooped up an estimated inch of concrete.

Re-Nominate

EDMUND F.
MAKOWSKI

No. 28 A

COUNCILMAN

2nd DISTRICT

**VOTE
DEMOCRATIC**

Nominate

No. 22 A

JOHN

SERTICH

for

Councilman

at

Large

Primary Election

May 6, 1947

VOTE

DEMOCRATIC

RE-NOMINATE OUR FRIEND



**No.
21A**

**No.
21A**

FRED SAVIANO

for Councilman-at-Large

Member of Local 1011

A Proven Labor Leader

I am in favor of a Field House or Civic Center. I will promote and support all housing programs. I am still strongly in favor of an underpass or overpass to the lake front.

VOTE DEMOCRATIC

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**HENRY W.
PETERSEN**

No. 6B

JUDGE

CITY COURT

TE REPUBLICAN

Re-Nominate

No. 27 A

WILLIAM

BIELSKI

Democratic

Candidate for

COUNCILMAN

4TH DISTRICT

Primary

May 6

VOTE

DEMOCRATIC

De Martino In Race for Councilman

"I have always supported union principles. That's why they call me 'Johnny,' the working man's friend," said Giovanni (John) De Martino, 1909 East 138th street, East Chicago, announcing his candidacy for the nomination as councilman at large in East Chicago.

Mr. De Martino has a long record of union membership. He became a member of the barber's union in Chicago in 1914. When he removed to East Chicago in 1916 he became active in organizing the journeymen barbers in Hammond, East Chicago and Whiting, and in 1917 was elected the first president of the journeymen barbers.

Later he took a withdrawal card from the journeymen's group, assisted in organizing the local master barbers' association, and was elected president of that body in 1924. When he entered a new line of business in 1927 he took an honorable withdrawal from the organization.

He has been active in the republican party, serving as a precinct committeeman from 1924 to 1928. He says, "I have always believed in good government to protect the rights of the working man and the taxpayer. That is why I now come to the union men for their vote and support in my campaign."

"If I am elected those will be my principles, and when I am in office the union men of East Chicago can be assured that I will be their friend and available to them at all times."

VOTE NO. 11B

(Pol. Adv.)



FOR THE FIRST TIME in radio history a union is sponsoring a nationwide news broadcast series. The union is the United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers (CIO); the commentator, Leland Stowe.

Wage-Policy Meeting on

Wage and policy committees from sub-district No. 2, USA-CIO, left Sunday afternoon for Pittsburgh, where they will participate in a two-day conference on industry-wide contract negotiations. Pete Calacci, vice-president of local union 1010, elected to the national wage policy committee last September, accompanied Peter De Rosa, local 1133, and Stanley Bigda, American Car Foundries local, Joe Jeneske, staff representative, is also sitting in on the Pittsburgh meeting.

A special membership meeting for local 1010 is called for 8 p. m. Thursday, April 24, to hear a detailed report on national negotiations by the returning committee-men.

And the purpose? To tell the people the truth and to combat the host of antilabor newscasters. Hear it at 7:30 p. m. EST over the Mutual network starting April 23.—(Federated Pictures.)



For AN IMPARTIAL COURT

No. 5A

Nominate

JOHN J.

BENSON

for

JUDGE of the Circuit Court
VOTE DEMOCRATIC

My record as City Prosecutor during the steel strike of 1937 is well known to all members of organized labor.

Delegates to Washington

The Hartley slave-labor bill, blueprint drawn by the National Association of Manufacturers for insuring industrial peace in our time, will be opposed by a mighty delegation of labor to Washington

on April 24.

Sam Krupaw, Al Tommy Surovek, and have been selected to Local 1010 in the organization against the bill and like anti-labor measures are moving to final United States Senate.

Forty per cent of health officer to look preventive health services

Reach for
PIECH
(EDMUND J.)

No. 10 A

for

**CITY
CLERK**

VOTE
DEMOCRATIC

Re-Nominate
No. 31

DAN (DANN)

LAIDEL

Democratic Candidate

COUNCILMAN
6th DISTRICT

Vote for—

A BUSINESS
A PROPERTY
A FAMILY MAN
AND
A TAXPAYER

No. 31

WLEKLINSKI SPEAKS TO LABOR

(Stanley Wleklinski, Republican Candidate for Mayor of the City of East Chicago, appeared before the East Chicago Political Action Committee of the CIO, on Monday, April 14, 1947, between the hours of 7:00 P.M. and 9:30 P.M. and made the following statements.)

HOUSING

East Chicago is in dire need of more adequate housing facilities. I pledge that one of my first objectives as Mayor will be to use all the power and authority of that office to promote increased housing for our citizens as well as to improve the present low standard housing conditions that exist in certain areas of our city.

NOTE: 1. I will appoint an active housing committee to take immediate action to give us more housing either through public or private enterprise.

2. I deplore the existing conditions under which many of our citizens are now forced to live. These conditions must be remedied, to promote public health, to eliminate juvenile delinquency, and to improve the welfare of all our citizens.

LABOR RELATIONS

I believe in the right of labor to organize to bargain collectively for better wages and better working conditions. I recognize the right of labor to use all lawful means to accomplish this purpose.

NOTE: 1. Picketing has been recognized as lawful by both the courts and the legislature.

2. I will instruct my Police Department to protect all citizens from violence, but will not permit the use of our Police Department as a medium to break any strike.

3. Ours is a laboring community and any program that is just for labor will receive my wholehearted support.

VOTE
REPUBLICAN

No. 3 B

Wleklinski

for

MAYOR



STANLEY WLEKLINSKI

Wleklinski

for

MAYOR

No. 3 B

VOTE

REPUBLICAN

Elect for Mayor
of East Chicago

**STANLEY
WLEKLINSKI**

Able—Fearless
Pioneer Citizen

MY PLATFORM

Safer traffic—Better transportation.
Trained employees in key positions.
Able—Responsible appointees.
No special privileges—No big shots.
Loyalty to East Chicago at all times.
Efficiency in all governmental duties.
Youth recreation program that will work.

Worthwhile City planning.
Leadership in civic affairs.
Earnest effort to improve East Chicago.
Knowledge of the City's needs.
Loyalty of all citizens of good repute.
Improvement of Parks and Playgrounds.
No politics in Police and Fire departments.
School system made the best of all.
Keen appreciation of Taxpayers' rights.
I will serve faithfully when elected.

Vote for STANLEY WLEKLINSKI for Our

1010 AT INLAND STEEL

Rate Equities Settlement Is Getting Close

The program for eliminating wage rate inequities will probably go into effect at Inland Steel along with provisions of the new general contract. Rates, following a general pattern of those established in U. S. Steel, have been nearly completed by management for each of the more than 2300 jobs at the Indiana Harbor plant.

Three major steps remain to be taken before the program is complete. 1.—Management's proposed scale of rates will be presented to the local union committee for study and revision. 2.—The existing agreement between the committee and management on the proposed plan, it will be taken for approval. 3.—The program will then be brought before a duly constituted meeting of local union members for their acceptance or rejection of it by majority vote.

It is a rumor that the wage equity program was to come before ratification last Thursday. Several hundred members, many from the blast furnaces, took part, crowded the local meeting. Whether the rumor was a natural consequence of the delay in getting the plan approved at Inland, or whether it was company fostered to discourage union activity, is premature and ill-considered settlement of the issue, has not been verified. Reports on actual progress of wage negotiations by members of the negotiating committee were given by the meeting.

Presence of local 1010's membership in according their elected representatives adequate time in which to reach a satisfactory agreement with management is paying off at this point. If the proposals are accepted by management at any time in the past two months had been signed, Inland workers would be in process of finding out their mistakes after the agreement had been signed.

In the light of the union's experience with U.S. Steel, several reasonable provisions in the proposals have been by the committee. Outlook for the committee in avoiding errors on following points is, thereby, greatly assured.

Whether those employees on jobs do not come in for a raise as the proposed plan, nor the themselves will be cut. This is one of the big advantages over the U.S. Steel plan for 1010's negotiators have been holding out for several months.

Provision of incentives is another provision of the inequity settlement which the union committee did not examine closely before signing with U.S. Steel. Negotiations with Inland are being handled by the committee to maintaining proportion between rates and incentive earnings.

Special Meeting of Committee Members and 1010 Stewards
Stewards, grievance committee, assistant grievance committee, and other union members are notified to attend a special meeting of the union hall at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 26. The meeting will discuss the proposed schedule, shut-down of work—if any—and other matters consequent to possible action on April 30 are arranged in detail.

Boilermakers And Riggers Nix Overtime Work

Riggers and field boilermakers are still refusing to work overtime until the company concedes a minimum guarantee of four hours.

These workers, who are carrying the ball with little support from the rest of the local union on the issue of overtime, have refrained from any but regularly scheduled hours since March 4.

H. McGilvery, assistant grievor who was fired for representing the men in this matter, is still waiting for the U. S. Conciliation Department to provide an arbitrator for his case.

Nine Teams Set at Inland For Ball Play

Games with semi-professional teams are being sought by Harry Kosinski, manager of sub-district No. 2's baseball aggregation. Exhibition games with an outstanding minor league team and, possibly, a major league nine, are also in the offing as the season develops.

Practice sessions for the hard ball team are held on the Washington High School playing field at 4:30 p. m. Mondays and Fridays, and at 3 p. m. on Sundays. All interested members of local unions in sub-district No. 2 are invited to try out for a place on the team at the above listed times and place.

Nine teams have already been tentatively set up, on a departmental basis, within local union 1010. Don Black, plant No. 1 pipe shop, has accepted the post of manager of the softball teams which will play a series of games with each other for the plant championship.

A softball team is also slated for the sub-district which will be composed of outstanding players from the teams within the various locals.

Space and time for practice have not yet been assigned to the local's soft ball players by the City of East Chicago's recreational director. He informed the local union's "rec" committee last week that use of public parks and playgrounds would be allotted within a short time. The City Director is compelled to wait until applications from fraternal, church and other groups, who also have a claim upon these grounds, are made in order to arrange a schedule for practice sessions as well as regular games.

There is some talk of inveigling Powell, Tom Conway, Lutes, Sargent, Bill Young, Pete Calacci, Ditmars, Mike Mamula, and a few more or less fixed ornaments of the local headquarters into forming a soft ball team, too, this year.

A report that one hundred pounds of pork chops are to be awarded for the highest batting average is, up to this point, unconfirmed.

Steel profits in the third quarter of 1946 were 322% greater than the average for the 1936-39 period.

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Mixed Party Gets Service In Restaurant

Four white and one colored member of local union 1010's anti-discrimination committee, who dined together at the Golden Gate restaurant Saturday afternoon, April 12, encountered nothing out of the ordinary in treatment and service.

The excursion of a mixed group into a public place in the section of the community which habitually refuses service to colored people, was the opening move in a campaign to abolish Jim Crow restrictions on the Harbor's Michigan avenue. Although the committee was prepared with copies of Indiana's civil rights law, which provides stiff fines and jailing for failure to accord colored people the same service given to other patrons, there was no occasion to use it.

Discrimination in Michigan ave. restaurants and bars has been broken down before, according to long-time residents of the Harbor. Since colored people do not frequent these places, however, proprietors lapse into serving white patrons only after a short period.

With the support of the local union, the East Chicago Unity Council, the NAACP, and other organized groups of citizens interested in erasing this blot from the community, the anti-discrimination committee plans to increase and widen the scope of their activities.

"We know that barring Negroes from public eating places is just another means of keeping white and colored workers separated and suspicious of each other. Whether we are forced to strike this spring or not, we are aware that unity between white and non-white wage earners, who are the bulk of this community, is going to be more vital than ever in the days ahead. That's why it's especially necessary to destroy artificial barriers between us now."

Nick Migas, chairman of 1010's anti-discrimination committee, thus stated the objective of the current campaign.

Educational films, exposing the false basis and dangers of racial prejudice, are also ordered by the committee. They will be shown to group and departmental meetings of the local at frequent intervals.

The anti-discrimination committee meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at local 1010's headquarters, 3436 Michigan ave. All union people, as well as representatives of church, civic, and fraternal organizations in this community, are urged to attend and co-ordinate their activities with those of the committee.

Six hundred thousand teachers have quit the nation's classrooms in the last seven years for better-paying jobs, the American Federation of Teachers (AFL) estimates.

Mine disasters have claimed an average of five victims daily in the 39 years from 1906 to 1945.

There were 673 railroad workers killed and 38,313 injured in 1946.

BALTIMORE TAVERN
ZANDI BROS., Prop.
3233 Michigan Ave.
Indiana Harbor, Ind.

People's Co-op Elects Directors; Kirk President

The first board of directors of People's Consumers Co-operative (formerly Calumet Co-op.), was elected at a meeting on April 13 at the East Chicago Public Library. Articles of incorporation were adopted.

Elected to the board were Russell Graves from Griffith, James Kirk, Hessville; John Durcho, Hammond; Philip Lloyd, Indiana Harbor; Leonard Nelson, Highland; James McKinnie, Indiana Harbor; Jule Alexander, Hammond; Earl Nofziger, East Chicago; and Nello Riddle, E.C. Elected to the auditing committee were: Mrs. Dennis Bethea, Hammond; Wade Flowers, Hessville; and John L. Bohanas, Hessville.

The first board of directors of People's Consumers Co-operative held their first meeting April 20, at the East Chicago Public Library to elect officers as follows: James Kirk, president; John Durcho, vice-president; Leonard Nelson, treasurer; and Philip Lloyd, secretary. The next meeting of the Peoples Consumer Co-operative will be held Sunday, April 27, 2 p. m., at the East Chicago Library. Everybody welcome. Members and non-members.

JOHN DURCHO,
930 Cherry St.
Hammond, Ind.
Sheffield 9738-M.

Sales of Borden's milk were 18% higher in 1946 than in 1945 but the company's profits jumped 62 1/2%. The reason? No OPA.

Re-Nominate
JAMES DENT
No. 14 A
COUNCILMAN AT LARGE
Democratic Ticket
VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II

Committeeman Plans Exit From Hospital

Alex Huttie, charging car operator on No. 1 open hearth and anchor man of the local's recreation committee, is expected to leave St. Catherine's hospital Tuesday, April 22, following a month-long battle with stomach ulcers. Although he is still weak, Alex is making a good recovery, and, he informed the Sentinel Saturday, looks forward to seeing the boxing bouts on Friday night.

Only 9,625 dwelling units were built in New York City in 1946. There is an estimated immediate shortage of 300,000 units.

Only 8% of American families have the \$5,000 annual income necessary for the sound purchase of a \$10,000 home, according to Elliott V. Bell, New York state superintendent of banks.

NOMINATE A WAR VETERAN
No. 8A
CONRAD B. BONIECKI
CITY CLERK
A Friend of Labor
VOTE DEMOCRATIC

Nominate No. 1 A Stanley KWIAT for MAYOR of East Chicago



Born, raised and educated in the city of East Chicago. Precinct committeeman from 1934 to 1939. President of the grocers' and butchers' association in 1937. Vice president in 1942 of political action body in local 1010, USA-CIO. Elected to Indiana General Assembly in 1945. Elected to East Chicago Board of Education in 1945. Honored with Philanthropy in State Legislature in 1945. In 1946 a participant in the motor caravan to Gov. Gates to see about unemployment compensation for veterans. Named president of Board of Education in 1946. In 1947 joined with the teachers throughout the state in asking for higher salaries for teachers. At present working for a pension plan and better working conditions for school employees. Member of USA-CIO local 1010.

VOTE DEMOCRATIC

EAST CHICAGO P.A.C. REPORT

The following information represents a summary of the interviews conducted by the East Chicago Political Action Committee on April 14, 15, and 16 with candidates for election to the posts of mayor, city clerk, city judge, and city councilmen. The P.A.C. is not endorsing or recommending any candidates in the primaries, but our findings are presented to members of organized labor to assist them in making the proper selection of men to fill the offices to be voted upon.

Of the 89 candidates who have filed for the local offices, 56 appeared before our committee and filled out the questionnaire we had prepared. Those candidates who did not appear or furnish us with the desired information would seem to have little interest in labor as a political force in this community.

The entire questionnaire appears at the conclusion of the individual summaries. It can be readily seen that it is impossible to list the answers of each candidate to each question. However, on a number of questions all candidates answered similarly.

Every candidate for every office pledged himself, in answer to the sixth question, not to discriminate against racial, national, religious or other minority groups either in selection of political appointees or execution of other official duties.

All candidates stated they would use union labor in city construction work and would not object to city employees joining a labor organization of their own choosing and bargaining collectively.

No candidate would use the city police to guarantee entrance into a strike-bound plant.

All candidates also said they would consult the recognized leaders of

the union involved in any major strike that might develop.

On the question of housing various solutions were recommended for relieving the housing program—including the simple one, "more slum clearance." Everyone favored slum clearance, most supported an emergency program without qualifications.

All candidates agreed to the inclusion of at least one qualified member of organized labor on each board under his jurisdiction.

Both parts of question 10, dealing with the problems of traffic and obstacles on the city streets, were answered "yes" by all those interviewed, and all but one mayoralty candidate (Dr. Zivich) who "didn't know" agreed to abide by the decision of an arbitrator in the event of a dispute between the city employees and the administration.

It is interesting to note that almost two-thirds of the men who were interviewed are or have been members of trade unions. Of this group a large share have played an active part in the trade union movement as officers or committeemen in the local unions.

In the event that information not contained in the brief summaries accorded any particular candidate and covered by the questionnaire should be desired by any P.A.C. member, this may be obtained by contacting the committee or any of its officers.

In conclusion we wish to thank the candidates who came before the committee and all the P.A.C. members in East Chicago who co-operated in the phases of conducting the interviews.

East Chicago Political Action Committee
John O'Malley, chairman
Frank Gordon, secretary

Mayoralty Candidates

Stanley Kwiat (D)

Member of local 1010, USA-CIO. Has served in state legislature. States as his reason for filing for the office of mayor that it is "time for a change." Followed the union position in his answers to all questions. Listed his legislative and administrative experience as qualifications for office.

Albert P. Lesniak

Realtor and secretary treasurer of loan association. Previously a member of organized labor. Former city controller. Gives as reasons for filing: "believe that I can give the citizens of the city a good administration and I believe that the citizens should be co-operated with and not discriminated against." Favors slum clearance and emergency housing program; suggests co-operation, both moral and active, to solve housing problem. Would not interfere with picket lines if conducted "without creating disturbances"; would not want to call in state troops during a strike and does not believe such action would ever be necessary.

John M. Zivich M.D. (D)

Physician and surgeon, deputy coroner. Gives reasons for filing as "my interest in a better city,

to safeguard my practice. Because of my work I must live here and my family also. I want a good city for them. Am unsatisfied with the Migas administration and a third term." Gives his experience as coroner, his educational background, and his knowledge of peoples' needs through his profession as qualifications.

Stanley Wlekinski (R)

Executive officer of savings and loan association. Presented committee with detailed statement of his recognition of city housing needs. Pledged an active housing committee if elected. Also gave written statement on labor relations pledging support to "any program that is just for labor." As reasons for filing, points to desire to serve city; feels himself capable of filling the office; considers an experienced businessman desirable as chief executive. His successes in business and administrative posts listed as qualifications.

Albert L. Schwandt (R)

Oil worker, member of OWIU-CIO. Gives as reasons for filing, "A student of city government and I believe I have a very good program to help our city." Followed position of unions on questions relating to picket lines, arbitration and organization of city employees.

Candidates for City Clerk

Conrad J. Boniecki (D)

On leave from clerical post at E. I. Dupont Co. Veteran. Never belonged to organized labor but has always been a strong supporter of unions "as I observed the unfair attitudes taken by management toward labor." Supports county hospital, "working class of region in bad need of low cost hospitalization." Gives as reasons for filing his clerical experience, desire for betterment of party, and service in World War II "giving a vet a voice in government." To solve housing shortage would "subdivide loose acreage and persuade property owners to remodel property to provide more living quarters." Says picket lines "should be maintained" during strikes; against calling of state troops.

Edmund J. Piech (D)

Formerly employed by water department. Member AFL Drivers

Union No. 520. Gives as reasons for filing "I think I can fill this office ably. Younger generation should have recognition in politics." To relieve housing shortage says "more homes." Favors slum clearance, labor representation on boards, elimination of traffic hazards, organization of city employees. Says "absolutely no" on question of calling state troops in case of strike.

Paul S. Halstead (R)

Accountant. Served 13 years, until 1939, as city clerk. Gives as reasons for filing: "My friends requested that I file. Means of a living. I am fully qualified to render the service of a public servant." As qualifications for the office says "My past record will speak for me." Answered all general questions concerning labor disputes, etc., in a manner satisfactory to labor, and pointed out that most of them did not apply to the office of city clerk.

Candidates For City Judge

Thomas Callahan (D)

Has served for past nine years as city judge. Opposed to issuing injunctions in labor disputes. Considers juvenile court inadequate and improper in its present form and method. Would give labor "fair representation" in appointive offices and would select deputies "by endorsement from the precinct organizations as well as the P.A.C. and other organizations vitally interested."

John J. Benson (D)

Attorney and deputy prosecutor. Against injunctions in labor disputes. Also opposed to present form and method of juvenile court. Would give labor fair representation in appointive offices and in appointive offices system.

Samuel Ruff (D)

An attorney and member of organized labor. Would issue injunctions in labor disputes "only where life is endangered." Considers juvenile court inadequate and improper in its present form and method. Would give labor fair representation in appointive offices. Would select deputies on qualifications only.

Charles J. Esola (R)

An attorney and member of organized labor. Veteran. Opposed to "all injunctions against labor." Does not consider present form and method of juvenile court adequate or proper. Would give fair representation to labor in appointive offices. Would select deputies by "merit system and civil service."

Henry W. Petersen (R)

An attorney. States that while city court has no jurisdiction in labor disputes "my own position is that injunctions should not be issued in labor disputes. Labor is entitled to be protected by the courts. . . . I firmly believe in organized labor . . . only by having well-paid workers can our country prosper." Disatisfied with current function of juvenile court. Would give labor fair representation in appointments and select deputies on qualifications.

Candidates for Councilmen-at-Large

Louis Abrams (D)

Steelworker. Active member local 1010. Also member of N.A.A.C.P. Cites activities since 1939 to secure county hospital. Regarding picketing, says "Very much in favor of a picket line; the larger the line, the more order." Gives as reasons for filing, "to support housing and slum clearance; to get rid of corruption in politics; very much interested in taxes on a C.I.O. program." Suggests federal housing as a solution for housing shortage. As qualifications lists experience in legislative work in union, knowledge of needs of the citizens and the city.

Walter A. Baran (D)

Accounting clerk and insurance claim adjuster. Union member. As reasons for filing lists: "1—I can give courteous and honest representation. 2—I believe I have the qualifications. 3—The American prerogative." As qualifications lists his experience in the state legislature. Says that he would "definitely" be fair and impartial in the administration of his office.

James Dent (D)

Deputy sheriff. Member of council since 1938. As reasons for filing gives "a sincere desire to work for some of the many projects and improvements needed by the people of this city." For qualifications cites "a past record of continued efforts for civic and social improvements for all people of the city." Points to previous council vote in favor of slum clearance. On housing shortage suggests "a concerted and unified effort by all civic and labor organizations and the city administration for a housing program."

Walter P. Forast (D)

Business man. Council member since 1942. As reasons for filing lists three: "as a boy I saw the community's needs, wanted home grown ideas in a town like ours; for civic betterment; good government." As qualifications lists "my knowledge of our town, my schooling here." Says has always wanted labor representation on boards under his jurisdiction. Favors alleviation of traffic hazards—concerning Washington and Lincoln intersection says "can't understand why Inland hasn't done anything." For housing shortage, recommends rental unit projects.

Joseph K. Kay, Jr. (D)

Steelworker. Member local 1010 and of local's legislative committee. As reasons for filing lists two: "labor should be represented in the city council; improvement of living conditions of the citizen." As to his qualifications, "a citizen and taxpayer of Chicago." For housing would encourage private construction.

Joe F. Kurmis (D)

Oilworker. Member local 1010. OWIU-CIO. Reasons for filing desire "for better conditions for the people of East Chicago; stand for organized labor; better educational preparation for the children." As qualifications lists a long-time interest in public affairs. On housing shortage says "build more low cost housing." On slum clearance agrees on areas mentioned in questions "and many more."

George C. Lamb (D)

Insurance man. President No. 185. Veteran. Follows unions for filing given: "to promote the working class of the city; promote measures to better family man and his family; promote legislation and practice to gain a living wage for labor." Says his qualifications "contact with 7000 workers in my business—unionism" as well as his position of a local CIO union. For housing shortage recommends action for emergency housing.

Frank Rudzinski, Jr. (D)

Steelworker. Member local 1010. As reasons for filing cites "in 'better city government' better recreational facilities; housing." Lists his background as qualifications for the post. Suggests "further action on the subjects of real property and on the part before board of review is taken; also says personal for housing shortage would further study."

Fred Saviano (D)

In gas station business local 1011. Council member since 1942. As main reason for filing points to desire "East Chicago a better place to live; good government." Points to record in office as qualifications for nomination. Favoring him for nomination election. Favors slum clearance.

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industrial police. Veteran. Union member. Filed for office because "need of civic improvements; satisfied with the conduct of present councilmen; to push the housing bill." States his qualifications are "party man for seven years. I have the administrative qualifications." To relieve housing shortage recommends that federal and state aid for housing projects be obtained. Says picket lines necessary; state troops unnecessary.

John DeMartino (R)

Former proprietor. Former member of organized labor. Reasons for filing are desire for better conditions in the city; better housing; police protection. Answered questions briefly but followed up on organization of organization, strikes and picketing.

A. Leonard (R)

Steelworker and union member. Filed because he wants better government; better citizenship for every citizen; better education for the minorities. His qualifications lists his educational background and experience in city administration. Favors a slum clearing project and slum clearance to alleviate the housing shortage.

F. Mohler (R)

Real estate salesman. Member of organized labor. Desire for good government impelled him to file for office. Says qualifications are experience in dealing with people. Manager of large business. To relieve the housing shortage recommends government funds for housing projects and lower interest rates on loans.

J. Sherman (R)

Electrical appliance business and

Councilman, 1st District

V. Benedict (D)

Engineer. Veteran. Filed "to be of service to the community and to the people. To cause better control equipment to be installed in industry. As an engineer I will be qualified to represent the industrial community. To protect the property owners of East Chicago from property devaluation by encroachments by industry. Lists as qualifications life experience in 1st district, "... a life experience to serve. Have served council for 10 years. I am qualified to serve community." For housing shortage would "ask unions for help; modern building codes." Favors clearance of slum areas "if people have places to go to."

F. Conroy (D)

Auto driver. Member of Steelworkers Union No. 835. Member of council 1938-42. Filed for office "to be of service to the community; have served before." Lists as his qualifications "experience" as his qualification for holding the office. Took part in organization of organized labor on 10th street.

J. Hill (R)

Businessman. Served in city council from 1935-43. Filed because "as a taxpayer I am interested in better government. Can further the fight for more homes for the people. By reason of experience I can place in a better position to the community." As qualifications gave his "education and knowledge of city needs." To relieve housing shortage favors clearing the owners of vacant lots together with contractors and state men for a building program.

Councilman, 2nd District

A. Bogusz (D)

Automotive mechanic. Union member. Gives no reasons for filing. Says he is interested in the welfare of my district; working to improve it and that industries carry a heavy tax load; a sports promoter. Lists experience as president of the union and as a democratic worker as well as education background as qualifications.

Edward Stiburski (R)

In grocery and meat market business. Former member of organized labor. Was influenced to file because of wish for "a better East Chicago... a good, clean administration... good service to the people for every tax dollar collected." Lists his lifetime citizenship and success in business as qualifications. To relieve the housing shortage would "release all land held by large holders for home building."

Frank J. Szot (R)

Senior accountant at GATX. President of clerical workers union there. Influenced to file for office by desire to "give taxpayers full measure of value for every dollar spent; safeguard our playgrounds for children; give the city cleaner streets and alleys." As qualifications lists educational background which included a college course on income tax at Purdue extension. Would "institute a building program to extent of relieving housing shortage."

Charles A. Thornburg (R)

Provider at Inland Steel. Former steel union member. Reasons for filing are "a desire to carry on

Joseph M. Zych (D)

Clerk. Active unionist, sec'y of Federal Labor Union No. 2263. AFL and active in County Central Labor Union. Filed for office because of "interest in civic affairs; betterment of city; a chance for labor to be represented." Cites "schooling and experience gained in labor organizations" as qualifying him for office. To solve the housing shortage would "support any program acceptable to labor."

Thaddeus O'Boy (R)

Mr. O'Boy was unable to appear before the committee as he was working the night of the interview. However, the committee reported that he has always cooperated with PAC.

Councilman, 3rd District

Louis Churilla (D)

Steelworker. Member local 1011. Was influenced to file for office by "my interest in city government; past state representative; third district needs a better representative as councilman." Points to his experience as a state representative as a qualification for the post. Points also to his past record as showing that he would be fair and impartial in administration of his office. Would recommend "building more homes" to solve the housing shortage.

Chales J. Kotzan (D)

Pharmacist. Has served as 3rd district councilman for past 12 years. Filed "to give 3rd district good representation; to help the small man; to give East Chicago good government." Says his years in office, his experience as a business and professional man, and his status as a taxpayer and property owner qualify him for the office. Would be in favor of organizing "non-political board with power" to work on housing shortage.

Thomas Morris (D)

Steelworker. Member local 1011. Filed for "better city government and better living conditions" and because "friends and neighbors asked me to run for organization office." As qualifications mentions long-time activity in politics; experience in political

work in the community for a better East Chicago with the advantage of being a councilman—ing and brotherhood—to work for receive every advantage in education, community recreation, honesty, sincerity and knowledge plus his experiences as president of E. C. Civic League and chairman of Brotherhood Week. Very specific in recommendations on housing. Says: "Get for slum clearance and housing. In the meantime hold every bit of vacant property in East Chicago. Keep it zoned for housing only. We have enough industry in East Chicago. 10 square miles! Two-thirds of it is occupied by industry and railroads."

Joe Vozar (R)

Clerk. Former member AFL Teamsters No. 520. Lists as reasons for filing: "Lived in East Chicago for 40 years. Have two sons in the local schools and believe in a greater East Chicago." As qualifications says he is a good union man with a fair education in government. Would recommend asking for a government grant to solve the housing shortage.

Griffin Williams (R)

Burner. Union member. Filed "to help gain a constructive city government; help clean up our city, such as alleys and streets; good government." Points to educational background in city and experience as precinct committeeman as qualifications. Favors government building to relieve the housing shortage.

work; and his understanding of the workings of the office. To relieve the housing shortage suggests "government assistance for a housing project."

Michael Sunny (D)

Oil worker. Union member. Filed "to make our city a cleaner and better place to live in; to help build a large community center for our boys and girls; to serve my people in my district the best I can." Points to educational background as a qualification. To relieve housing shortage would "build homes."

George Szabo (R)

Auto dealer. Filed "to help build a better city government; to better the housing conditions; to help make our city a better place to live in." Cites as his qualifications "in business 35 years, taxpayer, and always have taken an active part in politics. To relieve housing shortage would "build more homes."

Councilman, 4th District

John A. Gustaites (D)

Grocer. Councilman for district since 1940. Filed for office "to serve the people; promote public projects; raise the wages and working conditions of city employees." Lists his qualifications as "businessman and experienced public official." Concerning the housing shortage says he favors "immediate appointment of a housing authority."

Joseph R. Vucich (D)

Carpenter. Union member. Filed because he thought it a civic duty "... to strengthen leadership ..." Cites as qualifications his educational background and his experience as secretary-treasurer of the public library board. To relieve the housing shortage would "ask for government aid and private construction."

Harry Heath (R)

Steelworker. Member of local 1011 and very active in local and county industrial union council. Was influenced to file because of "adverse attitude to labor

The Questionnaire

- Have you ever been elected to this office before?
If so, when? _____ How long did you hold office? _____
- Present occupation _____
- Are you, or have you ever been, a member of organized labor?
Did you hold an office in your local or international?
How many meetings have you attended in the past two years? _____
- Education: Grade School _____ High School _____ College _____
- Will you discriminate in selection of your political appointees or in the execution of your official duties against racial, national, religious, or other minority groups? _____
- Would you support the building of a county hospital? _____

Questions asked of candidates for mayor and councilmen in addition to the above general questions asked of all candidates:

- If nominated and elected, would you use union labor in city construction work?
- Would you object to city employees joining a labor organization of their own choice and bargaining collectively?
- In case of a strike in industry, what would be your attitude toward picket lines?
- Would you use city police to guarantee the entrance of strike breakers into a struck plant?
- Would you consult the recognized leaders of the union upon the conduct of the strike?
- Give three main reasons that influenced you to file for office.
(a) What are your qualifications of—for office? _____
(b) Would you pledge yourself to be fair and impartial in the administration of your office? _____
- Are you in favor of the revaluation of property in this community?
(a) Would you and your cabinet appear before the boards of review in support of the revaluation of property?
(b) Would you use the full powers of your office for slum clearance, specifically the areas of Watling Street, and Penn., and Block Avenues?
- Would you consent to having at least one member of labor on each board under your jurisdiction?
- Would you use your influence to alleviate the traffic hazards and inconveniences caused by railroads intersecting city streets? Specifically will you initiate measures for over or under passes at the foot of Michigan Avenue, Dickey Road, Washington and Lincoln Streets and Indianapolis Blvd., entrance to Sinclair Refineries?
- Would you accept the decision of an arbitrator if a dispute arose between city employees and your administration?
- What would be your position on calling state troops in case of a strike?

now being shown by the present administration; for better government; for a better and cleaner city." Lists as qualifications his knowledge of civic affairs and the fact that he is union-minded. To relieve the housing shortage recommends "government allotment and help under strict supervision." Very emphatic in support of slum clearance and improvement of traffic conditions.

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Councilman, 5th District

William W. Bielski (D)

Steelworker and union member. Present member of city council for the district. Filed in order "to represent the people of the Fifth district; to improve conditions in the district." In favor of "building more homes" to relieve the housing shortage.

Joseph F. Lax (D)

Steelworker. Member local 1010. Filed because he would like to see "better facilities for recreation; to see the business district equal to our sister cities; and better housing." Considers as qualifications his educational background and long residence in the city.

Grice E. Williams (D)

Poultry market manager. Former union member. Veteran. States as reason for filing "I have a very strong interest in bettering the conditions in the city, especially on the question of slum clearance." Points to his pre-legal studies as qualifying him. Says "there is a definite need of a housing project" to relieve the housing shortage.

Sylvester Logan, Jr. (R)

Steelworker. Member of local 1010. Filed because he feels that a "union representative could represent the union. Capable. Interested in the welfare of the city." Points to his record of union activity as a qualification. Believes in civil, federal and private activity to relieve the housing shortage.

Grover Stephens (R)

Steelworker. Member of local 1010. Filed because he feels "the need for planned and organized government. A collective government for all. A qualified and capable city government." Points to his educational training and 23 years of residence as qualifications. To relieve housing shortage recommends "a housing program such as other cities have."

Councilman, 6th District

Chris K. Anton (D)

Truck driver. Union member. Veteran. Filed in order to "improve the dwellings of the laboring class" and for "good government." Lists "ability, understanding" as qualifications. Favors an emergency housing project to relieve the housing shortage.

Joseph J. Clark (D)

Businessman. Union member. Filed "to represent the businessmen of the area" and because of interest in "cleanliness of alleys and streets." As qualifications points out that he is a taxpayer and property owner in the district. To relieve the housing shortage would "build more homes."

Clyde S. Hendy (D)

Steelworker. Member local 1011. Filed because "I believe I am qualified to best serve the people of this district; am a laboring man and can serve the labor interests of the districts; am a democrat." Points to his democratic party activities as a qualification. For the housing shortage would "recommend application to the federal government for assistance."

Peter P. Poskus (D)

Assistant chief clerk. Filed "to improve sanitary conditions in the district and city; to improve conditions for labor in going and coming from the shop; to improve safety and recreation for children." As to qualifications says (Continued on page 8)

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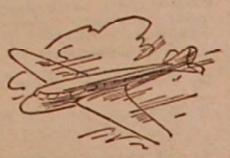
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Labor Around The World



Australia

In an effort to speed its conciliation service, the Australian government has named 15 conciliation commissioners empowered to settle disputes on the spot. Until now, disputes had to go before the Commonwealth Arbitration Board, which was often so overloaded that cases dragged on for months.

Australia is one of the few countries in the world where wages are fixed by law. Scales are set by the arbitration court, which established the principle in 1907 that fair and reasonable wages must insure food, clothing, shelter, reasonable leisure and protection against sickness for a man, wife and three children.

Reason for amending the arbitration act was that wages lagged behind the cost of living during the war and a strike wave started at the war's end when the arbitration court got bogged down with an onslaught of wage claims.

Speedier conciliation is only a partial answer to the demands of the unions. Most unions still have not won satisfaction of their wage demands or their insistence that the workweek be reduced from 44 to 40 hours. It is generally felt, however, that the new conciliation service will streamline settlement.

Australia has one of the strongest union movements in the world, with a membership of one million in a country with a total population of seven million.

Cuba

The fifth congress of the Confederation of Cuban Workers (CTC) scheduled for April 6 was postponed by government decree because of an outbreak of violence. According to CTC leaders, the fight is not between two factions in the labor movement, as some government spokesmen have implied. The fight, they say, is between the labor movement and a disruptive anti-labor group which has bought over a few individuals in labor posts.

Canada

There will be no witch-hunt in the Trades & Labor Congress as a result of the February resignation of TLC Sec.-Treas. J. A. Sullivan, according to J. W. Buckley, who has been named acting secretary-treasurer. The TLC, Buckley said, operates on the democratic rule that anyone can be elected to office. Sullivan resigned charging that "communists" were taking control of labor.

Pointing out that he is not a communist himself, Buckley added: "I will say I think it takes more intelligence and certainly a lot more courage to be a member of the Communist party than it does to be a member of the Liberal or Conservative parties. Communists at least can't expect to eat from

the political trough. There's no patronage for them."

Greece

Elected leaders of the Greek General Confederation of Labor, removed from their posts by the government, have appealed to the AFL and CIO for aid in securing Greek independence. Foreign intervention since the war's end, which Pres. Truman now proposes to extend, has resulted in strengthening "reactionary elements and other fascist vestiges in the country, in the suspension of people's and trade union liberties and in a wide-scale terror which caused the civil war now raging," their message to American workers says.

Paraguay

Paraguayan refugees arriving in Uruguay report that hundreds of workers are in prison as dictator Higinio Morinigo tries to keep power in the face of a democratic army revolt. The Paraguayan uprising is also directed against the Standard Oil Co., which has a five-million acre concession in the petroleum-rich Chaco area, one-tenth of Paraguay's entire territory. The U. S. firm has helped keep Morinigo in power because his dictatorial regime has suppressed the labor movement and thus kept wages at rock bottom.

Italy

The General Confederation of Labor, seeking protection for workers laid off because of slow economic construction, has won extension of "lack of work dismissal pay" for workers in central and south Italy. Under the law, which has been applied for some time in north Italy, those on factory payrolls who put in from zero to 24 hours in a week get half a week's pay; those working 24 to 40 hours, two-thirds' pay. A full workweek is 48 hours.

Indonesia

Plantation workers on Indonesian rubber and quinine estates will enjoy collective bargaining privileges for the first time in history following an agreement between the government of free Indonesia and the Federation of Indonesian Estate Workers (Sarboepri) which has 850,000 members.

Under the agreement, the federation is recognized as the workers' sole representative. Wage schedules are not legal without its approval. The family, not the individual worker, will be the unit for determining basic pay. An interesting feature of the agreement is the recognition of "the right of the federation to have a share in the management of estates."

Sweden

Swedish ship captains, mates and radio operators were alerted for a strike as government media-

MAKING HASH



The Mayor Ignores Labor

Little more than a year ago, in this same space, we commented that Mayor Migas seemed to be doing very queer things for a man desirous of re-election in a community where trade unionists represent so large a share of the voters.

This comment was the result of the mayor's belligerent refusal to address a union rally celebrating the end of the 1946 steel strike.

In this year of Our Lord, 1947, His Honor has again shown his regal disregard for organized labor by his failure to meet with the East Chicago Political Action Committee and, together with other candidates, present his program for the city.

He not only didn't appear. He did not even acknowledge the invitation.

Consequently, the leaders of organized labor are exceedingly unlikely to be found out beating the drums for the present chief executive.

Having memories longer than His Honor's (he can't even remember who it was who elected him) they say very fairly that the city police department, under Migas, behaved in exemplary fashion during the last strike.

But that is all they can say. The mayor has rejected the opportunities repeatedly offered him to present his platform to the democratically selected representatives of labor.

He is reported to have frequently expressed the view that he "doesn't need to have anything to do with unions" because he'll "get the union vote anyhow."

It might well be in order for union voters to remember this when they go to the polls May 6. Their votes can tell Mayor Migas that the unions are an important, integral part of the community, and the mayor of East Chicago cannot expect to retain the confidence and support of the voters if he refuses to recognize this.

tion of their demands failed. The strike call was issued by the Ships' Officers Union.

Spain

A new decree, bringing up to date legislation on wages and labor's rights in Spain, has just been received in the Franco government's official Boletin del Estado (State Bulletin).

The new decree covers all skilled workers. It sets a maximum on wages but provides for no minimum. Women under no circumstances are allowed to earn more than 80% of the wages paid to men for the same work.

The absolute maximum set for the highest category of unskilled workers is 15.50 pesetas a day, about \$1.20. The lowest category of unskilled worker gets about one-half of that, while apprentices get as low as one-fifth. Skilled workers are covered by an earlier decree, which set the maximum wage at 85¢ a day above the highest unskilled wage.

These wage rates are equal to or only slightly above those prevailing in 1936. According to official figures, the cost of living has increased about 500% since 1936. Labor estimates put the rise at closer to 700%.

Denmark

Labor-supported political parties have for the first time won a majority of the votes cast for the Danish Landsting (upper

house). The parties won 52.6% of the votes. How seats will be divided is not yet clear, since the Landsting is elected indirectly.

City Clerk Dies

East Chicago lost one of its favorite officials with the death, April 13, of City Clerk Norwood R. Markey. A veteran of World War I, Markey succumbed to a heart ailment after an illness of six days at St. Catherine's hospital.

The City Hall closed shop last Wednesday afternoon to attend the funeral. Requiem high mass was read in St. Mary's church by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Mungovan of Hammond, his uncle. Interment was made at Fort Wayne in the family plot. He is survived by his widow Emma Markey and daughter Barbara. Unofficial reports are that Mrs. Markey will be appointed to finish his term as city clerk.

A very moving eulogy was passed as a resolution by the City Council in tribute to Markey's character and integrity both as a citizen and an official.

Would Up Exemption To \$1,500 In Tax Bill

WASHINGTON. — (AP). — Personal exemptions from federal income tax would be raised from

Candidates for City Council

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"worked for Inland last 14 years in clerical field, and able to organize." For housing, would suggest "select a committee and study thoroughly for method and soon."

Leo L. Lacz

Electric dealer and Inland Union member. Filed for nomination of the community; a conscientious person in retired of present political "do nothing." As qualifications points to fact that he is a house man, a mill worker, a large man, an "understanding of people." Would want "a study of the problem by six to ten citizens recommending any solution to the housing problem."

Anthony W. Sirlin (R)

Dentist. Filed because "lived in East Chicago 46 years. I think I could better conduct the 6th district; like East Chicago and intend to live here." Qualifications lists his long residence and his educational background. To relieve housing shortage favors emergency and slum clearance.

Independent Organization of Businessmen

Business men and retailers of East Chicago last week what labor and civic groups have long hoped they would form an organization of their own to aid in the development of a better city with greater trading in business, civic and social opportunities." Harry T. well known shoe dealer, is president.

Merchants, it was widely held to the strictly reactionary program set out by the Chamber of Commerce as the East Chicago Chamber. A new organization may take advantage to go in a direction advocated by the New Council American Business which in recent months has opposed the program of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce with a liberal program summed up in the slogan, "It is good for the American people to be good for business."

Officers of the new group say nothing critical of any person or organization. The action, they say, "will not be to supplant any organization serving the business community but will support these organizations and endeavor to provide virile leadership for all phases of community life... and will strive to work with Chamber of Commerce and wherever practical."

Officers of the new group beside Tarler are: George Nickie, Citizens' Lumber Co., vice president; Max H. Feld, jeweler, treasurer; and Natale, executive secretary. They are long-time residents of Chicago who have been chafing at the city's lack of pride and progress. Members it is hoped, will include all Chicago retailers and merchants.

the present \$500 to \$750 an amendment to the tax bill presented April 15 by Sen. McClellan (D., Ark.)

Under the McClellan amendment to H.R. 1, the Kauten for the poor tax bill, the exemption for family heads would be raised to \$1,500, while exemption each dependent would remain the present \$500 figure. "This is the most logical reduction in taxes," McClellan in offering his measure, raising of personal exemption provides a measure of relief for the wage earner and others in the low-income bracket. "They are the ones who need relief most."

THE HONEST FORGER

the columnist does not, at the moment, temporarily, abstain from writing and thinking about the misquoting of Congress and the misquoting of the world. So, the world was free as the red-inked world is and the demagogue claims it is. Vive la Wal-

our plant we have a few Swedish gentlemen among them. Some are more proud of their ancestry than the honor of their country. But Lawrence Heden. But the sad part of this

back of these fine, honest, unassuming, moon-chewin' sons of the Red claimed to come from a better country . . . prov- ing it a mongersbord . . . or the bell they call it in Sweden (asked the wife, most of her relatives are named Lund- or Shedin, but she don't know which way is down.)

my many moons I was in a country, not knowing which one was the most respectful to sit in. While sitting in my friend's office, I got into a conversation with a very short, extra round, Swedish whom the boys called "Callegre" and who toils at the Indiana Forge.

Now it is revealed. I no longer wonder when I meet these Swedish gentlemen, and I shall try to be just as five-by-five told to me.

So they coom from de best part of Sweden," he cried. "Yumpin' out! But Heden was boorn in a northwest just off the Katt- ing and dose faller C. O. Carlson was born so far north he had to walk north to see de midnite sun!"

And then he unfolded a secret letter. He said, "You know Mr. Krivick? De wan who was shot at your place?"

I admitted I knew Mr. Krivick and that I was proud to work under the supervision of a man like him. Well, he told me about Eric's home town, and I was in a position to doubt his word.

But I'll be damned if I can take the part about them being so hilly-billy-ish the Eskimos' sicked the dogs on them when they passed the igloos!

Had a little legal business to attend to in Gary the other day so I looked up my old friend and former fellow Coast Guard Reserve shipmate, Edwin T. Brown, attorney-at-law and a man who can pass the bar examination anywhere, I can prove that last statement, too. I have helped him do it in numerous places, ranging from the Palm Grove Cafe to Joe Finerty's cabin cruiser!

However, in the process of hustling and bustling around countless city offices, he did a lot of leading, and I followed.

Which brings to mind one night at drill when I led and he followed.

Lt. Gonzalez was calling a fast Marine fancy drill, and I was leading our squad with good ol' Brownie faithfully at my heel.

The command came, "To the rear, march." One deaf hammer jockey and one sleepy lawyer kept right on. Wall coming closer and closer. When's that damn Gonzalez going to change commands? Whoa! Here it is now! Four feet stop—two heads cautiously pivot on their vertebrae. Meine Gott and Donnerwetter! Trainees Carey and Brown are at the far west end of the armory, while the rest of three semi-hysterical squads are neatly ranked at the east end, a block away, fronted by one apoplectic state guard lieutenant.

Proletarian Carey and Counselor Brown now appreciate the meaning of "the last mile." That was the longest block I ever walked.

Mr. Ahlgren may be getting old, but he can still pick 'em. That new cold inspector sure is a combination of Venus, Helen of Troy, and the Pennsylvania turnpike—you know, well-rounded curves! Cute stuff. Nice going, Oscar.

—DON CAREY.

Before the war six countries had lower infant mortality rates than the U. S. Eighteen or more nations had lower death rates among persons aged 35-64.



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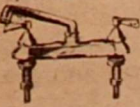
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Lesniak Entry In Mayor Race, Tips Apple Cart

(Continued from Page 1)

charge. There is irony in this for Mayor Migas during his previous re-election campaign had put himself on record as favoring centralized purchasing in a questionnaire of the League of Women Voters.

It is Lesniak's declared intention to run solely on merit; he has stated he is not allied with any political machine. His platform includes points designed to give the city a sounder financial administration, better service and to make civic progress for a more satisfactory place in which East Chicagoans can live. He is secretary-treasurer of the People's Federal Savings and Loan Association, a position held since 1917. A World War I veteran, he lives with his wife and four daughters at 4822 Baring av.

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Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.

Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P. M.
Power department.

Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P. M.

(In the event of illness or death of any member, please notify the union headquarters, 3436 Michigan avenue, Indiana Harbor 3331.)

Speaking of free enterprise—as who isn't, these days?—Barrows, Dunham, professor of philosophy at Temple University, says in his new book, *Man Against Myth*, that reactionaries believe in freedom, equality and fraternity, just like the French revolutionaries. But, says the prof:

"The freedom which reactionaries admire is the freedom to produce cheaply and sell dear;

"The equality which they admire is that of equally low wages;

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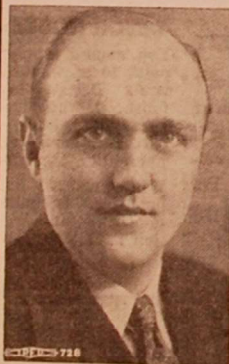
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The New Chaplin Hero Murders Very Morally

By HAROLD J. SALEMSON
Ex-Publications Director
Screen Writers Guild

It's exceptional for us to devote space to a movie review, but that a new Chaplin film is so exceptional—and so sure to be the rule of an ordinary folk—that we are herewith deviating from our policy.

The trend of the season—and many seasons—is the long-ago preview of Monsieur Verdoux, the new Charlie Chaplin picture, which will raise the hackles of many backs and stir up more money than anything since the X-ray.

It is no secret that in intelligent circles throughout the world the new film is being considered one of the greatest classics yet produced for the screen. All of them, however, are only warmups for the real thing.

Monsieur Verdoux is the finest of social satire that has ever been filmed. It is, briefly, the story of a bank clerk of 30 years' age who is fired without compensation, who is then thrown out of work as a thank you when the bank takes over his business. He then goes into business for himself, selecting members of the opposition who happen to have money stored up with which to start over again.

With his ill-gotten gain, Verdoux enters the stock market, and in a kind of "work" he has learned about in his bank experience, between times and between times, he comes home to his wife and son, who are a little time with his parrot and young son, whose name is "I don't know where he got it from" (he reproves the kid pulls the cat's tail).

Another depression wipes out the stock market holdings; he is depressed of his home. This is the end for him to bear. After "losing" his wife and son (he never explained, he becomes a broken old man who "fulfills his destiny" (allows himself to be executed) and is led off to the gallows, but only after having delivered himself of some important judgments of society, and give the film its final meaning.

One of these judgments applies particularly to labor: "You can't control in this world without being organized."

The spectator is intended to realize that Chaplin's Verdoux chose to liquidate as he might have chosen any kind of commerce, selling shoes, cars or real estate. He goes about it in strictly business way and when he is ready and fails to poison one of his victims because she tells him a story that touches him, he stops at himself with the same

despair a salesman might show upon giving away his merchandise rather than see some unemployed customer pay the unwarranted markup.

When Verdoux comes home "off the road," his dialogue is the same as that of the tired businessman and in every way Chaplin's actions are no typical of everyday people involved in purely suits which society does not generally condemn, that you stop not to the mass murderer but to every chiseler, exploiter and parasite of our present-day world.

In its powerful condemnation of war, the film is the first stirring appeal against another butchery since the uneasy peace was re-established a little less than two years ago. It is a worthy antidote to some of the warmongering rampant in our daily press. Chaplin, it goes without saying, is magnificent and he is surrounded by a uniformly excellent cast, headed by Martha Raye, Marilyn Nash, Mady Correll, Isabel Elsom, Robert Lewis, and many more.

Chaplin wrote and directed the film (with Robert Florey and Wheeler Dryden as associate directors) from an original idea by Orson Welles, inspired by the life of the French Bluebeard of the early twenties, Landru. It is a film which can hardly be appreciated on being seen only once. Like the great works of literature, it grows upon you and must be seen a number of times to be fully appreciated. Its messages are many and replete with importance for our times. Not the least is Verdoux' answer to a newsman who comes to see him in the death-house.

"Won't you give us a final message with a moral?" asks the reporter. "Something like: 'Too much of anything is bad, whether it be too much goodness or too much badness,'" Chaplin-Verdoux retorts. "How would we know about goodness? We have never had enough of it?"

See — saw, Washington law Labor shall have a new master. He shall have but a penny a day. Because he lobbies no faster.

The Herbert Hoover who wants this nation's treasury to be opened for the relief of the ill-clothed, ill-fed former enemy is the Hoover who wanted no part of relief for starving Americans in 1929-32.

Tells Truman Loyalty Probe Is Unamerican

Unless Pres. Truman's loyalty order can be squared with established American principles of due process of law and freedom of right, CIO Pres. Philip Murray wrote the President early last week.

The order, No. 9835, would authorize a check-up into past activities of government workers and applicants for federal jobs, and would qualify or disqualify them without presentation of the evidence being brought into the case. The procedure would be more secret than was generally used in wartime.

While stating his agreement with the purpose of the order expressed in its preamble that disloyal persons have no business in government jobs, Murray said, "there should be the requirement that disloyalty should be clearly defined, and that due process be accorded those Americans who are accused of being disloyal."

"As carefully as I have read this order, I cannot find clear guarantees of due process, whether with respect to specific charges being made available, or to the opportunity to confront accusers and cross-examine witnesses, or to any of the traditional protections afforded all our citizens under the laws of the nation."

Murray said the fear of being labeled subversive by informers with no chance to reply "would create hesitation and fear among our nation's people, and deter them from exercising their inalienable rights to join together in organizations and speak their minds freely."

There is room in our democracy for differences of opinion, Murray wrote, so long as they are expressed within the framework of our constitution. He said existing laws fully protected the government from subversion in wartime, adding: "I cannot conceive that as a nation we are in greater danger now than during the war years."

American laws have always been designed to protect the innocent, Murray wrote, adding: "If executive order 9835 cannot be brought into conformance with this time-tried principle, without the institution of thought police and denial of due process, the executive order should be repealed outright."

The U. S. Conciliation Service settled 2,398 out of 2,573 labor disputes in the 11 western states in 1946.

In any 24-hour period seven million Americans are incapacitated by sickness or other disability, half of them for six months or more.

There are about 650,000 Negroes among the 13 million members of the AFL.

There's no shortage of profits for newspaper manufacturers. Net income of International Paper Co. in 1946 was \$31,179,048, more than triple its 1945 profits.

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Greetings:
Bro. James Plummer recently resigned his position in department 32. Jim, as he was called by the boys, has gone back to farming in Kentucky. Good luck to you, Jim.

Bro. Bernard G. Anderson from the axle department has been confined to his home in New Brunswick as the result of bus-car accident while he was on his way home from work. We hope to see Bro. Anderson back at work again by the time you readers receive this issue of the LABOR SENTINEL.

Bro. Bill Carlson is again at home convalescing after having been confined to St. Catherine's Hospital for a second time. At this writing Bill is getting along nicely and hopes to be back at work soon.

A Chinese salesman, out selling his wares, approached a certain house, walked up on the front porch to the door, and knocked. The man of the house, in a loud voice, called to his wife, "You go, Ella."

The Chinese grew properly indignant when he heard this and shouted back, "You go to ella yourself!"

Did you write or wire your senators and congressmen. If not, why not?

Drastic legislation to curb labor's rights are being introduced into both houses every day, each bill more vicious than the one before. We have urgently and repeatedly asked you to write and wire your senators and congressmen for labor is fighting for its very life and existence and you, as never before, must be alert to this fact.

The increased cost of living has brought about a condition in which the average worker cannot make both ends meet. We cannot and must not let a reactionary Congress destroy the present wage structure.

Government statistics show you the enormous profits being reaped by all of the large industries. Your buying power is going down while the necessary commodities of life are going up! Can you and will you stand for that?

Profiteering is at an all-time high. But what is the reactionary, republican Congress going to do about conditions of this kind? Curb labor's rights is the hue and cry from Congress. Because we are organized—just like the N.A.M., the doctors, lawyers, etc.—and strive to combat the evil forces that would destroy labor's

rights, we are called "communists" and "reds" by those very self-reliant men who gained your confidence in order that a vote at election time might be had from you.

Is this the sort of thanks you and I get for placing our confidence in these men and electing them to office to serve labor? No, brothers and sisters, we must see to it that not only is our wage structure maintained, but we must also stop Congress from banning industry-wide collective bargaining, the union shop, the dues check-off, our right to strike when and if necessary. These and other rights of labor are denied us in the bills up before Congress.

Let it not be said that due to the laxity of labor itself such measures as these are passed. Action, swift and sure, must be taken. You and you and you, as union men and women, must do your part.

The officers of the various international, as well as your local union officers, are doing their part. Are you doing yours? Support your officers by attending your meetings regularly. Then you will be in a better position to understand the struggles and hardships that your officers have to overcome in order that the union, our union, may remain intact.

Let's all become union-minded. Ears and eyes wide open, in order that we may protect the gains that labor has made.

One of the boys from the shop tells this one on Scotty from the inspection department.

Scotty, we are told, is such a liar that he has to have his neighbor call his dog for him. Also he is so tight that when he has nothing to look at he takes off his glasses. We don't believe this, do you?

We have just heard a rumor that Bro. Richard Popovich from the axle inspection department has embarked on the sea of matrimony, the marriage having taken place sometime in March

State Conference
On Discrimination

The Indiana CIO Anti-Discrimination Committee is holding a conference in Indianapolis on May 25 on the subject, "Fighting Discrimination." The conference will be on concrete methods of battling against discrimination, and groups outside the CIO are invited to be present. National speakers have been invited for the meeting. The official call will be issued in the next few days.

Okay Lilienthal
For Atomic Job

The Senate confirmed David E. Lilienthal as chairman of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission April 9 by a 50-31 vote after a month-long battle marked by wild red-baiting and mud-slinging. Confirmation had been assured after a motion to send the nomination back to committee had been defeated April 3, 52 to 38.

Backed by labor, Lilienthal had been opposed by Sen. Kenneth McKellar (D. Tenn.) primarily on his record as head of the Tennessee Valley Authority. Spokesmen for the power trusts opposed to TVA and public power projects resembling it joined the McKellar attack.

Thirty Democrats and 20 Republicans voted for Lilienthal, with 26 Republicans and five Democrats voting against.

but kept secret until very recently. The lucky bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. Nick Vuckovich, 3519 Michigan avenue. Congrats, folks. May your married life be a happy and prosperous one.

How about the cigars, Richard?

A last word.
Andy Gump, as he is known to the boys at the forge shop, was walking down Broadway the other day. He came upon a small boy carrying a bundle of papers. Said Andy, "My goodness, don't all those papers make you tired?" Said the boy, "Naw, I don't read 'em."

And in Brief—

First central labor body was the Mechanics' Union of Trade associations, organized in 1827 by 15 Philadelphia unions.

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Filling Detroit's Cadillac Square, 500,000 workers left their jobs to protest the Harley slave labor bills that would rip organized labor to bits. General Motors answered by firing 15 men and suspending 23 for participating in the rally. The United Auto Workers (CIO) is fighting the dismissals. (Federated Pictures)

Scabherding No Help Inland Steel Learns As Texas Boys Picket

**MEMO TO INLAND COMM-
UNITY CHIEFS:** These 250 young
men recruited down in Texas
transported up here two weeks
ago aren't doing what you wish
them to.

Instead of being inside the
plant, taking over strikers' jobs,
they are outside the gates, tramp-
ing the picket lines.

When the men were recruited
they were assured by Inland's
agent that there was no
harm in any "labor troubles"
in the area. They had been at
it only a few days when the
agent expired, and everyone hit
the ground.

Regretted at the misrepresen-
tation not only in regard to the
situation, but also on the
money and food fronts, the boys
are making an immediate clamor for
repatriation back to Laredo,
Texas. Christ and the other
men from which they came.

Returned Return Tickets
Many of last week all the Tex-
as boys could crowd into the per-
sonnel office over at Inland
and that building to demand
transportation home. They
were escorted by Don Lutes and
Sopko of 1910's executive
committee who took
off from their many other
duties to represent the case
of these new union brothers be-
fore management.

The company made a commit-
ment to the men but so far (Mon-
day) none of them have received
tickets home.
The result of the mass delega-
tion was a bettering at
the food served the men
at 3518 Black avenue. Their
part of the promised
living conditions they were
down in Texas) still re-
main the same.

Combat Condition Better
Beans and food, crumb
for housing with as many
men in a room sleeping
on each single bed, are what
from the glowing prom-
ise of Marion McCormack, In-
land agent.

He rather be back in the ETO,

sleeping in the mud and eating
K's, than living the way we do in
the places the company put us."

Thus Daniel W. Roland, who
left a \$40-a-week job to come up
here on the assurance of \$1.10
an hour and all the overtime you
want to work, expressed his dis-
gust with the setup.

Left Good Jobs

Others of those hired through
newspaper ads and the United
States Employment service in
Corpus Christi, Laredo and
Brownsville, Texas, also left
steady average paying jobs. One,
a carpenter, left a job paying
\$1.50 an hour to come here, as
he found out, go to work for 98½
cents at labor.

Part of the men are quartered
at 3518 Black avenue, where the
food is also passed out and which
constitutes one of the drabest
and most ramshackle of all Harbor
buildings; others are jammed into
equally undesirable rooms at 3902
Guthrie. The Lincoln hotel of-
fers its customary facilities to yet
another group.

Inland's clinic refused treatment
to one of the men, Jorie Medrano,
who was suffering acute pain from
a groin infection and urgently in
need of surgery. The personnel
department asserted, at first, that
he was ineligible for insurance too.

Carl Stanley, local 1010's sick
and welfare chief, took the case
in charge and shortly convinced
management that the man was
covered by insurance. Medrano
was taken to a private physician
by another member of the local,
treated, and is now making a sat-
isfactory recovery.

Some May Stay

Most of the Texas boys aren't
too anxious to return. They don't
like the company, but they've be-
come acquainted with the workers
on the picket lines and think
they'll like it here.

Inland's hourly paid workers
would like to have them stay, too.

The Sentinel has not queried
any of Inland's personnel chiefs
about how they feel about it.

Youngstown and GATX Locals to Dedicate Hall

With three of the four national
officers of the United Steelworkers
 slated to be present, Youngstown
local 1010 and General American
local 1133 were winding up prepa-
rations for dedication ceremonies
at their new union home, Grand
and Broadway, Indiana Harbor.
The program will take place Sat-
urday, May 10, with a meeting at
1:30 in the afternoon and a dance
from eight to midnight in the eve-
ning.

From Pittsburgh, international
union headquarters, will come Van
A. Bittner and James Thimmes,
vice presidents of the union, and
David J. McDonald, international
union secretary-treasurer. Other
speakers at the meeting will be
district director Joseph Germano
and international representative
John Doherty.

The board of directors of the
new building includes Ralph Trem-
el, of local 1010, president; Jack
Navlan of local 1133, vice presi-
dent; and (from 1011) John Mul-
cahey, recording secretary; Myron
Dokes, financial secretary; Wil-
liam Jinks; Harry Heath; Ronald
Cochrell, and Rufus Bailey.

"Cleanup Week" To Take Place From May 18-24

Cleanup drive in East Chicago
during the week of May 19 to 24,
will combine the efforts of the
city administration, Chamber of
Commerce, Merchants' association,
Boy Scouts, theatres, schools and
churches.

Plans for the week, already pro-
claimed as "Cleanup Week" by
Mayor Migas, include programs
and poster competition in the
schools, announcements through
the churches, and a vacant lot
cleanup campaign by the Boy
Scouts.

Letters will be left by street de-
partment workers with residents
found violating the garbage ordi-
nances, citing the provisions being

End Strike at Inland With 15½ Cent Raise, Other Contract Gains

On the seventh day they
rested.

With a victorious, one-
week strike under their belts,
Inland's production workers
began returning to work to-
day (Wednesday). The fight
to preserve the union, appro-
priately begun on May Day,
had ended in the morning
when representatives of union
and management signed
a new, two year, contract.

The agreement will be presented
to the union membership at a meet-
ing of local 1010 Thursday eve-
ning, May 8, at eight o'clock, at
the union hall, 3436 Michigan.

Under the new contract wages
of plant workers will be upped
15½ cents an hour, slightly higher
than the increase won in U. S.
Steel. Vacations will be liberalized,
with three weeks for 25 years of
service, and a severance pay deal
substantially the same as that in
the Big Steel contract.

"Damned Good"

John Sargent, local 1010 presi-
dent, made a brief statement im-
mediately after the signing, say-
ing, "It's a damned good contract,
especially in view of the original
proposals management gave us
and their obvious intention of
breaking our union."

He pointed out an outstanding
example of how the union nego-
tiators wrested concessions from
management.

An original proposal of the union
was that veterans working in the
plant be allowed leaves of absence
if they desired to attend school
under the G.I. Bill. Management
first flatly rejected this. But the
contract finally signed contains
this stipulation.

Provisions management yearned
for were clearly designed to cur-
tail union security to the disap-
pearing point; to reduce the union
to nothing but a craven, dues pay-
ing organization; to break the
union financially. These were all
either defeated or watered down
to an extent where they will have
little or no effect on the function-
ing of local 1010.

More Grievances

One substantial change in the
new contract strengthens the
grievance machinery markedly. In-
stead of 20 grievance committee-
men in the plant, the number is in-
creased to 21; in addition and for
the first time, shop stewards are
an official part of the grievance
machinery. In each department
three stewards will be officially
able to act on first step cases.

Union officials who, under man-
agement's plan, would have been

violated and asking their help in
correcting the nuisance.

This is similar to a plan tried
last year in the business districts
with considerable success; it is
planned this year to extend the
system to include the entire city.

subject to immediate dismissal if
they'd batted an eyelash out of
turn, are protected in a clause
which provides that they cannot
be disciplined as officers; are sub-
ject to disciplinary action only to
the extent that any other employe
is and have the same protection.

Three and a half months of
negotiation preceded the decision
of the union membership to strike
Inland's two plants. Contract talks
began Jan. 15, 1947. As the dead-
line date for expiration of the old
contract approached the union
conceded ninety days more in the
hope of reaching an acceptable
basis of agreement.

Wouldn't Budge

But during this entire period
and almost to the time of the ac-
tual strike, nothing but proposals
which would have wiped the union
off the map were offered by the
company for the union committee's
consideration.

Until two days before the final
deadline, April 30, company
spokesmen held fast. Forty-eight
hours before the expiration time—
and just ten years to the minute
after the start of the great 1937
strike — thousands of Inland's
workers crowded union headquar-
ters, overflowed onto Michigan
and Grand, heard reports of nego-
tiations and registered their sup-
port of the contract committee.

Two days later, on Wednesday
night, April 30, another overflow
crowd voted to counter manage-
ment's stubbornness by striking the
plant. And eight abreast they
marched down from union head-
quarters to Inland's main office,
where the union committee's final
efforts to arrive at a workable
settlement were coming to nothing.

Bosses Low and Dry

From that night, until this
morning, May 7, production in the
huge plant was at a standstill;
union pickets patrolled the gates
zealously; a handful of company
superintendents holed out inside
the plant and were continually
thwarted in their efforts to ac-
quire additional supplies of food
and drink (strong) from the out-
side.

The last three days of the strike
management and union represen-
tatives were in session almost con-
tinuously. Picket lines and strikers'
morale were as strong as the first
day. Inland Steel Co. looked sillier
and sillier, with every other major
steel company in the United States
having fallen in line and agreed
to the raise and other provisions
embodied in the "Big Steel"
agreement.

Finally, at ten o'clock this morn-
ing, word was telephoned from the
plant that agreement had been
reached on a new contract and,
pending ratification by the mem-
bership of the local, would imme-
diately go into effect.

Involved in negotiations for the
union were Joe Jenekas and Sam
Parrish, staff representatives; John
Doherty, international repre-
sentative; James Griffin, newly-
elected district director for the
Youngstown, O., district; George
Sopko, Donald Lutes, Pete Calacci,
Archie Green, Harry Powell and
John Sargent, all of local 1010;
Louis Gromala, Edmond Cooper-
wood, Andrew George and Attilio
Parini of Chicago Heights local 64.

Hoover Dam— And We're Up Truman Creek

When the GOP majority in the Senate forced through a bill changing the name of Boulder dam to Hoover dam, Sen. Glen Taylor (D., Ida.) thought the republicans didn't do a complete job.

The senator urged that the majority also rechristen Lake Mead, back of the dam, "for one of Mr. Hoover's great predecessors, the Hon. Warren G. Harding. As to the dam itself, Taylor said, "we should authorize the authorities at the dam to adopt as a public insignia for the dam a large H superimposed upon a shiny apple. The apple will remind us of the numerous apple sellers who lined the streets during Mr. Hoover's administration and who served so well to illustrate the solution of that great engineer and economic wizard to the unemployment problem of his day."

While republicans squirmed unhappily, Taylor recalled that Hoover "once made the dire prediction that, if the American people rejected him, 'grass would grow on the city streets' in this country. Alas, that prediction did not come true. Now, at last, when Mr. Hoover is coming into his own it would be a touching tribute to sow grass seeds between the pavements of Boulder City, in the hope that somewhere a bit of green would sprout."

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Railroads Called "Biggest Trust" By Justice Dept.

LINCOLN, Nebr. — (FP)—The Justice Dept. opened an anti-trust suit against the Assn. of American Railroads and similar joint rate-making groups here charging them with "the most far-reaching concentration of monopoly power thus far known to law."

Other defendants in the suit are 47 western railroads, the Western Assn. of Railway Executives, J. F. Morgan & Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and 89 officers of railroads and associations.

Appearing in U. S. district court here, Asst. Atty. Gen. Wendell Berge presented the government's charge of a "broad and continuing combination and conspiracy in violation of the Sherman act."

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Two separate offenses were listed in the charges: restraint of trade and commerce in transportation and monopolization of rail transportation.

In his bill of particulars the federal attorney also charged that the defendants:

1. Conspired to fix non-competitive freight and passenger rates.
2. Ganged up on rival forms of transportation.
3. Formed alliances with important industrial groups.
4. Evaded the "statutory scheme of regulation" and ignored anti-trust laws.
5. Set up private rate-rigging mechanisms which placed in the hands of the railroads even more power than that possessed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Vets' Govt. Checks Arriving Late

WASHINGTON—(FP)—More than two and a half million veterans can get pretty sore at Congress unless it does something quick about the Veterans Administration deficiency appropriation, a VA announcement indicated April 29.

Most of the 1,120,000 veterans getting unemployment readjustment allowances and most of the 1,660,000 veterans in school or on the job training under the GI bill of rights will have to wait for checks due April 30, because

Price Cut

WASHINGTON—(FP)—The end of 1946 U. S. had been sold government real property costing \$320,800,000 — for 500,000. War Assets Administration records show...

funds appropriated for payment of these have been exhausted.

Relief, said VA, is available within a few days of a plea that swamp VA offices with about the delay.

VA said nothing about Congress with...

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 While some U. S. congressmen
 regretted Henry A. Wallace with
 his speeches abroad,
 thousands of people
 in Sweden, Denmark,
 England and France flocked to
 hear the former Vice President
 deliver his call for a postwar
 world based on international co-
 operation.
 Crowds greeted Wallace as an
 orator in the voices of many
 Americans and American news-
 men who have created the im-
 pression abroad that the U. S. is
 moving toward imminent war.
 Wallace's tour gave them their
 indication that there are
 Americans who, like themselves,
 toward the prospect of peace.
 The congressional demand that
 he be called home and ar-
 rested on treason charges caused
 the middle-of-the-road
 element in France who origi-
 nally invited him to Paris to rush
 to Switzerland to avoid greet-
 ing the controversial liberal. Their
 massive disappearance was in-
 creased by a large section of the
 press as fear that by
 leaving Wallace they would in-
 crease the displeasure of the Truman
 administration and thus endanger
 the chances of getting American
 aid.
 During his tour, Wallace's main
 message was that the U. S. should
 create an armed camp against
 the Soviet Union but should use its enor-
 mous wealth to help rebuild a
 peaceful Europe.
 "Democracy cannot thrive in a
 Europe," he declared. Un-
 less the U. S. gives aid to the east-
 European countries that were
 devastated by the war, he

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City PAC Ready for Last Ditch Fight on Anti-Labor Taft Bill

Timed to the beat of In-land's tramping pickets, the East Chicago PAC Political Action Committee devoted most of its time and attention Sunday afternoon, May 4, to alerting union men and women of the community for defeat of the Taft union-wrecking bill strongly threat-ening passage in the United States' Senate.

A petition and post card campaign against the bill, a revised and even more vicious version of the Hartley slave labor bill which was rammed through the house, is being built up in East Chicago. Local unions 1010 and 1011, already contacted by PAC repre-sentatives, readily agreed to all out co-operation in this defense project.

If, as seems quite possible, the Taft bill cannot be stopped in the senate, pressure from the unions will be swung for its veto by President Truman. Booths are to be set up for a three-day period in both East Chicago and Indiana Harbor. Petition signa-tures thus accumulated will be

said, the peoples of these countries will look increasingly to commun-ism as their answer, in the belief that capitalism as represented by the U. S. is the cause of their hard-ships.

To the charge that he should not oppose his government's poli-cies before foreign audiences, Wallace replied (1) that speeches made while he was at home never reached the American people be-cause the newspapers suppressed them, and (2) that the same peo-ple who now criticize him had nothing but praise for Winston Churchill when, in a speech at Ful-ton, Mo., last year the former British prime minister urged a war alliance between Britain and the U. S. with Russia as the target. That speech came at a time when the British government was call-ing for closer relations with the USSR.

Court decisions, ELRB rulings and official speeches now make it clear as much whom the miners are working for.
 When there's a strike to be broken, they're working for the government; when there's a Wag-ner act violation by their bosses, they're working for the private operators; and when there's a safety law to be enforced, they're on their own and God help them.

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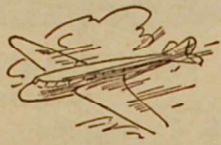
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Labor Around The World



Iran

The Iranian government, after arresting Gen. Sec. Reza Rosta of the Council of Unified Trade Unions, is now forcing workers to sign pledges to resign from the council and join a state-controlled labor front. Workers are threatened with dismissal and arrest if they do not comply.

Rosta's arrest, which came when he protested government pressure on unionists, coincided with the visit here of a World Federation of Trade Unions mission to investigate suppression of the labor movement. The WFTU has demanded a meeting with the prime minister to protest jailing of the labor leader.

In an apparent attempt to head off the effect of the WFTU group's findings, the Iranian propaganda minister has sent a cable to WFTU Pres. Arthur Deakin in London saying that Rosta was arrested "on a charge of being involved in incidents on the coast of the Caspian sea, attempting to separate the northern areas from other Iranian territories, and embezzling union funds."

Turkey

After suppressing all free unions early this year, the Turkish government is now setting up a state-controlled labor front, according to reports. The first of the new "unions" has been set up in the coal and iron center of Zonguldak. The regional governor and government labor commissioner are chairmen of the union. Its charter prohibits all strikes, all contact with unions in other trades and all political activity.

Uruguay

American and British owned companies in Uruguay have started a concerted drive to force strikes and thus encourage the government to pass restrictive labor laws, according to the Uruguayan Federation of Labor (UGT).

Ten thousand construction workers have been locked out at the instigation of officials of Metalurgica y Dique Flotante, an affiliate of U. S. steel interests, the UGT says. The British-owned Central Railway has starting mass firings.

The labor movement has the public behind it, however, the UGT says, because it has exposed the intentions of the foreign firms and has established that national labor laws designed to protect workers are being ignored.

Former Sec. of the Interior Harold L. Ickes says the Truman administration has out-smarted the Republican party by proving it can red bait better than the GOP. This is a clever trick that hasn't been used since that famous football player out-smarted the opposition by carrying the ball over THEIR goal line.

France

Every branch of industry in France must now provide the services of a doctor for its workers, under the labor medical services law. In large plants, a fulltime "labor doctor" must be permanently employed. Small plants can get together and hire doctors among them through an inter-factory system on which workers are represented. Every employee must have a thorough medical examination at least once a year and workers under 18 every three months.

Portugal

The Portuguese dictatorship offers some pointers to U.S. congressmen who want to abolish strikes. "Instigators of recent work stoppages and other agitators, provoked by order from abroad, are on their way to the Cape Verde penal colony," says a Portuguese broadcast reporting on government retaliation against dock workers.

Australia

Apparently afflicted with the highly-contagious anti-labor fever, the Australian commonwealth arbitration court has penalized striking metal trades workers by depriving their union of bargaining power. The workers, demanding higher pay, are members of the Amalgamated Engineering Union.

England

More than 10,000 London longshoremen have walked out in sympathy with 4,000 Glasgow dockers on strike for six weeks to protest the dismissal of 500 men. The London workers, members of the Stevedores Union, are not part of the Transport & General Workers Union, whose 15,000 London dockers remained on the job. Another strike in London involves 1,000 street cleaners and other municipal workers who quit when city officials violated seniority rules.

Canada

Canadian miners have never known job security except during the world war when they were hailed as "labor heroes," Pres. Freeman Jenkins of District 26, United Mine Workers (AFL), told his audience in a Canadian Broadcasting Co. hookup. Jenkins is leader of the 13,000 miners who have been striking since February for \$1.40 a day more on their 73c hourly wage. During the war miners were promised full employment and better communities but now are brushed off when they seek a living wage, Jenkins charged.

Because the Bureau of Labor Statistics reluctantly reported that the cost of living has gone up, the Republican Congress has cut its budget from \$6,700,000 to \$2,373,000. This is on the theory that if the baby has a bellyache, you should cut his tongue out so he can't cry.

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COOKING IN CONGRESS

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	ACTION
Hartley "Kill Union" Bill HR 3020	Contains almost every anti-union proposal you have ever seen—and a few new ones to boot.	Write Pres. Truman to veto any anti-union bill. Ask Congressmen to uphold such a veto.
Taft Anti-union Bill S 1126	Taft bill contains wide variety anti-union proposals on striking, injunctions, security, general union activity.	Wire Senators to vote against Taft bill. Write Pres. Truman to veto any anti-union bill.
Wage-Hour Amendments HR 2157	Offers weakening amendments to Wage-Hour bill; would limit workers' rights to damage claims.	Write Pres. Truman to veto this weakening of Wage-Hour Act.
HR 1 Knutson "soak poor" tax bill	Offers 20%-30% tax cut—little savings for low income families, big windfalls for the wealthy.	Ask Senators and Chmn. Millikin to pass only a tax bill placing heavier burden on big incomes.
Rent Control Extension Bills	House Bill (HR 2549) still in Banking Comm. Some members want ceiling rise. Senate bill, with no rise, not yet acted upon.	Ask, Senators, Congressmen to support "as is" continuation of rent control.
S 866 Taft-Elender- Wagner Housing Bill	Long-range housing program, with govt. aid to spur building of low-rent and slum clearance projects.	Ask Senators to force early vote and pass. Ask Congressmen to seek Banking Comm. hearings soon.
Labor & NLRB Appropriation Bill HR 2700	Orders severe cuts in funds for Labor Dept. and NLRB; will cripple many vital services.	Write, wire your Senators to restore cuts; also write to Sen. Bridges (R.N.H.), committee chairman.
Missouri Valley Authority S 1156	Sets up program for Missouri Valley along lines of TVA program.	Write your Senators to support. Write Chmn. Revercomb (R., W. Va.) for action.

Address all Representatives at House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.—all Senators at Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

AFL and CIO Unity Talks "No Decision"

WASHINGTON. — (FP) — Unanimously agreed upon the need of organic unity within the American labor movement, the AFL and CIO conferences broke up two days of discussion May 2 locked in an impasse over how it shall be achieved.

The AFL made a formal offer for the CIO to return home with all its present national unions with full participation by the delegates of the CIO unions in the October convention of the AFL in San Francisco. In the meantime, the AFL said, the joint unity committee would continue to serve, making

recommendations on all matters of importance, and to pool the influence of both organizations to fight pending legislation attacking American wage earners.

CIO offered a three-step program beginning with nationwide organization of AFL and CIO bodies against anti-labor legislation; elimination of jurisdictional fights and finally, establishment of a new national body replacing both the AFL and CIO to give autonomy to all existing unions and recognize the industrial union principle.

AFL President William Green said that his organization was "not prepared to accept the plan offered by the CIO, and the CIO was not prepared to accept the plan proposed by the AFL, and finally both sides adopted a joint statement."

The joint statement endorsed

Social Security And You

Many workers and their families are losing Social Security benefits because of misunderstandings about Social Security laws. Charles S. Davis, of the Hammond, Indiana, Security field office has today.

"We have found that distorted by rumors and well but ill-informed sources continue to cause workers and their families to lose benefits because of their failure to act in time." Davis urged all who are 65 or older and who had jobs covered by Social Security to find out about their benefits whether or not they are continuing to work.

Davis offered the following pointers to workers 65 and over:

- (1) You must file a claim for any payments can be made.
- (2) Filing a claim or receiving old-age insurance checks mean you can't go back to work or continue to work — you can't draw the checks while working under employment covered by social security.
- (3) Receiving old-age insurance checks doesn't mean you lose rights you may have to unemployment compensation law if you lost your job — you get both payments at the same time if you are entitled to both.
- (4) You can draw old-age insurance checks whether or not you get a pension from a former employer; whether or not you own property or have other income and whether or not you are a citizen of the United States.

Davis added that there are charges in connection with a claim or making inquiries regarding social security law. The Hammond office is in room 417, Post Office Building.

Where oh where has my shirt gone?
Where oh where can it be?
With its tail cut short
And its price cut long,
Oh where oh where has it

Tote that Rab Push that Hoe Gardens Need

The U. S. Department of culture sends out pleas year for good citizens to the aid of their gardens.

The National Garden directed by Paul C. S. has been adjusted to the needs of nutrition and the ment of home grounds and communities. These are the says Stark:

1. To insure better for millions by providing dition to the quantity of tables and fruits used lies.

2. To promote the al and cultural values from home gardening grounds and community ment.

It is urged that commu list support of local officials, industry, gro organizations in promoting gardening; to establish a information center, and prizes through contests to stimulate individual

organic unity and aid now proceed with the incident to formation of a united labor movement. U. S. We will deal with other mutual problems of meetings of the two organizations named. We share our energies and purposes the realization of this objective. In the meantime continue our efforts in the enactment of high national anti-labor legislation being considered by the of the United States.

1010 AT INLAND STEEL

Hospitalized Members Get Union Caller

Members don't look right on men. They did, a good many members of the local 1010 would recommend that Stanley, of the local's committee, be presented with a bouquet of the fabulous flowers of the work he has been doing.

During the month of April Stanley visited 26 hospitalized members of the local. He didn't see them just once, either; every week he received a weekly call from a union representative who accompanied him to Crown Point, to St. Catharine's in Gary, to St. Catherine's in Gary, and as far away as South Chicago to bring a word of cheer to injured union brothers.

"Showing the boys up isn't all I want to do," said Stanley, "I want to help them with any of their personal problems while they are in the hospital and we are ready and willing to do that also."

As an aid to his work, and so that no union brother may be neglected, Stanley asks that men in the hospital departments notify him where one of the workers goes on the sick list. Drop by the union office, 3436 Michigan, or telephone Chicago 3075 and leave the information either with Stanley himself or with the local financial secretary.

Conference On Rights of Foreign Born

During that attacks on the rights of foreign-born Americans against all Americans, undermine their rights, and violate our democratic traditions," the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born has issued a call for a Chicago Conference for Protection of Foreign Born to be held at Hull House on Sunday afternoon, May 12, 1947.

Edward M. Hart, prominent Chicago attorney, is serving as chairman for the Chicago conference, which will pay special attention to deportation and naturalization cases in the Mid-West. Two of the men concern men well known in

Buildups Best Of Fight Card At Union Show

Despite this ring worm's prediction that it would probably go that way, the build-up bouts put the main go of the USA-CIO boxing show before a full house at the Civic Center, April 25, strictly in the class of also rans.

Buck Raven, featuring a sharp right uppercut which connected about once out of twice, beat Virgil Strause in the windup bout. Although Raven knew he was in a fight, Strause, who recently recovered from a siege of pneumonia, showed little of the class he exhibited on the "rec" committee's first show, January 11.

Despite his long lay-off, Dale LaBounty scored a clean win over Johnny Brown, Ringside AC, in the semi-windup. Brown, a rugged and willing fighter, pushed LaBounty all the way but lacked the seasoning to cope successfully with the Inland battler.

Following a fast start in the seventh match, in which Rick Leland, Joyce AC, just about called his shots on Jimmy Sheets, Gary "Y", both boys got too tired for fancy flourishes and got down to unadorned clouting. Leland spent most of the second and third rounds reclining, hands down, against the ropes. He was too exhausted to even attempt blocking Sheets' tired punches.

Blue Flame action, which sprang into being at the first bell of the curtain raiser, did not slacken until the customers reached for their hats and escorts at the final gong of the main bout.

Only one thing marred the night's entertainment for those who value American standards of decency and sportsmanship. Tribal yells of "Kill 'm, white boy," emanated from the scattered sections of the auditorium during progress of the main bout.

Indiana Harbor: Steve Tandarie, former 1010 member, and Joe Weber, a SWOC organizer in the first days of the steel organizing drive and frequent speaker at union rallies in this area.

Additional information about the Chicago conference can be obtained by writing to the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, 23 West 26th street, New York 10, N. Y.

Jim Cole Says "So Long, Boys"

DROP AND SLAG YARD CRANEMEN, DUMPFERS, AND HOOKERS, MEMBERS, LOCAL 1010 USA-CIO:

Today, April 30, 1947, marks the termination of my employment with the Inland Steel Company. I have chosen a different field of endeavor to earn my livelihood.

I realize that all of us do not share the same religious and political belief, and that there have been days when we were not up to par, however, I shall always cherish my association with you for the past ten years as one of my fondest memories. So whatever have been our differences of opinion, let's charge them to profit and loss. May each of you always enjoy the best of everything!

Sincerely yours,
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ress of the contests between white and colored athletes.

The score: Bout No. 1, Mike Propko drew with Paul Ramirez; No. 2, Jimmy Sassaonon decisioned Willis Williams; Jake Hodaker beat Al Bain, TKO (2); No. 4, Teddy Johnson decisioned Freddy Mason; No. 5, Dave Milligan decisioned Eddie Smith; Willis Boyd beat Jimmy Shaw, TKO (2); No. 7, Jimmy Sheets decisioned Rick Leland; No. 8, Dennis Collins drew with Jimmy Trillo; No. 9, Paul Hernandez decisioned George Bradley; No. 10, Dale LaBounty decisioned Johnny Brown; No. 11, Buck Raven decisioned Virgil Strause.

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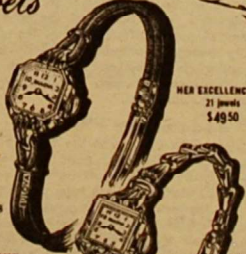
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Quakers Find Kids In Europe Worse Off "Than Ever Before"

Works and Safety demanding relief from the smoke nuisance from particular plants and railroads. An unofficial arbitration board attempted in the past to settle such difficulties without much success. It has been demonstrated, further, that sporadic spot control of smoke is of no help. Consequently the feeling has grown that the solution lies in area-wide control action with the wholehearted cooperation of every coal user, Cohen declared.

WASHINGTON—(FP) — The AFL Executive Council meeting April 22 announced a program of all-out war against laws restricting the hard-won rights of labor and accused the proponents of pending antilabor legislation of "opening the door to fascism in America by impairing freedoms basic to the American way of life."

At the same time Pres. William Green announced the AFL would implement its statement at once by raising a fund of \$1.5 million to bring the AFL message to the nation by full-page newspaper advertisements, radio programs and other methods.

"The whole purpose of this legislation," the council statement said, "is to destroy the power of trade unions to serve the workers of America effectively. The AFL hereby declares war against this legislation—an all-out war for the preservation of the lift of free trade unionism in America."

The statement said the people want industrial peace and "they know that the basic cause of most of the strikes that have taken place since V-J day was the refusal of management to pay wages which would enable the masses of our people to maintain the American standard of living in the face of the economic dislocation and the inflated cost of living which we inherited from the war."

"The American people have been kept ignorant," the statement said in criticism of the avenues of public information, of the many peaceful settlements of labor contracts in contrast with "each disagreement which is played up in the headlines."

During the war years nothing could be done; control equipment could not be obtained. The time for action has been too long delayed, Cohen believes. "Clean air is just as essential to healthful living as clean water, clean streets or the removal of city wastes, he maintains. "Moreover it is completely possible. Engineering can provide it. The only question is are we willing to pay for it?"

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By May 1 they were back with a long petition against the Taft bill signed by 10,000 citizens of Gary alone, including all members of the city council, collected within 10 days. Sec. Joseph Chandler of the Gary steelworkers joint legislative committee spread the heavy roll-paper petition in front of Capehart and Sen. William E. Jenner, (Rep., Ind.), saying:

"If Gary is any indication of how the people of the whole state feel, I don't think you have any mandate to vote for antilabor bills," who which Capehart commented. "Well, I don't either."

Chairman James McEwan of the state CIO council said after the meeting that he saw "a great change in the senators' and congressmen's attitude since last week. We have enlightened them a great deal on what the bill does to working people because they don't know the actual conditions in the plants unless we tell them."

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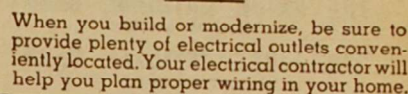
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Employers Joining Hillman Fund Drive

Also joining to take wind out of the Truman-Newburyport sails (so pun) are the spokesmen for the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers and the whole furniture industry. They have pretty well dashed

Most business representatives report belief that the rise in prices is now stopped, although there may be plenty of exceptions. But the overall averages have touched their ceiling. And most of the stuff on which price reductions are being made is wartime shoddy mer-

ACW Pres. Jacob Potofsky told the luncheon that the money would be used to establish university scholarships, a series of lectures, exchange scholarships for foreign students and for similar purposes.



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Helping with rescue work in the Texas City disaster, Vice Pres. A. R. Kinsley of the Oil Workers Intl. Union (CIO), Roy E. Brown and George L. Moore of OWIU Local 23 discuss the disaster with Mrs. E. J. Galbreath of OWIU auxiliaries. It is estimated that at least 50 oil workers were killed while fighting flames on the first ship that exploded. —(Federated Pictures)

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Laxity of Safety Laws Blamed by CIO Unions For Texas City Horror

By HARVEY O'CONNOR

TEXAS CITY, Tex. — (FP)—As the dazed and homeless workers of Texas City mourned their dead, spokesmen for organized labor demanded a thorough investigation of the April 16-17 disaster that took more than 400 lives, including scores of unionists.

A CIO Defend Labor Conference in Fort Worth April 20 asked Gov. Beauford Jester and the assembly to set up a special commission to study the disaster and provide funds for the enforcement of adequate safety legislation.

"The majority of those lost at Texas City were members of organized labor. Lax safety law enforcement and lack of adequate laws were responsible for the appalling loss of life," the conference declared.

Could Be Repeated

Texas CIO Sec. Morris Akin told a similar rally in Port Arthur that while the legislature had been busy passing an open shop law, a petroleum safety code presented at this session by the Oil Workers Intl. Union (CIO) had been totally neglected.

Demanding immediate enactment of the safety code, Akin warned: "What happened in Texas City can happen in any Texas refinery town such as Beaumont, Port Neches, Borger or Port Arthur." The only safety regulations now in existence are those negotiated by the unions and included in their contracts, he pointed out.

OWIU Pres. O. A. Knight, whose union lost between 30 and 75 members in the explosions and fires that devastated the city, joined the stricken town's mayor, C. J. Trahan, in demanding an inquiry. Trahan is also a member of the oil union.

Knight said federal authorities should investigate whether the burning nitrate ship, which touched off the chain of explosions, was carrying munitions and also why the second ship, filled with explosives, was allowed to remain at the terminal for an entire day after the initial blast.

Bad Housing Blamed

The majority of union oil workers killed were either members of a firefighting crew that was battling flames on the nitrate-loaded SS Grand Camp or were watching

from the dock. When the ship blew up with an atomic bomb, flaming debris set off explosions in the Monsanto chemical plant. Hundreds were killed and injured in the AFL-organized plant as styrene exploded.

The wooden shacks of Mexican and Negro families living near the docks were smashed like matchboxes. Houses of other workers within two miles of the docks were also heavily damaged.

The failure to provide decent, public housing for the Texas City workers was termed a "ghastly crime" by Natl. Dir. William McCarthy of the Natl. Maritime Union (CIO), which also lost members in the disaster. "It was murder," McCarthy charged. "And this murder may happen any day at other Texas ports, where the workers live in the same kind of flimsy shacks near the docks, where ships laden with explosives tie up."

McCarthy said representatives of Monsanto and American shipowners at Coast Guard hearings on the disaster "are behaving like ghouls over the bodies of the dead. They are trying to put all the blame on the French shipping company and even on the Texas City longshoremen and none on the big

Wallace to Speak May In Chicago

Organized labor is the weight into the campaign for packing the CIO, 1800 W. Madison, 14th when Henry A. Wallace, U. S. Secretary of the Progressive Citizens of America, Illinois Chapter, announced today by Dr. J. H. Hoer, PCA Chairman.

Labor union officials distributed to members 100,000 flyers advertising fair and have pledged support of their union ship in the drive for Wallace.

Mr. Wallace's speech "War III—or A Just Peace?" will be a recent speaking tour during which he aroused controversy by criticizing U. S. foreign policy and by challenging the belief of One World up their belief in the United Nations.

corporations that dominated Texas City waterfront."

The mass meeting will be 8 P. M. and will feature a talk by Mr. Wallace's brief talks by nationally progressive leaders and a moment by stars of stage and screen.

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At that time certain committees will seek of those people who are in favor of our laboring class of people to sign a petition to be sent to our Honorable Harry S. Truman asking him to veto the anti-labor bill.

Therefore, I urge all the people of East Chicago, who are composed mainly of laboring people, to celebrate this day and do all in their power to get this petition signed to be forwarded to President Truman.

FRANK J. MIGAS
Mayor

A Democratic Nation Must Have Free Trade Unions

The Hartley-Taft Bill Would Shackle American Labor

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Not Our Cup of Tea

Last week we received a publicity story in the mail, announcing the fiftieth anniversary celebration of a newspaper which is published in New York but also has a Chicago edition.

Apparently we were sent the story because of the labor record of the paper.

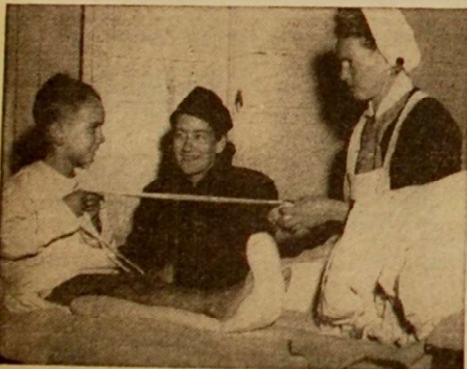
And we aren't printing a line of the story because of that record.

Seems this newspaper was founded fifty years ago, primarily to combat what the press release calls "the Bolsheviks of that day, under the extremist leadership of Daniel De Leon."

If our knowledge of labor party history is not completely at fault, De Leon was an American socialist-trade unionist of the same vintage and philosophy as the great Indiana labor leader, Eugene V. Debs. De Leon is often mentioned as being one of the first trade unionists to advance the idea of industrial unionism in America, an idea that became a fact eleven years ago when the CIO was founded.

We feel that running a story in the Labor Sentinel, in praise of a paper founded to fight the idea of industrial unionism, would be like our printing a story that Bill Green is a wonderful man because he's spent a lot of time fighting the dirty old red CIO.

Or are we just narrow-minded?



A little boy in a tuberculosis hospital in Vienna chats with the American Friends Service Committee worker. Through the Quakers he gets a supplementary meal of 600 calories a day. He is one of about 6,000 young people under 25 years of age, ill with tuberculosis, who receive the Quaker meal. American Friends Service Committee, 20 S. 12th St., Philadelphia 7, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA. — World relief needs are more urgent in many countries now than at any time since the end of the war, the American Friends Service Committee revealed today in a resume of needs in the foreign countries where it is carrying on relief work.

Although physical suffering has been alleviated slightly in Western Europe, the Committee reported, Central and Eastern Europe are now worse off than they were last year. While food supplies are slightly more nearly adequate in Belgium, Holland and France, this is not true of Poland, Austria, Germany and Hungary.

American Friends Service Committee workers send back gloomy pictures of the countries where they work—Poland, Italy, Japan, Austria, Germany, China, France, India, Hungary and Finland.

A few brief pictures serve to show the needs in these countries, which the Committee is striving to meet. These are based on just a little of the sad facts which daily arrive at the Committee headquarters. They show the in-

creased burdens the Committee hopes to meet with funds provided by the generosity of Americans.

In Poland, more than 400,000 children started this winter without shoes. Many of these children walked out in deep snow with only bits of rag tied around their feet.

Nine ounces of dark bread a day is the present ration for an adult Italian, despite the fact that the 1946 grain crop was slightly better than the harvest the year before.

Service Committee workers in Vienna found many young people without any underwear—in this the coldest winter the city has known in 25 years. Apprentices in Hungary were found to be especially undernourished—in that country which was once the granary of Europe. Teachers in Hungary get only one meal a day. Welfare relief agencies in that country estimated that 50 per cent of the people have no winter coats.

Despite larger crops, millions still live in fear of famine in Asia. The needs in China, where the Service Committee receives

Labor Around The World



Spain

The U. S. Chamber of Commerce pamphlet on labor unions, called Communist Infiltration And How to Fight It, is being plugged by the Franco-controlled Spanish radio as a model for business. "To us," says an official commentator, "the American attitude is excellent. It is tacit approval of the methods which Spain has been using for 10 years," since Franco took power.

France

French miners, who are entitled by law to an 18-day annual vacation, have decided to take only 12 days this year because of the nationwide coal shortage. The miners will get a special bonus in place of the time off.

Italy

Italian miners have won their demand that salaried workers get a daily bonus to raise their income to that of piece-workers. The dispute went to arbitration after the workers, confident of their strength, decided against striking because of the need for coal in national reconstruction.

Venezuela

Bernardo Ibanez, former Chilean labor leader who recently tried to split the Latin American Confederation of Labor, got the cold shoulder when he tried to attend the oil workers' convention here. Ibanez was barred as an agent of foreign interests who want to weaken Latin American labor. Oil is Venezuela's chief industry and the union is the strongest in the country. Most oil firms here are U. S. controlled.

Bermuda

The Bermuda Workers Assn. has demanded that the British government correct the following wrongs: only 7% of the population can vote; there is no income tax so the colony's revenue comes from duties on food and other essential imports that bear most heavily on the workers; the workers have no unemployment or health benefits and lack both decent houses and schools. Bermuda, less than 700 miles from New York, has been developed under British control as a playground for wealthy American tourists.

Russia

The All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions has adopted a new rule requiring a general checkup on the enforcement of collective bargaining contracts "not less than once every two or three months." The decision was taken at an AUCCTU executive meeting, where it was also decided that local union officers must be elected annually while regional, territorial and national leaders will be up for re-election every two years.

Brazil

The Confederation of Labor has been ordered dissolved by Pres.

the support of United Service to China, have mounted. The Chinese government recently estimated its relief needs, exclusive of UNRRA shipments, at \$294,924,031. In India, only the cheerful acceptance of drastic rationing averted famine last year. Children were reported to be among the special sufferers in Japan.

In Finland, the Service Committee is ministering to the need for clothing by distributing new and used garments in the factory town of Jyväskylä and Ansekost. International reconstruction units are helping to solve the problem of shelter.

Eurico Gaspar Dutra, who denounced union leaders for seeking wage increases. Government appointees will reorganize the labor movement, Dutra said. His order coincided with a court ruling outlawing the Communist party, whose candidates won the governorship and two Senate seats in Brazil's largest state last January. The action parallels that of the Chilean government, which ousted Communist cabinet ministers. Chilean commentators said this was done in order to get a loan from the U. S.

England

Leaders of the Natl. Union of Mineworkers have condemned a small group of striking engineers whose walkout has halted production in a number of pits. The engineers say they fear a loss in pay because of the new 5-day week but NUM leaders maintain their earnings won't be lowered. The union won the 5-day week after a long battle and with this and other concessions under its belt, wants to insure high output. The NUM is represented on the board which runs the nationalized mines.

Greece

The Greek union movement, which has had no official status since last March when the supreme court ruled that the minister of labor had no legal right to appoint union leaders, has now been "legalized" under a new set of government-appointed officials.

The new appointments were put in power by the Athens district court which, according to the supreme court, is legally able to take such action. Despite the technical adjustment, the fact remains that the labor movement is being directed by government puppets. Union officials chosen by workers over a year ago in elections supervised by the World Federation of Trade Unions were removed from their posts by the government and many are now in prison.

The new appointments were announced just as Gen. Sec. Vincent Tewson of the British Trades Union Congress, representing the WFTU, was negotiating with Greek government officials for the revival of a free labor movement.

In Mexico

MEXICO CITY. — (ALN) — Mexican workers and industrialists are united in their opposition to the Truman administration's economic plans for Latin America, it became known here as the Mexican Federation of Labor (STM) endorsed the findings of a conference of the Chambers of Processing Industries.

The U. S. has proposed that Latin American countries agree to a free trade plan under which neither the U. S. nor Latin American nations would impose tariffs or any other restrictions on imports.

According to the Mexican industrialists, the plan in practice would be anything but free trade. Mexican industry, they point out, is not developed to the point where it can compete with U. S. industry. The plan would mean the U. S. would be free to ship unlimited goods to Mexico, while Mexican businessmen would have no outlet for their products and would be forced out of business.

In its indorsement of the industry conference's findings, the CTM pointed out that industrialization and modernization of Mexico is labor's chief objective. If Mexico is not able to impose tariffs on imports, it said, U. S. products will eat up Mexico's purchasing power and industrialization will be stymied.

Carey Street

(Continued from Page 1) the little girl around them while the boys were away, the Stachons are fine people, been neighbors for years.

Because the East school board has set the colored teachers at Long commutes to Gary, she teaches a primary. She finds time, nevertheless, such things as making calls for those of the school whose English isn't quite as good as the telephone conversations.

BUT PEOPLE living, and working together, news because it's so normal, sides, if the majority of Chicago's citizens become Negroes and Mexicans, more undesirable neighbors, any other representative Americans, what will be Dupes', and Riley's, and investments in the Black Watling, and Penn avenue toes?

And people might even in holding candidates to promises of slum clearance?

French Cabinet Split on Strike In Auto Works

PARIS. (ALN) — The major postwar strike effort sanctioned by an affiliate of the French General Confederation of Labor (CGT) is now taking at the nationalized Renault works and has resulted in a government split.

The strike started in two shifts in a suburb of Paris after an unsuccessful negotiation for a wage increase of 14 (about 8 1/2%) an hour. On 29 the Metal Workers Union proved the strike and the 30,000 employees walked out.

Before this the CGT staged strikes because labor many of its own nominees government who helped settlement of grievances. Leaders expressed the view the strike weapon should be only as a last resort, particularly when the nation has yet to reform war destruction and the government and the labor on labor's side.

Discontent has been mounting, especially since last summer when the government created a series of general price totalling 10%. Many raised their prices 10% before the order took effect that prices were to be higher after the government's decree.

Socialist Prime Minister Ramadier and his Minister of Natl. Economy, Andre, have steadfastly refused labor's demand for a minimum wage on the grounds it would be inflationary. The minimum wage was based on a survey of the minimum necessary for decent clothing and shelter.

The Renault strike and government split when the Communist party, the largest party in France's Natl. Assembly, backed the strikers' demand. Ramadier, who refused to raise wages at the government plant, demanded from the Assembly a vote of confidence won by a majority of 249. All major parties except the Communist voted for Ramadier. The result that Communist leaders were asked to resign cabinet. The Communist have been replaced by

Nations are now spending billion more for armaments they did in 1938, according to a 40-nation survey by the New Times.

First U. S. labor party any copies still on file in the Free Press, Philadelphia in 1937.

1010 AT INLAND STEEL

New Contract Gains Emphasize Need for Free Trade Unions

As the "proof of the pudding is in the eating," advantages of local 1010's recently signed contract cannot be judged with micrometer accuracy until grievances have been duly aired under its stipulations and fought out with management.

Some of the new provisions, however, hampered down and clinched on the side by our contract committee. A brief survey of these provisions shows local 1010's members to be in a strong position to negotiate major clauses in detail and to provide them with copies of the new agreement.

It will also emphasize what Inland employees, in common with every other American wage earner, will lose if President Truman fails to veto the Taft-Hartley Labor Law.

Inequities Included

The wage inequity program, which has been moving slower than a 150-car freight goes to an intersection, will be settled by June 30, 1947, under Article V, section 7, of the new contract. If the inequity program is not settled by mutual agreement, or voluntarily submitted to arbitration by that date, the union is empowered to strike without violating the contract.

Article V, section 7, also sets out how the 2.6c balance addition to the 12 1/4c general hourly wage will be distributed.

Improvements, in addition to the company-wide one of three weeks' paid leave for 25-year employees, were won from management this year's negotiating committee. As an employee is no longer required to have a year's service before being eligible for a vacation, he is hired on December 24, 1947, and is entitled to a paid leave. Except between May 1 and October 1, management no longer has the right to designate periods of operations as vacations.

Seniority Counts Most

Despite the company's determination to make ability the chief factor in promotions, length of an employee's service remains the dominating consideration in this respect. Aside from this point, there were several major revisions made in seniority clauses of the contract. To grasp the workings of seniority in his particular department, each local union member must attend group meetings for a detailed explanation. The agreement to withhold layoff of all but probationary employees until the work week is reduced to 32 hours is one part of the seniority provisions which apply to the whole plant.

Don't Relax Yet

We still have a big job ahead. With your support a decent contract was secured, but we need all that support to get a square deal on the inequity program.

GEORGE SOPKO,
Recording Sec'y.

Three stewards in each division of the plant are empowered to take grievances through the first step of grievance procedure under article VIII, section 1. This, together with addition of one more grievance man and an assistant to the committee, is a long overdue step toward better processing of grievances.

Contrary to a widespread belief, paid holidays were not obtained in this or any other major steel agreement. Holidays continue, however, to count as days worked in the weekly, straight time limit of 40 hours.

Vets Benefited

In addition to carrying over protection of ex-servicemen's rights from the old contract, the new one includes a clearly worded clause enabling a veteran to take an extended leave of absence to further his education. Former service men may now obtain such leaves without hazarding either their security of employment or their seniority status.

Except for wages, upon which either the union or management may reopen negotiations on April 1, 1948, this contract will remain in effect for two years.

Unless, of course, Hartley, Taft, and their fellow phonies in the national capitol, contrive to make all union contracts a waste of paper and printing.

FAINT HEARTS & WOODEN HEADS

A flood of three (3) letters, requesting withdrawal from the membership rolls of local union 1010, has descended upon Financial Secretary Tom Conway since May 8.

If the cost of wage boosts since 1940 in the auto industry had been passed on to consumers, the price increase would be 12%. Actually prices rose 59.4%.

First Game Won by Union Hardball Team

"The team looks really good, and I certainly expect that we'll go places this summer."

Harry Kosinski, manager of the CIO Steelworkers, was enthusiastic about the showing which sub-district No. 2's hardball aggregation made Sunday afternoon at Block Stadium. The Steelworkers downed the Chicago Negro Pirates 14 to 1 in the game which was a season opener for both teams.

Although he said that Piatos, at second base for the Steelworkers, played an exceptionally fine game, Kosinski was reluctant to name any player as outstanding. The whole team, he elaborated, played the kind of ball which makes naming individuals difficult.

At 1 p. m., Sunday, May 25, the Steelworkers will face Post 80, American Legion, team. The game is scheduled for Whiting's Lake Front Park. At 6 p. m., Tuesday, May 27, Manager Kosinski has booked a game with the East Chicago Taps at the Block Stadium.

Notice

Members of Local Union 1010 who believe that they are being discriminated against because they belong to a racial, religious, or other minority group, are urged to contact the local's anti-discrimination committee.

Next meeting of the anti-discrimination committee will be Tuesday, May 27, 7:30 p. m.

Boxing Show Set for June 13 At Civic Center

Sock artists Dale La Bounty and Ullis Andrews will be the featured performers in the main bout of a boxing show set for Friday, June 13, 8:30 p. m., at the Hammond Civic Center. Promoter of the show is Charles "Red" McGregor who managed the two recent shows of the United Steelworkers union. The fights on the 13th will be under the sponsorship of the Twin City Health Club.

In addition to LaBounty and Andrews, both 135-pounders, outstanding fighters of the Chicago-Calumet are scheduled to do battle in the ring. Already announced as lined up for the show are Jimmy Sheets, Virgil Strause, Paul Hernandez, Johnny Martinez, Raul Ramirez, Rick Leland, Johnny

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Blast Furnace Keglers Take Season Honors

Besides the league trophy, won by blast furnace bowlers who finished the 1946-47 season at the top of local union 1010's league, each member of the blast furnace aggregation will receive an individual memento to take home and set on the mantel.

The team trophy, an eight-inch figurine of a poised bowler, will be placed on permanent exhibition in the local union's recreation room.

At the meeting of the recreation committee, Wednesday night, the trophies will be awarded and cash prizes totaling \$132.60 will be divided among the winning team. Members of the blast furnace bowlers are Breen, Eckman, Amalone, Spade, and Smoglecki.

At the conclusion of the season, league standings were: 1—blast f'ce; 2—cold strip; 3—76" slab yd.; 4—44" hot strip; 5—trans. dept.; 6—Germano boosters; 7—76" hot strip; 8—plate mill.

A banquet for all members of local union 1010's league is being planned by the "rec" committee.

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I have been watching the talks which were held between the AFL and CIO leaders with much wariness. Any movement toward the American labor movement would have the tendency to split the mass, merits every one's attention. Particularly in the case of the American labor movement, as these men sit at the mere sight of the Congress, screams, "There is the dirty-necked son of a bitch!"

Get him!"

The Bible says: "Two are better than one, because they have a reward for their labor. For if they fall, the one will lift up the other, but woe to him that is alone when he falls, for he hath no helper to help him up."

That passage, which was written in a time when men were not as wise as we are now, gives cause for thought. How, in the face of the terrible battle being waged on the working class by government and capital, can we survive as independently small units, each for itself? As this passage has always advocated, we must unite and survive. And if one is about to be overthrown, the other can throw its weight into the fray to bring victory.

I am a cookie who has always been in the habit of calling a spade a spade. I will not be bullied with the consequences of my own actions. I can see the actual bar which I can see in the amalgamation of our rank and file, in the pig-headed selfishness of some of the big men in the labor movement, the petty jealousies, the personal feuds, and the unwillingness to have the other side higher in rank. What difference whether the titular head is Murray, Bill Green or John "Red" Lewis? Each of them is tops in the labor movement; each is qualified to lead a national movement. Let us unite our unions for mutual protection before it is too late, and let the man who has the most votes lead it. Otherwise, I think labor is going back long, long distance to start on progress we already achieved.

Let us finish the passage I

quoted earlier:

"Again, if two lie together, then they have heat. But how can one be warm alone? And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him, and a three-fold cord is not quickly broken."

Odds 'n' Ends

We were surprised, nay, flabbergasted, to see little Willie Carlson hanging up his hat inside the sacred portals of our happy home again. Welcome home, Bill! How's the beer down to Koontz Lake.

It is a terrible blow to see Dave Gustafson go back to Sweden. Hell, with his money they may make him king and then we won't see him again. Alas!

Notice we have a tractor driver who had had luck when the guy came by selling brains. This driver thought he said trains... and didn't take any.

Wonder what makes that curly-headed Moore have such a touchy south end?

Mr. Claude McMillan, Sir: Hope you are taking care of that so-adorable little wood nymph, this column mentioned once before. Mother, lock the door and burn my clothes! Yeeo-w-w!

Mr. Algot Erickson:

When you buy your new car will you please get a Caddy! Those cheap Packards are getting too, too monotonous around the shop.

The day of miracles has come. I got a 12 1/2-cent raise last week, but Borden's hasn't raised my milk bill yet. My fingers are crossed.

In the event nobody sees this, don't blame me. It simply means Bonnie of the Corner Post didn't give my copy to McCarty.

—DON CAREY.

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Boxing Show Set for June 13

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Brown, Dave Mulligan, and Eddie "Pal" Moore.

There will be nine bouts, and the open spots on the card will be filled in during the next few days, promoter McGregor announced.

Tickets for the show may be purchased in Hammond at Armstrong Jewelers; in East Chicago at the Davis Sport Shop; in the Harbor at the Baltimore Tavern. Members of the Inland local of USA-CIO are also assured that they can obtain ducats by asking real pretty at the union hall.

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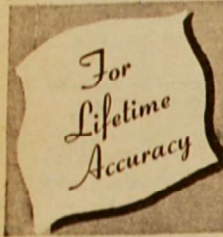
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Miss Genevieve Murphy, Franklin School kindergarten teacher, "weighing in" Mrs. W. Johnson's twin children as part of East Chicago Public School's kindergarten enrollment program. (Photo by N.T.B.)



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Set Dates for Kindergarten Registration

East Chicago children who will be five years old on or before Dec. 31, 1947, are eligible to enter public school kindergartens next September.

Pre-enrollment of the children, coupled with physical examinations, began last week, May 12, and will continue through June 3. Enrollment dates for the next two weeks are:

Wednesday, May 21, Franklin, 1-4 p. m.
Thursday, May 22, Columbus, 9-11:30 a. m.
Friday, May 23, Riley, 9-11:30 a. m.; Lincoln, 1-4 p. m.
Monday, May 26, McKinley, 9-11:30 a. m.
Tuesday, May 27, Harrison, 1-4:00 p. m.
Thursday, May 29, Garfield, 9-11:30 a. m.
Tuesday, June 3, Mark, 1-4:00 p. m.

Parents are urged to bring their young in on the designated dates and are reminded to come armed with birth certificates to verify the child's age. At the time of the enrollment both the kindergarten teacher and the school principal will be present to explain in more detail the purposes and value of kindergartens.

Those parents who look forward with mild dread toward their child's first school experience, anticipating tears as "baby" leaves home for the first time, will be cheered to know that the counseling at pre-enrollment time will also include suggestions as to how best the child should be prepared for his entrance into school life.

Profits of 18 oil companies were from 17% to 85% higher in 1946 than in 1945, according to a survey by the Oil Workers Intl. Union (CIO).

Recreation Conference Open June 6

Recreational leaders, employed and volunteer, in the Calumet District, are invited to attend a special training institute in the recreational field June 6, 7, and 8 at the Calumet Extension Center of Indiana University in East Chicago. With Garrett G. Eppley, I. U. field recreation consultant, as director, Indiana University is sponsoring three such institutes throughout the state.

Co-operating with the University in planning for the institute in East Chicago are the municipal and school recreation departments and private agencies and rural organizations of Lake county, with R. W. Cunningham, director of recreation in Hammond, as committee chairman. The following will serve as chairmen of the various sessions in East Chicago: C. Dwight Klinck, executive director, Brook Community House, Hammond; Mrs. Edward Lukowski, Jr., chairman, Day Camp Committee, Girl Scouts, Hammond; Forest M. Wood, director of recreation, South Bend; Clarence A. Wille, assistant county agricultural agent, Crown Point; John Sharp, director of community building, Whiting; and John Gilroy, director of physical education, Gary.

At the institute, recreational leaders will be given an opportunity to become acquainted with national leaders in the field of recreation, to become acquainted with programs of other communities, to learn best recreation techniques, and obtain information from university staff members, staff members of the National Recreation Association and local departments and others on legislation, finance, community organization, facility and program planning, personnel training, public relations and current literature.

With Terry O. C. Rose, program planning specialist, as chairman, the faculty for the institutes will be composed of specialists from the recreation department of the Chicago Park District as follows: Robert Bantz, community organization; Florence Cavanaugh; arts and crafts; John Dolce, featured W.L.S. national barn dance caller; Dorothy Driskell, arts and crafts; Gertrude Maxham, supervisor of music; Maynard McLean, physical activity; and Grace Larch Nelson, talent production and boys' and girls' clubs.

The old Biblical quotation has been changed to read: Peace on earth, good will toward men who will line up on our side in the next world war.

"They offer no explanation, but many companies say attendance at annual stockholders meetings this year has been the best ever," Wall Street Journal.

Maybe they have to hear those super-duper profits statements to believe them?

Scabs Not Humps On These Camels

Camel cigarettes and Prince Albert tobacco are being produced by scabs.

Local 22, Food, Tobacco, and Allied Workers of America, CIO, have been on strike against the R. H. Reynolds plants in Winston-Salem, N. C., since May 1. The strike, which is for a 15-cent hourly increase and union security, is marked by growing unity between white and colored tobacco workers.

Federal civilian employment dropped 30% from October, 1945, to October, 1946.

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Laws barring strikes by workers are in effect in 11 and pending in five others.

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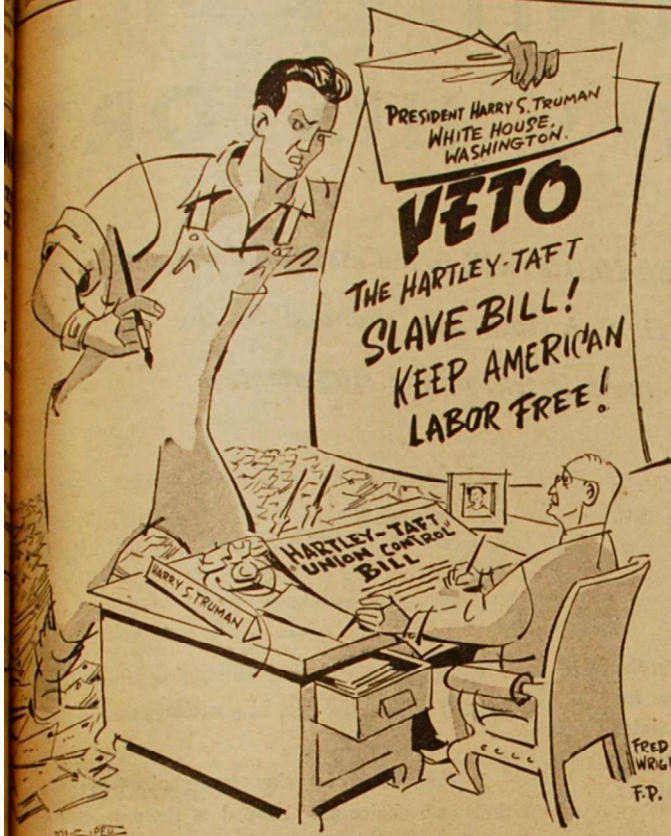
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East Chicago Vets Truman; Veto the Bill"

President Truman does not want the Taft-Hartley anti-labor bill. It comes before him, his wish to do so will be against the expressed wishes of more than 7,200 citizens of East Chicago.

With the nationwide CIO, AFL and RR labor organizations, who have swamped the White House with mail carriers for the past two days, East Chicago's Political Action Committee placed the veto protest before the people of the community for their consideration.

President Harry S. Truman, White House, Washington, D. C., the undersigned, respectfully request that you veto the anti-labor bills passed by Congress. These measures threaten more than the life of the union movement. We believe that strong unions are the cornerstone of industrial democracy. We believe that industrial democracy helps guarantee political democracy. We believe in the traditions of America that have helped make America a free country. We call upon you to help

Local Meeting

Regular meeting of local union 1010 will be Thursday, June 5, at 8:00 P. M. Because Thursday of last week was the fifth Thursday in May, there was no local meeting on that night.

this nation keep its feet on the road to a democratic future."

Booths for collecting signatures to the above petition were set up at Chicago and Indianapolis blvd.; Main and Guthrie streets; and Main and Broadway. From 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Thursday, May 22, and all day Saturday, May 24, they were manned by members of the East Chicago PAC and volunteers from affiliated local unions.

Two thousand seven hundred signatures, in addition to those gathered on street intersections, have been obtained so far by stewards and other active CIO members in East Chicago's industrial plants. On Saturday, May 31, the signed petitions were mailed to Congressman Ray Madden who will present them to the President. Petitions will continue to be circulated and forwarded to Washington until the Taft-Hartley bill either is vetoed or becomes law.

The work was directed by East Chicago PAC chairman, John O'Malley.

Joint Services Next Sunday for Baccalaureate

East Chicago joint baccalaureate service for the two high schools, Roosevelt and Washington, will be held on Sunday, June 8, 1947, at 8:00 p. m., at the Roosevelt auditorium. On that occasion the following clergymen will officiate:

Invocation—Rev. Robert B. Peterson, Mission Covenant Church.

Scripture Reading—Rev. John Ruysen, Holy Ghost Greek Catholic Church.

Prayer—Rev. William H. Jenkins, St. Luke A.M.E. Church. Sermon—Rabbi Paul J. Bender, Congregation B'nai Sholem, Chicago (introduced by Rabbi Eli Kahn of Congregation B'nai Israel.)

Benediction—Rev. John Szot, Holy Trinity Hungarian Church.

Commencement exercises for Roosevelt will be held on Tuesday, June 10, and for Washington, on Wednesday, June 11; each at 8:00 p. m., at the Roosevelt auditorium. The address on both occasions will be given by Carl Taylor, president, Waukesha State Bank, Wisconsin.

Voters seeing both the GOP and Democrats going reactionary may be tempted to tell one party to go to hell and the other to try to catch the first one.

Taft-Hartley Bill

Congress Busy Okaying "Compromise" Measure; People Demanding Veto

Today (Wednesday) the House of Representatives was slated to vote on the labor-busting bill agreed to by a joint Congressional committee. Approval seemed in the bag, was due to be followed by similar Senate action.

Mob Rule

Lynch Justice Is Legalized Down in Dixie

GREENVILLE, S. C.—(FP)—An all-white southern jury May 21 freed 28 white defendants here, a majority of whom had confessed to the lynching of Willis Earle, 24-year old Negro. The verdict ended the biggest lynching trial in history and upset the state's experiment in a new type of southern justice.

Judge J. Robert Martin Jr., who had given the case to the jury with strict instructions not to let racial prejudice influence their decision, dismissed the jurors without the customary thanks and stalked out of the courtroom with a grim, angry expression.

His departure released an impromptu celebration in the paper-littered court-room, with friends and relatives of the defendants happily swarming around the freed men. In the Jimcrow gallery a small group of Negroes silently observed the general rejoicing.

In clearing the defendants of all four counts charging murder, conspiracy and accessory before and after the fact, the jurors chose to ignore confessions made to FBI agents by 26 of the men at the time of their arrest. The statements described in gruesome detail how the lynch mob had kidnapped Earle from a county jail on Feb. 17 where he was being held on a stabbing charge, taken him by taxi to a lonely country road where they beat him, blasted off the side of his head with shotguns and then mutilated his still warm body.

Defense attorneys said the defendants had made the statements after being assured that no southern jury would convict them. The defense did not put a single witness on the stand, basing its case on denunciations of northern "interference" and attacks on the lynch victim.

At one point, defense lawyer John B. Culbertson, ignoring sharp warnings from the judge, shouted: "Willie Earle is dead, and I wish more like him were dead." When the judge ordered him to drop that line, Culbertson blandly went on: "If a mad dog were loose in my community, I would shoot the dog and let them prosecute me."

Cong. Madden Speaks Sun. At PAC Meet

Representative Ray Madden, outstanding among the minority group of congressmen who are fighting desperate, daily battles to keep the Taft-Hartley slave-labor bill from becoming the law of the land, will report to the people of Lake County at 2 p. m., Sunday, June 8, in Washington High school, East Chicago.

The mass meeting, sponsored by the Lake County Political Ac-

Throughout the nation workers and liberal-minded organizations acted with increasing zeal to demonstrate the public's distaste for the bill—most severe ever given serious consideration by a U. S. Congress.

Mass meetings, advertisements, radio time, petitions and memorial resolutions from public and civic groups indicated growing demand that the bill be vetoed by Pres. Truman, and that his veto be upheld by Congress.

Joint protest meetings arranged by CIO, AFL and Railway unions were scheduled in scores of cities. Federated Press reported the first united labor demonstration in Pennsylvania's capital city of Harrisburg was held May 22. In York, Pa., a protest meeting filled the city's largest ballroom.

Muncie, Ind., CIO unions invited the AFL to join in a protest torchlight parade, following an earlier meeting on the court-house lawn. Some 8,000 workers marched up San Francisco's Market Street in one of the biggest labor demonstrations in city history.

New York City's CIO Council planned meetings in each of the city's 24 Congressional districts, with church and civic groups, pitching in, while the Gotham AFL scheduled a night meeting at the Polo Grounds. CIO and AFL together in New Orleans planned a meeting and parade, while in Flint, Mich., unions mapped a whirlwind campaign against the bills.

PAC Director Jack Kroll called on all political action groups to contact local Democratic party officials to urge that they ask Pres. Truman to veto the bill.

Groups of union spokesmen from a number of states visited Washington during the week, with a particular goal of building support for upholding Pres. Truman if he vetoes the bill.

The Taft bill okayed by the Senate is far more severe than the Case bill, which the President vetoed a year ago.

It bans the closed shop; curbs all forms of union shop and maintenance of membership; gives employers an excuse not to bargain if they can pin a "communist" tag on any leader of any union; permits costly law suits against unions in federal district courts; allows the Attorney-General to get anti-strike injunctions in any case where he feels the national public welfare is concerned.

tion Committee, will also be addressed by Representative John Kolinski, of Detroit. Representative Kolinski, who is maintained in Congress by Detroit's organized workers, is a member of the House Labor Committee.

Timed to precede President Truman's decision upon vetoing the Taft-Hartley bill by a few days or hours, Sunday afternoon's meeting will climax a series of protests which Lake County's labor organizations have been conducting against the union-busting measure for the past several weeks.

MOST PUNITIVE BILL IN ALL U. S. HISTORY

A warning that the Taft-Hartley bill is the most punitive anti-labor legislation in all U. S. history was sounded by the CIO Executive Board. This is the full text of the statement.

WE are addressing this message to the American people on behalf of the membership of the CIO. We do so in the hope that in the next few weeks common sense can prevail in America against manufactured hysteria.

Today, while all the leading corporations in the mass-production industries have signed contracts for one and two years with CIO unions, the United States Senate and House of Representatives have passed the most punitive labor legislation in all of our nation's history.

They have been able to pass such bills because the American people have been given none of the facts as to what these bills will do if they become law.

A CONCERTED effort is now being made to persuade the public that the Senate has passed a mild bill and the House a harsh one. In fact, the Taft bill is fundamentally as destructive of collective bargaining as is the Hartley bill. The chief difference lies in subtlety of language. The supporters of these bills pretend that they will "equalize the power of labor and management and guarantee the right to work." By misrepresenting what these bills will actually do it is proposed to pass through both Houses a conference bill based upon the Taft bill and to urge the President to sign it.

Every American interested in prosperity, industrial harmony, and civil liberties should learn for himself exactly how vicious both these bills are. Having learned, he should write to President Truman pledging his support for a veto and, to make his letter or wire additionally effective, should send copies to his Senators and Congressman.

THE President needs to know how many Americans understand that these bills will destroy the orderly processes of collective bargaining which have been developed in this country during the last fifty years and that under these bills:

1. The entire collective bargaining process is so restricted and limited as to be practically unworkable.

2. The efforts of workers to organize into unions of their own choice are stripped of the protection from employer coercion granted them under the Wagner Act, and are subjected to threats of crippling government restraint and coercion.

3. The effective exercise of the right to strike is subjected to the will of management and government acting in the interests of management.

4. The use of the Federal injunction as an instrument to prevent and to break strikes is revived; this instrument is made sharper and more effective than at any time in history through the novel device of constituting the government itself as the agent of employers, to procure such anti-labor injunctions.

A small number of gigantic corporations dominate American industry today. Under the restrictions imposed by these bills labor would be unable to maintain the balance necessary in our economic life, and America would be far down the road toward a deep depression and serious economic crisis. And the destruction of the organizations through which the workers of this country can achieve effective and free collective bargaining with these corporations would concentrate control of our entire way of life in the hands of monopoly and threaten all our democratic institutions.

Don Writes Paper on Its Labeling

Don has been received by the Ham-
mond Times in response to the
communication author-
ity membership Thursday.

Bill, Editor
Hammond Times,
Hammond, Indiana.

Hammond Times' unvary-
ing policy of using the identifi-
cation "X" after the names
of persons involved in news
items appears in your news
items is greeted by the mem-
bers and officers of the Inland
Union 1010, United
States of America, CIO.

One of these repeated ef-
fects of these repeated ef-
fects against citizens of our is-
sues occurred in your is-
sues, May 13.

On May 13, headed
by Washburne's Off With
the Jewelry, "first identi-
fication as a Negro and sub-
sequently referred to him solely
as 'Negro'."

It is a circumstance that wrong
done among other national
groups are not so iden-
tified by your paper is evidence
of a deliberately single out
of groups for this affront.

With this practice is
evident failure to give news
of achievements and affairs
of Negroes any but the most
average. You are, there-
fore, a great deal to foster
the widespread, vi-

olence of Negro inferiority.
The Public High School strike,
the Negroes into slum
inequality in employ-
ment, job opportunity, dis-
crimination rates of tubercu-
losis, infant mortality between
whites and mounting
between white and colored
of the Calumet area are
of the direct consequences
of your paper is help-
ing to propagate.

are convinced that you are
represent of the situation. We
assume then, that you
are interested by something other
than responsibility as a lead-
ing public thought.

is a tactic which tends
to our membership, and in
consequence with a founding prin-
ciple of the Congress of Indus-
tries, we are hereby
convinced with you upon this

(Signed)
Discrimination Committee,
L.U. 1010 USA-CIO

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Taylor's confession, what
one in some of his war-
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It's Always a Hot Time Around Anneal Furnaces

It gets pretty hot around those
annealing furnaces, even when
they're down for repairs. So la-
borers from the yard department,
who dismantle the furnace brick-
work, are urged from time to time
to go over where it's cooler—and
pull stickers.

Of course, pulling stuck coils
apart is production work, and these
men are from the yard depart-
ment. But Bill, their boss, well
and unfavorably known as "Ken-
tucky," is not a man to draw fine
distinctions in matters of this kind.
Another circumstance which rests
on Bill's conscience very lightly is
that he is also a yard department
employee and therefore not sub-
ject to orders or suggestions of
annealer foreman Blanford.

Favor with higher supervision
is, however, like gold: where you
find it; so Bill doesn't object to
working to the last drop of his
gang's sweat. Yard laborers aren't
actually forced to do work not
regularly assigned to them. Bill
always gives them their choice of
pulling stickers between stints at
the furnace work or of going
home.

Men from other departments, re-
porting to the annealing depart-
ment for an extra turn to com-
plete their week, usually call the
first one enough. They'd rather
lose the turn than come back.

If the Taft lynch-labor bill, by
the way, is signed by the Presi-
dent, assigning active union men in
that department to pulling stick-
ers will probably rate as an ef-
fective means of keeping them
from talking up. Under the Taft
bill's provisions, discrimination
against union men cannot be
charged against a foreman unless
it can be proved that he has had
anti-union instructions from top
management.

The Bible (Proverbs xi, 25)
says: "The liberal soul shall be
made fat."

Obviously we don't go back to
those old writings often enough.

All the talk about how mild
the Taft labor-busting bill is re-
minds us of an old Chinese prov-
erb that says: "You can't per-
suade a mouse that a tiger is
fiercer than a cat."

Two-Year Ban On Strikes in Steel Mills

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—(AP)
—CIO Pres. Philip Murray told
members of the United Steelwork-
ers May 21 that "under no cir-
cumstances" must there be any
strikes for the duration of the
newly-won 2-year contracts in the
steel industry.

Murray's views, incorporated in
a 3-point directive to his union's
3,000 locals, were unanimously
approved by the steelworkers union
executive board.

In addition to his no-strike or-
der, Murray proposed that the
union "meticulously respect the
provisions of the collective bar-
gaining contract" and "resort to
the orderly methods of adjudicat-
ing our differences by taking re-
course to the grievance procedures
of the wage agreement up to and
including arbitration."

Murray hailed the 15c overall
wage increase and other contract
gains won by the steelworkers as
"one of the most notable achieve-
ments in the annals of our nation's
collective bargaining history."

The wage agreement, he said,
"provides opportunity for stabil-
izing our country's internal eco-
nomic affairs" and "guarantees
stability in the steel industry for
a period of two years."

Asserting that the union had
won public "admiration and re-
spect" during its recent contract
negotiations, Murray said: "To
retain the confidence of the public,
the union and management must
display that spirit of labor-man-
agement cooperation so essential
to the welfare of this great na-
tion."

THINGS WE'D LIKE TO SEE

Taft
On
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Raft
—
Hartley
Partly.
And Ball
Not at all.

Politicians dining at a Demo-
cratic party shindig in New York
recently kicked in \$100 apiece,
while the economy-minded GOP
scrapped along with a \$50 tariff for
a Dewey banquet the same night
in another New York hotel.

Sure there's a difference, about
the same kind there is between a
\$20,000 house and a \$40,000
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ford.

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prise at being able to buy a steak
dinner here for 60c which they
said would have cost \$3 back
home. Australian unionists ex-
plained it's because Australia still
has price control. The seamen were
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Quack Doctors at Work

The operation which quack doctors Taft and Hartley are performing on American unions will not be a complete success, from their viewpoint, unless the patient dies or, at least, is permanently crippled.

It has not helped in the least that Senator Taft, Rep. Hartley and the rest try to look like doctors and profess to be operating in the patient's interests.

Their transparent malice, their gloating eagerness to drive in their knives, their winks and side-remarks testify to their murderous intent.

Nor can labor feel much interest or partisanship in the occasional wrangles between "Doc" Taft and "Doc" Hartley as to where, how and to what depth its living flesh should be carved up.

Here are some of the things the Taft bill would do to unions and the workers' rights:

It prohibits the closed shop and so restricts all other forms of union security as in effect to impose the open shop.

It places countless new obstacles in the way of union organization and collective bargaining and gives employers many new devices to evade their obligations.

It denies workers the right to elect union officers of their own choosing, by providing that any union with any officer against whom employers can direct the "red smear" shall be denied certification for bargaining purposes.

It promotes company unionism, by giving the employers' stooge outfits a place on the ballot and protecting them against disestablishment by the NLRB.

It denies supervisors and agricultural workers their bargaining rights, and makes unions subject to all sorts of court suits and raids on their treasuries.

It restricts the right to strike in many ways, revives the anti-labor injunction, facilitates strikebreaking and creates many "unfair labor practices" on the part of unions as ready weapons for the union-busting employer.

The Taft bill, as CIO Counsel Pressman points out, would "make the government of the United States a ready and willing instrument of employers in resisting legitimate demands and needs of workers, in thwarting legitimate strike action by employers and in subjecting the labor movement to a process of decimation, subjugation, frustration and stagnation under government control."

Write or wire to President Truman at once urging a veto of this vicious legislation, and to your Senators and Representatives asking them to uphold such a veto.

Labor Around The World



ALLIED LABOR NEWS

Japan

The Japanese Welfare Ministry has published 10,000 copies of the AFL and CIO constitutions as an aid to Japan's new unions. "These constitutions," said an official of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's Labor Division, "offer the Japanese trade union rank and file examples of democratic trade union constitutions from another country. They are offered not as samples to be copied but rather as guides."

Russia

A college sponsored by the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions, started 25 years ago to train union leaders, has now been expanded to give students a full course similar to that given in schools specializing in history or economics. Logic, psychology, philosophy, higher math, history, geography, literature and one foreign language are required subjects. Plus that, students get special training in the history of the Russian and international labor movement, political economy, economics and statistics. In the final year, students specialize in a chosen labor field.

Philippines

Philippine labor has demanded a government probe of alleged slave labor methods used by an agency recruiting workers for jobs on U. S. Pacific bases. The agency continues to hire workers through a court case is pending against it.

The agency calls itself the Consolidated Labor Union. Under Philippine law, any group of 30 or more employees may register as a union. The Consolidated outfit has no membership fees but officers get high salaries. It is headed by an attorney, Pascual Espinosa, who has served as a company lawyer defending employers against members of his own "union." He admits having made \$50,000 from his contracts.

According to a court suit filed by 960 workers hired for jobs on the U. S. naval base at Manus Island, they were forced to work a 10-hour day without overtime and were paid as low as \$1.25 per day. They were mistreated by foremen, the suit charges, and were served rotten food which caused much sickness. Many of the workers contracted tuberculosis.

Bulgaria

The Bulgarian Confederation of Labor, which now represents 511,000 of the country's 702,000 workers, is being consulted on all labor and social legislation proposed to Parliament. The confederation has 22 deputies in the national legislature. Union membership has nearly tripled since the labor federation was started in 1944 after Bulgaria's liberation. The federation has 32 national affiliates, all organized on an industrial basis.

France

The General Confederation of Labor (CGT) has gone on record for nation-wide application of production bonuses to raise living standards while spurring output. The CGT reiterated its demand for a national minimum wage of 7,000 francs (about \$50) a month and asked that income tax exemptions be extended to lower brackets. The CGT approved the government's plan for cutting prices but insisted that it be enforced.

Canada

An agreement to end the 3-month strike of 13,000 Canadian miners has been reached by union negotiators and now awaits membership ratification. Employers have agreed to a \$1 daily increase in wages with an additional 40c a day after Dec. 1 if production is restored to the prewar level by that date. Present basic wage is 73c an hour.

Africa

Delegates to the Pan-African Trade Union Conference, held recently under World Federation of Trade Unions sponsorship in Dakar, all stressed that they are tired of colonial rule and seek complete independence for their people, according to South African delegates who just returned here.

The conference was chiefly for information purposes, the delegates explained. Disclosure of the slave-like conditions in many parts of Africa will be discussed and probably acted on by the WFTU Prague conference in June.

One recommendation is that a WFTU commission should tour the principal African territories to examine union organization and workers' rights.

Congress Veterans C! Nothing

WASHINGTON—The accomplishment of the 80th Congress as far as legislation is concerned is almost a total blank. Almost a month ago, the Congress, of whom 47 were War II veterans, was taken for granted when they were counted last November.

Legislation of a broad welfare nature benefiting health insurance, long-range plans, strengthened security programs and protect the rights of minorities not even got the start in Congress. That was taken for granted when they were counted last November. But when both parties campaign pledges that too good for the boys in uniform and the nation's many veteran-politicians, some legislation for veterans was expected. The record, in brief:

Bonus—No hearings held on several bills in the House. Prospects for hearings on a bill by the House veterans committee are faint.

Subsistence allowances—Students and job trainees—months House committee reported a bill raising allowances for married men from \$90 to \$105, with amounts for children, single veterans. Senate still considering the matter while, nearly a million one-fourth of the total or training, have dropped out finishing their course.

Ceilings on labor income—Outright repeal ceilings scuttled. House (HR. 246) which would raise to \$250 for single trainees and \$325 for veterans affairs, known committee. Discharge pay 4 which would send the floor had 95 signatures report, requires 218.

Increased benefits for employed veterans—no action while, a quarter million have exhausted their employment compensation of GI bill of rights. War make up 28% of the labor force, but 36% of employed.

Cash payment for bond pay bonds—none of the introduced have been and Seamen's bill of rights—giving limited benefits to merchant seamen, still committee.

HOOK HIM!

It's a fact. You can do it. You can hit back hard. You—every member of the CIO—can hit back hard by taking from the political scene those Congressmen and state legislators who seek to crush our unions and lower our wages. You can do it by fighting back with political action, by fighting back with PAC. CIO's political arm—PAC—can answer labor's foes at the ballot box. A bigger, stronger PAC is the solution.

This means organization, political organization. It means money to build such an organization. It means a dollar for PAC, dollars to build PAC everywhere in America. CIO President Philip Murray says "It is absolutely and positively essential. It is a definite responsibility."

Yes, it is essential. It is a responsibility. Within a few weeks, PAC's 1947 \$1 voluntary contribution drive begins. Give it your support. You want your union kept strong! You want it to be free to work for your greater security! Strengthen and develop the political structure which can assure this. Back PAC. Give your dollar to PAC.

'48 Is Coming!

Anti-labor legislators must face the voters in 1948. The voters must be informed and organized. PAC must build its organization for these crucial elections now! It's motto is "Build in '47 to win in '48." Support your PAC. Give your dollar to PAC.



Solids, Liquids and Games Will Be Provided in the Union's Recreation Rooms

The sidewalk in front of union headquarters, 1010's, probably look deserted in a couple more weeks. Not that

the local's new recreation rooms, opening no later than the first of June, is expressly for the purpose of being furnished to the membership with a place in which to relax and meet friends.

The "small hall" on the third floor of headquarters will be the part of the recreation rooms. Card tables, comfortable chairs, and a pool table are among the items already procured. The committee's ideas for the well-equipped lounging room should include do not end with a television set, and a list of two more facilities will be added shortly.

For those who like their leisure time, a bar has been set up in the room opening directly from the small hall. Equipment for the draft beer is being installed this week as well as the line of bottled beer. In reference to the habits of those broth-

ers who dislike wasting time, whiskey will also be available.

In connection with the bar, a steam table is being installed. Hot dogs are definitely on the order of the establishment and such other types of informal fare as the preferences of the members may indicate.

Mike Mamula, steam department, and Alex Huttie, No. 1 open hearth, have been designated as managers of the recreation rooms. The grand opening will be announced as quickly as furnishings and equipment are delivered and installed.

BOWLERS TO BANQUET

Members of local 1010's bowling league will be entertained at a post season banquet to be held June 6, at Spiccia's Cafe, 4745 Todd ave. Presentation both of the league and individual trophies, won by the blast furnace bowlers, will be the feature of the evening.

All members of the league, with their wives or fiancées, are invited to attend.

Fights Will Tell If Strause Has Raven's Number

Whether or not Virgil Strause has Buck Raven's under-and-up style figured out will be proven to the satisfaction of the Hammond light-heavy, and a couple of thousand cash customers, at the Civic Center, Friday night, June 13. Strause, who dropped a decision to the Ringside boy in the "Rec" committee's show, April 25, meets Raven again in the semi-bout of the first in a series of McGregory.

Dale LaBounty is carded with Eulis Andrews in the headline bout. Although the Indiana Harbor boy has been beating some tough opposition lately, he meets a test in Andrews. Andrews is reputed to have a nasty habit of throwing punches from all angles, including the hypotenuse.

Jimmy Sheets and Rick Leland, mutually indestructible middleweights who literally hammered each other to their last gasps on the April show, are slated for another go at each other on McGregory's initial venture.

As customary with Red's shows, a supporting card is lined up which will give the feature bouts tough competition.

The cost of living in the U.S. has risen 53% since 1939.

Name June 10 As Opener of Softball Play

Local 1010's softball league, originally scheduled to start the season Tuesday, June 3, will play their first games Tuesday evening, June 10, instead. The postponement is due to unusually wet weather which has delayed getting the grounds into shape.

Don Black, manager of the softball league, reports that seven departments from Inland's mills have formed teams and are awaiting only completion of the game schedules to begin.

Blast furnace, hot strips, tin mill, pipe shop, new construction, No. 1 open hearth, and the sheet mill and galvanize have all entered this year's softball competition.

The 14-game series will be played on Tuesday nights, weekly;

Notice

Members of Local Union 1010 who believe that they are being discriminated against because they belong to a racial, religious, or other minority group, are urged to contact the local's anti-discrimination committee.

Next meeting of the anti-discrimination committee will be Tuesday, June 10, 7:30 p.m.

starting time, 6 p. m. Use of diamonds upon the following playing fields have been obtained by the recreation committee from East Chicago's park department; Block Stadium; Washington High School; Riley Park; and Todd Park.

Caps and jerseys, which will be lettered with the names of the players' respective departments, have been procured for all members of the softball league.

WFO Delegation

Prague for

WFTU Council Meet

NEW YORK—(FP)—An American WFO delegation left on the ship Elizabeth May 24 for Europe where it will attend sessions of the World Federation of Trade Union executive bureau and general council beginning June 2 in London.

Leading the U. S. mission is Earl Borenbaum, secretary-treasurer of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers and a WFTU vice president. Others include CIO Secretary James B. Carey, Michael J. Head of the CIO international department, John Abt, adviser, Brian Kinsane, secretary.

At point on the WFTU's side is its relations with the United Nations, dealing especially with the UN's economic and social council, to preparatory conference on trade and employment, and European economic com-

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Group #4: Second Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
10" mill; 14" mill; roll shop.
Group #5: Third Wednesday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
44", 76", 46". Bloomer, 44", 46" Slab Yards.
Group #6: First and Third Tuesday; 8 P.M.
Cold strip and tin mill.
Group #7: Fourth Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Transportation department.
Group #8: Third Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.
New construction.
Group #9: First Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
36", 19", 24" mills, stores, machine shop, blacksmith
shop, boiler shop, pipe shop, riggers.
Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.
Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Power department.
Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.

(In the event of illness or death of any member, please notify the union headquarters, 3436 Michigan Avenue, Indiana Harbor 3331.)

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Ingrid Bergman

Ingrid Bergman, popular film star, has spoken in behalf of the United Nations: "To further tolerance and peace, men and women representing all peoples must get together. I believe in the United Nations, and I trust they will successfully restrict man's inhumanity to man."

Sees Labor As Model



William Green

William Green, President of the American Federation of Labor, recently made the following statement: "In the labor movement, men and women of all races and creeds work together to build a better country. That same unity must now prevail among nations. The United Nations is mankind's greatest hope for a safe and secure future. We must make very certain it succeeds."

Flag Day

WHEREAS, June 14, 1947, is the One Hundred Seventieth Anniversary date of the adoption by the Continental Congress of the first Flag of our Nation; and

WHEREAS our Nation from the time of its foundation and throughout its history has supported and expressed the basic ideals of equality of opportunity, individual freedom and representative government, which ideals are symbolized by our Flag; and

WHEREAS in the present postwar period, the need for renewed allegiance to these high ideals and to the patriotic aspirations which have ever animated the noble men and women of our Nation throughout its history;

NOW THEREFORE, I, FRANK J. MIGAS, Mayor of the City of East Chicago, Indiana, do hereby designate the days of June 8th to June 15th, 1947, inclusive, as the period for the observance of the Ninth Annual Flag Week, and I request and urge all loyal and patriotic citizens of East Chicago to join in the commemoration of the One Hundred Seventieth Anniversary of the birth of our Flag and thus rededicate themselves to the high ideals and noble aspirations for which our Nation was founded and which are symbolized and represented by the Flag of our Nation.

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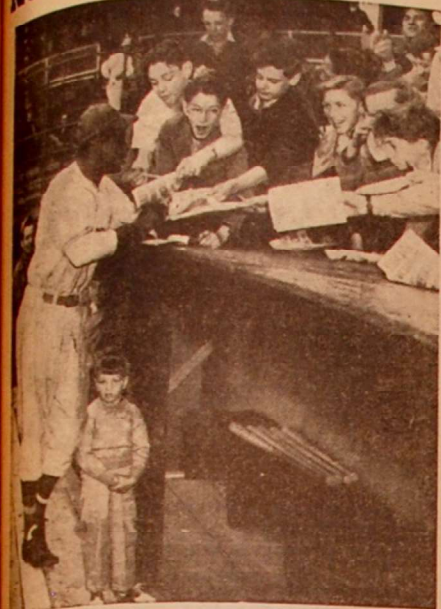
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Jackie Robinson Case Needs Hot Spotlight



By Bill Mahoney, Federated Press

Jackie Robinson has been sitting on the end of the bench, next to the manager, and very much by himself, down there in the Brooklyn Dodgers dugout.

That was before Ben Chapman and his Phillies took to riding the Jackie. Then came the near-attack of the Cardinals against him. And, close following, the revelation that he had been getting poison-pen letters, warning him to get out of baseball — or else.

These things came up one at a time. Seeing him sitting there by himself I thought, so this is the real game of baseball, the national pastime. I wondered how it felt to be there on the field, and how it goes on the Pullman hops. The Ben Chapman story awakened me.

A long time back Chapman was held away by the Yankees after a series of clashes with Stadium manager. After that a story came out that he had battled a fan under the stands one day. Later he got himself a job managing a minor league team — Raleigh in the Tidewater league, as I remember — and drew a year suspension for a row with an umpire.

But the later developments in the Jackie Robinson case made it clear that it was no mere matter of one player or manager but a situation that is most unfair to the first Negro player in big league history. Jackie himself hasn't been saying anything, only playing the best

he can in the glare of an unwinking spotlight under unceasing pressure. His hitting is off some, and his fielding is not his best, but then he's holding down first base and he never played that position in his life till this spring.

Sam Breadon, the Cards owner, and President Ford Frick of the National league acted quickly and decisively to quash the abortive player strike. Frick's statement, "If you do this you will be suspended from the league," was an excellent stopper.

But these situations also need the white heat of public indignation to burn them out. They need vigilance and response from the fans to guarantee that the national pastime shall be open to all

CIO to Organize Telephone Workers

WASHINGTON — (EP) — The CIO announced May 26 it would embark on a full-fledged organizing campaign among the nation's telephone workers as the American Union of Telephone Workers, long lines affiliate of the Nat'l. Federation of Telephone Workers, decided to go CIO.

The NFW, not affiliated with either AFL or CIO, is preparing for its Miami Beach convention opening June 9, at which it expects to pull together most of its member unions into a closely-knit national body under the title Communications Workers of America.

CIO Pres. Philip Murray said he and Organization Dir. Allan S. Haywood had conferred May 25

citizens of this nation.

Other Negroes Rate Big League
Roy Campanella, a catcher, is doing pretty well at Montreal and may conceivably join Robinson next season on the Dodgers. But Campanella and Robinson are only two of many fine Negro ballplayers who rate big league chances. Unless the Robinson issue is fought through to a clean decision, those others will not be getting that chance.

Part of this decision should be that race-baiting must be banished from baseball. If it is a tradition it is a foul one. Slavery was once a tradition, and this is a remaining piece of such thinking. It is notable that Chapman admitted riding Polish players as "Polacks" and Italian players as "Wops." It is clear enough what Robinson was called. This, for Manager Chapman, is as much cause for suspension as spitting at an umpire, and a far greater offense, because it spits at a vast number of Americans.

Chapman told the press that Robinson should take his medicine with other players. It was not, however, the same medicine. And what can Robbie answer back? Chapman and the Cardinal malcontents and the rest of the offenders are those who should take their medicine. It is old and mellow by this time, and getting more powerful, having been bottled in bond in the year 1776.

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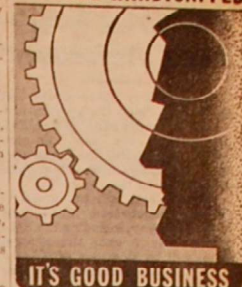
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with phone union leaders representing 100,000 in the industry, and that "all in attendance expressed a desire for affiliation with the CIO."

Murray said he had named Haywood chairman of a Telephone Workers Organizing Committee, made up of the groups at the conference and other interested unions not able to attend at that time.

"The TWOC will have the same status and representation on the CIO executive board as all other CIO affiliates," Murray said, adding that CIO would finance the organizing drive, which would welcome all phone workers in the U. S. In due course, he said, the TWOC will call a constitutional convention, adopt a constitution and elect officers.

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Deadline Near For Wage Equity Final Agreement

With exactly three weeks left in which to finish the inequity program before the June 30 deadline, provided in the new contract, 1919's negotiators and management are busy in drawing up a supplement to the contract.

No rate cuts will be agreed to by union negotiators. Entire cost to the company, including the 2½¢ gained May 7 over the general raise, will be in excess of 7.6¢ an hour for each of Inland's employees.

Comparison of the rates at U. S. Steel, which Inland agreed to meet under the new set-up, has been completed. Joe Jencks, staff representative, who has been meeting with management for the past several weeks to establish the new rates on 2,300 jobs according to these comparisons, conferred with the local union's committee all day Wednesday and Thursday, May 28 and 29. Rates which were considered unfair by members of the negotiating committee were withheld for further bargaining with the company.

Inland's rate structure has 35 job classifications, while the set-up at U. S. Steel is limited to 30. This is one of the complications which has been delaying agreement. Top and bottom jobs under both programs pay identical rates.

Reason for the variation between these rate structures is that Inland has a different method of operating than U. S. Steel. Another factor is that Inland has a much more elaborate and extensive system of incentives than any other producer in the industry. In order to guard against hourly raises being cancelled by losses in total earnings, therefore, detailed studies had to be made of each department and classification.

Widespread belief that all of Inland's employees will get wage raises under the inequity program has no foundation in fact. Elimination of wage rate inequities was directed by the War Labor Board to standardize the wages of workers doing substantially the same work within the company's employ.

Employees in those departments

Death Overtakes Pioneer Unionist

Joe Bos, millwright in the 28" mill and one of the founders of local union 1010, died Saturday, May 31. Brother Bos, who worked his full turn Saturday, collapsed after reaching his home, 838 Bauer Street, Hammond, and died shortly afterward. He was stricken with a heart attack.

A key man in the early organization of plant #2 mills, Brother Bos never slackened his interest nor activity in union concerns. At the time of his death, he was steward for the 28" mechanical gang.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of the Snyder Home, Hammond.

Steelworkers Ball Team Is Rain Victim

What the CIO Steelworkers need more than pitching or any other talent is a break in the weather. Since beating the Chicago Negro Pirates in the season opener, every game they have had scheduled has been rained out.

Manager Frank Kosiński said today that he hopes to hook a game with South Bend's St. Joseph's Athletic club, with whom the Steelworkers were prevented by weather from playing Sunday, June 1, after the CIO team returns from its eastern swing.

Twilight games, starting at 6 P. M., are scheduled for Wednesday and Saturday of this week. On Wednesday, the Steelworkers will play the Gary Sportsmen, and on Saturday a semipro aggregation from Elkhart.

Practice session are still held on Friday evenings at the Washington High School grounds.

Many an editorial writer, trying to tell unions not to ask for raises, should have read Plutarch, who said about 1,800 years ago: "It is a difficult task to make speeches to the belly, which has no ears."

of Inland Steel who have been receiving top bracket wages will receive neither present wage increases nor back pay under the terms of the inequity agreement.

Charge Seniority Not Observed in Rail Mill Lineup

It is regrettable that the straightening machines in the finishing end of the rail mill won't work on out-of-line foremen as well as rails. As it is, union representatives, backed by the support of their departments, occasionally have to take care of those jobs without the aid of mechanical devices.

Latest of these operations is being performed by Paddy Faulkner, assistant grievor, upon H. E. Tobias, finishing end foreman.

Tobias, who told Faulkner that "The men I like are the ones who don't squawk," has encountered some difficulty in finding men to his particular liking in his own department. The boys there are quite well organized. So, when their rights are being encroached upon, they're quite likely to bring it to the supervisor's—and their union representative's—attention.

During Memorial Day week, men were needed to fill out a turn on the finishing end. Rather than schedule Faulkner and another man in the department who rated the extra-time day by seniority, Tobias brought a couple of men in from the 14" mill. Presumably two who aren't given to squawking.

A grievance requesting the day's pay, at time-and-one-half, is being filed for Faulkner and the next oldest employee in the department. Especial interest attaches to this case because it involves possible discrimination against a union representative.

Drew Pearson failed to attend the AFL-CIO "peace" meetings, so we'll never know what really was said there. One will get you five, however, that the sessions were not opened with the following, from the Book of Common Prayer:

"Behold how good and joyful a thing it is, brethren, to dwell together in unity."

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Steel Gains Move Big Steel Plan

The program for eliminating wage rate inequities agreed to by the USA-CIO and the steel industry, the best one adopted in the history of the industry, is now being put into effect. The plan, which has been able to anticipate the needs of the industry in the original agreement, will thus forestall making any errors in our own negotiations.

They are particularly gratified that they were able to incorporate into the plan the complex adjusting system to those basic rates which have been increased. The estimate made by the War Labor Board in January 1944, was the basis of the plan, which was approved by the War Labor Board on Saturday night, June 14, 1944. The plan was the result of the summing up of the proposals of the negotiating committee and by Walter Burke, a member of the International Ironworkers' committee who advised the negotiators during the final stages of the bargaining.

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There will be no pay cuts. The plan provides for the elimination of the existing wage inequities which are included in the plan.

Employees' rights to file grievances on the workings of the plan are not taken away by the plan. One stipulation reads: "The plan does not prevent an employee from filing a grievance alleging that he is performing his job in accordance with the requirements of the plan and that the plan is not in accordance with the established rate of his job class."

At this point, rates for any classification which an employee and the department's grievance committee too low may also be raised. The wage equity plan provides that such grievances be carried through all steps of the grievance procedure up to and including arbitration.

The plan provides for the new rate of pay to be set in such a way that the employee's total earnings are proportionate to the base pay. The incentive rate may be raised through grievance procedure.

The company does not have the right to set new rates. When conditions are brought about by technological improvements when new jobs are created, the company is obligated to set up the grievance committee to be set up before the new rate, he has the right to file a grievance procedure, which is an alleged cause for a new rate, the previously existing rate shall remain in effect until the matter is in dispute.

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CONGRESSMAN DRIPP

BY YOMEN



Local CIO Leaders Sub for Madden

"We will have to start at the beginning and re-build the gains of fifty years which little men in high public office have destroyed," State Senator Charles Fleming warned a mixed assemblage of CIO, AFL and RR Brotherhood workers at a mass meeting in East Chicago's Washington Highschool auditorium, Sunday afternoon, June 8, of what they faced if they fail to demand President Truman's veto of the Taft-Hartley bill before June 19.

The President's veto alone isn't enough, Herbert March, Regional Director of the United Packinghouse Workers of America, CIO, who shared the platform with Senator Fleming, declared. The President, March elaborated, must accompany his veto with a clearly worded directive to Democratic Party members in Congress and the senate to carry out the pro-labor platform upon which they, as well as himself, had been elected. Less resolute action by the Chief Executive will reveal him as merely playing cheap politics for the labor vote in 1948, March charged further.

Both Fleming and March emphasized strategy of big business in attempting to break labor organization in the face of rapidly approaching depression. Seven million unemployed by Christmas was reliably forecast, Senator Fleming informed his audience. The depression, another point which both speakers stressed, is being made inescapable by price increases immediate eclipse of wage gains.

The desertion of Harry Truman from the policies of Franklin D. Roosevelt who, March asserted, "would have been on the radio during all of these weeks campaigning against the efforts of Taft and his ilk to destroy the New Deal," was outlined to the listeners step by step.

Honorable Ray J. Madden, Lake County's own representative in congress, who has been leading the fight against the Taft-Hartley

bill, was unable to address Sunday's meeting because of pressure of work in Washington. Through a misunderstanding, Congressman Madden had been widely advertised throughout the preceding week as the speaker of the afternoon.

A telegram expressing both the Congressman's regrets at being unable to attend and greetings to the meeting was read by Lake County PAC chairman John McAllister.

"Sorry I confused Labor Day in September with your labor rally Sunday in East Chicago. I have been working to get a national speaker for the Labor Day celebration. Would come anyway tomorrow but for meeting with group of congressmen to talk over strategy of legislation pending between now and adjournment. Give my regards to everybody and regret the mistake in the telegram."

Lake County's Political Action Committee sponsored Sunday's mass meeting. Chairman McAllister introduced John O'Malley, East Chicago; Charles Erb, Hammond; and John Buckner, Gary; who are the chairmen of Lake County's city organizations from the platform.

Madden Presents P.A.C. Petitions

John O'Malley, chairman of E. Chicago P.A.C. received word from Cong. Madden informing him that the Congressman had personally interviewed Pres. Truman and made a plea to the President to veto the Taft-Hartley bill.

He also presented the petitions forwarded by the local P.A.C. together with about 10,000 signatures from other parts of the county.

Agreement Reached On Wage Equity Plan

The program for eliminating wage rate inequities at Inland Steel was completed and accepted by local 1010's negotiating committee and management at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 14. Completely drawn up in a supplement to local 1010's general contract with Inland, the new plan is now in Pittsburgh before the Malloy committee, wage rate inequity negotiators for the International union, for a final re-checking before it is signed and becomes binding upon both parties. President Murray's signature is a required condition of the new agreement.

Although the plan is generally acceptable to union members in the rest of Inland's plant, those employed in the north end mills will receive very little in the way of wage increases. Re-evaluations of job rates in these groups will be conducted further and, where they are found inequitable with rates in other parts of the mills, committeemen will press for their upward adjustment.

The new rates will go into effect at the beginning of the pay period in which the agreement is signed. Joe Jencke, staff representative, stated before he took the draft agreement to Pittsburgh Sunday night, that June 15 probably would mark the beginning of the new rates' effectiveness.

Checking of all job classifications by grievance committeemen in their respective departments remains as the last big job in these long drawn out proceedings. Classifications which are judged to be out of line with the duties which the job requires are subject to revision.

Inland's management has rented the second floor of the East Chicago plant's offices and is hiring a large staff of clerical workers to carry the new rates into effect and to compute the back pay of those to whom it is due. There is, however, no definite date yet fixed upon which employees will begin receiving their back pay checks.

Total cost to the company of retroactive pay is divided into two parts: 3 1/2¢ an hour for each employee is retroactive to January 25, 1944. From April 1, 1947, the fund for back pay has been accumulating at the rate of 6.1¢ an hour because of that part of the latest general wage increase being allotted to the inequity program's financing.

This is not a blanket wage increase; only those whose rates are raised under the wage rate inequity program will receive anything from it. Basing the cost of the whole program upon hours worked by all employees is the method of determining how much money will be appropriated for it. This method was directed by the War Labor Board at the program's inception in 1944.

Employees who believe that errors have been made in computing their back pay earnings, must file for adjustment within 30 days of receiving payment.

Those who have left Inland's employ, but who were on the company's rolls between January 25, 1944, and any subsequent date may be eligible for back pay. Eligibility is conditional, of course, upon the employee having been on a job whose rate is raised by terms of the agreement.

A joint letter by the union and management will be forwarded to the last address on file of separated employees. Claims to retroactive pay must be entered within 120 days of the time payments begin.

Local 1010's wage inequity committee, who have been drawing up proposals and counter proposals since Inland agreed in January to meet big steel's pattern of rates, met daily throughout the week of June 9 until the agreement took final shape Saturday night.

Serving on the committee, headed by Joe Jencke, are John Sargent, Peter Calacci, George Sopko, Donald Lutes, Harry Powell, and Archie Breen.

E. Chicago Public Schools Summer Program

East Chicago public schools summer program begins Saturday, June 14, and ends Friday, August 8.

High School Subjects for Credit
The East Chicago Public Schools again will offer an eight-week summer high school program. High school subject may be taken for credit at both Washington and Roosevelt centers. Enrollment figures indicate that classes in English, mathematics, social studies, typewriting, driver training, natural science, and industrial arts shops may be had at either Washington or Roosevelt high schools. Classes will be in session from 8 a. m. to 12 noon, and if necessary, from 1 to 3 p. m. Each class except driver training will be of two hours length.

In order to accommodate those who have not completed summer school enrollment, the Washington High School office will be open from 8:30 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. Saturday, June 14. As a rule, no one may enroll for more than two subjects.

G.E.D. Tests

Ex-servicemen, by reporting to the Roosevelt or Washington high school principals, may have the opportunity of taking the General Education Development (G.E.D.) No. 78. Schedules have already been drawn, and licensed members of the East Chicago Public School staff have been assigned as coaches or supervisors.

1010 To Show Movies

Widely acclaimed as an argument against suspicion and distrust among different groups of Americans, "The House I Live In," a film featuring Frank Sinatra, will be shown before the regular local union meeting Thursday night, June 19. Two short features, "Manhattan Marliners," and "Memories," complete the program of movies which will begin promptly at 7:30 P.M.

Recreation Program

Recreational woodshop for younger boys is to be offered at Garfield, McKinley and Riley schools from 9:10 a. m. to 12:00 a. m., and from 1:00 p. m. to 3:00 p. m. each school day. Children's dramatic expression activities will be offered at centers where sufficient interest is manifest.

Playgrounds and gyms are to be supervised by licensed teachers at the following centers: for boys (11 weeks), at Washington, Roosevelt, McKinley, Garfield, Field, Riley, Franklin, and Columbus schools; and for girls, at McKinley, Garfield, Riley, and Field schools.

Junior baseball leagues are again being sponsored by the East Chicago Elks, Kiwanis, and American Legion Posts No. 266 and No. 78. Schedules have already been drawn, and licensed members of the East Chicago Public School staff have been assigned as coaches or supervisors.

PLANE CRASHES CREATE CONCERN

Air Line Pilots Union Pres.
Asks for Independent
Air Safety Board

The country was shocked during the past few weeks by the most devastating tragedies in the history of the air industry. More than 100 were killed in the U. S. within 48 hours.

The newspapers have been filled with comment and explanations, official and unofficial, but, strangely enough, the reporters haven't gone to the pilots, the men who know more about the subject than anyone else.

James M. Landis, head of the Civil Aeronautics board, an agreeable, gracious gentleman whose chief claim to fame is that he was a professor of law at Harvard university, sees little ground for criticism, but the men who guide the planes and members of Congress who have devoted deep study to aeronautics don't share that view.

Pilots Investigating

The A. F. of L. Air Line Pilots' association is making its own investigation and will "make public the findings regardless of whose toes are stepped on."

President David L. Behncke of that union is well qualified to speak. He flew the mail in the days when there were not so many safety contraptions. One night he crashed near Chicago and his flying days were over. He proceeded to form the organization for the protection of the men still flying.

He insists that air line crashes can't be eliminated "by inscribing 'pilot error' indiscriminately on tombstones."

Clamor of 'Pilot Error'

"In two days two of the worst crashes in the history of air line transportation occurred," he pointed out. "Again there is starting to arise from the C.A.B. the clamor of 'pilot error' without any facts to support the allegations. There will be the usual charges, counter-charges, witch hunts and investigations out of which will come nothing."

"Something realistic and practical must be done and that is to establish by legislation a politically free and independent accident investigating agency in the form of an air safety board," the Pilots' chieftain declared. "Further delay means further deplorable loss of life."

Such a board functioned successfully before the war, but was wiped out by a Roosevelt reorganization drive.

Supported by McCarran

There is no particular reason why Senator "Pat" McCarran (Dem., Nev.) should specialize in aeronautical legislation except that from the beginning he has recognized the potential value of air power to the country and to mankind.

The Senator supports Behncke's views. When the Air Safety Board was eliminated McCarran protested vigorously that it would set the industry back years and he is never let up on this. Last year he introduced a bill establishing another board. A companion bill is introduced in the House. "The Air Safety Board would have made these two disasters impossible," he declared.

In Convenient Form

A man was jammed against the sides of the subway and nearly suffocated by the pressure of the crowd. He had to be taken home in an ambulance.

The policeman who accompanied him knocked repeatedly on the door of his house, and at last a voice called out from inside. "Who is it?"

"Your husband," answered the policeman. "He's been crushed to death as a pancake in the subway. I've brought him home." "Well, slide him under the door," was the reply, "I'm in my bath."

WOMEN ARE ORGANIZING

Play Greater Role In Labor Movement

Unionism is no longer a man's world. Over 3,000,000 women workers now carry union cards.

This advance was revealed in a report submitted last week to the thirteenth convention of the National Women's Trade Union League at Washington, D. C., by its veteran secretary-treasurer, Miss Elisabeth Christman.

The convention brought to Washington nearly 100 delegates from local branches of the league, women's auxiliaries, and national and international unions having a large feminine membership.

Still Far to Go

A trade unionist for nearly 45 years, Miss Christman has been secretary of the League since 1921. While revealing in her report that unionism has made great strides among women, she pointed out that nearly 13,000,000 women workers are still outside the union fold.

The League, she said, has done much in the past few years to promote its major aims—that is, unionization of women workers; equal pay regardless of sex; elimination of sweatshops, healthful working conditions; curbs on child labor, and similar objectives.

Sweatshop Cleaned Up

As an example of the League's work, she cited a recent case of a

sweatshop in an Ohio town, where women toiled "from 5:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. for \$3 a day" in making toy balloons.

The League was appealed to for relief and after an investigation, it brought the plant to the attention of the Rubber Workers' Union, which organized the employees and won a tremendous improvement in conditions.

"In this year, as in 1903, when the League was founded, we still have a job to do," she reported to the convention. "We must press forward with a dynamic program which meets the needs not only of today but tomorrow."

CANCER

A test that makes it possible to detect cancer of the internal organs in its early stages is announced by the American Association for the Advancement of Science. It is said to be the "greatest single blow" against the "killer" since the discovery of radium and X-rays and will be of even greater importance.

Cancer can be cured if detected in its early stages. The trouble has been that most of the serious types of the disease do not produce symptoms until too late for medical help.

The way Congress has "softened" the antilabor bill by adopting the Taft instead of the Hartley version somehow reminds us of the soft-hearted man who always used to put his slippers on before he kicked his dog downstairs.



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NEW YORK—(FP)—Two labor and a distinguished rabbi won the annual awards of the Committee to Abolish Discrimination at a banquet here.

Citations for "outstanding contributions to the cause of economic and racial democracy in the United States" went to the Amalgamated Textile Workers, Pres. Harry P. Potofsky, and the American Jewish Congress, Rabbi Stephen Wise.

Awards were made by Pres. S. Townsend of the United Labor Service Employees. In giving his certificate, Potofsky urged economic equality for racial groups, including Negroes, as urged by the CIO will destroy all discrimination in the U. S.

Listeners pay a buck to hear a political speech, maybe they'll pay a buck to elect a good poli-

Butler destroyed the unions in industrial order, he only proved a blundering fool he was. In America we do it with a democracy by a democratically Congress.

Striking Foremen Use Indelicate Language

HIGHLAND PARK, Mich. — (FP)—Picket lines of the Foreman's Assn. of America (unaffiliated) continue around the three struck plants of the Ford Motor Co. in the Detroit area and production is falling sharply in quality and quantity, Natl. Pres. Robert H. Keys asserts. At the Highland Park plant one placard reads: ALL FOREMEN IN THE PLANT ARE SCABS—or, as the sensitive city desks of the millionaire newspapers make their reporters express it—"nonstriking employees."

The rate of scabbing is very low, Keys says, proved by the fact that at the previous Sunday membership meeting 3,500 of the striking 3,800 foremen attended, an extremely high ratio in auto plants.

Packard Seniority Down to 1936

DETROIT—(FP)—Auto workers with less than 11 years seniority are out of luck at the Packard Motor Car Co. at present. Except in specialized departments only members with 1936 seniority are now at work, reports Fin. Sec. Adam Poplawski of Packard Local 190, UAW-CIO. The company claims shortage of steel is to blame for low production.

93 Republicans were elected to Congress in 1946 by a small majority of 5% or less of the voters.

"DOM" TO OPEN TAVERN SOON

Dominic or "Dom" as he is known to his friends, for many years associated in the management of the old White Front Tavern, now known as the Roma Buffet, located at 3428 Michigan Avenue, announces that he is no longer with this tavern. Dom's plans for the future are uncertain, at this time, but he hopes to secure a new location and soon be ready to greet his old friends in his own inimitable manner.

Total cash on hand by American corporations in banks rose from \$10.9 billion in 1939 to \$22.3 billion in 1946.

Ninety-seven million Americans cannot afford adequate medical care. Federal health insurance would be the answer.

Without OPA in 1946, Foremost Dairy Co., a New York milk dealer, made 75% higher profits than in 1945.

Only 19.7% of Negro housing in New York is in good condition, as contrasted with 46.6% for the general population.

A Philadelphia shoemaker was fined \$5 for contempt of court in 1806 for arising and stating: "A scab is a shelter for lice."

As a result of substandard conditions 350,000 teachers have left the profession since 1940.

Potato Surplus Presents a Problem

Use of Potato Flour in Bread One Way to End Glut

Members of Congress are still worrying about surplus potatoes, which last year cost Uncle Sam \$80,000,000 in subsidies. There are indications that the experience will be repeated this year.

The House has named a committee to suggest a way to relieve the taxpayers of this burden. One proposal is that bakers be required to use 4 per cent potato flour in baking bread. But, how about the consumer?

The question was also raised: If potatoes are used as flour, won't that affect the price of wheat? The committee was instructed to think the matter through and make recommendations.

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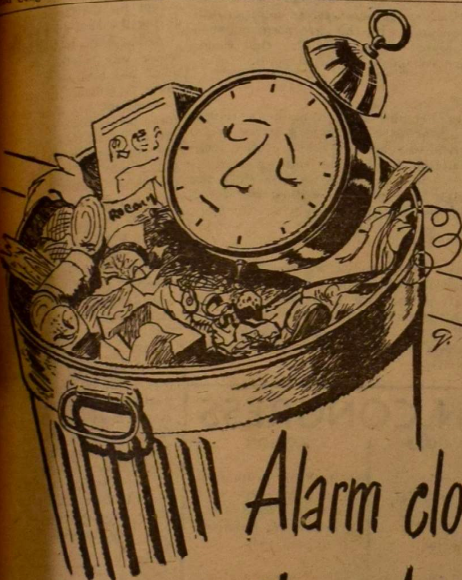


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A New Broom Is Supposed To Sweep Clean

As the members of Local Union 1010 USA-CIO are well aware, your paper is undergoing a re-organization, and we all hope it means the Union will get a paper that is acceptable to its members. This is not meant as a criticism of those who have handled this paper in the several years of its existence, but rather as a reference to union members who are so free to criticize upon any and all occasions.

Labor, at the present time needs a voice, and needs it badly. What better medium of expression than a newspaper? Your editor is going to try and use this expression without bias in any way and seeks your cooperation to do this. We think the union and the country should adopt Americanism as its antidote to the many ills that are besetting it.

If we look at that wonderful document, the Constitution of the United States of America, and decide to live up to it, we will find there is no room for the various "isms" that are so widely advertised in the press of today. The average working man is a pretty good fellow, and does not want to be prostituted with the labels that are so often tacked on him by people who have exaggerated ideas of their own importance.

Your editor wants to devote this paper to the activities that the union members should get credit for, and offset the adverse publicity that is so frequently associated with union activities.

Your local is blessed with an active grievance committee, a good recreational committee with an excellent sports program, a sick committee that is interested in your welfare, a legislative committee that keeps you informed of laws that will influence your way of life, a compensation committee that is responsible for seeing that you get the benefits and remuneration that is due you, and to improve these laws for your benefit, an active anti-discrimination committee with a vigorous record, you had a Labor-Management Committee during the war which set an example for cooperation with a great deal of credit, and last, but not least, an Executive Board that tries its level best to administer the affairs of your Local in a democratic manner.

These various activities will be recorded in your newspaper so that the general public will get to know your union better, and realize that we have a responsible organization which should be encouraged instead of torn down. Each member of this union can help in this program by seeing to it that any progressive activity is reported in this newspaper.

This, fellow workers, will be the policy of this newspaper. Interest on your part will insure a paper that is a credit to the steel-worker and the community. Remember, when you build a house, you should have an architect.

Did you know that G. W. Smith (Scotty to his friends of the 44" and the union) is seriously ill at his home, 3722 Elm st., and would appreciate your dropping in?

The Company is still sending out those letters that hint at dire consequences in the event of a repeat. Ask Hank Brokskar, he was a recipient recently of this type of intimate correspondence.

ST. LOUIS—(FP)—The first guaranteed annual wage ever won in the St. Louis area was signed into a contract by Dist. 9, Intl. Assn. of Machinists (unaffiliated). The contract, approved by both the union and the Citizens Coach Co. of Alton, Ill., provides a guarantee of 2,440 hours of work annually.

Henry Wallace's ability to get overflow crowds to pay to hear his progressive political talks has old-line politicians worked up. If people get into the habit of paying for their own politics, what's going to happen to politicians who are subsidized by the industrial bigshots?



WHAT'S SO FUNNY, JOE?

House Speaker Joseph Martin (R., Mass.) wears a big, broad grin as he signs the tax reduction bill before sending it on to Pres. Truman for approval. Spawmed by the GOP-NAM anti-labor alliance that wrecked OPA and dreamed up the slave labor measure, the tax cut bill is of a similar stripe. It helps big business.—(Federated Pictures.)

Labor Around The World



ALLIED LABOR NEWS

GREECE

ATHENS—(ALN)—Greek unions are still without legal status because the government refuses to accept a representative executive committee to lead them. Though left-wingers won an overwhelming majority in the last union elections, they have agreed to appointment of a temporary 15-man executive committee with five from the left, five from the right and five from the center until elections can be held. The government insists on appointing a 21-man committee with 14 from the right, two from the center and five from the left. The elected leaders were removed from their posts by the government many months ago.

JAPAN

TOKYO—(ALN)—Japanese repatriates from Soviet-held Dairen who were active in unions there are being terrorized upon return here, according to data published by the Tokyo daily Jimmin Shinbun. One union leader was killed and several members have been robbed and beaten up. One repatriate claims a police official said to him: "You can beat up members of trade unions but don't kill them. Americans complain when we go too far."

MEXICO

MEXICO CITY—(ALN)—A large group of labor and civic leaders signed a joint statement expressing "enthusiastic solidarity" with Spanish workers who recently struck against the Franco regime. "We reiterate our petition to the United Nations that diplomatic and commercial relations with the Falangist regime be broken," the message stated.

SWEDEN

STOCKHOLM—(ALN)—Over 900,000 workers have won higher wages and improved conditions as a result of recent negotiations between unions and the government as well as private employers. Municipal workers got 18.5% to 50% hourly increases. In addition, all wages have been hiked 5% in accordance with the agreement between the labor federation and the Employers' Assn., providing that wages go up when the cost of living index reaches a specified point.

FRANCE

PARIS—(ALN)—Angry over Premier Paul Ramadier's reluctance to make wage concessions in the face of soaring living costs, several more French unions have held or scheduled token protest stoppages. Walkouts may involve building trades and railway workers unless the government is willing to compromise. In no case since the recently settled Renault auto strike have workers walked out for a prolonged period. Unions describe the protest stoppages as warnings.

CANADA

OTTAWA—(ALN)—This city's entire police force—200 strong—was mobilized to bust a picketline of 1,000 strikers and sympathizers around the Ottawa Car & Aircraft plant. Two strikers were sent to the hospital with head injuries after police with clubs charged the picketline to escort 50 scabs to the plant. Workers are seeking higher wages. Latest report is that members of the royal Canadian Mounted Police will be used against the strikers.

COOKING IN CONGRESS

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	ACTION
Taft-Hartley Anti-Union Bill HR 3020	Curbs all union activity, weakens collective bargaining with delays, injunctions, red tape, govt. intervention.	Wire Pres. Truman to send vigorous veto message. Wire Congressmen & Senators to uphold veto.
"Swiss Cheese" Rent Control Bill HR 3203	Extends rent control but permits "voluntary" 15% rent hikes on leases. Also weakens enforcement.	Wire Senators, Congressmen to stand fast for "as is" extension of rent controls.
Knutson Tax Bill HR 1	Cuts taxes heavily on big personal incomes, gives small cuts on small incomes.	Wire, write Pres. Truman to veto bill on basis it favors wealthy taxpayers.
Taft-Wagner-Elliander Housing Bills S. 866, HR 2523	Long-range housing program, with govt. help to spur construction of low-rent and slum clearance projects.	Ask Senators to force early vote and pass. Ask Congressmen to demand hearing by Banking Comm.
National Health Insurance Bill S. 1320, HR 3548	Introduced by group of liberal Senators & Rep. Dingell in House. Sets up health insurance program based on 1½% payroll deduction.	Ask Senators, Congressmen to urge fast action by committees.
Federal Anti-Lynch Bill HR 3488	Makes lynching a federal crime, to be prosecuted in U. S. Courts.	Write Chrmn. Michener (R., Mich.) and your Congressman to get fastest possible action.
Anti-bias Bill S. 984, HR 2820	Sets up natl. agency to enforce anti-bias policy on jobs, hiring. Uses voluntary and compulsory methods.	Congressmen to give strong support. Ask Rep. Hartley to order House hearings.

Address all Representatives at House, Washington 25, D. C.
Address all Senators at Senate, Washington 25, D. C.

WARNING

People who have had their family recently to be on the lookout for a following swindler, a man with gray hair, about 5 feet tall, heavy, sallow complexion, a long chin, heavy lips, and is attempting to collect on claims.

According to Chairman of the House Committee on Office, Social Security Administration, Room 417, Bldg., Hammond, Ind., is no charge for the filing of a claim under Social Security Act for either the deceased wage-earner or the surviving dependent.

If one encounters a question, he is advised to nearest police station.

THE DEPRESSION HAS STARTED

FED. PRESS—Another coming storm is the unemployment rise accompanying decline in production. Some workers were laid off in manufacturing industries during the 1945-46 season. Two-thirds of the unemployed are in the soft goods industry, mainly in clothing and footwear. This was the first time that manufacturing jobs since except for the temporary during the 1945-46 season.

Although the depression under way neither unemployment nor business is doing anything to mitigate its effects, government has done nothing to force prices down and the chances are that living will go still higher. Congress completes its job on rent control.

And Big Business is of the widening gap between production and purchasing power. It liberally refuses to lower prices despite record-breaking. The longer excessive production is maintained, the greater the severity of the slump.

All the basic economic factors point to trouble and production is sliding. Unemployment is appearing failures among smaller businesses. By summer or early fall, it will be possible for the National Manufacturers and other business organizations to make the first postwar depression.

... And That's A Joke, Son!

NEW YORK—(FP)—Morgan, humorist who wares over the American casting Co.'s network of day nights, has an explanation of the high cost of living.

Morgan, acting as a woman customer, "Why do you charge so much for that?" "Why, madam, that's the price of profits," Morgan answered.

Labor Honored

When the House passed the Taft-Hartley bill on June 10, 79 stood beside the worker.

From Illinois, these labor were Bishop, Donon, Gorski, O'Brien, Sabath.

From Indiana, the Ray J. Madden.

All four senators from two states voted for Hartley bill, Labor, voting?

EVANCE COMMITTEE S. JUNE 10 MEETING

and Socialists arranged to meet the grievance men of No. 1 and No. 2 open hearths and the superintendent of both departments. Their purpose was to arrive at a satisfactory plan for application in case of furnace reduction. Luellen stated that he saw no difficulty in plan submitted by Powell. The company would like some of seniority procedure in No. 2 open hearth. No cut in 32 hour week in No. 2 open hearth.

Seniority eligible for two weeks vacation on November 1 take two weeks at an earlier date by requesting this privilege from the company. The company upholds the employees' right to vacation payable in advance. A part of this nature must be paid 72 hours in advance. The company was notified again by the union that employees should be allowed time off and not money for vacation.

Employees, Lincoln Hotel: The company stated that they investigated charges made by union that these employees were not being properly housed. Luellen admitted that some of the charges were true and would be corrected. Ample hot water and clean sheets should be provided. The employees can play an important part in making their housing livable.

Services: The company stated that they would correct the lack of bus service on Saturdays and Sundays and check on a 44-in. change in bus stop.

Wages of Clerical Employees: Luellen said that he would check on this and report his findings to the union, chairman of the grievance committee.

Location Forms For Workers: The company agreed to post seniority lists as soon as sequences were changed upon. The posting of seniorities in all departments should be taken care of. The company said they would investigate possibility of application for workers who wish to apply for sequence openings.

Management Attitude and the Union: The union stated that rumors circulated which do not conform with the common belief of grievance committee. Luellen, in response, stated that the company and the union should try to get along. He suggested that congenial mutual confidence should be maintained in regards to company problems by all department heads and union officials.

Rolls in the Roll Shop: The union protested the unclean condition of rolls to be ground and to lessened earnings for employees. The company said they would deal with this problem and possibly do away with it eventually.

134-58: The case pertains to a dispute between a company of the qualification of a senior man who desires to change end machine job. The company contends that the employment contract contains nothing to determine the job. Luellen will give Lutes an answer on this.

Fireproof Clothing: A dispute was entered into on which almost turned out to be a Chicago fire. The company contends that article XI, sec. 2, of the contract states that clothing is to be provided when the entire cost is paid by the company. Some of the committee seemed very eager to prove this company technique.

Towel Service: The company investigated the quality of towel service for the past. Stated there was, at times, a lot of problems concerning this request but are willing to discuss it at some future date. Estimated a great loss of towels.

Age Men to Show Hourly Earnings: Luellen will take care of this request.

Laundering of Work Clothing in Departments: The company will authorize a steam washer placed in each department requesting one.

Grievance Committee Report: Donald Lutes, Chairman.
Sam Kropow, Vice-Chairman.
E. L. Dilmar, Secretary.

CONQUESTS SOUGHT IN FRESH FIELDS BY STEELWORKERS

Climaxing the season for the Steelworkers, sub-district No. 2's base ball aggregation, is one, and possibly two, exhibition games with a major league club. Tentative negotiations have been entered into with the Cubs, the White Sox, and the Dodgers for dates which they will have open later in the season.

Undeclared in five out of five games so far this season, the Steelworkers left Friday, June 13, for a nine game series with steel union clubs in and about Pittsburgh. They began the series Sunday, June 15, at Johnstown, Pa., and will finish on Sunday, July 22, at Lebanon, Pa.

On Sunday, June 8, the Steelworkers defeated the South Chicago Steelers 9-4; on Wednesday, they trounced an Elkhart nine 6-2 in a twilight game.

Of the 17 men in the Steelworkers' club, 12 are members of local union 1010. Besides the 17 players, business manager Joe De Rosa, and team manager Harry Kosinski, left on the club's eastern swing.

TIN MILL CHATTER

Kay Conane was feted recently at a miscellaneous bridal shower. The evening was enjoyed playing cards after which refreshments were served. Miss Conane received many lovely gifts and we know that she will make good use of those received from her many friends in the assisting room. How about inviting us to initiate those new dishes? Kay will be "Mrs." after June 22; "Mr." happens to be Louis Astolles of the blast furnace department.

Congratulations to Cleo Koczarski and Marie Tipicki. Both are proud mothers of baby girls. Is it true that boys were on the original order? What's wrong with girls? (Editor's note: I can think of a lot of answers to that one).

Martha Yorick finally decided to take the fatal step. She became Mrs. George Rastovski on May 31. Loads of luck from all of the assisting room to a grand pair. Martha and George are motoring to the west coast on their honeymoon.

Frances Duda announces her engagement to Stanley Halabowski. Congratulations and best wishes.

"What's In A Song?" Bun Gerka wants him "Slender, Tender, and Tall"; Florence Zajac constantly hears "One More Chance"; Margaret Mihalik says "I'll Be Glad When You're Dead, You Rascal, You"; Dorothy Regenevitch thinks "A Good Man Nowadays Is Hard To Find"; Mildred Rosetta sings "All I Want To Do Is Dance"; and Rose Daviton says "Cause I Only Have Eyes For You."

SOFT BALL SCHEDULE

Local union 1010's soft ball league, which played its opening games Wednesday evening, June 11, is set up from the following departments:

- 1—Galvanize Department
- 2—Plant No. 1 Pipe Shop
- 3—No. 1 Open Hearth
- 4—Blast Furnace
- 5—No. 2 Open Hearth
- 6—Tin Mill
- 7—Hot Strip Mills
- 8—Edward Valve Co.
- 9—New Construction
- 10—Cold Strip Mills

All games will be played at 6:30 P.M. sharp, at Todd and Washington Parks on Wednesdays and Fridays. The schedule for the second half of June is:

Wednesday, June 18, Teams No. 1 and No. 3, Todd Park
Teach No. 7 and 10, Todd Park
Teams No. 6 and No. 8, Washington Park

Friday, June 20, Teams No. 2 and No. 4, Todd Park
Teams No. 5 and No. 9, Todd Park

Wednesday, June 25, Teams No. 1 and 4, Washington Park
Teams No. 5 and 7, Todd Park
Teams No. 2 and 6, Todd Park

Friday, June 27, Teams No. 3 and No. 9, Todd Park
Teams No. 8 and 10, Todd Park.

Anne Medurix appears to be flashing a diamond. No don't tell me; it's time you kissed and made up. Good luck, Annie; we know that true love never runs smooth.

Inter-Union Amity Strengthened

The following letter has been sent to further good relationships between AFL and CIO union members in this area.

Central Labor Union,
Labor Temple, Hammond, Indiana.

Fellow Unionists—
Our regular meeting of June 5, 1947 brought a motion which was passed extending our thanks and appreciation to all of your members for their cooperation during our recent shut down.

We are especially grateful to them for respecting our picket lines.

Sincerely yours,

George Sopko,

Recording Secretary,
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YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE

By HARRY McCO.

Last Friday night, Red McGregor put on one of his usual crowd-pleasing shows at the Civic Center in Hammond. These shows seem to get better all the time and Red sure knows how to pair 'em up.

The show got under way at a fast pace with Don Ward and Rudy Hojeus starting the ceremonies. Ward got the nod in this one. We saw a good scrap between Willis Williams, Ringside AC, and F. Weston of the Gary CYO. It was Weston's decision without any argument.

Joe Smith, of the Joyce AC, and John Sasano, Gary CYO, injected a little blood thirstiness into their bout which ended with a TKO by Smith.

A real fast give and take scrap between Paul Ramirez, East Chicago, and J. Hodaker, Gary CYO, had the fans on the edge of their chairs all the way.

The real show of the evening arrived without fanfare. A. Bell, Ringside, and John Ingraham, Joyce AC, were introduced by genial Chuck Harris, the announcer. They were a couple of fairly big boys and gave no indication of the fireworks display they were about to set off. After a little preliminary sparring, all hell broke loose and the boys went at it hammer and tongs. They both went up and down like elevators and had the crowd clamoring for blood—anybody's.

A little comedy relief was introduced by Ingraham who went into a conga-like shuffle that either confused or scared Bell every time Ingraham went into it. However, the apparent weight advantage that Bell had proved the deciding factor. In the third round, he won by a TKO although he had been on the receiving end of a good many solid smashes and knew he had been in a fight.

The crowd applauded long and loud, and Red MacGregor said he was going to rematch the boys. If he does, my friends, be around; you'll get your money's worth.

Next on the card was Ulla Andrews, Ringside, against George Berry, of the Joyce stable. Berry was the most experienced workman and gained the nod over Andrews.

Next bout saw J. Woodward, Kensington police boys' club, versus E. Smith, Joyce. A very snappy encounter which ended in favor of Smith.

The fact that Jimmy Joyce, of the fighting family of Joyce brothers, was in their corner seemed to give the Joyce AB fighters confidence; they all gave a good account of themselves.

Another crowd pleaser saw George Bradley, of Ringside AC, versus Paul Hernandez, Gary CYO. The fans saw a lot of gloves thrown in this match which Hernandez won; adding, thereby, to his growing reputation with the followers of mitt and maul.

Dying the fights, the mayors of both Hammond and of Calumet City were introduced by Chuck Harris. I'll bet that their honors will be at the next show which Red says he will stage on July 18.

In the next bout, Willis Boyd, Joyce, kept Jess Ballard, Ringside, off 'balance most of the time and handled himself cleverly to win a unanimous decision.

The main bout of the evening saw Virgil Strause, Hammond, engage in five rounds with Buck Raven, Ringside AC, in a return match. The first two rounds were even, with Strause concentrating on a body attack. The tempo of the fight increased as the rounds progressed, but Buck seemed to have the situation well in hand and gained a deserving decision. It was the wind up of a good night of fight's and everybody went home satisfied. Don't forget the next show, July 18.

Auto Workers Hit "Phony" Steel Shortage

CLEVELAND — (FP) — The steel shortage which has led to wholesale layoffs in the auto industry is a "phony" brought on by failure of the steel companies to gear production to needs of the industry, Local 45, United Auto Workers (CIO) charged here.

Tie-in sales and black marketing have also led to diversion of steel production to other consumers, causing the auto industry to get far less than its usual share and forcing consequent cutbacks in production and reduced employment.

In the first four months of 1941, the union pointed out, 27 million tons of steel were produced and the auto industry was able to turn out 2,050,000 cars from its share. In the first four months of this year, with production reaching 28 million tons, only 1,642,180 cars have been made.

Lucky Strike Executives Strike It Rich

By Federated Press

NEW YORK — (FP) — The American Tobacco Co., maker of Lucky Strikes, doesn't want its executives to go around feeling uninspired like ordinary workers, so it has worked out a nifty incentive plan.

No, it doesn't hand out cartons of Luckies—just plain money. To company Pres. Vincent Riggio and five vice presidents each year goes 10% of all earnings above \$15.5 million. This year it works out to a \$215,000 bonus for Riggio in addition to a basic salary of \$120,000, and similar tidy sums for his assistants.

American Tobacco's profits in 1946 jumped to \$29.9 million, up from \$19.7 million the year before.

What did Lucky Strike workers get? Well, they can inhale for free, can't they?

"REC" ROOMS' OPENING STILL SIMMERING

Installation of bar fixtures, more than half completed at this point, is still holding up announcement of the recreation rooms' grand opening. The rooms are, otherwise, rapidly nearing readiness for the enjoyment of them by 1010's members.

A pool table has been purchased and a television set is awaiting delivery. Decorating of both the main room and the bar has been completed.

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- Group #4: Second Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
10" mill; 14" mill; roll shop.
- Group #5: Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month; 7:30 P.M. 44", 76", 46". Bloomer, 44", 46" Slab Yards.
- Group #6: First and Third Tuesday; 8 P.M.
Cold strip and tin mill.
- Group #7: Fourth Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Transportation department.
- Group #8: Third Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.
New construction.
- Group #9: First Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
36", 19", 24" mills, stores, machine shop, blacksmith shop, boiler shop, pipe shop, riggers.
- Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.
- Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Power department.
- Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.

(In the event of illness or death of any member, please notify the union headquarters, 3436 Michigan avenue, Indiana Harbor 3331.)

Premier Alcide De Gasperi's new cabinet was formed on the theory that no cabinet including leftists could be U.S. loans or food. As soon as it was formed, Sec. of State George C. Marshall endorsed it from Washington in a warm message of congratulations. This in itself is a strange kind of proceeding since the Italians are supposed to choose their own government.

Sen. Taft has hired a Wall Street firm to help prepare a report on full employment. There is no truth, however, to the rumor that he'll hire a union to prepare a report on Wall Street profits.

Rent control was the most successful of all OPA projects. Residential rents rose only 4% from August 1939 to the close of 1946.

1946 was the best profits year in the history of retailing. Profits of 59 major retail companies rose 122.8% over 1945 but number of sales were only 32% higher.

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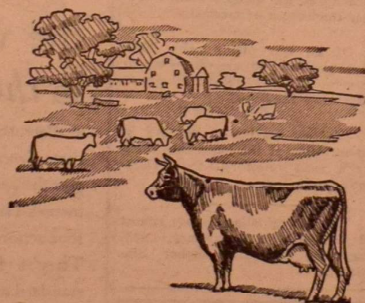
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Wouldn't Scab: Super Purged

Because he refused strike breaking duty during the latest strike of Inland's hourly paid workers, George Kolina, supervisor of rail end hardening, was arbitrarily fired from his salaried job when normal operations were resumed.

"You can't carry water on both shoulders," C. E. Chapman, superintendent of track accessories and main gear of the splice bar and tie plate department, told Kolina bluntly. "No one in management organization can be in sympathy with the men; your loyalty belongs to the company. So you are being reduced to an hourly paid status."

It took Inland twenty-one years to find out that George Kolina is "disloyal." Starting as a tester in 1925, he rose by rapid strides to the position of high responsibility from which he was notified of demotion on May 8.

During the war, Kolina carried out a number of special assignments for the company which required exceptional trustworthiness and capability. In addition to his regular duties, he was entrusted with finger printing and checking all of the department's employees. He also brought their personnel records, some of which dated back to 1914, up to date. For his work in compiling the original set of job descriptions in the splice bar and tie plate, Kolina was officially complemented by both the union and management.

According to Bill Young, perennial grievance man, and other old time union men, Kolina's record as a supervisor is one of strict fairness and impartiality between men and management.

"The company," Kolina averred, "repeatedly asserts that it treats its worker fairly and impartially; so I carried that principle into practice."

"My sympathies are with labor," he added. "The company paid me for my technical and supervisory skill to expedite production. I don't know of any agreement, written or verbal, which requires salaried men to take over hourly paid employees' jobs."

On May 8, notified by Chapman that he was to be demoted on June 1, Kolina immediately applied to the personnel office for clerical work elsewhere in the plant. What he got was a lecture from M. M. McClure, superintendent of personnel, on the sanctity of management's claim upon its salaried men's loyalty. He was compelled to take the two weeks' vacation in May, a device which saved the company two weeks' salary.

Returning from his vacation June 2, Kolina was sent home to await word from the personnel office of his transfer to another department. He's still waiting.

Meanwhile, he has purchased a confectionery and soda fountain, formerly called Art's Sweet Shop, at 29th and Calhoun, Black Oak. He plans, further, to apply for employment with one of the construction companies in the locality.

Cites Gains—

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inequitable with the bonus earnings of comparable jobs may also be entered for re-adjustment.

7—Although some progress has been made toward limiting job grades in mechanical maintenance operations to three, the work is not completed to the satisfaction of the committee. A stipulation of the wage inequity agreement has been made, consequently, which provides for a supplement still to be negotiated which will bring all mechanical maintenance jobs at Inland into uniformity.

Overall industrial output for each man hour of labor is 18% higher than in 1940.

Combined net income of 2,958 leading corporations were 27.9% higher in 1946 than in 1945, says the Nat'l. City Bank of New York.

'Camels' Workers End Month Long Strike

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. — (FP)—Interracial solidarity paid off here June 8 when some 10,000 Negro and white workers, in the second month of their strike, won an average 12c hourly wage raise from the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

The workers, organized in Local 22, Food Tobacco & Agricultural Workers (CIO), walked out May 1 when the company rejected their demand for a 15c wage increase and countered with an offer of 5 1/2c.

Maintaining their picket lines despite company efforts to promote racial friction and use evictions as an anti-strike weapon, the unionists launched a nationwide boycott of Reynold-made Camel cigarettes and Prince Albert pipe tobacco. The company countered with a red scare in which it was aided by the Thomas-Rankin House committee on un-American activities, but the effort failed.

SHOPPERS BUYING LESS FOOD THAN A YEAR AGO

That consumers are buying less food than last year is indicated by a government report. It places dollar volume of sales about 10 per cent above a year ago, but food prices are 45 per cent higher. That means a 35 per cent drop in sales.

Deeds of Congressmen remind us We can make our lives sublime By voting out the rotten ones If we organize in time.

"Man is born unto trouble," says the Bible, but that's no excuse for Congress bringing on a depression on purpose.

Many an editorial writer, trying to tell unions not to ask for raises, should have read Plutarch, who said about 1,800 years ago: "It is a difficult task to make speeches to the belly, which has no ears."

And No Depreciation Claims!

Legislators casting about for new sources of tax revenue during the war seem, strangely enough, to have overlooked a promising proposal once offered to England and the world by Jonathan Swift.

"I propose," said the satirical Swift, "that a tax be levied on female beauty."

"But could we make the women pay enough to make it worth while?" a listener inquired.

"Ah, yes," replied the wily Dean. "Let every woman be permitted to assess her own charms—then she'll be generous enough."

Well, That's Different

Calling her husband into the kitchen, the worried housewife exclaimed in annoyance:

"Good gracious, Jack! How could you think of bringing that man Robinson home to supper when you know I'm spring-cleaning?"

"Hush, m'dear!" said hubby urgently. "He's the only man I know strong enough to help me move the dining room sideboard."

During the civil war New York umbrella workers earned \$3 a week from which was deducted the cost of needle and thread.

We'd settle for even 10% less baloney on that phony Newburyport plan.

To restore consumer purchasing power to last year's level, prices would have to go down about 17%.

Wages and salaries represent only 25% of all costs in manufacturing, according to the Federal Trade Commission.

Not only did the strike force a sizable concession from the company on the wage issue, but the workers also won two paid holidays a year and a voluntary "revocable" checkoff, the maximum allowable under North Carolina law.

The strike was the first since the Reynolds company smashed a walkout by white workers some 15 years ago.

Greeting the settlement, which was negotiated by FTA Pres. Donald Henderson, the FTA declared the company was well able to pay more, in view of its \$28 million profits in 1946. The victory was heightened, the union said, by the fact that the "political pressure of big business in Congress . . . strengthened the company's position with the threat of drastic union-busting laws."

SMOKE SCREEN FOR STRIKE BREAKING

Organized labor in Los Angeles is rallying its forces against a new strikebreaking scheme sponsored by the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association, which has for years been the spearhead of "open shop" interests there.

Under the leadership of the "M. & M.," a so-called "G. I. Trucking company" was set up recently. Within a short time, unions discovered that the sole purpose of the firm was to crash picket lines and deliver goods at strikebound stores and plants.

Leaders of the Central Labor Council declared that the use of "G. I." in the name is just a "smokescreen" and that drivers hired by the company are not real war veterans, "but just professional strikebreakers."

American Telephone & Telegraph Co. has gross revenues larger than those of most states.

Of all war plants sold, 70% have gone to 250 large firms which control 66.5% of total U.S. manufacturing facilities.

Jimerow seating is imposed in about 40% of the legitimate theater's road territory—from Delaware to Arizona.

The wage-dollar buys almost 21% less than in January, 1945, says the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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WHY CAR PRICES ARE HIGH

From Detroit comes a report that unfilled orders for new passenger cars are still greater than the nation's car factories can turn out during the next 12 months. This, it is said, will play into the hands of racketeers who sell new cars at used car lots, at greatly inflated prices.

Less than 5% of the population receive comprehensive medical care under voluntary health insurance plans.

Total number of veterans who have exhausted their unemployment benefits is 227,000.

Total unemployment in April was 2,420,000, a 90,000 increase over the previous month, according to the U. S. Census bureau.

That Got Him

The dentist, after long and futile efforts to collect a bill for the false teeth he had made for a patient, finally took the matter to court.

Facing the judge as one whose exasperation has reached its height, he said: "Not only did he refuse to pay me, your honor, but he had the effrontery to gnash at me repeatedly with my teeth!"

LITTLE FLOWER



Fiorello H. La Guardia who, among other things, is head of the national fair rent committee, campaigned in congress against what he termed the "blackjacking" senate rent control bill.

Beauty shops report a steep decline in their high-profit facial treatment business. In St. Louis where the business dropped 50% last year, shop operators blame the high cost of groceries.

Beauty may be skin deep, but a steak goes much further.



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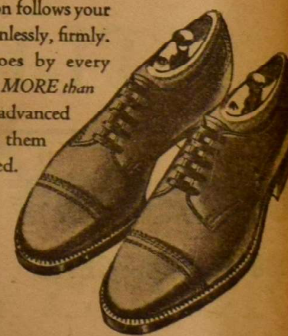
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TO THE PEOPLE, A CHALLENGE!

(Excerpts of a speech prepared for the New York CIO Rally)

CIO PRES. PHILIP MURRAY

...passing the Taft-Hartley bill the reactionary forces of Congress have challenged the U. S. to test his strength against theirs with the strength of this country. In challenge to them they are challenging me. They arrogantly believe that the tide of last November is still running in their favor.

The election returns last year showed the overwhelming defeat of the reactionary forces of the U. S. in the face of a series of peaceful settlements worked out by the leading CIO unions throughout this spring, the authors of this bill have gone steadily ahead to foment industrial disorder.

They have concocted a foul brew which is bound to make hundreds of anti-labor employers drunk with their new power.

TIME forbids further elaboration of other extremely important and very vicious provisions suggested by the Taft-Hartley law. It is quite obvious that the bill is directed solely at American labor.

But it is nevertheless intended to undermine the liberties of the American people. It strikes at the very heart of democracy. It is a fascist measure, and indisputably so. It is premeditatedly prepared for the purpose of destroying the democratic ideals and aspirations of the American people.

I now take advantage of this opportunity to call upon American workers to solidify themselves in the great political activities of the CIO. I ask all our membership and all other citizens who sympathize with the noble aspirations of our movement to join with us in the perfection of a powerful political instrument to rebuff and return to private life all of the supporters of this ugly measure.

Injunction Against Picketing First Step of Slave Law

DALLAS, Tex. — (FP) — The labor injunction under the Taft-Hartley law was issued here today to halt picketing in a secondary boycott.

The injunction, curbing the actions of a local of the Intl. Bro. Teamsters, Iron Shipbuilders & Helpers (AFL), was granted by district judge W. L. Thornhill at the request of the Southland Steel Co.

The union struck June 20 when the company refused to cease purchasing material from another Dallas firm. The judge ruled that the union constituted a violation of the anti-secondary boycott provisions of the new law, but he was not enjoining them from striking but only from picketing.

...best strike of women was of New York seamstresses in

SPECIAL MEETING OF EMPLOYEES ON THE BONUS SCHEME IS CALLED FOR SUNDAY, JULY 13 AT 2 P.M. IN THE UNION HALL.

...GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE, THEIR ASSISTANTS, STEWARDS IN ALL DEPARTMENTS WORKING ON TYPE OF INCENTIVE ASKED TO ATTEND IN ORDER TO CLARIFY FUTURE EARNINGS.

...MEETING IS IMPOR-

GEORGE SOPKO, Conference Committeeman, Mechanical Dept.

Inequities Fight Not Finished Say 1010's Negotiators

Members of local 1010's committee who have been doing the negotiating with Inland Steel, and the slickest lawyers and economists whom Inland's 15 million annual net income permits the company to purchase, on the terms of the Wage Inequity Agreement, had these opinions to offer upon the new rate set up's general aspects:

John Sargent, local union president.

"The signing of the agreement is not final settlement of this long standing and complicated issue. It is still up to the departmental grievors and the men in the mills to insure proper classifications.

The program will come up for ratification at Thursday night's membership meeting."

Don Lutes, chairman of the Grievance Committee:

"Gillie's plan was to bypass the strip mills completely. By comparing rates with like departments in Inland and upon changed conditions, the workers of the 76 and 44 will never-the-less get an even break, I believe.

Gillie's plan to change the frozen bonus and cut high rates did not work out. There are several rates in the mechanical and electrical departments as well as on the finishing end of the mills that I feel are wrong. I'm confident, they can be straightened out, in the classifications.

We hope to bring several jobs on the finishing end and mill crew up to the Gary rate, based on the same classification.

A mistake has been made by management on the combination welders' and electric welders' rate too, I think. The electric welder should get the rate now given to both jobs and the combination man should receive 7c an hour more.

It looks like Tom Conway and I are in for plenty of work, but, with the cooperation of the men in the hot strips, I know we can get it done to most everybody's satisfaction.

In spite of all the maneuvering and red tape, I'm convinced that the membership of local 1010 have got a fairly reasonable break on the wage inequity deal.

There are plenty of ways left open to make this program work and we have just begun to fight."

George Sopko, local union recording secretary:

"I am not entirely in agreement with every detail of the wage inequity program. However, I believe it is the best that could be procured without further stalling.

The provision for adjusting inequitable rates is one which, because of my experience in dealing with Inland Steel, I do not implicitly trust. We will challenge the company's good faith in bringing the program to a satisfactory conclusion.

The strongest factor in carrying out the inequity program is the continued support of leadership by the members of local 1010."

Harry Powell, grievance committeeman, No. 2 open hearth:

"This program shifts the battle of wages from the general superintendent's office to the industrial engineer's, depending for its success, as always, upon the strength of the union in the mill. Wage increases can be wrung from management just as they have been before.

The strength of the organization is the biggest factor in the program's fair application."

Peter Calacel, vice president, and Archie Breen, blast furnace committeeman, could not be reached for comment on the Wage Inequity Program before this issue's press time.

INEQUITY PROGRAM EFFECTIVE JUNE 30

Provisions for Further Adjustment of Classifications and Incentives Included in Agreement

The Wage Rate Inequity Agreement between Inland Steel and local union 1010, USA-CIO, was signed by all members of the local union's inequity committee and management Monday afternoon, June 30. Although the agreement is not formally established until it is ratified at the membership meeting, Thursday, July 3, the new rates go into effect as of June 30.

Job classifications are not final until the union representative in each department of Inland's Indiana Harbor works accepts them. A simplified grievance procedure to handle classification disputes through the industrial engineering department has been set up. Cases which merit processing all the way to arbitration may be so handled according to terms of the agreement.

Full retroactivity to January 25, 1944, will not be paid as the original War Labor Board directive stipulated. Since the War Labor Board also stipulated that the cost of the whole program would not exceed 5c an hour for each employee, and the rates finally agreed upon are costing the company 7 6/10c an employee hour, the difference is being subtracted from the back pay appropriation by mutual consent.

Two other factors which have

an effect upon this arrangement are Inland's original offer of 3 3/4c an employee hour, which the Steel Commission ordered to be part of the basis of subsequent bargaining, and 2 6/10c an employee hour which was set aside from the general pay increase wrested from Inland Steel by the strike which ended May 7, 1947.

Payment of Retroactivity No definite date is set, so far, upon which Inland's workers will begin receiving back pay checks. Retroactivity will be paid on the basis of one year's accumulation at a time, beginning with 1944.

The only commitment as to how soon the checks will be forthcoming is that those due for the years 1944 and 1945 will be cleared by January 1, 1948.

Size and difficulty of paying off retroactivity may be grasped by the circumstance that there are 17,000 workers who have been in and out of Inland Steel since 1944 in addition to 12,000 hourly paid employees now on the company's rolls.

International Approves Agreement

Inland's Wage inequity Program was approved by President Murray and the International Union's wage inequity committee two weeks ago.

Top leadership of the International Union congratulated Staff Representative Joe Jencke, the members of the local's negotiating committee, and the membership of 1010 upon having held out for the only inequity in the industry which includes a provision for adjusting incentive rates.

New Allowances for Higher Rent

In order to take advantage of a new rent regulation order granting higher rent allowances for major capital improvements to existing dwelling accommodations, or the creation of new dwelling units by conversion of existing structures, landlords must petition the area rent office and receive permission for such a rent increase given because of increased building costs, it was stated today by T. M. Kitchen, area rent director.

The new allowance is \$5 a month for each \$1,000 spent on the improvement, as compared with the former allowance of \$4 a month, he said. The \$4 figure was fixed late in 1946, but building costs have risen more than 20 per cent since then, it has been found.

Kitchen said that in November 1945 a rent office policy was established for considering general increases in construction costs since 1939, a year when costs were relatively stable.

"Increases in construction costs are kept under continuous study, and allowances are fixed from time to time so as to permit amortization, over a relatively short period, of that part of construction costs resulting from general cost increases since 1939," the rent official explained.

Any Complaints?

Reluctance of tenants to complain about being "taken" for bonuses and side payments in order to rent living accommodations has accounted for delay in a coordinated enforcement drive to reduce this flaunting of the rent regulations, it was stated today by T. M. Kitchen, area rent director.

He emphasized that complaints to the rent office are confidential and that tenants need not fear eviction by offending landlords, under the eviction protection afforded by the rent regulations.

"We welcome complaints about bonuses, side payments or overcharges of rent in any form," said Kitchen.

"When we gain evidence of willful violations useful to criminal prosecution, we submit it for the consideration of the U. S. district attorney."

He pointed out that such drastic action by the district attorney supplements the civil damage suits and injunction actions to which the enforcement division of the rent office is limited by law.

In such criminal cases the maximum penalty is one year in prison or \$5,000 fine, or both.

Corporation dividends were at an all-time high in the first quarter of 1947, the Dept. of Commerce says.

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Wed., July 2, 5:30 P.M.—Steelworkers vs Whiting Post 80
Fri., July 11, 5:30 P.M.—Steelworkers vs Quigley Minor Post
Sat., July 12, 5:30 P.M.—Steelworkers vs South Bend Valley Champ
Wed., July 16, 5:30 P.M.—Steelworkers vs Harold Taps of East Chicago
Sun., July 20, 1 P.M.—Steelworkers vs East Chicago Moose
(This is a doubleheader)

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SUPPORT YOUR UNION BASEBALL TEAM

1010 "Rec" Room Bar Ready Today

The bar of local 1010's recreation rooms will open to the membership Wednesday noon, July 2. It will close on the Fourth, but will be available to the members from noon Saturday to 1 A.M. Sunday. Thereafter, it will be open every week day during those hours. Unless, of course, Mike Mamula and Tom Conway commit inadvertent Hari Kari while tapping beer.

Late deliveries of the pool table, television, and other facilities are delaying opening of the main (?) part of the recreation rooms. They will, however, be ready for the members' convenience within the week.

HOLIDAY SAFETY STRESSED BY MAYOR MIGAS

I earnestly ask every citizen of East Chicago, Indiana to join with me in accepting personal responsibility for avoiding accidents over the Fourth of July holiday week end.

Our community wants to take its rightful place in the nationwide Fourth of July program now being conducted by the National Safety Council to hold down the holiday accident toll.

Let us not blacken this bright day of celebration of our nation's freedom and independence—which should mean freedom, too from tragedy and suffering brought on by accidents.

Let each one of us dedicate himself to making this Fourth of July a safe and sane day of festivity.

Signed: Frank J. Migas, Mayor of East Chicago



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Hearty Congratulations!

WE, of the East Chicago Republican Central Committee, and the candidates, whose names appear herewith, and who make up your Republican City ticket, take this means of extending to The Labor Sentinel and its supporters, our Hearty Congratulations and best wishes on this the third Anniversary.

One of the many needs during the past few years has been a means through which Labor could express their views and discuss their problems. The Sentinel, we believe, has answered that problem locally, and we wish the paper every continued success.

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East Chicago Republican Central Committee

The Real McCoy

member the box in the attic, basement, that the old man to throw odds and ends in? could say, "Well, I will have use for that some day." But, never did, and the stuff accumulated till Ma got on the war- and threw it out. This gen- erated Pa to raise hell for a while, but he started all again—with the same result. found myself snowed under an accumulation of papers decided to do a little cleaning myself, and what a wealth of things I ran into! Christmas betrays the disposition of who sent them, a circular the Arcade Shop, "On the walk at Atlantic City," ad- versing nylon—of all things, a from a Moose convention, gram from the Washington race track.

eral Cub park rain checks, estate's badge to District 31 a Conference, Hello! A copy "Strange Woman" I forgot to a, some fancy writing paper at the heart to write on, a of the proceedings of the Constitutional Convention U.S.A.-C.I.O.

program from our last Hal- lance, a report on guar- annual wages, a cancelled reservation, menus from Paree, Palmer House, souve- from New York, Atlantic Toronto and Montreal, Yel- one Park, Washington, Pitts- Cody, Wyo., and a hundred places. "Esquire" calendar 40 and a copy of "The First- ars" autographed by Philip- ly and David MacDonald; bills, papers, all having significance when I put them but losing their importance passage of time. Such is that seems to be a crisis to- say be a joke tomorrow.

you ever studied the horse? Here is the most trust- unpredictable and gullible re in existence. To be a suc- they have to have the mem- a tax expert, the patience and the brain of an Ein- their tools of trade are the "Scratch Sheet," these, and enough money to up their selections, they forth to invest in a horse have never seen, running in probably hundreds of miles

studying the "Form" for they are prepared to "in- when somebody gives them that comes right from the itself. Gone is the endless calculation, and inci- the investment, too, for general rule the horse itself not have the right informa- The serious horse player go for hunches, but takes account numerous details the jockey, the weight, who the horse and what kind of eats, whether the track is fast or slow, the trainer, eder, the name of its an- etc., and he winds up too, even as you and I.

course, we have the player either timid or poor, who have made a million if he played a few bucks on horses—sure winners, all of after the race is over. I wonder what the horses cost it all.

about a Scotchman who a store from a couple school graduates and a booming business. The were puzzled at his success and dropped in the Scotchman his se- haven't much schooling," so my system is simple, article for \$1.00 and \$2.00. I'm satisfied with sent."

So long for now,
H. Mc.

INGTON — (FP) — Two Pres. Truman's June on vetoing the Taft- have labor bill, White said the mountain he had received surpassed any he had on any one topic. A fully favored a veto of the bill.

Tin Mill Safety Report

Safety and Health Representa- tive John Durcho reports for the month of June the following points taken up with management:

Shower Rooms

Leaks in roofs and floors; drains not functioning properly; heater needs adjusting; inadequate hot water supply; unclean water supply (union representative re- questing clean, sanitary water supply); spray type wash basin not satisfactory; shower spray heads to be replaced.

Locker Rooms

Some locker bases to be welded or bolted; leaks in locker room roofs; light bulbs to be replaced; broken handles and locks to be repaired; better janitor service for toilets and urinals.

Washers

Scrap worn carrier discs, re- place with new ones; replace guards where needed; repair floors at tension reels; check footholds between brushes and ends of tanks.

Other Items

Repair floor in tin mill; crane rack to handle wider steel; Loud- er sounding bell on No. 24-a crane; clear passageway to girls' welfare room. keep doors to generator field closed; tractors in black plate department overloaded; post safe- ty minutes properly; put rollers on saw table being used by car bracers; install toilet, water foun- tain and phone in new box stor- age building.

Progress on these recommenda- tions will be checked and noted by the union safety representative.

WASHINGTON — (FP) — An editor who is found guilty of illegal activity under the pending Taft- Hartley slave labor bill for pub- lishing the truth about members of Congress should be proud to go to prison for his convictions, Editor Edward Keating of Labor, weekly paper of 15 standard rail- road labor unions, wrote.

ATLANTA — (FP) — CIO strength in the south has increased 70% since its membership drive was launched there last summer, Director Van A. Bittner an- nounced in a report on the CIO organizing committee's first year of operation. The CIO has about 680,000 members in the south, compared to 400,000 when the or- ganizing drive got under way.

LINCOLN, Nebr. — (FP) — Two antilabor laws, the first putting penalties into Nebraska's anti- closed shop constitutional amend- ment, the second providing that unions may be sued, have been signed by Gov. Val Peterson.

GRIEVER STEWARDS ELECTED

Only three grievance divisions, the tin mill, the cold strip, and the blast furnaces, have, so far, elected the three grievance stew- ards to which they are entitled un- der the new contract.

For the tin mill, Rose Gurevitz, Steve Savitzki, and Emil (Gabby) Strimbu were elected. The cold strip chose James Stone, Harold Kraft, and Joe Knight. The blast furnace group elected only two stewards to serve as first step grievance men, Clyde Collins, of the sintering plant, and Leo Milo, of the stock house.

Chairman of the remaining di- visions are urged to publicize meetings as quickly as possible in order to have members elected to these posts.

Laboratory and inspection de- partment workers are in process of being set up a new division. In accordance with the recommenda- tion of the grievance committee and the executive board, which was ratified by the membership June 26, the additional grievance committee man authorized by the new contract will represent this group. A meeting will be called by officers of the local union to es- tablish the new grievance divi- sion.

Local 1010 is not having con- tract books for the member- ship printed until settlement is made of job inequities. The change in wage policy can then be included in one booklet and, thereby, make the issuance of two copies unnecessary.

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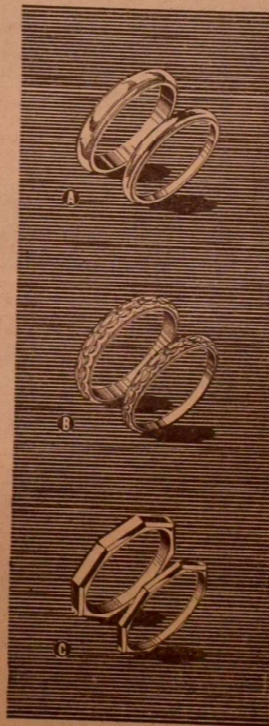
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The "Productivity" Howlers vs. The Facts

There is a lot of noise being made that labor is forcing prices up because it isn't working hard enough. Big business is trying to shrug off the blame for our current inflation by pointing the finger at labor and yelling for "more productivity."

But what are the facts behind this windy barrage? The facts show that American workers are the most productive in the world, that output per man hour has risen steadily decade after decade. The conservative findings of a recent study by the 20th Century Fund reveal that output per man hour more than quadrupled between 1850 and 1944, rising an average of 18% every decade.

Thus, the country's total output was 27 times greater in 1944 than in 1850, while the labor force was only nine times larger and the work week was cut from 70 hours to an average of 43 hours. Despite the reduction in the work week, the net output of goods and services in 1944 totaled \$161 billion in 1944 as against \$6 billion in 1850 in terms of 1944 prices. That hardly sounds like reduced productivity!

The Bureau of Labor Statistics throws further light on the subject. Its studies show that output per man hour in the manufacturing industries increased at an average rate of 3 to 3½% per year between 1909 and 1939. What is particularly significant is the steadiness of the rise and its total magnitude.

From 1909 to 1914 productivity rose 16%, from 1915 to 1929 almost 75%, and during the depression thirties it rose an additional one-third. The total increase in the two decades between World War I and World War II was 125%. In other words, in 1939 four workers were turning out as much manufactured goods as nine were able to in 1919.

In the war years productivity continued to increase. A War

Production Board study estimated that output per man hour rose 25% between 1939 and 1944, so that in the latter year four workers were turning out what five produced before the war.

There are no official figures on what has happened since V-J Day. But past experience indicates that the application of wartime know-how and the installation of new machinery and equipment will result in further very large increases. For example, following World War I, output per man hour in the manufacturing industries jumped 10% a year in the three years from 1919 to 1922.

There is every reason to believe that the rise in productivity this time will be even greater than after World War I. Last year industry spent \$12 billion for new machinery and equipment. This year such expenditures will run about \$14 billion. As new equipment is installed, less efficient machines are replaced and scrapped. The result, as the Journal of Commerce reports is, that "industrial productivity will register major gains over the next 12 months."

No, the problem is not inadequate productivity, but what is being done with greater production power of the workers today. Instead of this greater output being used to bolster purchasing power through lower prices and higher wages, it is being converted into super-profits that threaten to leave us all flat on our backs in the coming bust.

A past chapter in the productivity story bears a little repeating. From 1923 to 1929 output per man hour rose about 50%. But workers' hourly wages advanced only slightly and prices fell hardly at all, while profits soared to new records.

It all added up to the Great Depression of 1929-1933. Sound familiar?

LOOKING AHEAD

BY LEN DE CAUX

SENATOR Taft's idea of 50-50 treatment for capital and labor seems to be 50 percent for the boss and 50 cents for the worker.

But after studying his Senate speeches claiming the Taft-Hartley bill gives equal treatment to employers and employees, we get a glimmer of what he must mean.

If an employer goes union organizing, demanding higher wages, striking and picketing, he might get it in the neck from this bill just as much as any union man.

On the other hand, the worker can enjoy all the privileges the bill gives to employers. All he has to do is to buy a plant—it's a free country—and become an employer himself.

Then he too can fire union members "for cause"—any old cause will do—deny them union security, promote company unionism, bust real unions through the courts, and get the government to issue strikebreaking injunctions.

It's all perfectly fair and square—as fair as a brunette and as square as a ball.

BIG BUSINESS makes its money count in politics, not only by direct contributions, but even more through its ownership of the big-time press, radio, etc.

If you doubt who controls the daily press, and whose political in-

terests it serves, consider its almost unanimous opposition to Roosevelt's New Deal and its attitude on the Taft-Hartley bill.

The Twohey Analysis of Newspaper Opinion reports this anti-labor bill is "given stronger newspaper support than any major policy of recent years," with 93% of the press supporting it, 3% non-committal, and only 4% opposing.

THE PRESS has become so monopolized that nearly 92% of daily newspaper towns now have only one daily. Chains control more than half the total newspaper circulation; and nearly half the Sunday circulation is controlled by fewer than 50 millionaire owners.

A result of this increasing big-business monopoly is that it now takes millions of dollars to launch a daily paper or big-time magazine with any chance of competitive survival.

Working people don't happen to be millionaires. So the nearest they can come to countering the political influence of the employers' press is by pooling their meager resources through their unions to publish a comparatively small and weak labor press.

But Taft would deny even this small measure of press freedom to American workers.

The Taft-Hartley bill's assault on labor's political and press rights is a glaring example of its fascist tendencies.

Labor Around The World



FRANCE

PARIS—(ALN)—Premier Paul Ramadier is reconsidering his declaration that a general review of wages and prices must wait till next December. The General Confederation of Labor, pointing out that soaring prices have already made the situation intolerable, insists on a settlement during July.

ENGLAND

LONDON—(ALN)—Documented charges that fascism is openly rearing its head in Germany, Italy and countries which have shown leniency toward Nazi bigwigs are made in a report of the Intl. Committee for the Study of European Questions. Composed of some of Europe's leading statesmen, the committee cites a long list of names of key Nazis still holding important posts in the U. S. and British zones of Germany. Meanwhile, Gen. Lucius D. Clay admitted that Hjalmar Schacht, president of the Reichsbank under Hitler, has been temporarily released from prison to consult with U. S. officials on Germany's economic restoration.

CANADA

TORONTO—(ALN)—Canada needs a bill of rights to protect minority rights, civil and religious liberties, freedom of speech and assembly for all regardless of race, nationality, religious or political beliefs, the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation of Quebec resolved at its convention.

YUGOSLAVIA

BELGRADE—(ALN)—At a huge meeting in Skopje, capital of Macedonia, hundreds of Moslem women defied age-old custom by tearing off their veils and demanding work to assist national reconstruction. The new movement, which is spreading to other provinces, is considered a result of the education program among Yugoslav minorities who previously had no schools. Since the war's end 33,000 illiterates in Macedonia have been taught to read and write.

PHILIPPINES

MANILA—(ALN)—Thousands of workers held a rally on the steps of the court of industrial relations protesting its consistent anti-labor bias. The Congress of Labor Organizations has repeatedly demanded the court's dissolution because it never gives workers a hearing. Result is that employers won't bargain but insist on taking disputes to court, where they know they'll get their way.

SOVIET UNION

MOSCOW—(ALN)—With its entire working force employed and the need for more workers increasing daily, the Soviet Union has expanded its industrial training school network. Tuition is free and the government pays for clothes, meals, housing and entertainment. To protect union standards, students are paid in full for all work during their practical training in shops.

CUBA

HAVANA—(ALN)—A Cuban radio commentator says the protests of workers in the U. S. against the Taft-Hartley slave labor bill "must find an echo here." If the bill becomes law, the commentator said, "there is no doubt that the reactionary forces both inside and outside the government would mobilize all their resources to impose anti-labor laws which are undeniably fascist on our workers."

COOKING IN CONGRESS

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	ACTION
'Swiss Cheese' Rent Control Bill HR 3203	Extends rent control into 1948, but permits 15% rent boosts in leases, weakens enforcement, kills vet housing activities.	Wire Sen. Buck, Rep. Wolcott & Congressmen to pass "as is" rent control extension.
Taft-Wagner-Ellender Housing Bill S. 866 HR 2623	Long-range housing program, with gov't. help to spur construction of low-rent and slum clearance projects.	Ask Senators to force early vote and pass. Ask Congressmen to demand hearing by Banking Comm.
Federal Anti-Lynch Bill HR 3488	Makes lynching a federal crime, to be prosecuted in U. S. Courts.	Write Chrmn. Michener (R. Mich.) and your Congressman to get fastest possible action.
Anti-bias Bill S. 984 HR 2820	Sets up natl. agency to enforce anti-bias policy on jobs, hiring. Uses voluntary and compulsory methods.	Write Senators & Congressmen to give strong support. Ask Rep. Hartley to order House hearings.
65c-75c Min. Wage Bill S. 1404 HR 3764	Lifts minimum wage in interstate commerce to 65c an hour, 70c in '48, 75c in '49.	Write Labor Committee Chairmen Taft & Hartley to hold hearings pronto. Write Senators & Congressmen to support.
Displaced Persons Bill HR 2910	Permits entry of 400,000 homeless Europeans in U. S. under unused immigration quotas.	Write Congressmen to support this bill.
Labor Extension Service Bill S. 1390	Introduced by Sens. Morse (R. Ore.) and Thomas (D. Utah). Sets up education extension service for workers in Dept. of Labor.	Write Sen. Taft to hold hearings. Ask Senators to give full support.

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Address all Senators at Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

Your Job and The Law

By JACK ABBOTT
Federated Press

Bargaining

Is an employer required, under the Wagner act, to bargain with a union during a strike called in violation of a no-strike clause in their contract?

Yes, said the NLRB some months ago in a case involving the United Steelworkers (CIO) and the Timken Roller Bearing Co. of Ohio. No, said the federal circuit court at Cincinnati May 26, thereby overruling the NLRB's decision.

The board had argued that the obligation to bargain, under the statute, is absolute. But the court, while agreeing that the obligation is absolute, added that the obligation "may be channeled and directed by agreement."

Management is halting this decision as being of greater value to employers than the provisions of the Taft-Hartley bill which provides for employer suits for damages.

Ability Arbitrate

The contract between the Local Corp. of New York City and the Plaything Jewelry & Novelty Workers (CIO) required that a senior bidder must be promoted to a job vacancy if he can "satisfactorily" perform the work.

There was a dispute over the application of this provision. The company claimed that it could say who had the ability to do the job and the promotion was not open to arbitration. In a decision issued April 18, the arbitrator disagreed, saying there was no language in the contract to the contrary.

Real Reason

Just because an employer has a valid reason to discharge an employee, does not necessarily mean that the discharge may be a violation of the Wagner act.

The question is what the real reason was, and if it was because of union membership, activities or sympathies, the discharge is illegal even if, at the same time, the employee was a poor worker and the employer could have properly discharged him for that.

In other words, if union activity was a material part of the motivating reason, the discharge violates the law even if there are additional valid reasons which could have been used. The NLRB reaffirmed this principle on June 4 in the case of Spencer Electric, Inc., of Tampa, Fla., and the United Office & Professional Workers (CIO).

Concerted Activity

A discharge for concerted activity by employees about working conditions violates the Wagner act even if a union is not yet come into the picture.

In a ruling issued on June 11 the NLRB found that the charge of employees for protesting the appointment of an officer to a vacant position was sufficient. The board ordered reinstatement with back pay.

The board said that the employees regarded the matter as a grievance since their own requests were affected because of relationship of the holder of the position to their own work. The law protects the right to aid or protection, said the NLRB, and the employees had the right to protest without penalty. (The Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Chicago.)

Damages

Is a union liable to an employer under a no-strike clause for damages resulting from a strike?

Not unless there is proof the union, as such, promulgated the strike, according to a decision of the New York Supreme Court in the Motor Vehicle case, issued April 3. The case involved the Intl. Brotherhood of Teamsters (AFL). There has been a stoppage in this industry of two days by over 200 employees.

Steelworkers Score Wins—3 Losses on Invasion

With six victories on the district of the Allegheny region, the Steelworkers' business managers have increased good relationships between the people of the United States and the districts of their credit, the Steelworkers, sub-district No. 1, returned to the home area on Monday, June 2, 1947.

It was a tough schedule that the Steelworkers had to meet. Joe De Stasio, Steelworkers' business manager, said, "We played in a different town each day with jumps of 200 miles between." It was worth it, though, from the angle you look at it," he added. "We won three and four thousand spectators, all of them steel people, attended each one of the games. The union was invited, thereby, to many of the people, especially among the younger ones, who are not interested in taking part in the organization's traditional activities.

Local union heads, leaders and other top officials in the towns on the East Chicago aggregation's route led in the Steelworkers. Most of these city officials are, incidentally, either incumbent or former office holders in the USA-CIO.

Joe Shering, athletic director of the USA-CIO, Pittsburgh area, accompanied the visitors throughout the trip. Joe Murray, official photographer for union publications, and son of President Phillip Murray was also a regular member of the entourage.

The preliminary and results of the Steelworkers' eastern swing:

June 15—Johnston, Pa., S.W. 13; June 16—Altoona, Pa., Altoona 4-S.W. 1; June 17, Breckenridge, Pa., (play-off) S.W. 6-Breckenridge 4; June 18—Midland, Pa., S.W. 2; June 19—New Kensington, Pa., New Kensington 1-S.W. 2; June 20—Monessen, Pa., S.W. 16-Monessen 11; June 21—Beach Bottom, W.V., S.W. 22-Beach Bottom 8; June 22—Johnston, Pa., Lebanon 6-S.W. 23; June 23—Homestead, Pa., S.W. 5-Homestead 4.

The team showed at its best on the road, Manager Korman said that daily play had been interrupted a few weak spots in the Steelworker fans, he foreboded that the players in coming years will have an opportunity early in the summer to see the best that the Pittsburgh region can offer in the form of the Pittsburgh CIO-USA league will play a game at Block Stadium at that time.

The team will also play a single game at the Lake County Industrial Union Labor Day picnic in Wicker Park.

Games which the Steelworkers are scheduled for the coming two days are:

Wednesday, July 2, Whiting, Ind., American Legion Post No. 80, 7 P.M.; Friday, July 11, Quigley, Ind., Miner Post, Amer. Legion, 8 P.M.; Saturday, July 12, Bend, four-year holders of the Indiana championship, 7 P.M.; Sunday, July 20, a game header with the East Chicago Moose at Block Stadium.

Season passes for all local games may be purchased for one dollar at sub-district No. 2's headquarters, Grand Blvd. and Broad-Indiana Harbor.

Founders Dies

Death in Butte, Mont., of H. Brown, international president of the Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers from 1930-36, reported in the June 9 issue of the union's official paper, Brown was a member of the original CIO Committee for Industrial Organization within the AFL, and was president of Mine-Mill at the time of the founding unions CIO.

year 2,063,100 workers injured on the job, 16,500 fatally.

SOFT BALL LEAGUE SHIFTING INTO HIGH GEAR

The weather man finally gave the soft ball players a break and the league got under way. As it moves into the third week of play, competition begins to get tougher. It looks, at present, as if the tin mill is the team to beat.

The cold strip and hot strip mills have promised to get their teams out in the first week of July, which will bring the league into full operation.

All managers are warned to beware of "Clyde Horner," who makes a practice of getting into their hair.

League Standings:

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Tin Mill	3	0	1000
Blast Furnace	2	1	1000
No. 2 Open Hearth	2	1	750
Galvanize	1	1	500
No. 1 Pipe Shop	1	1	500
New Const.	0	1	000
Edward Valve	0	1	000
No. 1 Open Hearth	0	1	000
Cold Strip	0	0	000
Hot Strip	0	0	000

Schedule, 1st & 2nd Weeks of July:

Wednesday, July 2: Teams 7 and 9, No. 2 field, Todd Park; teams 2 and 3, Washington Park; teams 4 and 8, No. 1 field, Todd Park.

Wednesday, July 9: Teams 1 and 6, Washington Park; teams 2 and 7, No. 2 field, Todd Park; teams 3 and 10, No. 1 field, Todd Park.

All games begin at 6:30 p.m. Notice: All games scheduled for July 4 are postponed; they will be played at a date to be arranged later.

Sick Comm. Report

The following brothers were visited weekly during the month of June by Carl Stanley, chairman of the sick committee:

In St. Catherine's Hospital, East Chicago: John Toma, Eusebio Gonzales, Luis Stur, Ethel Hibbs, Walter Jarchow, Espitia, Andy Baruda, Santos Rulhaleava, John Krinak, Cruz Villareal, Cail Garcia, John Pangrac, George Baich, Leon Hull, Frank Vargas, Silvestre Fernandez, Emelio Solios, Juan Alviso, Mike Yerecic.

In St. Margurite's Hospital, Hammond: Stanley Stefanovich, Felix Zakrewsky, John Evan.

In the Methodist Hospital, Gary: Tom Peter, Jess Wall.

In St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago: August Enecos, Hipalito, Gonzales.

Visited in their homes: Clinton Cloud, John Vlakich, Cliff Harris, Vailpando, G. W. Smith, Harvey Clauson.

McGREGOR SPECIAL

On Friday, July 17, there will be another boxing show at the Civic Center, Hammond. One of the main bouts will see Percy Bell displaying his talents against Tom Simmons. No novice in the art of fistcuffs, Bell was the gentleman who exploded the fireworks in the last show at the Center and we hope to see another "scorcher."

Among other crowd pleasers will be Paul Hernandez, Rudy Hojeus, Eddie and Joe Smith, Fred Weston, Cowboy Carter, Johnny Brown, and Mike Sopko. All these boys have a good "rep" in local rings, so it looks like a fine, large evening, folks. If you are there you won't miss it. The show starts at eight thirty.

A list of the bouts will be carried in this paper as soon as the matches are made.

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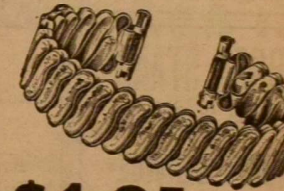
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Food for thought: — Congress has renewed a chunky subsidy for the Capitol restaurant. This will allow the restaurant to sell meals at less than cost so that the Senators and Representatives won't feel the pinch caused by their own assassination of OPA last year.

What was Jerry Morgan, big-time corporation lawyer, doing behind closed doors with the joint congressional committee rewriting an "acceptable" Taft-Hartley bill? Nobody elected Jerry to Congress, but he was in with the committee for days. Probably checking on punctuation, so that there won't be any question marks in the bill when he gets through with it.

High cost of lobbying: — From January through March the anti-labor Committee for Constitutional Government (publisher Gannett's outfit) spent \$137,910 to push the Taft-Hartley bill and the GOP tax program; the National Association of Real Estate Boards spent \$14,000 to thwart rent control, along with the National Home and Property Owners Foundation, which invested \$4,443; the National Association of Electrical Companies doled out \$65,000 to fight the public power program. What is needed is a National Association of Poor Working Stiffs Banded Together to Keep from Being Snowed Under by National Associations.

The Iron Curtain has been penetrated so often it's got holes big enough to let a Senator crawl through. Or so it seemed when Senator Owen Brewster (Rep. Haine) shocked the senate upper house with the behind-the-scenes revelation that the Russians were

carrying on a vast search for minerals. He hinted darkly at all kinds of intrigue, the implication being that the facts were obtained from "underground" sources at the risk of medieval torture. There matters stood until someone pointed out the embarrassing fact that the "revelation" was contained in that week's Soviet Embassy Information Bulletin — available across the street in the Congressional Library. Whaddya read, Senator

A lobbyist for real estate companies, a Mr. C. K. Snyder, lists \$612 expenses for initiation fees and dues at the Congressional Country Club. Wonder what he and those Congressmen talk about at the eighteenth hole?

Senator Taft (Rep. Ohio), cornered by a CIO delegation from his home state, sprinkled three FBI agents around the room. All they heard was the squawking of a Senator at bay. Taft got hold, however, when a rubber worker asked him if his bill was intended to weaken unions. "Yes," snapped Taft, and trotted out of the room, leaving the FBI boys behind to absorb some union education.

Senator Hawkes (Rep. N. J.), the rapacious bird who wants to boost your rent 15 per cent, likes

to chirp about his love for labor. But under his own frank he is mailing out a chart prepared by NAM's research organization, the National Industrial Conference Board. The chart "proves" that labor should be pinned down with legislation. The cost of mailing is nil as far as Hawkes is concerned; the New Jersey taxpayers who let him into Congress are paying for it.

Senator Vandenberg, the Great Statesman, pushed the rent-control bill through the Senate on June 2 by some clever maneuvering with his gavel. While Senator Buck (Rep. Delaware) mumbled a series of amendments that no one could hear, Vandenberg kept his gavel poised, banging it down at the end of each amendment with a hurried "All in favor say aye. Amendment adopted." Several Senators, including Taylor of Idaho and Sparkman of Alabama, complained that they couldn't even hear the amendments, but the steamroller jogged right on. When Senator Malone (Rep. of Nevada) — a freshman — rose to vote against one of the amendments, Senator Taft, squatting nearby, whispered loud enough to be heard yards away: "Sit down, you!"

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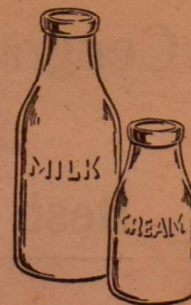
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Food Prices Force Families to Skip a Meal

By Federated Press
CINCINNATI — (FP) — Rising food prices are forcing some American families to cut down from three meals a day to two, a study by the Cincinnati Public Health Federation revealed here.

In a survey of 34 local families, PHF nutritionist Ruth Roth discovered:

1. The average amounts spent for food are not enough to buy good diets, even if the mothers were skillful in buying and preparing foods.

2. Some families were spending as little as 14.3c per person per meal, nearly 4c less than the nutritionist considers a low-cost adequate diet.

3. Some are getting only two meals a day instead of three.

4. Others have cut down food costs by buying less milk, meat, fruit, butter or margarine and cod liver oil, while more have eliminated sweets, desserts and other such items.

"These food reductions are especially dangerous," the federation said, "since the group studied included three pregnant women, four nursing mothers and a large group of children. For all these individuals the right food is a 'must' if they are to meet the extra needs of growth, pregnancy and nursing."

Meanwhile a comparison of meat prices at a local chain revealed that in the two months from April 3 to June 5 some meat cuts had risen as much as 28% while most had risen about 20% on an average.

High living costs forced 800,000 more women into the labor market in May than there were in April.

Average school expenditure per pupil per year is only \$41.97 in Alabama as compared with \$103.49 in the U. S.

A wage earner making \$50 a week in 1946 would need about \$64 to maintain the same purchasing power today.

WASHINGTON — (FP) — The House decided by unanimous consent June 18 to continue the social security tax for two more years at the rate of 1% on workers and 1% on employers. In 1950, under the House bill, the payroll tax rises to 1.5%, and to 2% for employer and worker in 1957.

Rank and File Leaders Study Theory of Union Practice

Cramming knowledge of labor leadership, collective bargaining, labor legislation, and like concerns vital to the life and growth of organized labor, 100 rank and file members of local unions throughout the northern middle-west spent 13 full hours a day during the week of June 14 studying at the Institute of Labor and Industrial Relationships at the University of Illinois.

Frank Gordon, assistant grievance committeeman in the 76th hot strip mill, was local 1010's sole delegate to the Institute. This phase of the CIO's stepped up educational program is financed jointly by the International union and the local. Although five memberships were apportioned to local 1010, Brother Gordon was the only one who chose to devote his vacation to this purpose.

"It was well worth the time and money spent," he asserted. "My only regret is that these classes are not easily available for longer periods of time to a larger proportion of the local's active members. There are a great many complexities about grievance adjustment, the inequity program, union relationships with the rest of the community, and other problems which can't be grasped solely through day-to-day activities on the point of production."

Never-the-less, Gordon pointed out, the professors admittedly revised and added to their theories by virtue of their contact with these veterans of practical experience.

Professors, assigned to the Institute from leading universities, were pronouncedly pro-labor and liberal in their views. They were unanimously obsessed, however, with fear of having their views quoted. One of these nationally known educators, who repeatedly cautioned against disclosing his name and identity, was investigated by the House un-American committee a short time ago. He was immediately cleared of all suspicion of illegal activity.

"The merest, unsupported accusation of Communism is enough to have anyone summoned before the un-American for investigation and harrassment," he told the students.

The heavy schedule of classes allowed little time for fraternization and interchange of opinions with the regular student body of the University of Illinois. Although such contacts were not explicitly forbidden, campus authorities were careful to prevent opportunity for them from arising.

Residents of Urbana, in which the U of C is situated, were apprehensive about the influx of 100 manual workers, selected for their participation in union endeavors, into their quiet, college town. They were mildly amazed, and greatly relieved, when the delegation exhibited no inclinations to either throw picket lines all over the place or indulge in riotous celebration of a la American Legion. To a man, the unionists devoted their time exclusively to learning as much as possible in the short time allotted them.

Telegrams, protesting overriding of the slave bill veto, were sent by the union students to both Illinois senators. Senator Lucas returned a prompt and courteous reply promising his compliance with their wishes. Senator Brooks ignored the union men completely.

SAN DIEGO — (FP) — Immediate organization of union labor posts among the 3½ million eligible veterans in the American Legion was urged by Charles A. Vencill, past national commander of the Union Labor Legionnaires.

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The Wage Rate Inequities negotiated between the United Steel Workers of America and its Local Unions on behalf of its Local Unions 1010 and 64 provides a method and procedures for the placement of jobs into given job classifications at the specified rate for each classification. There is no agreement in the contract with the Company to cut any rates and the only rates to be reduced are those which are below the standard rate established for job. Employees on job having higher rate than the one established for the job shall remain at the rate for the job for any future change in the job. In the event going to the job. In the event the agreement provides for "pay raises" and "no pay for" there is also a provision in the agreement which does not require the Company to change bonus or guaranteed income earnings which are higher than the present rates developed as a result of the Wage Rate Program.

The Company has developed job classifications for almost every position within the bargaining unit. In some plants some jobs have been classified through error and others because they are fringe jobs or because there is a question as to whether or not they properly belong within the bargaining unit. A job which has not been included in the program and which is not the Grievance Committeeman of the department feels should be included may be made the basis for a grievance requesting a classification for the job.

Each Grievance Committeeman has been given the job classification for the jobs within his department within a short while. He agrees that the classification for any particular job is correct he approve the classification. In event there is a dispute as to proper classification of any job or jobs within the department, these disputes will be taken up in accordance with procedures set forth in the Wage Rate Inequities Agreement and any upward revisions found necessary will be made retroactive to the same date as the rest of the Inequity Program. This gives the Grievance Committeeman an opportunity to screen all jobs within the department and take an active part in the classifying of jobs within his department. If he finds the jobs are improperly classified he has an opportunity to raise the classifications where possible in negotiations with the Company. Any employee who feels that he is doing the work of a given job class and is not receiving the rate of that job class may file a grievance requesting that his rate be changed to meet proper rate in accordance with terms of and provisions of the Wage Rate Inequities Agreement.

The contract and the Wage Inequities agreement provide for retroactive payment to July 25, 1944 on the basis of 6.1¢ per each employ hour worked within the bargaining unit and retroactive payment on the basis of 6.1¢ per each employ hour worked within the unit from April 1, 1947. The total amount of money used under the plan is to be equivalent to 12¢ per hour for each employee worked within the bargaining unit and that amount is effective as of June 30, 1947. The (3) separate retroactive amounts are provided for because of the additional amounts provided for in the Inequity Program. The amount of money agreed upon for the Wage Inequities was 3 1/4¢. This

On July 9 Rep. Fred A. Hartley (R, N.J.) muttered that the new contract won by the United Mine Workers (AFL) violated provisions of the Taft-Hartley law.

On July 10 Sen. Robert A. Taft (R, O.) stated flatly that the UMW contract did not violate any provisions of the act.

On the one hand: an article by Russel Porter in the June 29 New York Times states: "... The new law (Taft-Hartley) restores equality of power that was taken from management under the New Deal."

On the other hand: an article by Louis Stark in the June 29 New York Times states: "Industry is in a position to hamstring labor under the new law."

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Upon the agreement between the United Mine Workers and the Northern Coal Operators, Secretary of Labor L. B. Schwel lenbach issued the following statement:

"The agreement reached in the bituminous coal negotiations, while it involves less than the majority of the bituminous coal operations of the country, does cover operations so strategically located that it will prevent any serious interruption of production generally. It is to be hoped that no obstacle will arise during the preparation of the contract which would prevent it from becoming effective. I wish to emphasize that this agreement was arrived at by direct negotiation between the parties without the intervention of Government. While I have kept in constant touch with the progress of negotiations, I specifically declined to call a formal conference knowing that such formal conference might impede rather than speed up the agreement. The fact that the agreement was so reached proves two things—(1) that industry and labor can settle their disputes around the table if both parties want so to settle; (2) that governmental intervention must follow no strict, rigid formula because there are times when situations such as this can best be worked out by the parties between themselves."

amount of money was equivalent to what the U. S. Steel Corporation was using and brought our rates up comparable to the Corporation at that time 100% reactivity will be paid to January 25, 1944 on the basis of the 3 1/2%. During contract negotiations an additional 2.6 per hour was secured for the further elimination of inequities. This brought the total amount up to 6.1c per hour. 100% reactivity will be paid to April 1, 1947 on the basis of 6.1c per hour. In the subsequent negotiations it was found that an additional 1.5c per hour would be necessary to maintain sequences and comparable rates and the total amount of 7.6c per hour was the final figure arrived at and this becomes effective as of June 30, 1947.

Employees who quit during the retroactive period of the Wage Rate Inequity program who have retroactive pay coming will be notified by a letter sent out jointly by the Company and the Union and must apply for their back pay within 120 days of the receipt of that letter. The retroactive payments are currently being figured and should be paid sometime within the next six (6) months.

Most resounding clash of the soft ball season hereabouts is slated for Sunday, July 20, when an all star team, composed of local 1010's fittest and finest will face a like aggregation picked from the Inland AA league at Todd Park.

In 1010's league, the tin mill is keeping its colors, blue and gray, flaunting from the pinnacle of league standings. Pushing the north enders closely, however, is the blast furnace, in second place with two wins and no losses, and the pipe shop which has rung up three victories out of four games played.

Postponed games which have been throwing the league's first round out of kilter may be taken care of shortly through increasing the number of playing nights. The Edward Valve field has been procured by Manager Don Black for Monday evenings and the west field of Todd Park for Sundays. Andy Batcho, recreational director for the park board, told Brother Black that more fields would be available for 1010 games after August 1.

All team managers and captains are urged to attend a meeting in the union hall at 4 P.M., Thursday, July 17. They are also requested by Manager Black to bring along their score books and work schedules of their players in order to expedite arrangements of postponed games.

Joe Jenesse, who's departmental loyalty properly belongs to No. 1 open hearth, declared in with the hot strip team in a hard fought battle with the pipe shop Wednesday, July 9. Although the hot strip bowed to the pipe fitters, Joe himself turned in a fast brand of ball, taking off an estimated ten units of accumulated poundage in the process.

League Standings:	Won	Lost
Tin mill	4	0
Blast furnace	2	0
Pipe shop	3	1
New construction	2	2
No. 2 open hearth	2	1
Edward Valve	1	1
Galvanize	1	3
Hot strip	0	1
Cold strip	0	1
No. 1 open hearth	0	3

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WHEREAS, the Taft-Hartley Act has completely destroyed the fundamental protection given to workers by the Wagner Act. In its place, has been substituted a Labor Board and an Act designed to undermine unions, prevent the organization of unions, encourage law suits against unions and its members, facilitate the issuance of injunctions against peaceful concerted activities of workers and break up industrial unions, and

The new law has imposed so many new requirements for the holding of elections and has created so many new opportunities for use of the election machinery as an obstruction rather than an aid to collective bargaining rights that the entire process will serve simply as a device to hamper and discourage organization and collective bargaining.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT
RESOLVED THAT:

1) We denounce the new Taft Hartley Act and the new Labor Board as instruments clearly designed to oppress unions and to destroy the living standards of American workers.

2) The United Steelworkers of America would be deluding its membership if it held out any hope that the use of the facilities of the new Labor Board would provide any protection to workers seeking to organize unions and to exercise their rights to engage in collective bargaining.

Therefore, the United Steelworkers of America has determined not to use the facilities of the new Labor Board. We shall in good faith seek to resolve all issues between our union and the employers through bona fide collective bargaining and other peaceful means wherever possible. The right to strike in the event of a dispute must be preserved or our freedom shall be lost.

3) We shall expose any attempt by arrogant employers or the Labor Board to use the Taft-Hartley Act to prevent collective bargaining or interfere with the exercise of fundamental rights by workers. Such acts will be the real cause of industrial conflict and must be vigorously combated.

The Taft-Hartley Bill will have little or no effect upon the membership of Local 1010 for the immediate future. Local 1010 has a contract with the Inland Steel Company which runs until April 30, 1949. So long as the Inland Local abides by this contract and has no work stoppages or does not otherwise violate the contract there is nothing to fear from the Taft-Hartley Bill.

New members should be signed up the same as they always have without having to sign a check-off authorization. After July, 1948, however, the picture may change and every member of the Union may have to sign a check-off authorization. However for the present and until notified to the contrary continue as you have in the past on signing up members.

Combining a courtesy call and fact finding mission, five leading members of Y&A local 1011 visited 1010's club bar early Thursday evening. Bill Christy, Ronald Cockerel, Jules Linstrom, Ron Doakes, and Bill Jenks, who composed the party, observed that plans were simmering for a similar addition to their 1011's headquarters at Grand Boulevard and Broadway.

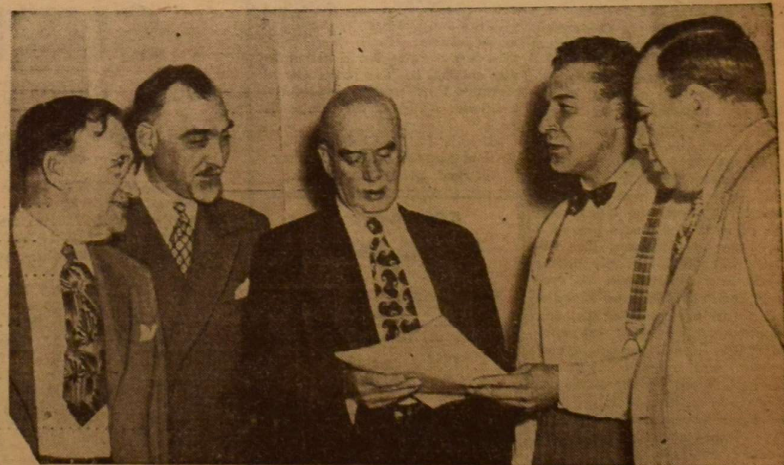
Union members in the laboratory, inspection, metallurgical, and combustion departments are notified to attend a special meeting at local 1010 headquarters Thursday, 7:30 PM, July 24.

A grievance committeeman, an assistant grievance committeeman, and three griever-stewards will be elected by this new division at that time.

Executive Board
Local Union 1010, USA-CIO.

In the hurry of preparing copy for the congratulatory page advertisement of the East Chicago Liquor Dealers Association, the names of several members were inadvertently omitted. They are published herein, with apologies.

Andy Russell	John Saasan
John & Eli Micu	John Siglitz
Stanley Judis	Joe Plankey



Gathered in closed session, these top CIO leaders surveyed the Taft-Hartley law and prepared for court battles to test its constitutionality. CIO Pres. Philip Murray sounded the keynote when he said: "We propose to fight the political restraints in this legislation." Left to right: Pres. Emil Rieve of the Textile Workers Union, Pres. Jacob S. Potofsky of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Murray, CIO General Counsel Lee Pressman and Vice Pres. R. J. Thomas of the United Auto Workers. (Federated Pictures). (Story: Washington Bureau, June 27, p. 4)

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Management meeting July 1, 1947
"Steam Washers for Laundering Clothes"

Mr. Luellen submitted a blue print plan of the type of washer the company will build for each department. A copy of this plan is being sent out to each department superintendent. The company agreed the union representative and the department superintendent should approve a permanent place for the washer. The possibility of the need for more than one in some departments was recognized by the company.

"Company not scurrying full crews during vacation periods."

Mr. Luellen said he would give this subject immediate attention. He stated it was to the company's advantage to fill these vacancies. He intimated a lack of skilled or eligible employees was the cause of some of the faulty scheduling. Also admitted it was the company's duty to fill all vacancies.

"Bus Service"

The company had not lived up to their promises of the two previous meetings regarding better bus service. Superintendent Snyder would like to ride the bus with the Chairman Donald Lutes and examine together the issues in question to better the service. It was also brought out that a possible change in the time and manner the cars are handled in transportation in the morning and afternoon would allow a more even distribution of riders per bus. "Employees who have lost previous seniority and been off less than one year."

Mr. Luellen and McClure told the union that any specific cases should be presented and these in turn would be dealt with justly by the company. Mr. McKinsey and Bill Young, committee members, both had cases to present.

"Foreman working again"

The union presented specific cases of this violation. Mr. Luellen told the committee he would not support this violation and had issued former instructions that foreman live up to the contract in this respect. Zaragoza and Lutes both had grievances from their departments on this one.

"Answers on step No. 4 grievances"

Mr. Luellen promised to have answers for the committee at next meeting. Mr. Luellen had just returned from his vacation and had not caught up with his duties. Please note Mr. Luellen is in Inland employee who took his vacation and waived the money in place of some.

"Hourly rate for straight tonnage workers"

Mr. Luellen admitted negligence on the part of the company for having the tonnage earnings listed separately from the hourly earnings on the wage statements of the No. 2 Open Hearth employees. The paymaster has not listed the total earnings and tax deducted to date on the earnings slip either as promised.

"Case of Dan Mallis"

This employee worked in the slab yard a year and six months prior to entering service. On his return from the army he was refused the right to return to his former job by the clinic. The clinic said his eyesight was not good enough to allow him his former type of work and placed him on a job in the blast furnace. The employee went to his family doctor who in turn advised him his eyes are in good condition now as when he left for service. Peter Calacci, committee member, of the slab contended that even if the employees' eyesight was slightly impaired since he left, the job the employee is rightfully entitled to in the slab yard would have no direct bearing on the clinical attitude. Mr. Luellen said if the facts presented are true the employee will be placed on his proper job.

"Vacation Bulletin"

Mr. Luellen admitted the vacation bulletin posted in his absence was in error. An employee can get his money due him prior to his leaving on vacation by request.

Jim Cole Home Again In 1010

James Cole, former grievor for the yard department, business manager of the "Sentinel," and well known anchor man of local 1010, returned to Inland's employ on June 13. Brother Cole, who took a leave of absence some months ago, tentatively planned to remain in West Virginia, his home state.

A set back in his business, however, influenced him to return permanently to his job in the cold strip. Local 1010 is gratified at having Jim back, especially at this time when every good union man is needed more than ever.

ing his money seventy-two hours in advance. Another vacation bulletin is to be posted.

"Vacation of Noble Hanson"

This employee took a split vacation. He took one week in April which the company paid under the terms of the past contract. The sum of money received for this week totaled \$65.56. His next week he took in May which the company paid under the terms of the new contract. The sum of money received the second week totaled \$76.02. A difference of \$10.46. All employees who took their money in lieu of a vacation before the new contract was signed have suffered a similar loss of money.

"Seniority"

Powell grievance committee member No. 2 Open Hearth, has arrived at a satisfactory agreement with management regarding the application of seniority in his department. It is understood that this will be satisfactory to No. 1 O H employees as well as Final agreement rests between Powell, Migas, and management on July 8, 1947.

"Schedules"

The union went to bat with the company over indiscriminate scheduling of employees. Changing of schedules without due notice to the employees in the 70' Finishing and Slab Yard was brought to the attention of Mr. Luellen. It was apparent in all departments the company was not adhering to proper scheduling and the union stressed their determination to see that the company abides by the contract. The company's attitude on this subject was worse than any encountered during the entire meeting.

"Overtime"

The company and the union were very much apart on applying the terms of the contract in paying overtime. The company has been working on a system of applying overtime penalties under the contract which in turn will be presented to the union for approval. If not satisfactory the next step will have to be arbitrated. In some cases the union presented the company agreed to pay. A case presented in the transportation department regarding a crew who had finished their turn of work and had been requested to again resume work on an unscheduled turn for a period of two hours was entitled to four hours pay at premium time, was not denied but a further study of the merits be made.

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Comp. Committee-man Sums First Year In Office

The Office of compensation committee-man, a post authorized in all locals of the United Steelworkers of America by the constitutional convention of 1946, has been held for one year by Glen Cramer, planor grievor. Chief responsibility of the compensation committee-man is advice to members of the local on workmen's compensation, unemployment benefits, and company liability for occupational diseases contracted by their employees.

In addition to these duties, Brother Cramer had aided in securing relief for hardship cases from the township trustees' office and worked for a better safety and health program within the plant.

Insurance, although not formally a part of the compensation committee-man's official job, is another matter to which Brother Cramer has devoted some time and attention. Clarification of demands which sick and injured members of the local may make is the result of his efforts.

Under guidance of Attorney David Cohen, who is retained by the sub-district compensation committee to advise and work with local union representatives, 1010's committee-man has received training in laws covering compensation for unemployment, injury, and occupational diseases. Those cases which go before the Industrial Board are handled by Attorney Cohen.

Any member of local union 1010 who desires help or advice with problems involving compensation, social security, or insurance, may make an appointment with the compensation committee-man through the office of the financial secretary. In order to carry out this work more promptly and effectively, Brother Cramer spends one full day each pay period at union headquarters.

LOBBYISTS SCORE CARD

Labor and its allies have 150 registered lobbyists in the 80th Congress while Big Business has 267 and pays lots better. Here are some of the figures:

LABOR:	No.	Aver. Reg. Salary
AFL	58	\$ 7,280
CIO	28	4,820
RR. Bro.	23	14,530
Ind. Unions.	38	7,827
Govt. Employees	14	3,929
Farm Groups	10	8,110
Veterans	22	3,709
INDUSTRY:		
C. of C., N.A.M., etc.	19	11,507
Trade Assns.	75	7,599
Individual Firms	34	10,097
Railroads	21	11,204
Food Processors	49	12,941
Oil & Gas	16	8,300
Real Estate	15	6,184
Shipping	13	11,571
Power	7	19,425
Financial	8	7,987
Miscel. Transport.	10	10,736

POLLTAXERS' LABOR BILL VOTING RECORD BAD

WASHINGTON — (FP) — The importance of the polltax issue to the country as a whole outside the seven states where voting costs money is shown by the following figures from the crucial House and Senate votes on Pres. Truman's veto of the Taft-Hartley anti-labor bill:

House polltaxers voting to make the bill law	58
Senate same	10
Total antilabor polltax vote	68
House polltaxers upholding veto	5
Senate same	3
Total prolabor polltax votes	8

UMW Wins 8-Hour Day, 44 1/2c Hourly Boost

By Federated Press
1. The UAW gains a battle increase of 44 1/2c an hour, accompanied by a return to 8-hour day, and increase in hourly rate from \$1.18 to \$1.23. Under it the inside miner will receive \$13.05 for an 8-hour day against the \$11.85 he had getting for nine hours of ground work.

2. Operators agree to a payment of 10c per ton for the UMW's health and welfare fund.

3. A section of the contract provides that the coal district work "when willing and able" around the sections of the Harley act forbidding work.

4. The operators agree to the federal mine safety code, which was prepared originally by Pres. John I. Lewis and Sen. Sec. Julius Krug. (The public lands committee had recommended a weaker law, without enforcement powers in the federal mine inspectors.)

5. Although the UMW may render a provision of double pay for Saturday and Sunday work, the new agreement will for premium pay on the seventh consecutive days of work.

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CITY, STATE, PAC TAKES ACTION IN & H LAW'S TEETH

Far from being cowed by the Taft-Hartley law, East Chicago's Industrial Action Committee is planning to intensify its activity because of passage of that piece of legislation. The law, as the most casual observers are aware, is precisely designed to make it impossible for labor to take any active action by labor before 1948 elections.

The state board of Indiana's PAC, which meets in Indianapolis July 18, will work out detailed plans for uniting laborers vote in heavily unionized state. A report of recommendations to be made to the state board was made by the East Chicago body by John O'Malley, chairman of Lake County's PAC. Emphasis of the program is upon block by block work, after the manner of the 1944, to bring the PAC program to the people. Unified activity among the CIO, AFL, and UMW is another objective toward which the PAC will devote time and effort.

To finance an effective campaign for labor's candidates, it is stressed that collection of one dollar contributions to the PAC is more necessary this year than ever before. As evidenced by the 1944 and expensive lobby which manipulated the 80th congress, labor's enemies have an almost unlimited fund with which to put agents into office.

Each one dollar membership, national body gets 50c, the state PAC gets 15c, and the local PAC organization 35c.

Unions who see the necessity of arranging shop gate and types of meetings to further political action in this country will be assisted by the PAC. The PAC is obtaining trucks and speakers. Chairman John O'Malley may be contacted through the headquarters of the local 1911, USA-CIO.

NLRB Orders Apply Taft-Hartley Bill to 100 Standing Cases

By Federated Press
WASHINGTON — (FP) — The very keel of the Taft-Hartley labor bill has already begun to cut on labor's throat, it was clear July 3 as the NLRB issued instructions for conformity to the new law which it had its 21 regional offices.

Affected were some 5,100 standstill cases, 4,300 of which were in the field, and of which were in Washington.

Of the field cases, the NLRB may not reach the board for action until after the full process of the act go into effect August 22.

Among the instructions to regional offices going into immediate effect are:

Dismiss all petitions seeking certification of units involving supervisory workers.

Stop all cases involving collective bargaining for plant guards to the guards unit completely.

Do not give approval to any labor-management agreements which require representation by cross-section of company payrolls (the law requires an election.)

Hold no election in units where an election has been held in the past year.

Dismiss NLRB offices were also asked to keep a complete record of all cases, to compile a unit and so-called project employee cases, to comply with the requirement that both sides for inclusion in a unit.

Under the provisions of the Taft-Hartley law to be held off July 22 are employer petitions for de-certification elections, and the election of representatives and officers for union security.

LOCAL UNION 1010

Group #1: Second Tuesday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Blast furnace; ore docks, fabricating; laboratories; coke plant, tar plant; sintering plant; clancor.

Group #2: First Friday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
#1 and #2 open hearths and steam department.

Group #3: First and Third Sunday; 10 A.M.
40" mill; rail mill; 28" mill; tie plate mill.

Group #4: Second Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
10" mill; 14" mill; roll shop.

Group #5: Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month; 7:30 P.M. 44", 75", 46", Bloomer, 44", 46" Slab Yards.

Group #6: First and Third Tuesday; 8 P.M.
Cold strip and tin mill.

Group #7: Fourth Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Transportation department.

Group #8: Third Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.
New construction.

Group #9: First Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
36", 19", 24" mills, stores, machine shop, blacksmith shop, boiler shop, pipe shop, riggers.

Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
Galvanizing; plate mill; bolt and spike.

Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Power department.

Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.

(In the event of illness or death of any member, please notify the union headquarters, 3436 Michigan avenue, Indiana Harbor 3331.)

No Monkeying With Contract Warns Group No 3

Unanimous acceptance of President Phillip Murray's recommendation to ignore the Taft-Hartley act until it is proved constitutional keynoted the capacity meeting of group No. 3, 40", 28", rail, and tie plate mills, Sunday morning, July 6. Efforts, which may be attempted by management, to utilize the slave-labor law for by-passing any part of the existing contract will be countered with prompt and vigorous job action.

A speaker, yet to be decided upon, will be invited to address the group meeting of Sunday, July 20, on details of the T and H law and methods of combatting it.

Charles Torres, Andy Kushaf-

tis, and Jesse Crawford were elected grievor stewards for the division.

A complaint brought by 16 millwrights that they were being unnecessarily scheduled out on Sundays was reported settled on Saturday July 5. Unsafe and unsanitary conditions in the mills were also discussed at length and a committee selected to take action on them.

The meeting adjourned to the local's newly opened bar room.

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FOUR DEPARTMENTS SEEK RIGHT TO FIRE IN SECRET

WASHINGTON — (FP) — Permanent authority to fire any employee without giving reason for the discharge was asked of the House June 30 by the secretaries of state, war and the navy and Atomic Energy Commission Chairman David E. Lilienthal.

The four top administration officials said in a joint letter that Pres. Truman's loyalty commission had recommended such a procedure. A person fired summarily could seek a job elsewhere in the government, they said, but the agency doing the firing would have to be consulted before the person were hired again.

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ENGLAND

LONDON — (ALN) — Foreign Sec. Ernest Bevin will be asked to express to the American government the British conviction that the Taft-Hartley law represents a "denial of elementary civil liberties." The request is being made by Labor member of Parliament John Platts-Mills, who said he hoped that joint action of AFL, CIO and all democratic Americans would lead to speedy repeal of "this oppressive legislation."

URUGUAY

MONTEVIDEO — (ALN) — Street parades and demonstrations marked a 1-day general stoppage in this city to protest Uruguay's new anti-labor law prohibiting strikes in public service. Scab-driven streetcars were overturned by strikers.



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WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

I walked up the stairs at the Hall and was surprised to see a fellow at the top who looked vaguely familiar although I thought he did not work at the Inland Steel. Upon closer inspection I found that he was a very familiar figure to steelworkers, the little guy with the hammer who is symbolic of steelworkers everywhere.

Sensing an interview I said "Well, how do things look?" He looked grave and replied "Not so good, not so good." After pausing awhile he continued, "You know, I have watched you guys for a good many years now, saw you grow up from a few militant union men to an organization that is strong, very strong. Saw you being protected by legislation that allowed you to organize and at the same time lulling you into a sense of security that took the fight out of you. In fact I think you took too much for granted and left everything up to 'Georgeie.' Well, George didn't do it and consequently you get legislation like the Taft-Hartley bill. To understand all its powers you would have to carry a lawyer in your dinner bucket, and although those things that are unconstitutional will be ruled out in test cases, still it will be a powerful factor against labor.

It's not right that the lawmakers of the land should capitalize on the misdeeds of a few labor leaders to penalize the vast majority of union people by restricting their activities under penalty of fines and prison threats. They tell you that your dues should not go toward a political campaign, but how about corporation profits for the same purpose? They tell you that wildcat strikes should be punished by law, well, the union itself has been against them so why hold the union responsible? What's to prevent a company from making trouble by planting trouble makers in various departments? They tell you the law does not bar the union shop and check-off, but they don't explain why all the technicalities the bill puts in the way of carrying out these provisions.

You and your leaders have an object lesson in this bill, it may be the forerunner of other legislation to follow and it means, wake up and get off your fannies. What can you do? Make a school out of your union hall, educate the membership, help elect school boards in your community and thereby get the teachers on your side, campaign for your own legislators and elect them.

You know, a lot of money was spent to pass the Taft-Hartley bill and the best legal brains in the country went to work on it, well, we've beaten them before and we can do it again, it seems to me that all we lack is the spirit. Tell the membership to wake up before it's too late, when you hear a fire truck go down the street, you know that there is a fire somewhere. About that time I thought I heard a fire truck, but it was the alarm telling me to go to work. I hope I can recover that dream.

SUB-DISTRICT SECRETARY SEEKS FIESTA CROWN

Juanita Arredondo, who adorns the offices of sub-district No. 2 every week day from nine to five, is one in a field of eight East Chicago girls vying for the crown of this year's Fiesta Patria. The Fiesta Patria, Mexico's July 4, will be celebrated September 16 and 17 by Mexican-Americans in this and surrounding communities. . . . Those members of 1010 who are given to appraising vivid brunettes will recall Miss Arredondo as the girl who formerly occupied the glass cubicle on the first floor of headquarters at 3436 Michigan ave. In February, when the sub-district including Miss Arredondo removed its office equipment and appurtenances to Grand Boulevard and Broadway, she's been less in evidence. She is, however, still a pivotal gear in USA-CIO concerns in this locality.

Daughter of Mike Arredondo, chief steward for Inland's track workers, and a secretary for the International, Miss Arredondo is as strictly union as the institutions of mass picketing and leadership from the ranks.

Winner of the contest for Queen of the Fiesta Patria will be decided by votes turned in and counted at dance to be held, tentatively scheduled at Benita Juarez Hall, on August 23. Ballots supporting Miss Arredondo for Queen may be obtained either at the sub-district headquarters or in the office of local union 1010.

El Comité Pro-Fiestas Patrias que tiene a su cargo la celebración de las Fiestas Septembrinas 15 y 16 de Septiembre está llevando a cabo un concurso de simpatía entre las Sritas. Mexicanas de esta población, para que la Srita. que venda más votos salga electa como Reina de las Fiestas Patrias. Entre este grupo de Sritas, se encuentra como candidato la graciosa y simpática Srita. Juanita Arredondo quien es bien conocida en este pueblo donde ha vivido la mayor parte de su juventud. La Srita. Arredondo cumplió sus estudios en la escuela superior (Washington High School) de este pueblo y al presente ocupa el importante puesto de secretaria del Sub-districto #2 del Distrito #31 que pertenece a la Unión de Trabajadores del Acero de esta región. La Srita. Arredondo también es miembro de la Sociedad Mexicana "Benito Juárez" de este local.

Como buenos Mexicanos y buenos compatriotas debemos comprar votos a dicha Srita, apoyandola para que salga electa y represente la colonia Mexicana durante este gran festival que se llevara a cabo durante el mes de Septiembre.

SPAIN

MADRID—(ALN)—Franco has put his soldiers to loading and unloading ships in an effort to break a dockers' strike against overtime work at San Sebastian in the Basque country. Twenty-three strike leaders have been arrested.

Labor Around The World



AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY—(ALN)—The Queensland Trade Union Council has cabled the AFL and CIO pledging full support to American labor in any campaign it undertakes against the Taft-Hartley slave labor law.

MEXICO

MEXICO CITY—(ALN)—Denouncing the Taft-Hartley law and warning of its possible repercussions in Latin America, Gen. Sec. Fernando Amilpa of the Mexican Confederation of Labor said: "We cannot understand how a people which loves liberty and which has shown itself capable of fighting tyranny can be led by a Congress which produces a law that has been condemned by so many political leaders and that Pres. Truman himself believes to be inhuman."

POLAND

WARSAW—(ALN)—The Taft-Hartley bill could become law only because American workers have no representatives of their own in government, the Polish workers' paper Robotnik commented. In an editorial, the paper said that Pres. Truman demonstrated "political hypocrisy" when he vetoed the bill because he made no effort to have his veto upheld by Democratic senators. The veto "aimed only at gaining popularity for the president in the coming elections," the paper stated.

URUGUAY

MONTEVIDEO—(ALN)—Sixty Uruguayan unions staged a 24-hour protest strike here against a new government decree forbidding strikes in public services. All railways and other transport stopped dead. Workers manned city utilities, however.

FRANCE

PARIS—(ALN)—Though prices continue to soar after six months' experimentation with former Premier Leon Blum's voluntary price-cutting campaign, Premier Paul Ramadier wants a go-ahead signal from the Natl. Assembly to pursue the Blum plan. Aware that labor is fed up with a steadily decreasing living standard, despite its own efforts to increase production, the premier seems ready to concede certain wage adjustments. He wants to continue wage-freezing, however.

CHILE

SANTIAGO—(ALN)—The state emergency in Santiago province has been lifted as a result of the settlement of a 14-day bus strike. Seventeen persons were killed and 51 injured during the stoppage when the army and police intervened to break it. To cover up its strikebreaking activities, the government tried to blame the violence on Communists.

NORWAY

OSLO—(ALN)—Fifty workers at a vacuum firm here got an unexpected windfall. The factory's owner bought several books of tickets for his employees in a government-sponsored lottery to raise relief funds. The tickets were never distributed but when workers read that the lottery winner could not be found, they checked the ticket book lying in a drawer and found they had the winning number. Prize was a brand new home. To be fair all around, the workers figure they'll sell the house and divide the proceeds.

Keep Your Eye on Congress!

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	ACTION
Taft-Wagner-Ellender Housing Bills S. 866 HR 2523	Long-range housing program, with govt. help to spur construction of low-rent and slum clearance projects.	Ask Senators to force early vote and pass. Ask Congressmen to demand hearing by Banking Comm.
Federal Anti-Lynch Bill HR 3488	Makes lynching a federal crime, to be prosecuted in U. S. Courts.	Write Chrmn. Michener (R. Mich.) and your Congressman to get fastest possible action.
Anti-bias Bill S. 984 HR 2820	Sets up natl. agency to enforce anti-bias policy on jobs, hiring. Uses voluntary and compulsory methods.	Write Senators & Congressmen to give strong support. Ask Rep. Hartley to order House hearings.
65c-75c Min. Wage Bill S. 1404 HR 3764	Lifts minimum wage in interstate commerce to 65c an hour, 70c in '48, 75c in '49.	Write Labor Committee Chairmen Taft & Hartley to hold hearings pronto. Write Senators & Congressmen to support.
National Health Insurance Bill S. 1320 HR 3548	Introduced by group of liberal Senators & Rep. Dingell in House. Sets up health insurance program based on 1 1/2% payroll deduction.	Ask Senators, Congressmen to urge fast action by committee.
Displaced Persons Bill HR 2910	Permits entry of 400,000 homeless Europeans in U. S. under unused immigration quotas.	Write Congressmen to support this bill.
Labor Extension Service Bill S. 1390	Introduced by Sens. Morse (R. Ore.) and Thomas (D. Utah). Sets up education extension service for workers in Dept. of Labor.	Write Sen. Taft to hold hearings. Ask Senators to give full support.

Address all Representatives at House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

Address all Senators at Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

Your Job and The Law

By JACK ABBOTT
Federated Press

Everybody's Equal Now
The Taft-Hartley Act means the NLRB to treat single unions just the same as it treats nationally affiliated unions. An example of what the new means is found in the very recent decided case involving Detroit Edison, in which the Utility Workers Union (CIU) brought charges against an outside outfit. The NLRB found to be company union.

The normal remedy in such a case would be to require the employer to break up the company union. But in this case Chairman Herzog delivered himself of opinion that "disestablishment a drastic remedy . . . which has been employed with sufficient frequency in recent years."

In line with this statement Detroit Edison is required to post a notice for 60 days that it will cease interfering with the inside union. This means that the inside union, with its present membership, organization, treasury, and so on, continues to exist as before. After 60 days it will be able to come to the NLRB and petition for an election.

Pending Cases

NLRB will continue to process and hear some pending cases. Theoretically they will be decided on the basis of what the law was at the time the unfair labor practices were committed. Actually pending cases will probably be sifted and those in conflict with Taft-Hartley will be quietly withdrawn.

NLRB Upheld

Two federal circuit courts have recently gone along with NLRB on its definition of refusal to bargain. The Chicago circuit held that the Wilson Co. could not refuse to bargain with the United Packinghouse Workers (CIU) where the majority of the guards in an appropriate unit had petitioned the company stating that they no longer wished to be represented by the union.

In the second case, the St. Louis circuit court found that the employer (Gatke Corp.) had consistently been hostile to District United Mine Workers (AFU) and that the union had lost its majority. Nevertheless the court upheld the NLRB order that the company must still bargain with the union.

Discharges Prohibited

A newspaper publisher (Anthony & Sons, Inc.) contended that a union which he had resisted was therefore a dominant union and illegal, and that he could thus discharge employees belonging to it. The NLRB held that he could not discharge employees for this reason, and the circuit court of appeals for Washington, D. C., agreed. The court said:

"...the argument in actual sense is that if a company interferes with a union enough to make it illegal, employees can then be discharged for belonging to it. To prevent unionization, all an employer would have to do would be to interfere with the union."

The court went on to say that the extent to which an employer may rectify a situation where he has dominated and interfered with a union is to "reverse the record if he himself has committed the interference he himself has caused."

Prophetic Decision?

The U. S. supreme court decision in the Pettrillo case is regarded by many quarters as having a far-reaching significance. The court will do with the Taft-Hartley Act when that slave labor comes up for consideration. Particularly ominous for organized labor were the words: "No one who strikes down such legislation even if we believed that as a matter of policy it would have been wiser not to enact the law."

There's an old saying among lawyers that the supreme court follows the election returns. It is quite possible that the constitutionality of Taft-Hartley will be determined by the way the vote in November 1948.

16, 1947

The Real McCoy

THE MAN IN THE GLASS

you get what you want in your struggle for self and the world makes you king for a day, you go to a mirror and look at yourself, and see what THAT man has to say.

He isn't your father or mother or wife or friend. Judgment upon you must pass; fellow whose verdict counts most in your life (the one staring back from the glass). He may be like Jack Horner and chisel a plum and think you're a wonderful guy, or the man in the glass says you're only a bum you can't look him straight in the eye.

He'll be the fellow to please, never mind all the rest. He's with you clear up to the end, and you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test. The man in the glass is your friend.

He may fool the whole world down the pathway of years and get pats on the back as you pass, but your final reward will be heartaches and tears. If you've cheated the man in the glass.

The above little verse is well studied by all of us. After all, if a man is right, he can't be radical. If he is wrong, he can't be too conservative. But then, he can't be like a blind mule, he can't kick but don't know where. Opinions, like diseases, are more chronic as we grow older.

The age of progress. An eight-year-old was taken to church for the first time. After she returned home, she was asked how she liked it.

"The music was okay," she answered gravely, "but the commercial was too long."

Definition: Sarong — a colored cloth sack that covers (?) some of the looking tomatoes.

What do you know? Mike Casey has been working on New York City tug boats for years and when he fell overboard and drowned.

There was a very fine wake and a friend of the widow asked her, "Mike leave you well fixed?" "Sure, and that he did. Fifty pounds he's after leavin' me." The friend rolled her eyes heavenward. "Think of that. And him couldn't read or write."

"Yes," said Mrs. Casey, shaking her head, "nor swim."

Remember, a high hat will not save very much when passed in collection.

long for now.

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Social Security

errant station schedules of Social Security Administration area have been changed according to a statement made to Charles S. Davis, manager of Hammond Field Office. Changes will go into effect with a representative of the Hammond Field Office will be located in the Indiana Employment office, 4706 Indianapolis East Chicago, every Monday afternoon at 1:00 P.M. A representative will also be located in Room 202, Post Office Building, Whiting, every Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 P.M. Social Security representatives will assist residents of East Chicago and Whiting in filing applications for Old-Age & Survivors Insurance benefits and will answer inquiries regarding Social Security.

BELL V. SIMMONS
FEATURE FRIDAY
CARD AT CENTER

Percy Bell, Ringside, and Tom Simmons, Joyce A.C., who were formally introduced to each other during proceedings of the '47 Golden Gloves tournament, renew their acquaintanceship Friday night in the Civic Center. At their initial get together, Simmons bounced enough leather off of judiciously exposed portions of the Bell anatomy to garner a clear decision.

Since then, however, Bell has been acquiring finesse by making frequent forays into several Calumet Area arenas against contemporary practitioners of the art. On Wednesday evening, July 9, for example, he beat Hank Wiekinski (not to be confused with the Republican candidate for East Chicago's first office) quite handsomely at Highland, Indiana.

Clientele who witnessed the exhibition of skill and science arranged at the Center last month by the Twin City Health Club—pronounced "Red McGregor"—will have little difficulty in recalling Percy Bell to their minds' eyes. He and Joe Ingraham trod a far from stately measure which ended midway of the third set with Ingraham not down, but out.

A pair of welters, Joe Smith and John Grigsby, are signed for the semi-windup. Balance of the nine bouts is made up of fighters familiar to patrons of McGregor matched shows as well as new comers to this theater of ring war. Among the second named group is a 135 pound entrant from Gary's CWO yclept John L. Sullivan. A monicker that'll take considerable living up to.

Supporting bouts are: Menzo Battle vs. Johnny Taylor, 125; Dave Milligan vs. Hank Klatt, 135; Aaron Edwards vs. Willie Hunt, 160; Mike Sopko vs. Tom Richards, 135; Dan Ward vs. Rudy Hojens, 112; Micky Dala vs. Dick Carranza; and John L. Sullivan vs. George Bradley.

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Friday, July 18—Teams No. 3 and No. 5, Todd Pk., No. 1 field; No. 6 and 9, Todd Pk., No. 2 field.
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The Washington Post, in an editorial on what Sen. Glen Taylor (D) of Idaho calls the Rent Decretion and Dehousing Act of 1947, said the bill was "sired by the real estate lobby and spawned by the Republican majority through the midwifery of Rep. Jesse Wolcott." It is only necessary to add that it is also a miscarriage of justice.

Sen. Hawkes (R) of New Jersey, who is a member of the National Home and Property Owners Foundation, a wealthy real estate lobby, defended his put-up-or-get-out rent hike bill by declaring: "Not every American landlord is going to blackjack his tenants."

No one ever claimed they'd use blackjacks, Senator. The deed will be done through the deft insertion of a deadly 15 per cent clause slightly below the belt, until the victim dies slowly of monetary anemia.

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Rep. Horan (R) of Washington doesn't approve of money being spent in the District of Columbia for psychiatric treatment of mentally disturbed children. "I get a little hot under the collar on this psychology stuff," he griped. "About the only thing it seems to do is to increase the budget."

Maybe the funds could be diverted more beneficially to probing the limp brains of some of our congressmen. This might uncover some sweet cases of anti-labor dementia, aggravated by severe NAM fixations. If so, a little shock treatment in '48 might do the trick.

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Now here's a bright boy! Virgil Jordan, president of the National Industrial Conference Board, wants world disarmament so badly that he told a recent banquet of businessmen we should compel the world to disarm "even if it becomes necessary to use atomic bombs to achieve this end." Which is like curing a headache with decapitation.

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Rep. Butler (R) of New York recently introduced a bill to give low-paid government workers a temporary \$500 wage boost to offset rising living costs. But it turned out to be strictly a dud. The representatives wanted to look good to the unions which had urged the bill, but counted on the Republican "economy" ax to make sure it would never go through. So much so that he actually pleaded with newspapermen not to give it any publicity. "Please don't write anything about it," he whined. "Just do me a favor and forget about it." Just another case of elastic congressional integrity, the stuff with a two-way stretch.

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Words of profound wisdom department: Tell Grandma to sew this one into a cross-stitch sampler: "If people back home heard everything we said in the Senate I wouldn't get re-elected and neither would some of my highfalutin' colleagues." That true confession gem once came from Garulous Theo, Sen. Bilbo (D) of Mississippi.

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No brimstone for Firestone: Congress is tilting its lances at wholly imaginary "labor monopolies," but is peculiarly insensitive to the real ones right under its nose, apparently regarding them as sacred trusts. On June 14 the House Small Business Committee said neither the Department of Justice nor the Federal Trade Commission "has made any real effort at enforcing the anti-trust laws to stop monopolistic practices in the tire industry." The report was issued by Reps. William Stevenson (R) of Wisconsin and Walter Ploeser (R) of Missouri. Apparently one aspect of the anti-monopoly program is just a flat-tire.

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Quote of the week:—"A tremendous campaign is being waged today to place the entire blame for high prices on the farmer, the worker and the government. Everyone seems to be responsible except the big manufacturers."

INDIANA CIO TO CONVENE AUG. 22

1010 Delegates' Election Set for Thursday, July 17

Whether Indiana labor will cringe before this year's fascist-minded majority in the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives, or will wage a tooth and nail fight for survival and progress despite laws written by the National Association of Manufacturers, will be decided in a large degree at the ninth constitutional convention of Indiana's State Industrial Union Council, August 22, 23 and 24, in Indianapolis.

Outstanding achievement of the ISUIC in 1947 was leading the campaign which defeated all but two of the 212 union busting bills that were designed for passage by the State Assembly. Hoosier State labor's sizeable participation in the national effort to defeat the Taft-Hartley slave labor bill was also organized and lead by the State Industrial Union Council.

Unifying local and international unions for effective action in the political field is the principle responsibility of each state industrial union council. In addition to this, however, it maintains educational and research services, establishes contact with civic and fraternal groups, such as the NAACP and the veterans organizations, and performs other duties essential to advancing union interests on a state-wide scale.

General policies for the Indiana CIO will be formulated at the ninth constitutional convention and officers elected for the forthcoming year.

Nominations for delegates to the convention from local union 1010 were opened Thursday night, July 3. They will be held open until the regular membership meeting Thursday, July 17, at which time election of the delegates will also be conducted.

By recommendation of the executive board, approved by the membership, four delegates will be sent to Indianapolis from the Inland local.

Because members who have been active in the affairs of the Lake County Industrial Union Council are the best qualified to represent 1010 at the convention, the executive board recommends that nominations be confined to these members. Constitution of the CIO prohibits limiting nominations of delegates; consequently the executive board's recommendation is not binding. Members who choose to nominate delegates other than those from the list recommended by the executive board may do so.

FOR VETERANS

World War II veterans now have borrowed more than \$4.5 billion under the G.I. Bill, Veterans Administration said.

One Veterans Administration hospital makes movies of its USO shows with donated films so that bed-ridden patients may see them, too.

Almost 10,000 disabled veterans of World War II have been rehabilitated to date under Public Law 16 administered by Veterans Administration.

Some Veterans Administration hospitals are training handicapped veterans to fill technical and skilled jobs within the hospitals after their release.

Veterans Administration bed patients soon will be studying microfilmed textbooks by projecting the photographer pages on the ceiling over their beds at will.

Less than 5,000 World War II veterans have exhausted their period of entitlement to education or job-training under the G. I. Bill, Veterans Administration said.

Two non-fiction books were tied for first place among the 10 most popular books read by veteran patients in Veterans Administration hospitals during the first three months of 1947.

After a converted National Service Life Insurance policy has been in effect for one year, the insured veteran may apply for a loan or for the cash surrender, Veterans Administration said.

A veteran who withdraws a claim for compensation or pension against Veterans Administration does not lose his right to file another claim at a future date under existing laws, VA announced.

World War II veterans who have allowed their National Service Life Insurance term policies to lapse for more than 3 months have only until Aug. 1, 1947, in which to reinstate them under the easy plan still in effect, Veterans Administration said.

When a World War II veteran writes to Veterans Administration about his National Service Life Insurance, he should give his full name, insurance certificate number, service serial number, and complete home address.

Veterans Administration maintains a staff of social workers as part of its medical program. One important phase of their work is to help veteran-patients with personal problems that might retard the veterans' recovery.

Slightly more than 6,400,000 World War II veterans now have applied for education or job-training under the G. I. Bill for the able-bodied and Public Law 16 for the disabled, Veterans Administration said.

Ball, the boy senator from Minnesota, is going to wake up this year now, lying on the ground with a dizzy feeling. If he doesn't stop smoking those big black cigarettes.



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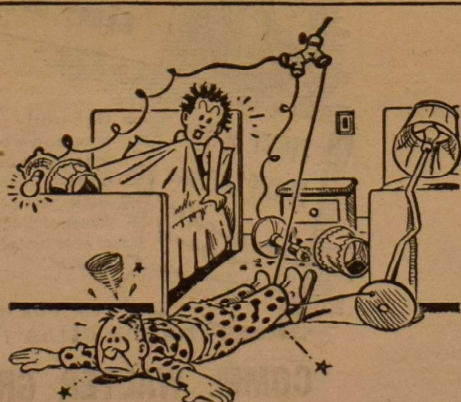
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LABOR DAY PICNIC

Plans for the annual picnic given by the Lake County Industrial Union Council got under way at a meeting sponsored by staff representative Joe Jeneske Wednesday, July 9 at the district office.

Chairmen named for the following committees are: Program, L. Thornton; finance, R. Graves; concessions, Sam Krupaw; transportation and grounds, Harry Heath and Tom Conway; games, Nellie Riddle and M. Ryback; publicity, H. McCoy and Eli Colossimo. Chairmen will appoint members to serve on their committees.

Plans were originally drawn for a joint CIO and AFL picnic, but we regret to say that the AFL withdrew their cooperation. Realizing the need for all of labor to work together for their mutual welfare, we hope, however, to have the AFL's support on other projects.

There will be a parade of floats again this year and possibly a bathing beauty contest. A new Plymouth will be raffled off on the ground; the tickets are now being printed.

Nationally known speakers are being contacted and their names will be published when they accept.

There will be a double-header baseball game between the sub-district team and the winner of an elimination contest now being conducted among locals in the Pittsburgh area. According to Joe Jeneske, it will be a hot contest, regardless of which team is sent here. His opinion is based on the kind of opposition which the Steelworkers met on their recent tour of that area.

The picnic will be held in Wick-er Park and bus service will be available all day from points in the district to and from the grounds. Further developments will be published in this newspaper.

Calumet Consumer Co-op

Report by J. Durcho,
Local Union 1010 USA-CIO

The Calumet Consumer Cooperative is now known under the name of People's Consumer Co-op. At the meeting of April 13, 1947, held in the East Chicago Public Library, articles of incorporation were adopted and a board of directors elected.

Elected to office were James Kirk of Hesseville, President; John Durcho of Hammond, Vice President; Leonard Nelson of Highland, Treasurer; and Robert Graves of Hammond, Secretary. The members of the auditing committee are Mrs. Dennis Beathes, Hammond; Wade Flowers, Hesseville; and John L. Bohanas, Hesseville. Meetings are held at East Chicago Public Library and Oil Workers Hall, Hammond. A Charter was issued on June 5, 1947. Principal offices of this corporation are located at Room 304, 5321 Hohman Ave., Hammond. Address all communications to P. O. Box 45, Hammond, Indiana.

The People's Consumer Co-op is now operating under the laws of Washington, D.C., and the agent of the association is John Carson, The Cooperative League, 726 Jackson Place, N.W. Washington, D.C.

All monies are deposited in the Hoosier State Bank, Hammond. Shares are valued at \$20 with a \$5 initiation fee, no member being allowed to subscribe for more than \$2000 in shares. The treasurer is bonded and the object of the Co-op is to open stores which return a percentage of profits to its members. (The stores are located at the will of majority vote of the members.) This is a worthwhile project for labor and should be patronized.

St. Matthias Episcopal church in Detroit has solved Sunday school absenteeism by doling out bubble-gum to youngsters. Have personnel managers tried this?

Steelworkers Face Taps Tonight at Block Stadium

The CIO Steelworkers, trekking doggedly toward the city hard ball title, have a short cut held out to them in tonight's game, Wednesday, July 16, with the East Chicago Taps. Undeaten this season, the Taps have a record of fifteen straight wins dangling before the Steelworkers' covetous eyes.

Wally Rospond, formerly a player with Nashville, Southern Association, manages the East Chicago Taps who have had throngs of their supporters turning out to every game. Prominent among the batting galaxy whom Rospond will bring to the Block Stadium Wednesday night are Bazan, Wojek, Buda, Krupa, and Siefert. Followers of highschool sports will recognize the names of these five players as being well up in the annals of baseball at Roosevelt High.

Joe Grelak, Steelworkers' hurler, who has been kept off the mound all season by a sore arm, will be started against the Taps. Manager Harry Kosinski (Joe De Rosa) reports that Grelak's handling of the pitching assignment against South Bend at Block Stadium on Saturday, July 12, is adequate proof that Grelak has recovered sufficient use of his arm to be used extensively in subsequent games. Grelak held the invaders to five hits and one unearned run.

On Sunday, July 20, the Steelworkers will meet opposition only a shade less stiff than that of the Chicago Taps. The East Chicago Moose, with whom the Steelworkers are booked at Block Stadium on that date, have dropped only three games out of 18 played so far this year. Caliber of the E. C. Moose, managed by Mike Petty, is indicated by the 2-2 tie which they played last summer with the Chicago White Sox.

St. Joe's AC, whom the Steelworkers beat 9-1 on Saturday, July 12, will have the opportunity

of evening the score on the South Bend's home grounds, Harrison Field, South Bend, Saturday afternoon, July 26.

Steelworkers Bell and Shaw led the batting attack against Sawicki which paced the union team to a 9-1 victory over South Bend on July 12. In this game, which notched the Steelworkers' fourteenth win, Shaw contributed a triple and two singles to the tally, while Bell came through with a homer and a pair of singles.

Slamming out a homer in the first inning of Friday night's game, July 11, with the Quigley-Minor Post, VFW, George Michaels, who is replacing Chris Platis, out with an ankle injury, at short stop, consolidated his good beginning with two singles in later innings.

George Sufak, pitching for the Steelworkers, allowed the Quigley-Minors only four hits. This was Sufak's third win of the season; the other two were at Midland and Homestead, Pa.

A triple that brought in two runs, batted by Lucas in the opening inning, sparked the Steelworkers into building up that early advantage to a total of 11-1.

Despite a four to three lead which held during most of their game with American Legion Post No. 80, Whiting, end of the ninth inning found the Legionnaires top dogs by one count. An error by Orlich in the eighth allowed Post 80 to tie the score. They gained the winning run in ninth. The game, which ended 5-4, was played Wednesday, July 2.

Handicapped to some degree by lack of support from local union fans, the Steelworkers are, nevertheless, standing at 14 victories and four defeats at this midseason stage of baseball. Season passes at one dollar, are still obtainable at sub-district No. 2's headquarters, Broadway and Grand Boulevard, Indiana Harbor.

Mussolini's son, who once wrote how beautiful it was to drop bombs on Abyssinians, may soon have a chance to take up his art career again in an American plane.

He is currently being driven around Argentina in a government car and hailed with fascist salutes in Peron-land, to which the U. S. proposes to supply free arms and military instruction.

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Imogene Martin, Bolt and Spike,
Wins Bumping Balm

Earl Sapp, foreman of the bolt and spike department, is probably sorry that he ignored seniority provisions in the contract to lay off Imogene Martin, crane operator, last March.

But Sister Martin isn't. She collected a total of \$330 in pay arrears and is back on her job, fully reinstated.

Although seniority stipulations in both the preceding contract and the present one clearly provide against bumping, Sapp arbitrarily promoted a floor man, who had more departmental service, to Imogene Martin's job. She placed the matter in grievor Gene Waselevich's hands, found temporary employment outside the Inland plant, and awaited development.

The beef moved through channels until it was settled satisfactorily—from Martin and Waselevich's view point—two days before the strike broke on May 1. On the first pay day following her return to Inland, shortly after the strike ended, Sister Martin received a check for \$307 in addition to her currently earned wages.

Griever Waselevich, whose education has definitely not been neglected, was still not quite contented. Pencil in hand, he cal-

CIO Backs Health Insurance

WASHINGTON—(UPI)—six million members of the union and their 13 million dependents support the principle of health insurance expressed in Wagner-Murray bill, S. 1234, Sec.-Treas. James E. Carey July 10.

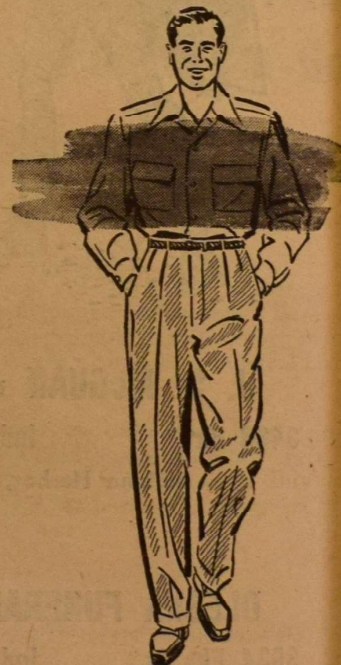
At the same time, said Carey, organization opposes S. 845 introduced by Sen. Robert A. Taft (O.) and supported by Sen. Joseph Ball (R., Minn.), and another charity relief proposed by Sen. Donnell (R., Mo.), "tended to allay the grievances of the very poor."

Not only would people have to go through a degrading test to get benefits under the bill, he said, but the measure would produce almost no results in years. State legislatures must appropriate funds to match money provided in the bill, most of them will not meet until 1949.

The Wagner-Murray bill, ever, "fits into a needed expansion program of social security," he said.

culated that his constituents \$23 more due her under the day retroactivity for April was agreed to in the strike settlement. She had. That too, she lected last pay day.

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MURRAY SPELLS OUT UNITY PLAN

Four-point program for unity between CIO and AFL has been outlined by CIO Pres. Philip Murray in a letter to the New York Times.

The formula set forth by the CIO president calls for: 1. Complete recognition of the rights of industrial unionism. 2. Protection of the autonomous organization of national unions in a new labor organization. 3. Provision for the creation of a new labor political action machinery. 4. Parallel action by committees of CIO and AFL unions operating in the same field to carry out the program among themselves.

Murray's letter was written in a column by Fiorello La Guardia, former mayor of New York, which called for the formation of one big labor organization. In an earlier series of letters, the CIO President had urged the AFL and several railroad brotherhoods to join a common front on pressing legislative and political matters. It is imperative that our organizations relegate to the background whatever minor differences may exist," the letter stated.

"We must have a common united program of policy and action on our part to protect the living standards of the American people and to secure effective political expression on the part of our membership.

In this manner we can defeat the drive of reaction and succeed in the election of progressive representatives who will act and think in the interests of the American people."

Reply from AFL Pres. Green, two weeks later, renewed AFL's suggestions—rejected CIO at last May's unity talks—immediate merger of the two labor organizations.

CIO President's letter, published July 11, in PM, said the stands prepared to continue work sincerely and tirelessly united labor movement." He said the CIO proposals represented a "practical approach to problem.

It, however, make the sincere belief that labor unity can

not be built on the foundation of jurisdictional strife or on confusion and indecision with respect to the other principle trade union matters; nor can unity so constituted equip the American labor movement with the strength so essential to meet successfully the challenge that we face in 1947 and in the future."

Murray said that the four-point program served as the basis of CIO discussions during the unity talks last May. He noted that CIO has sought consistently to "achieve a working unity with the AFL" and that long prior to passage of the Taft-Hartley Act he had suggested joint meetings to develop a campaign of action against these attacks.

"We did not believe that the delays necessarily incident to a discussion of organic unity should prevent early joint action on the legislative front," he said.

"I have within the last few days, under direction from the Executive Board of the CIO, communicated again with President Green of the AFL and the heads of the Railroad Brotherhoods urging a joint meeting of representatives of these organizations for the purpose of preparing a program to assure the protection of the interests of our membership against the attack that can be anticipated from our common enemies."

Kansas Co-Op Defeats Move to Smash It

TOPEKA, Kans. — (FP) — The Consumers Cooperative Assn. of North Kansas City won a complete victory in supreme court here against efforts of State Atty. Gen. Edward F. Arn to dissolve the co-op.

The court upheld the right of CCA to engage in industrial activity and ordered the secretary of state to amend the association's articles of incorporation allowing an increase of capital stock from \$2 million to \$12 million.

For the first four months of 1947, Class I railroads reported net profits of \$121 million.

DEMOCRACY WINS A CAR FOR MR. JONES

By Federated Press

AHOSKIE, N. C. — (FP) — Democracy won a minor victory here with the announcement that Harvey Jones will get his Cadillac.

It all started when the local Kiwanis club decided to run a dance and raffle to help the underprivileged but forgot to say it meant "underprivileged whites only."

Because of that slip, Jones, who happens to be a young Negro sharecropper, made the "mistake" of buying a \$1 raffle ticket for the \$3,200 Cadillac—and the further "error" of winning the raffle.

A delegation of Kiwanians, accompanied by a sheriff, went to Jones' home at 4:30 a.m. from the dance where the winning ticket was drawn and told him he never should have been sold a ticket in the first place.

But they were fair about it. They gave him his dollar back.

Then the Kiwanians went back to their dance "for the underprivileged" and picked another winner out of a hat. This time they awarded the big green Cadillac to Dr. Charles Townes, a dentist of Waverly, Va. Townes already had a car, a Chevrolet, but he was white.

All that happened the night of June 26. A few days later the editor of Elizabeth City Independent heard about the incident and wrote an editorial in which he used words like "rotten, ungentlemanly, unsportsmanlike, worthy of no praise."

The Raleigh News & Observer picked up the story and on July 15 the United Press sent it out on the wires to all parts of the country. Things began to happen. Within 24 hours the newspaper PM in New York started a Cadillac-for-Jones fund and contributions began pouring in. New England Kiwanis officials promised that Jones would get a new automobile, several war veterans who had bought tickets in another Kiwanis lottery demanded their money back, the East Boston Kiwanis club called for expulsion of their Ahoskie brothers and countryside protests swamped Kiwanis Intl. Pres. Carl W. Armstrong.

Armstrong, himself a resident of North Carolina, ordered the local Kiwanis to see that Jones got a car identical with the one given away in the raffle. The Ahoskie board of directors hastily called a meeting and late July 16 shamefacedly announced that Jones would receive a Cadillac. They didn't know where they would get another Cadillac, or how they'd pay for it, but Jones would get one.

Jones himself took the news calmly. "I am sure glad they decided to give me something," he said. Then mindful that a southern sharecropper can't afford to keep a Cadillac in the style to which it's accustomed, he said he would prefer "cash if possible."

DETROIT — (FP) — Leslie Long, 22-year-old girl singer who voiced the first protest against the Ahoskie, N. C., Kiwanis club's refusal to honor Harvey Jones' winning lottery ticket because he is a Negro, said here she was "completely delighted" that Jones would get his car after all.

Miss Long is the girl who, as singer with Carmen Cavallero's band, drew Jones' winning ticket from the hat. When the Kiwanians rejected the stub, after learning Jones was a Negro, and demanded a second drawing, she refused.

"Word just seemed to sweep through the hall that a Negro held

A Nice Paint Job

The letting of a contract to Thomas Lewis for the painting of schools in East Chicago during the summer was brought before the board of school trustees by the Merchant's Association and created considerable discussion. The matter was presented to the board through a letter from Harry Tarler, president of the Association and outlined in person by Pat Natale, executive secretary.

The letter insisted that the bid of Thomas Lewis was \$2300 more than that of the lower bidders. However, legal counsel in the person of Willard B. Van Horne, Jr., attorney for the board, insisted that the low bids in question were improperly prepared and, therefore, illegal.

The board admitted that all the bids could have been thrown out, and the contract re-advertised, but argued that had this been done, it would have been impossible to get the job completed during the summer vacation. In Pres. Tarler's letter he charged that the board had exercised poor judgment in awarding the painting contract and said that the members of the Merchants Association feel that the letting of the contract to Lewis is unfair to the taxpayers of East Chicago.

He referred to the staggering sums now being paid in taxes and consequent increases each year, and was of the opinion that the board had acted hastily and without consideration in the best interests of the taxpayers. While not asking for the rescinding of the contract with Lewis, Mr. Tarler said "The Association urges the practice of economy in the interest of the taxpayers of East Chicago."

The Association should be commended on this attitude, but it becomes apparent that the community as a whole should take an interest in how their taxes are being spent.

She Was Calm And Collected

In our last issue we printed a story concerning Imogene Martin of the Bolt & Spike who collected \$330 in back pay through being laid off without regard to contract provisions concerning seniority.

We have been informed that the foreman, Earl Sapp, was acting under orders from the Industrial Relations department, and that Bill Blake was responsible for the decision that made a present of \$330 to Imogene. Errors originate in the best of regulated families.

A winning ticket, because when they announced there would be a second drawing they just cheered and cheered," Miss Long recalled. "I was shocked by that. It was my first tour through the south. I had never come up against that kind of prejudice before."

"In show-business you meet all kinds of persons. And you judge them on their character, never on their color or race or creed. I refused to draw again. I told them it just wasn't fair play. They hinted it would be bad business if I didn't. I kept getting madder and madder, when they asked me several times. Finally I burst out, 'I just won't do it,' and walked away."

SAN FRANCISCO — (FP) — An SOS to the AFL and CIO to "resolve their differences" immediately and form a united labor movement was dispatched to national headquarters by delegates to the Retail Clerks Intl. Assn. (AFL) convention.

FROM GOOD OLD DICK

Hot Springs, Ark. July 22nd, '47.

Brother McCoy and all the gang—

Here it is the 22nd of the month and am just receiving the July 16th issue of the Labor Sentinel. Must congratulate you Harry on the merit of this issue. It is a good job done well and I think the Human element is very conspicuous by its presence. This is what it takes to make a good interesting labor paper.

Must admit I was more or less disappointed at not being able to find an article about Sam Krup-saw and his coffee. Surely Coffee Sam has not been bumped off of this job. Would like to see Bro. Lutes taking that bus ride with Supt. Snyder. That's Lutes all over for you if he can't win his argument one way he will try another. The grivers' report was very interesting and good reading. The boys are sure on their toes and as Mr. Gillies would say "carry that ball."

When I note all the items about the injuries, health, welfare, sports, picnics, club-rooms, and beauty contests, I must admit it makes me happy and proud to realize the observance that the HUMAN RELATIONS angle is getting in Local 1010. It might be only a start in the right direction but leave it to good old No. 1010 to try. Harry, you should advocate more of it and you will certainly be doing the membership a good turn. The day will come and it is not too far distant, that a HUMAN RELATION supplement will be embodied in all labor contracts or agreements. Industry realizes a contented and happy worker is an efficient worker and of course a body of efficient workers are necessary to create and maintain a high production level.

About this Fiesta Crown celebration to be held on the 16th. Graceful Juanita should be cinch to win this honor and it is up to all the C.I.O.-ers in the country to see that she does. She is entitled to the Crown and all honors that goes with it for the very important work she has done in behalf of organized labor for the past eight years. Harry please try and organize some active movement that will work in her behalf and do your best to see that the Senorita is the winner.

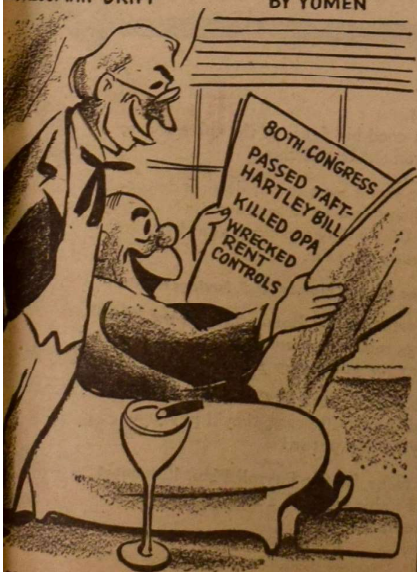
Hope the Labor Day celebration is a huge success and that you all are blessed with having good weather and a good crowd. Sure is a swell bunch named as chairman and chairlady for the different committee. It is up to the entire membership to get behind these leaders and give them all the assistance they need. Tell the rank and file to go out and look them up and offer their service and not wait to be asked. Hope Vicky, the queen of all secretaries, wins the Plymouth so she and her boy friend can go places and see things. Can visualize Rosie, the blond bomber with a fresh hair-do and dressed in bright yellow slacks, leading the rest of the Tin Mill gals to plenty of activity at the Park. Also can see Johnnie Sargent, without a hat on and a kid by each hand, hunting up the ice cream cone stand. Johnnie would pay for his ice cream but when Migas finds the stand he will attempt to talk the man in charge out of a couple for free. Well here is hoping you all have a swell time and everything goes off as scheduled.

Will run to close and wish you all the best of everything.

Fraternally yours,

J. E. Dickinson

CONGRESSMAN DRIPP



AT A RECORD, WHAT A RECORD!

Passing Up The People

Congress has been acting like a wayward bus, supposed to serve the people but imagining itself to be a private limousine. The Republican majority, assisted by the poll tax Democrats, has been an obsequious chauffeur for big business. It has jumped to obey every order of the profiteers, to give them tax relief, higher prices and rents, and everything else they ask. It has enacted the anti-labor Taft-Hartley law, as demanded by the Nat'l. Assn. of Manufacturers. And now, with all this big business baggage attended to, the Congressional leadership is stepping on the gas and hurrying to adjournment.

Meanwhile, the American people have seen this Congress pass them up again and again, leaving them waiting and ignoring their needs.

These needs are great. The present boom is heading for a bust. Profits and prices are grossly inflated, while the share of national income going to wages and salaries has sharply declined.

The tax system favors the greedy at the expense of the needy. Millions are ill-housed and lack adequate medical care. Educational facilities are in a deplorable condition. Job discriminations are growing in industry. Civil liberties are suffering from assault. The minimum wage remains at the sweat-shop level of 40c an hour.

The people are entitled to expect their elected representatives to attend to such needs, and to legislate for their economic security. But Congress has been so busy serving big business that it has no time left for the people. And now it is getting ready to adjourn.

Among the unfinished domestic business before Congress are the following bills:

The Wagner-Elender-Taft housing bill, to spur construction of low-rent houses and slum-clearance projects.

The national health insurance and public health bill (S. 1320) to make medical and hospital care available to those who need it most. A bill to raise the minimum wage under the Wage-Hour Act from 40c to 65c an hour, 70c in 1948 and 75c in 1949.

The anti-poll tax bill, to abolish this restriction on the right to vote in federal elections.

The anti-bias bill, to set up a permanent FEPC to prevent discrimination in hiring and on the job.

The anti-lynching bill, to make lynching a federal crime which may be prosecuted in U. S. courts.

The federal aid-to-education bill, to improve school facilities and grant all children more equal educational opportunities.

Contrast the above legislation which Congress has neglected with the bills which it has enacted, if you want to judge the character of the present majority and to know which master it serves.

Then remember that this same majority has tried to perpetuate itself in office by restricting the political rights of working people, through the Taft-Hartley Act.

This should make any freedom-loving American mad enough to organize politically for a thorough house-cleaning of Congress at the next elections.

The CIO, for its part, is determined to stand up for the workers' constitutional rights and to fight the political restraints of the Taft-Hartley Act.

President Murray's statement on the Congressional election in Baltimore, in The CIO NEWS, is a ringing challenge to these unconstitutional restrictions.

It also reflects the determination of labor to fight back politically and not to rest until the people's voice is heard and heeded in the Congress of the United States.

Social Security and You

Relatives of deceased wage-earners who had been working in employment covered by the Social Security Act should call at the local office to file possible claims, according to Charles S. Davis, manager of the Hammond Field Office.

There are two types of claims possible—for monthly benefits or for the lump-sum burial payment. Monthly payments are made to widows over 65, widows with children under 18 in their care (if the children are unmarried), or to dependent parents over 65. A widow not immediately entitled to monthly benefits may apply for the lump-sum benefit. Where no widow survives, the lump-sum will be paid to the person equitably entitled through payment of burial expenses. People making claims for lump-sum Social Security payment should obtain a signed and receipted itemized bill from the undertaker showing payment in full of burial expenses.

A young wage-earner under 21 who has earned \$50 in each of six calendar quarters in employment covered by Social Security will be fully insured and benefits will be payable in case of death.

The Social Security office in Hammond is located in Room 417 of the Post Office Bldg. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The number of minors employed in violation of the wage-hour law was 15% higher in the last six months of 1946 than during the same period the previous year.

WASHINGTON—(FP)—A bill which would repeal the Taft-Hartley anti-labor act was introduced by a group of 15 senators July 14 and was sent to the Senate labor committee that brought forth the law it seeks to wipe from the statute books.

"The purpose of the bill is to repeal the Taft-Hartley act lock, stock, and barrel," Sen. Claude Pepper (D., Fla.) said for his 12 Democratic and two Republican co-sponsors of the measure. A similar bill has been introduced in the House by Rep. John Lesinski (D., Mich.).

Backing the measure along with Pepper are Republicans William Langer (N. D.) and Wayne Morse (Ore.), and Democrats Robert F. Wagner (N. Y.), James E. Murray (Mont.), Glen Taylor (Ida.), Olin Johnston (S. C.), Sheridan Downey (Cal.), Warren C. Magnuson (Wash.), J. Howard McGrath (R. I.), Theodore F. Green (R. I.), Francis J. Myers (Pa.), Dennis Chavez (N. M.), Harley Kilgore (W. Va.), and Edwin C. Johnson (Colo.).

WASHINGTON — (FP)—The House Republican leadership shows "a callous disregard for the most underprivileged workers in the nation," Pres. Jacob Potofsky of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers (CIO) said of the GOP move to defer action on the federal minimum wage until January.

DENVER—(FP)—Denver AFL and CIO unions were a step closer to joint political action after the AFL's Labor County Central Committee adopted a full-scale political action program in preparation for the 1948 elections.

Taft-Hartley Rears Its Ugly Head

NEW YORK—(FP)—The first court action here under the Taft-Hartley law came July 22 in the filing of a \$500,000 damage suit against the New York Furriers Joint Council (CIO) and the Fur Wholesalers Ass'n. of America Inc.

The suit was brought in federal court by the Independent Fur Manufacturers Ass'n., which claimed that the two defendants conspired to put the plaintiff's out of business, thereby constituting a secondary boycott in violation of the new law.

Set up three months ago, the independent organization has about 100 members. Its suit said that the defendant employers' association covered 75% of the industry and that the union represented 98% of the fur workers in the city.

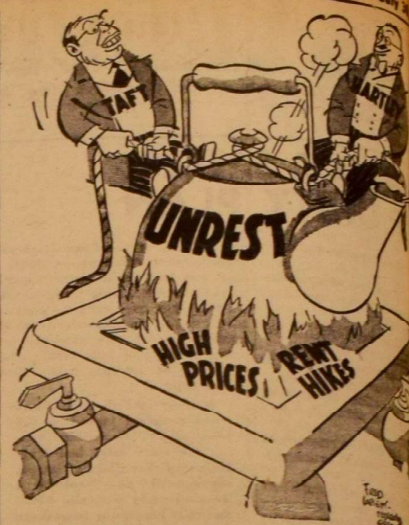
A spokesman for the joint council, which represents five locals affiliated with the Int'l. Fur & Leather Workers Union, said no papers had been served yet on Council Pres. Sam Mencher, named in the suit as one of the defendants.

SAN FRANCISCO — (FP) —

Under the pretext that the closing of automobile service stations might "threaten the health and welfare of the community," the Nat'l. Ass'n. of Service Station Dealers has taken the first action here under the Taft-Hartley law.

The association filed a petition with the Federal Conciliation Service against the Garage & Service Station Employees (AFL), intervening in a wage dispute strike by that union against Wayne C. Wooster, a service station operator. The union has had no dealings with the NASSD as such.

The association claimed the strike is "a dress rehearsal for a strike of independent stations on Aug. 1 that could threaten the health and welfare of the community."



RUBBER WORKERS SEEK WAGE REOPENING

CLEVELAND — (FP) — New wage demands covering 100,000 workers will be placed before the Big Four rubber companies, a policy committee meeting of the United Rubber Workers (CIO) decided here July 20.

Agreement to take advantage of a July 23 wage reopening clause was voted by 80 delegates from about 40 locals in the Goodyear, Goodrich, U. S. Rubber and Firestone systems.

Pres. L. S. Buckmaster said the union will seek a wage increase sufficient to meet the rise in the cost of living between January, 1947 and the time an agreement is reached "plus whatever is necessary to equal other wage patterns established in 1947."

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Louisville Railway Co. voted to raise a fund of \$100,000 as part of a drive to repeal the Taft-Hartley act. The 1,000 members of Local 176, the Workers Union (CIO), will contribute extra dues of \$1 a month for the next 10 months.

WASHINGTON — (FP) — Endorsing Pres. Truman's year economic report, "extremely serviceable and timely," AFL Pres. William Z. Foster declared that its short recommendations "don't do enough."

SAN FRANCISCO — and a half hours they walked out on strike. The 1,000 members of the Western Pacific locomotive workers were back at work with major demands for improved working conditions.

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Leases Under the New Rent Law

List of "do's and don't's" for guidance of landlords and tenants who are considering voluntary lease agreements increasing rent up to—but not more than—10 per cent were outlined today by Thomas M. Kitchen area rent director.

He emphasized that rents can be raised by lease agreements and all requirements are satisfied.

All leases must be filed with the office. Each is to be examined carefully. Kitchen said, "Leases which fall short of meeting requirements or which contain clauses must be rejected, any increased rent paid by tenant must be returned to the landlord."

THE "DO'S"

The rent director listed these:

1. Bear in mind that the law requires that the lease be signed by both landlord and tenant "voluntarily, in good faith." No tenant can be evicted for refusing to sign a lease.

2. Put the lease in writing. Rents cannot be raised by oral agreement.

3. See that the increase is not more than 10 per cent of the legal maximum rent in effect when the lease becomes effective. It may be less.

4. Be sure that the lease is executed (that is, signed by both landlord and tenant) by December 31, 1947.

5. Remember that at the earliest the lease must not run out before January 1, 1949.

6. If you are the landlord, file a signed copy of the lease with the rent office within 15 days after the date of execution (signed). If you are the tenant, sign at different times, the later date is the date of execution.

7. If you are the landlord, file three copies of a Registration of Lease form at the time you file a signed copy of the lease. Get the registration forms at the rent office.

THE DON'T'S

The rent director listed the following "don't's":

1. Don't include provisions in a lease which decrease the essential services, furniture, furnishings, and equipment which were included in the rent in effect at the time the lease was signed.

2. Don't include provisions which permit the landlord to terminate a lease at his option. The lease must run through the entire year 1948.

3. Don't include conditions, provisions, or minor covenants clearly designed to evade the law, such as provisions which permit the landlord to exact penalties or to terminate the lease before the expiration date.

4. It is our responsibility under the Housing and Rent Act of 1947, Kitchen said, "to check all leases to see that all things necessary to be done are done, and to be equally sure that no evasive provisions are included, whether knowingly or by mistake. We carry out this responsibility to maximum success if the suggestions that I have outlined here are followed closely."

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Group #3: First and Third Sunday; 10 A.M.
Group #4: Second Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
40" mill; rail mill; 28" mill; tie plate mill.
Group #5: Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month; 7:30 P.M. 44", 76", 46". Bloomer, 44", 46" Slab Yards.
Group #6: First and Third Tuesday; 8 P.M.
Cold strip and tin mill.
Group #7: Fourth Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Transportation department.
Group #8: Third Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.
New construction.
Group #9: First Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
36", 19", 24" mills, stores, machine shop, blacksmith shop, boiler shop, pipe shop, riggers.
Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.
Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Power department.
Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.

(In the event of illness or death of any member, please notify the union headquarters, 3436 Michigan avenue, Indiana Harbor 3331.)

FOR VETERANS

Q—I am an honorably discharged World War II veteran and would like to know where I can secure specific information concerning readjustment allowances while I am unemployed?

A—You should inquire at the public employment office or at the office of the unemployment compensation agency in the state or territory in which you reside.

Q—Are there any penalties in case the veteran accepts readjustment allowance to which he is not entitled?

A—Any veteran who knowingly accepts an allowance to which he is not entitled shall be ineligible to receive further readjustment allowances. Furthermore, anyone who receives money, check or allowance under the readjustment allowance provisions of the law, to which he is not entitled and with intent to defraud the U.S., shall be punished by fine of not more than \$1,000 or one year in prison or both.

Q—What interest rates are lenders permitted to charge on G.I. business loans?

A—In most cases, 4 percent is the maximum. However, the interest rate may be slightly higher for certain types of insured business loans.

Q—In order to get a business loan under the G.I. Bill, will I have to operate the business myself?

A—Yes, the veteran must devote his personal labor or supervision to the enterprise, or to the practice of a profession, on a full or part time basis.

Q—I have been drawing \$57.50 each month from my \$10,000 war risk insurance policy since my discharge from the Army after World War I. Are such payments discontinued when the \$10,000 is exhausted?

A—No. Payments may be continued for the remainder of your life, provided your total disability remains unchanged.

Q—How often can I get on the rolls to receive unemployment allowance?

A—You may be placed on the rolls to receive unemployment allowance as many times as necessary until you have exhausted your period of entitlement.

Q—Why do I have to pay two monthly premiums instead of one when I reinstate my lapsed National Service Life Insurance policy?

A—One premium is for the 31-day grace period following the date of lapse, during which the insurance was continued in force without payment of premium; the other is for the current month of the reinstatement.

Q—If I use part of my Armed Forces leave bond to pay my insurance, can I receive the balance in cash?

A—No. The remainder of your bond is placed to your credit until

YOUNG DEMO'S NEW OFFICERS

The young Democrats of East Chicago met at the city hall Tuesday evening, July 22. Over 200 young Democrats attended the enthusiastic gathering and elected officers.

Those elected were: James A. Melyon, president; Helen Bannas, vice-president; Charles Smeljan, secretary; and Mary Meszar, treasurer.

The new president, Melyon, stated that he would appoint a minimum of 15 delegates to the state convention which is to be held Friday and Saturday, August 8 and 9.

JOB HOLDERS DOUBLING UP

A Republican policy of dual job-holding, bitterly attacked in the last session of the Indiana General Assembly again was brought sharply to the attention of Indiana voters in a recent exchange of statements by Pleas E. Greenlee, Indiana Democratic state chairman and George W. Henley, Bloomington lawyer.

Mr. Greenlee, in a statement, called attention to the fact that Mr. Henley, Republican floor leader in the Indiana House of Representatives, also is serving the state as a member of the board of trustees of Indiana University, a situation which, Mr. Greenlee declared, is in direct violation of Indiana's Constitution.

Mr. Henley is but one of a number of Republican public officials in Indiana who are serving the state in dual, and even multiple capacities.

Seats of five members of the Indiana General Assembly were challenged by the Democratic minority when the 1947 session convened but the protests promptly were sidetracked by the top-heavy Republican majority.

That did not end matters, however. The Republican Auditor of State, after investigating his Constitutional duties, decided he is in violation of the law if he should pay the salaries of these two-way job-holders.

He held up their checks and now, these legislators also serving in other state capacities, have brought suit to mandate the Auditor to "pay-off".

Indiana citizens generally are pretty much disgusted with that kind of state government administration.

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WARNING!

NEW YORK—(FP)—Warning that union security provisions of the Taft-Hartley law could force at least 25,000 to 50,000 NLRB elections within the next two years, CIO General Counsel Lee Pressman advised unions to ignore the new board and settle recognition issues directly with employers.

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FOR EVERY UNION MAN

The American Labor Movement presented its own challenge to Congress when the Labor Extension Service Bill was introduced in the United States Senate on June 5th by Senator Elbert D. Thomas (D.) of Utah and Senator Wayne Morse (R.) of Oregon, and in the House of Representatives on July 2nd by Representative Thor C. Tollefson (R.) of Washington State and Congressman Ray J. Madden (D.) of Indiana.

The bill, which is officially endorsed by AFL, CIO, Railroad Labor and other independent unions, seeks to establish a broad system of instruction for wage and salary earners on industrial relations and other subjects. By use of facts and reason, labor itself proposes, in this bill, that education be regarded as a primary tool for permanent improvement in management-labor relations.

A challenge is sounded to those in Congress who claim to favor reasonable and peaceful solutions for our industrial and public issues. They are asked to back up their words by supporting this bill and assuring American wage earners that they are still considered Americans on a par with businessmen and farmers.

A Labor Extension Service

The new bill would extend to some 42 million wage and salary earners a program similar to that carried on by the Agricultural Extension Service for six million farm families. Instruction would be provided at times and places and in forms convenient for wage and salary earners. Teachers would be provided by institutions of higher learning cooperating in the program. Requests by groups of workers for classes would be worked out with these institutions and presented to State Boards for approval. Approved requests would be incorporated in a state plan and budget to be presented to the Secretary of Labor for his approval. Federal funds would be supplemented locally.

Excerpts from Senator Thomas' speech in support of the bill.

(Congressional Record for June 5, 1947, page 6586.)

"Throughout this session, we have heard that Labor has refused to come forward with a constructive proposal for the improvement of industrial relations. Well, here is a constructive proposal, endorsed by all of Labor. Labor is united in asking us to enact this legislation.

"This bill is not spectacular. It is not advertised as an overnight cure for inflamed industrial relations, nor for all the many human, mechanical, economic and other problems that arise daily in relations between employers and employees. But it is a gradual, sure and lasting remedy. . . .

"Not by prohibitions, nor injunctions, nor by rules and regulations, but by equipping wage earners with a better and more up-to-date knowledge of the world, the nation, the state and the community in which they work and live, with a better knowledge of the economic facts about their own industry and plant and their relation to other industries, plants and to the entire economy of the nation.

"Equipped with this knowledge, and with training in its use, labor can negotiate more effectively and more reasonably with employers and better meet its citizenship obligations. . . .

"I think the Congress should accept this challenge. I propose to urge that consideration be given this bill at the very earliest possible date after we return from the summer recess. I wish that hearings might be had and action taken before we adjourn. . . .

"Today, more than fifty universities and colleges throughout the nation have established labor extension services. I am informed that the expressed and demonstrated need far outruns the resources of unions and of institutions of higher learning. This presents the Congress, it seems to me, with a priceless opportunity to bring aid to an educational process that can serve both the cause of industrial peace and the national welfare. As has been said, we are all in a race between education and catastrophe. New knowledge, new facts, new techniques, new decisions flood in on us so fast as to exceed our ability to understand, evaluate and act intelligently. Education is the only road to wisdom for an individual, a group or a nation. It is a slow road, but a sure one, to fair dealing between man and man, between employers and employees, between and among nations.

"Labor is willing and eager to travel that road."

Liberal Veterans Commend Co-ops

MILWAUKEE—(CNS) — Three planks supporting co-ops were in the platform approved by delegates to the American Veterans' Committee convention here June 22nd.

Cooperative housing has received continued endorsement from its strongest of liberal veterans' groups, with Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., as head of its housing committee, so that a plank in favor of co-op housing came as no surprise.

Other planks, however, protested attacks on co-ops and proposals to place unfair taxes on them.

The housing plank was the third one offered following a preamble on domestic affairs. "We urge the option of the principle of cooperative housing to help solve the housing crisis."

Under "Industry," came another statement on co-ops: "We endorse the cooperative movement

as an effective force in the development of political and economic democracy and oppose legislation restricting the activities of legitimate cooperative societies."

Under "Agriculture" the platform included this statement on taxes: "We believe that cooperatives should be fostered and encouraged as a matter of public policy. We oppose, to this end, the placing of a special tax on dividends of cooperatives."

The present convention elected officers including national chairman Chat Patterson, who had been acting as Washington representative, and national vice chairman Richard Bolling, who has had experience organizing farm cooperatives.

First national labor body was the Natl. Trades Union. Organized in 1834, it set up a national fund and a committee to organize local unions.

Labor Around The World



HAWAII

HONOLULU—(ALN)—A temporary truce, called when employers finally agreed to negotiate, ended a 5-day walkout on pineapple plantations throughout the Hawaiian Islands. Before the truce, employers secured an injunction to halt mass picketing, but the workers defied the order. More than 100 pickets were arrested. Any new agreement will be retroactive to the date of the truce.

ENGLAND

LONDON—(ALN)—The Transport & General Workers Union, Britain's largest, voted down a proposal that wartime industrial and labor controls be renewed to meet the nation's manpower shortage. T.G.W.U. Gen. Sec. Arthur Deakin had made the proposal to the union's annual convention after castigating people who are "doing no useful job" while important industries are understaffed. Wartime regulations required able workers to take jobs wherever the government directed.

AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY—(ALN)—Australian dockers have loaded their first Dutch ship in two years. The boycott of Dutch shipping maintained since 1945 as a token of sympathy for the Indonesian independence movement was clamped down when Australian dockers found Dutch ships leading ammunition for use against the Indonesians. Latest reports indicate the ban may have to be reimposed since the Dutch have reneged on an agreement to recognize the independence of their prewar colony.

SWITZERLAND

GENEVA—(ALN)—The Swiss people have overwhelmingly approved a national old age insurance plan for all citizens. Results of a countrywide referendum were 895,902 for and 24,303 against. Pensions are designed to insure that all old people will be able to live reasonably well without work or any subsidiary income.

PHILIPPINES

MANILA—(ALN)—The Federation Obrera de Filipinas, largest labor body in the Visayan Island group of the Philippines, has protested attacks on its leaders by armed company union members. Company unionists, the FOF charges, have been armed by military police and directed by local politicians who fear the labor political action drive being built up for the November municipal elections.

SOVIET UNION

MOSCOW—(ALN)—Soviet industry in the second quarter of 1947 showed a marked upswing in output of consumer goods. Figures show 15% more cotton goods than last year, 66% more finished clothing and 42% more footwear. To insure that quality standards are preserved, a new government order provides for criminal prosecution of industrial managers who turn out sub-standard products.

GERMANY

BERLIN—(ALN)—Miners in the Soviet zone of Germany have agreed to go on a 7-day, 48-hour week to help relieve the impending crisis caused by the failure of British administrators to deliver 161,000 tons of coal from the Ruhr. The Soviet zone, principally agricultural, cannot produce sufficient coal for its own needs and the Ruhr has traditionally supplied the needs of the country. Berlin, jointly occupied by the four big powers, faces a fuel crisis worse than that of last winter because of unfulfilled delivery quotas from the Ruhr.

COOKING IN CONGRESS

BILL

Taft-Wagner-Elender Housing Bills
S. 866
HR 2523

Federal Anti-Lynch Bill
HR 3488
S. 1352

Anti-bias Bill
S. 984
HR 2820

65c-75c Min. Wage Bill
S. 1404
HR 3764

Anti-Poll Tax Bills
HR 7, HR 29 and others.

National Health Insurance Bill
S. 1320
HR 3548

Displaced Persons Bill
HR 2910

Federal Aid to Education
S. 472
HR 2953

Universal Military Training
HR 1988, others S. 651

WHAT IT DOES

Long-range housing program, with govt. help to spur construction of low-rent and slum clearance projects.

Makes lynching a federal crime, to be prosecuted in U. S. Courts.

Sets up natl. agency to enforce anti-bias policy on jobs, hiring. Uses voluntary and compulsory methods.

Lifts minimum wage in interstate commerce to 65c an hour, 70c in '48, 75c in '49.

Abolishes poll tax in Federal Elections.

Introduced by group of liberal Senators & Rep. Dingell in House. Sets up health insurance program based on 1% payroll deduction.

Permits entry of 400,000 homeless Europeans in U. S. under unused immigration quotas.

Fed. govt. would allot at least \$3 per child to states for educational purposes.

Compulsory military training for men between 18 and 20.

ACTION

Ask Senators to force early vote and pass; ask Congressmen to sign Douglas discharge petition.

Write Rep. Michener, Chmn. House Comm., Sens. Ferguson & Wiley, Chmn. Sub-Comm. and full Comm. for speedy action.

Write Senators & Congressmen to give strong support. Ask Rep. Hartley to order House hearings.

Write Senators and Congressmen to urge passage of bill before Congress adjourns.

Write Chmn. Gamble of sub-committee, Chmn. LeCompte of full committee urging favorable report on bill.

Ask Senators, Congressmen to urge fast action by committee.

Write Congressmen to support this bill.

Ask Chmn. Hartley for early action by House Comm. Urge Senators to push bill to floor.

Register opposition to bill with Chmn. Andrews and your Representative.

Your Job and The Law

By JACK ABBOTT
Federal Press

Milton Reynolds, president of the ball-point fountain pen company bearing his name and recently a passenger in a round-the-world trip, was the victor in a not-so-speedy action brought by the NLRB.

The NLRB had found the company guilty of interference with its employees' union activities and of discharging two of them because of their "leadership" affiliation with and activities on behalf of the union. Local 111 Fountain Pen and Pencil Makers Union (AFL).

On appeal to the circuit court in Chicago for enforcement of order against Reynolds, the case was turned down. The court decision was handed down on July 24, the day after Taft-Hartley came law, and is indicative of the type of court decisions we are getting in that area in the future.

A few examples of how the law and what the court said will follow. Siegfried H. H. Hacker, general manager of a plant told employees:

"I have lived under Hitlerism and I have lived under Americanism, and I have been under communism," and "you know out of these three is the only one that is good is Americanism. I am telling you that this unionism has to be labor movement." On another occasion Fleishacker said that and Reynolds "did not want union in the plant, and that would fight it all the way."

The court found that there was not the slightest reason to believe that either of the statements quoted were for the purpose of coercion or had any coercive or restraining effect upon the employees to whom they were made.

Reynolds himself told his employees at about the same time that he "had heard that there was trouble in the factory" . . . he had "received an offer to take the factory 'down stream' where he could 'obtain cheap labor and be free of labor troubles' . . . that he could pack ever equipment was necessary for 48 hours" but that he did not want to move if the employees "wished" him to remain.

The court found that "there is nothing in the record to show that Reynolds knew anything about the effort then being made by employees to organize. . . . I think there is no reasonable basis for an inference that Reynolds' speech was directed at the union or any trouble occasioned thereby."

Well, perhaps we're not reasonable. But we think that some ought to point out the fact of life to the honorable court. Employees seldom tell their employers of their plans to disband or move their plants to the South where they "can obtain cheap labor and be free of labor troubles," unless there's a union organizing campaign going on. So judges ought to know that.

For the record it is interesting to note that the discharge occurred in January, 1948, was disposed of in the court's decision of June, 1947.

Sen. Robert A. Taft (R.), co-author of the notorious Taft-Hartley law recently answered a series of questions put to him by the Chicago Herald-American. Taft contended that the law is fair and just and simply remedies some abuses of the old Labor Act.

For example, according to Taft, employees continue to enjoy the same protection against involuntary discharge as under the law. The only thing that's added, the Senator innocently suggested, is that in the case of an employee "really discharged" because, the mere fact that he is a union man and that his employer may not happen to like unionism, not make him immune from discharge."

Address all Representatives at House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.
Address all Senators at Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

Job Law

The Real McCoy

Jack Adams, editor of the Job Law, is a man who knows where in this paper you find the real McCoy. He is a man who knows where in this paper you find the real McCoy. He is a man who knows where in this paper you find the real McCoy.

SOME DEFINITIONS:
CONSCIENCE: The still small voice that makes you feel still.

FACT: The unsaid part of what is said.
HOUSE: The art of raising the roof.
ENTER: The season when we go to the house as hot as a summer, when we are after the heat.

MAN: One who isn't afraid to ask for something.
STATISTICIAN: A man who is mathematically precise from an unwarranted assumption to a foregone conclusion.

WILL: Close with a poem instead of a poem with one.
WOMAN: I start to wonder in the middle of the night if my beloved mother's son is really very bright.

YEAR: I went fishing in the month of June.
CONGRESS: Kicked me—said I wasn't a Congressman.

BOSS: Come last November, I told my friends to vote; the ballots were unanimous: elected me the goat.
CONGRESSMAN: They voted in me as representative of much of the National Association of Manufacturers and such.

PEOPLE: Never say of me that I'm a heavy thinker when I start in doing things, then—I don't tinker.

WORTHY: Out to register my wife and aunts and cousins—every vote the boss can cast, I'll cast dozens.

HEART: Taft and Hartley, Marie Hoover, too, blast their pants off—see you and you and you.

IM STEER!

CHAGO—(FP) — The big packers are giving the public a steer when they pretend to be blame for curbing meat prices, Pres. Ralph of the United Packing Workers (CIO) charged.

Figures compiled by the Rural Dept. Helstein point that while farmers during two weeks of June got more for their steers, the packers were charging retail 95% more than before.

95% margin compares with spread between farm and city prices on June 1, 1946, when controls were still in effect.

Wholesale market, Helstein said, is dominated by the packers—Cudahy, Swift, Wilcox.

Helstein recalled that these packers promised last fall "that meat would be available at low prices once price controls were destroyed."

Present price gouging, he said, proves that "the monopoly of meat exercised by the packers is callously to the needs of the people of American lower income groups who are unable to pay these high prices without meat."

Helstein also criticized the packers for spending time on "legitimate trade" rather than progressive organization.

YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE

By HARRY MCCOY

On July 18, 1947, we witnessed another fine show promoted by the "Red" McGregor of Local Union 1010. This show, staged at the Civic Center in Hammond before a goodly crowd, got off to a good start when Don Ward of the Joyce AC scored a technical KO in the third round over Rudy Hojeus of the Gary CYO.

The next encounter between D. Caronza of Chicago and M. Dala of Kensington A.C. saw Dala getting the decision. These two fights were 112 pounders. Cowboy Carter of Ringside and Don Linebacker of Gary Y, both 118 pounds, put on a fast bit of action in the next number on the card. Cowboy seemed to be riding a pogo stick and used the space inside the squared circle to full advantage. However, Don was as cool as a cucumber and won the decision without benefit of a horse.

The next fight saw Dave Milligan of Gary CYO put on one of his good scraps and decision J. Sassano of East Chicago. These 140 pounders put on a good even scrap and Dave called on all his experience to gain the nod in this one. At 135 pounds, Mike Sopko of Gary Y met Bill Butler of Joyce A.C. and put on a poor man's Zale-Graziano exhibition, which had the crowd cheering all the way. However, Mike slowed up in the third and Bill went on to win.

We were then treated to a view of John L. Sullivan's namesake who started somewhat like his illustrious predecessor but was cooled by Geo. Bradley of Ringside in the second round. Oh, well, I guess John L. didn't win them all, either. Sullivan comes from Gary CYO and both boys fought at 135 pounds. The paper weight champions, Roger Teeter and Dave Potts put on a very interesting exhibition and wound up with the usual draw.

Next event on the card was a nice scrap with give and take on the part of both boys, Bill Williams of Ringside and Joe Ortiz of Gary CYO, battling at 135. Joe got the judge's decision, but I want to say right here that the amateur rule is that a decision must be made even though it's pretty hard to figure out who is the best man in a lot of these fights. Ray Estes of Gary Y met Hank Klatt of Kensington A.C. at 135 pounds, and although Hank came out like he was carrying a load of eggs, after he warmed up he opened up and slung some wicked punches. Ray swung quite a few punches too, and managed to eke out a win, although it was plenty close.

The windup saw John Grisly of Ringside, fighting his last fight before turning pro. He was matched with Joe Smith of Joyce A.C., a sweet little fighter. John showed he was ready for the pros by dealing Joe a KO in the first round. It was a beat of a punch and I don't think Joe even saw it coming. This was a 140 pound affair and a fitting climax to a good card.

Mal Beckham handled all the fights as the third man in the ring and a genial "Chuck" Harris did the announcing. Owing to Simmons hurting his hand in training, he was unable to appear, and his opponent P. Bell was introduced from the ring and he will appear on the next card.

SICK COMMITTEE

Carl Stanley, Local Union 1010's Sick Committee Representative, reports visits to the following members at their homes and in the hospitals.

Listed below are members confined at St. Catherine's Hospital in East Chicago: Andy Bandura, Mike Vericie, John Mate, Ben Lucas, Peter Torn, Jess Wall, Guselio Gonzalez, Leon Hull, Silverio Hernandez, Juan Alviso, Cruz Villarreal, John Pangrac, Francisco Carlinas, Charles Meszkis (off 6 to 7 months), John Dejon, Joe Espericueta, Joseph Kelley, Pedro Luna (off 4 to 5 months), Louis Aguilera, Ray Bonneau.

Deceased—Vernon Miller, Theodore Hmceleinske.

Brother Stanley urges anyone acquainted with any of these patients to visit them and extend them good cheer.

WASHINGTON—(FP) —The American economy is held up by "temporary props," Pres. Truman warned in submitting his midyear economic report to Congress as called for by the full employment act of 1946. The report was drawn up with the help of his council of economic advisers, the cabinet and government agency heads.

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Teams 2 & 5 No. 1 Field Todd Park

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 1947
 Teams 3 & 8 No. 2 Field Todd Park

Teams 6 & 7 No. 1 Field Todd Park

Your Editor does not have the standings as the recent scores were not turned in. Team Managers! Why not look into this.

THE FOLLOWING COMES TO US FROM "DOC" HUDSON OF THE "44"

The Grove Heights Social Club will hold an OUTING on August 24th at 97th and Greenwood avenue, Chicago. It will be conducted as a Carnival with lots of fun for the children, events and prizes and ball games. Booths will be erected with concessions and as an Officer of this Club I extend an invitation to all of my brother Union members and their families to join us on this day.



The above picture is of Juanita Arredondo the pretty daughter of Mike of Local 1010. On her picture alone she should be crowned queen of the Fiesta, but her personality will get her votes by the bushel if I know the steelworker. She graced our last Local meeting and spoke a few words which the membership responded to enthusiastically. You can help her out by getting ballots at 1010's Office, 3436 Michigan Ave., or at the International Sub-district Office at Grand and Broadway. LONG LIVE THE QUEEN!

Non-farm real estate foreclosures are on the upswing. There were 3,300 of them in the first quarter of 1947.

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TAFT APPROVES COAL CONTRACT

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Perhaps because he's aware there is nothing much he can do about it, Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., O.) put his official blessing on the new bituminous coal contract with its proviso that members of the United Mine Workers (AFL) will work when they are "able and willing."

Taft endorsed the contract during the testimony of Chairman George M. Humphrey of the Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co. before the Joint Committee on the Economic Report July 15.

Looking at the UMW pact in the broadest sense, Taft implied that the "able and willing to work" section was two-sided because "the mines don't guarantee that they'll operate if they have no business."

Humphrey, who negotiated the contract with U. S. Steel's Benjamin Fairless, made the instrument seem to be one that industry really wanted, and when Rep. George Bender (R., O.) declared the "agreement was one of the finest things that has happened to us since the war," he replied:

"It's nice to have you say that, but you are in a great minority."

Pittsburgh Consolidation is one of the giants of the soft coal industry and Humphrey said the coal interests figured it would be better to sign up with the UMW than to force "higher prices and the familiar spiral of increases."

The coal executive insisted that the UMW members won a take home increase of just 15c an hour or \$1.20 for an 8-hour day and that this "is identical with the wage increase of 15c an hour granted recently in many other industries to meet increases in living costs."

"It does not set up a new wage pattern, but rather conforms to an already existing wage pattern. Under the new contract a coal miner gets the same pay for an 8-hour day underground as he formerly received for nine hours underground plus this wage increase of 15c an hour."

Humphrey said the hourly wage of the miner "is high under the agreement and it should be." He testified that the cost of coal under the new pact will vary in different mines, "but even if it is to average as much as 75c to \$1 per ton, it is entirely possible that as the working forces get adjusted to the shorter hours and more efficient operations result, the tonnage per man, per hour may increase and if so costs and prices may gradually be expected decline."

"If the cooperation which has been promised by the miners' union is realized and it is much more apt to be so by satisfactory mutual agreement than by strikes and government controls—increasing production and increasing efficiency will surely mean more coal at less cost."

The witness estimated his company's increases would range from 40c a ton for strip coal in Western Pennsylvania to 75c in underground mines in Ohio.

(In the July 15 issue of the United Mine Workers Journal an editorial reports that coal at the mine averages "around 1% of the wholesale selling price of manufactured products" outside of steel, cement and a few other heavy industries and transportation. It added that in steel the coal for a ton of steel is about 5% of the wholesale price, and that the cost of coal to the gross revenue of railroads is less than that amount.)

Pittsburgh Consolidation, Humphrey said will give its customers the difference, if any, should the contract's cost be less than it estimates. If the cost is higher than it figures, "we'll absorb the higher costs."

Asked by Taft if the company could not absorb the whole cost out of profits, Humphrey admitted it could do so, but he believed that step would "be a serious mistake" because newspapers have implied that the new contract was a conspiracy between the captive mines and the big operators to drive

Less Than A Penny a Day

This is what the meat packing industry earns, after all expenses, for providing meat for an average American family of four."

That's what advertisements placed in U.S. papers July 22 by the American Meat Institute claimed.

And here's why they're tossing out that kind of propaganda.

From 1936 to 1939 Swift, one of the Big Four, averaged \$6.9 million a year in profits after taxes. From 1940 to 1945 it averaged \$15.2 million and in 1946 it netted \$16.3 million.

Wilson, another big outfit, hauled in an average of \$6.3 million from 1936 to 1939 and an average of \$12.1 million from 1940 to 1945. But in 1946 it raked in a startling \$30.2 million — a 228% increase over the previous year. Profits for other big packers followed the same pattern.

The American Meat Institute, a propaganda outfit for the meat packers, is talking about pennies to cover up millions.

THREAT TO NATION'S STABILITY

Stable prosperity cannot be maintained if only a small group in the population has the purchasing power to buy homes and automobiles and maintain decent standards of living. If 50% of the people are kept at depressed living standards, then their lack of purchasing power will sooner or later bring about another 1929 bust.

The fact is that wage and salary earners are not getting their fair share of the value of national production. According to the Commerce Dept., the proportion of national production going into wages and salaries remained practically the same—about 50%—from 1939 through 1946. The other 50% went into corporation profits, the incomes of proprietors, rents and interest, etc.

This year the proportion of national production going into wages and salaries is lower than last year. That means that still fewer people will be able to buy the flood of goods coming to the market. And with inflationary living costs shrinking still further the buying power of the insufficient dollars in pay envelopes, only a prompt and major redistribution of income can furnish a stable basis for postwar prosperity.

Meat animal prices averaged 50% higher during the first half of 1947 than under price ceilings a year ago.

their smaller competitors out of business.

"I don't think we ought to go out and bust a lot of people who can't afford it," Humphrey declared. He also told Sen. Joseph O. Mahoney (D., Wyo.) that "a lot of our prices are \$2 a ton under what we could get now by exporting it. But we'd be short-sighted and in danger of pricing ourselves out of the market if we did that."

So the little operators have nothing to fear, and the miners get 44c more than they did under the old contract and everybody's happy—even Taft.

WEALTHY U. S.

7 of 10 U.S. Families Have 'Unhealthy' Incomes

The national income of this country has risen recently to new all-time peaks. But somewhere a cog has slipped, for the great wealth that is being produced is finding its way, not down to the hands that made it, but into smaller and smaller groups at the top of the pile.

That is not a new observation but it has recently been restated, and by no less an authority than the U.S. Federal Reserve Board. That board has completed and published a study of the distribution of purchasing power in this country. It churned up a mass of statistics that are not easy to digest but here are some that are worth a little looking at and a lot of talking about.

The board's survey found that in 1946:

70% of all American families made less than \$3,100.

40% made less than \$2,000.

Only 10% made more than \$4,850.

The top 10% got some 32% of the total national family income, while the lower 40% received only 15% of the total income.

When you add to those figures the fact that, according to the authoritative studies of the Heller Committee of the University of California, it took \$3,750 to give a family of four including two children a decent and healthful living standard in 1946, you arrive at the startling result that more than 70% of all American families are not paid enough to live decently.

But there are still further details to round out this incredible picture of the world's richest country. That same top 10% also held 60% of the country's total savings (savings covered by the survey included bank deposits, savings accounts and government bonds). The top 30% — those earning more than \$3,100 a year — had 87% of the total savings. The bottom 50% — those making less than \$2,300 — had only 3% of the total.

That means that 50% of U.S. families — those with almost no savings — had to rely directly and solely on their wages and salaries for the things they had to buy. With the cost of living jumping 20% in the past year, the bulk of them have been going in to debt or buying on credit to make ends meet. They are the ones who cannot afford to buy the automobiles, electrical appliances, refrigerators and washing machines that are being produced in record-breaking quantities.

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PASS THE APARTMENTS, PAPPY

WASHINGTON—(FP)—There's folks hereabouts who talk a lot about the junior Senator from Texas. But none of 'em dare say he's dumb. Antilabor? Sure. Dull and reactionary? Certainly. But W. Lee O'Daniel is her to the almighty dollar... y'betja.

Back in the fog end of 1945 Pappy O'Daniel made headlines when he went a' lawin' and evicted 11 families from a Washington apartment building he had just purchased in this housing-short capital city.

Pappy, who parlayed his bourbon tenor and own brand of biscuit flour into the governor's chair at Austin and thence into a U. S. Senate seat, agreed to pay \$52,000 for the building.

In evicting the tenants, Pappy argued he and his family needed all 40 rooms, 14 kitchens and 14 bathtubs. "Shucks," he observed, "we're not used to being fenced in down in Texas."

But now Pappy doesn't need the room. He wants a house. So he sold the 4-story building to Senate Apartments, Inc. for what the recorder of deed's books show was \$10 in cash and "other valuable considerations."

And apartments in the former O'Daniel dwelling are being advertised for sale in the local tabblatts for a measly \$10,000 to \$13,000 each. (Only \$2,000 down and the rest in easy payments.)

The principal stockholder of Senate Apartments, Inc. (Del.) is—guess who—Sen W. Lee O'Daniel (D., Tex.).

Asked to explain how come, Pappy shrugged, and revealed "the building has been sold. My family is broken up now. Son Mike is in California, my mother-in-law had a heart attack in Colorado and can't travel."

How about Senate Apartments, Inc.? "Oh, I don't know who the head of that outfit is," Pappy confided. But the attorney for the Delaware firm selling the cooperative apartments is John Connaughton, and it just happens that Connaughton is O'Daniel's lawyer.

Although there is a \$30,000 mortgage on the apartment building, financial wizards here figured that Pappy would do all right, since he has remodeled the place to make up 14 apartments. At his asking price they will bring in at least \$150,000, and all but three of the units have been "sold" in the cooperative apartment sense.

One bedroom apartments in the building went for \$10,000, plus of course, upkeep and carrying charges (equal to a handsome monthly rental). These include a living room, dinette, kitchen and bath.

The two-bedroom jobs cost \$12,000, with the top figure of \$13,000 bringing you a unit with two windows in the back.

Although in the court proceedings to evict the 11 original tenants Pappy swore he needed all of the room for his family, he now says he made the new deal simply to help the housing situation.

At the time of the hearing in District Court some of the tenants, unable to appreciate the high motives of the distinguished Senator from Texas, suggested suggested with evil overtones that he just wanted to kick them out so as to make a juicy profit in a subsequent turnover of the property. Pappy, the people's choice, was understandably horrified at this idea.

All of the work isn't complete out at Senate Apartments, Inc. In fact a crew of non-union builders is on the job, and some unemployed building mechanic is being kept off the payroll of the contractor by a pudgy man in spattered blue overalls, complete with denim cap and brown-and-white sports oxfords.

This odd-appearing worker who gets \$15,000 annually from Uncle Sam, paused while carrying a heavy section of pipe and a couple of planks when his identity was sought. "Me," the non-union

BUY A TUCKER

CHICAGO — (FP) — Preston Tucker, Chicago auto manufacturer who has had to fight off the top auto manufacturers to get his product on the market, set a new precedent here by using a pro-labor publicity angle to sell the new Tucker car.

The manufacturer staged a 1-day private showing of his auto at giant Chicago stadium, inviting union members only to attend. A group of his own employees, members of Local 83, United Auto Workers (CIO), advertised the show by picketing outside the stadium with signs praising Tucker's pro-labor stand. More than 135,000 people turned out for the show.

Tucker plans to start production in the fall at a former B-29 engine plant and expects to employ a maximum of 35,000.

In a speech defying the auto monopolists who sought through various devices to keep him out of the field, Tucker told the crowd that "no motor monopoly—powerful as it may be—can block this great new production program now."

According to Tucker, his employees will have first call on the cars that roll of the plant's assembly lines. The cars cost \$1,845.

There were 19,500 more workers injured in manufacturing plants in the first quarter of 1947 than in the first quarter of 1946.

man replied, "I'm W. Lee O'Daniel."

Pappy is saving himself a couple of bucks an hour—and besides it's healthy.

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WHEREAS, this situation creates a serious danger that the United Steelworkers of America may be harassed by law suits and its treasury imperilled as a result of the use by unscrupulous employers of spies, provocateurs and disrupters.

WHEREAS, this makes it impossible for the United Steelworkers of America to include in its future collective bargaining contracts its standard no-strike pledge.

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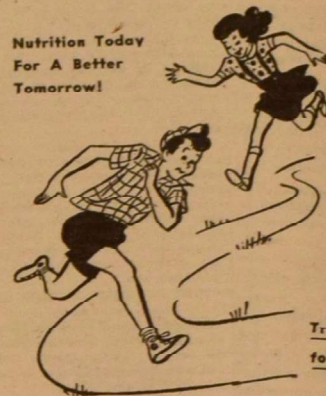
SAN FRANCISCO — (FP) — Over the opposition of organized labor, both AFL and CIO, the Board of Supervisors voted 7 to 4 to impose a city sales tax, effective Oct. 1, of one half of 1% on all sales except those of food (but including food in restaurants). Plans were immediately made

for a repeal referendum November ballot. The San Francisco Central Labor Council, AFL and the San Francisco Council have joined in the campaign. San Francisco's proposed sales tax was overwhelmingly voted down by the voters in 1946.

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STEEL'S STORY NOT TOLD

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Photos of half-dressed chorines, tales of dinner parties and efforts to make the political capital of F.D.R. in the industrial battle of decision are making headlines in the U. S. press, but this relation of minor matter is also diverting attention from the sensational less glamorous and sexy operations of the U. S. steel trust.

Because the Senate was investigating subcommittee is headed by Republicans, it is unlikely now to get its spotlight on the gentleman expected to pay the freight of the GOP campaign in 1948. The story is there . . .

During the war a shortage of steel crippled production at a time it meant lives of GIs and their allies on the western and eastern fronts. Now that we are at peace, the steel interests open plan to operate at two-thirds capacity . . . with the knowledge it means an economy with 12 million jobless on the streets.

There are numerous authorities on these allegations, but perhaps U. S. Steel and the federal government will suffice.

In its annual report to stockholders in 1946, U. S. Steel said the long-term outlook is "for the average use of about 75% of its capacity."

Louis H. Bean of the U. S. Department of Agriculture said in report "Steel Requirement for Employment" (April, 1947) "if the industry operated at full capacity, it would mean 60 million tons of steel. On the basis of past relationships, 60 million output would mean 12 million unemployed."

Pres. Walter Reuther of the United Auto Workers (CIO) recently told the Senate small business committee that the curtailment of steel production planned for 1950 "will mean 14 million workers unemployed by 1950 . . . will mean that some 200,000 workers will be thrown out of their jobs."

Reuther charged that the industry's program is one of planned scarcity plainly calculated to enhance profits and to justify their monopoly hold over the basic industry.

Builder Henry J. Kaiser is other witness against the monopoly grab of the steel interests. He told the Senate was investigating subcommittee that the steel program was aimed at killing new business and that undermines the economy by keeping anyone who dares enter new industry.

U. S. Steel holding 32% of U. S. capacity and controlling a fraction of the remainder—Kaiser offered to "lay before committee a program whereby Pontiac steel plant (in California) can be owned by its employees and its customers—the housing manufacturers of the country."

Kaiser offered to help show that steel can be expanded to produce a greater quantity and quality of steel, and compete to the advantage of the public—with U. S. Steel corp.

It was no dice—the Senate subcommittee wants political sense for the 1948 campaign. The policy of curtailed production and high prices for steel goes ahead to help inflate livestock and add to the list of

through the steel industry now bringing up third quarter earnings that are about the highest known, the new increase of \$5 to \$10 per ton will add another \$350 million from consumers.

Though steel operates at capacity, it cannot hope to present demand and the industry is determinedly resisting measures to expand capacity. Policy drew a scathing denunciation from the wealthiest of the upper chamber, Sen. E. Murray (D. Mont.): "The industry believes there is for an increase over the

PAC TO BE FEATURED IN LABOR DAY FETES

Labor Day is P.A.C. Day. P.A.C. Day is Labor Day. Which ever way you say it, it means the same thing—Labor Day celebrations are to be built around political action.

Quick to move after the PAC Executive Board called upon all CIO groups to devote their Labor Day festivities to PAC, CIO President Philip Murray and PAC Director Jack Kroll wrote to all industrial union councils and PACs "There is no better time to stir interest in the work of the CIO Political Action Committee than this Labor Day."

Important Occasion
"We cannot emphasize too much the importance of this occasion," wrote Murray and Kroll. "Men and women of organized labor will convene in meetings, picnics and other Labor Day celebrations in every section of the nation. While enjoying this national holiday, they will be discussing the many important issues before labor and the American people."

The dedication of Labor Day as P.A.C. day is expected to arouse added interest in the new PAC program to register every member of CIO and intensify the PAC voluntary contribution drive. The Murray-Kroll letter emphasized this, stating "stress should be placed on the fact that it is the specific responsibility of all citizens to participate in the affairs of their government and that registration is the first essential to such participation. . . . With large crowds in attendance, these celebrations can also serve as an excellent springboard for the collection of voluntary contributions. All such fund raising should be carried out in full cooperation with the international unions in your area."

Advising that the miserable record of the 80th Congress could be used to good advantage to push PAC's twin drive, the letter urged that the performance of the Congress be clearly portrayed in "Labor Day speeches, radio programs, leaflets and exhibits. Those councils sponsoring Labor Day parades should feature political action floats or exhibits."

SAFETY CARTOONS FOR E. CHICAGO

Departing from the usual unfriendly "Speed Limit—Warning" type of signs at its city limits, East Chicago is greeting motorists at its six highway entrances into the city with new colorful cartoon signs extending a welcome to the Twin City and pointing up a safety reminder to the drivers at the same time. The signs, erected by the East Chicago Safety Council, were placed this week at the north and south city limits on Indianapolis Blvd., the east and west entrances on Chicago Avenue, at the Cline Ave.—Columbus Drive intersection, and at the Marktown boundary adjoining Whiting. The signs were designed by J. L. Ridinger, Director of Safety at the Inland Steel Co., and were turned over to the city today in a ceremony conducted by Ridinger, Dewey T. Brush, schoolman and president of the Safety Council, R. E. Rost, Director of Safety at the Edward Valves Co. and Vice-President of the Council, and John B. Twyman of the East Chicago Chamber of Commerce, who is Secretary of the organization.

present capacity. Yet small independent businesses are closing and many others are curtailing production for lack of steel."

Murray said some steel men are predicting a depression late in 1947, but that these views "should occasion no surprise, coming from representatives of a monopolistic industry with its long history of policies of high prices and profits and low volume."

If your job peters out—blame Big Steel.

BIG STEEL PULLS BIG STEAL

NEW YORK—(FP)—The steel monopolists who just announced price hikes of \$5 to \$10 per ton are apparently convinced that (1) most people don't read financial news and (2) if they do, they have short memories.

While citing a huge pile of statistics to justify the price rise—which it is conservatively estimated will cost steel users \$30 million more a year and consumers much more than that—the monopolists kept carefully hidden in their files such facts as these:

The 11 top steel producers in the first quarter of 1947 took in over \$104 million in net profits after taxes. In the first quarter of 1946 these same companies garnered only \$18 million—a rise this year of over 400%.

According to board chairman Irving S. Olds of U. S. Steel, the nation's top producer, the increase in labor costs was a chief factor in forcing the steel price rise. Here are some more facts which Olds neglected to mention:

In the first quarter of 1946—when a steel strike took place—U. S. Steel paid out a total of \$147,800,000 in wages and salaries. In the first quarter of 1947 when operations were normal, it paid out \$203 million—an increase of 37%.

In the first quarter of 1946, U. S. Steel made \$10 million in net profits after taxes. In the first quarter of 1947, it made \$39 million—an increase of nearly 300%.

To rip apart U. S. Steel's poverty plea even further, the company is now operating at an annual profit rate of \$157 million. Last year its net profits totalled \$88 million; in 1945, \$58 million.

According to steel company spokesmen, the current price increases do not take into account the recent wage raises in the coal industry. These wage hikes, they warned, may increase steel costs another \$5 or so per ton. According to reliable estimates, however, the wage increases in coal would add at the very most 88¢ a ton on the cost of steel production.

In deciding on the increase, the steel magnates brushed aside Pres. Truman's recent warning in his economic report to Congress that continued price rises in basic industry may well result in another depression.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Survivors of honorably discharged World War II veterans who die within three years after their discharge are again reminded to contact their nearest Social Security Administration Field Office, Charles S. Davis, manager of the Hammond office, said today.

Under the 1946 amendments to the Social Security Act, survivors of honorably discharged veterans may be entitled to lump-sum or monthly benefits. Monthly benefits may be paid to aged widows, widows with minor children in their care, children under 18, and to dependent parents age 65 or over. "Since these monthly benefits are retroactive only three months from date of application before the veteran's date of death, survivors should contact a Social Security office as soon as possible," Davis urged. Failure to file in time has caused loss of benefits in a number of cases, and no benefits can be paid until an application has been filed.

Davis added that no fees are charged for advisory or other services rendered in any Social Security Field Office. "Inquiries of all kinds concerning Social Security are welcome at our office. People in doubt about entitlement to benefits are especially urged to write or call at our office."

The Hammond office of the Social Security Administration is located in Room 417, Post Office Building, and is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Unionization of textile workers over the past 10 years has doubled the average hourly scale for the entire industry.

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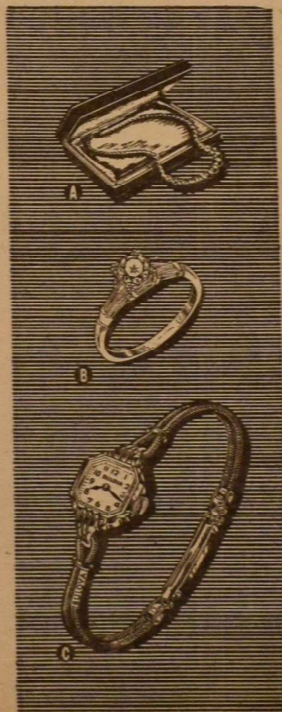
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 down the sink with the ex-
 of one glass which I drank.
 the cork from the sec-
 and did likewise, with
 exception of one glass which
 I then withdrew the cork
 the third bottle and emptied
 the second bottle down the sink with
 exception of one glass which
 I pulled the cork from
 the fourth sink and poured the
 down the glass, which I
 I pulled the bottle from
 the next and drank
 the cork out of it and poured the
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 out of the next glass and
 the cork down the bottle.
 the next cork out of my
 and poured the sink down
 bottle and drank the glass.
 I corked the sink with the
 bottled it and drank the
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 out, I steadied the house
 one hand, counted the bottles
 and glasses with the
 which were twenty-nine. To
 sure, I counted them again
 they came around and I had
 counted them again and fin-
 I had all the houses and bot-
 tles and glasses counted,
 one house and one bottle
 I drank.
 of some union men,
 painting houses, Mamu-
 Lutes pigeons, Dit-
 poker (stud), Conway
 McGregor—promoting, Sop-
 Ware Inequities, Calaci-
 are, Breen—filling the brief
 Ribic—talking over the
 E. C. Johnson—politics,
 whistling, etc., etc.
 I appeal to the union mem-
 support a move to activate
 Safety Committee of the Un-
 The importance of this com-
 cannot be stressed too
 we have an agreement with
 company that recognizes this
 matter, and there is no reason
 "Operation Safety" cannot be
 held at the Inland. The grow-
 interest in Safety points to
 practicability of providing as-
 on safety problems by the
 Committee. Several things
 committee could study are as
 Safety programs designed
 specific problems.
 review of Inland's plant acci-
 dent system.
 development and operation of a
 safety committee in co-
 operation with management.
 safety training courses.
 appraisal and control of me-
 tal hazards.
 special recognition for accident
 prevention by department.
 think the spirit of cooperation
 stressed by both labor
 industry could well be exemp-
 by a joint safety committee
 would work for the good of
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 Group #3: First and Third Sunday; 10 A.M.
 40" mill; rail mill; 28" mill; tie plate mill.
 Group #4: Second Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
 10" mill; 14" mill; roll shop.
 Group #5: Second and Fourth Wednesday of each
 month; 7:30 P.M. 44", 76", 46". Bloomer, 44",
 46" Slab Yards.
 Group #6: First and Third Tuesday; 8 P.M.
 Cold strip and tin mill.
 Group #7: Fourth Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
 Transportation department.
 Group #8: Third Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.
 New construction.
 Group #9: First Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
 36", 19", 24" mills, stores, machine shop, blacksmith
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 Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
 Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.
 Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
 Power department.
 Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.
 (In the event of illness or death of any member, please
 notify the union headquarters, 3436 Michigan avenue, Indiana
 Harbor 3331.)

Taylor Urges Labor To Get Together On Politics

by Federated Press
 MINNEAPOLIS—(FP)—Amid
 cheers and a hearty ovation, Sen.
 Glen H. Taylor (D., Ida.) called
 for the united action of labor on
 the political front with the key
 objective of electing someone to
 succeed Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R.,
 Minn.).

Addressing a luncheon group of
 250 under the auspices of the Min-
 nesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor
 party, Taylor said: "If the top
 leadership of the AFL and CIO
 can't get together, the DFL is a
 ready vehicle for united labor
 political action in Minnesota."

Taylor said it was deplorable
 the way liberals fight among them-
 selves. "You'll notice," he said,
 "that the Republicans always get
 together after an intra-party fight.
 Liberals don't. They go home and
 pout like kids if the man they
 want is not nominated to run for
 office. It's all right to have these
 fights before the convention and
 even up to the time nominations
 are made. But, after nominations,
 support the man nominated . . .
 that's the way to beat Ball."

The senator denounced red-
 baiting, declaring that he has been
 asked why he did not repudiate
 Communist support and answered:
 "I'm not repudiating any support,
 anyone who is going my way can
 come along as far as I'm going."
 He cited his own experience where
 three times, when running for the
 Senate, he denied being a Commu-
 nist. On the fourth time he said,
 "To hell with it," and was elected.

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20 Indiana Papers Defy Taft-Hartley

By Federated Press
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 tions, both AFL and CIO, have
 defied the Taft-Hartley law pro-
 vision prohibiting editorial com-
 ment on political candidates and
 office holders by union news-
 papers, CIO regional headquarters
 announced here.
 Publications that have ignored
 the ban, the CIO said, include:
 CIO: The Lamp Maker, Ander-
 son; Labor Sentinel, East Chicago;
 Evansville UE News; Fort Wayne
 UE Herald and The Steel Worker,
 Gary.
 AFL: The Carpenters Journal,
 Indiana Teamster, Intl. Teamsters,
 Journeyman Barber, Labor Guide,
 Laundry Worker, Typographical
 Journal and The Union, all of In-
 dianapolis; Painter x Decorator
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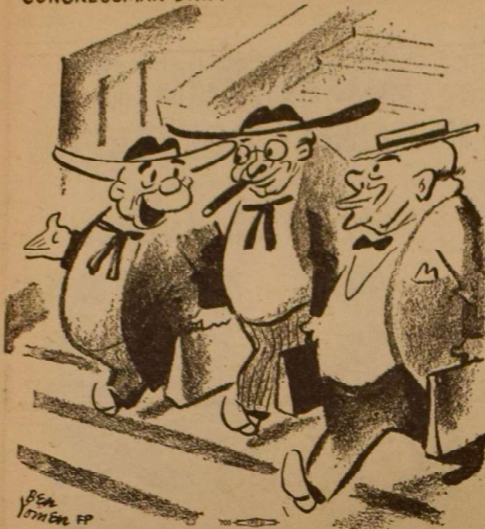
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Taft-Hartley Forms Ready For Unions

WASHINGTON — (FP) — The three page questionnaire or registration form upon which local and international unions must spell out details of their business, names and compensation of officers, and qualifications and restrictions on membership is ready at the U. S. Department of Labor.

Under the Taft-Hartley law (Public Law 101) the information is required to be filed with the NLRB may "investigate any representation question raised by the labor organization, or entertain any petition for a union-shop election, or issue any complaint pursuant to an unfair practice charge filed by a labor organization."

Requests for the forms and returns of the filled out blanks should be made to the Office for the Registration of Labor Organizations, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington 25, D. C.

The first page of the document quotes the pertinent section of the law and provides for the name of the union, its address, and name and address of the parent national or international union.

Next comes space for the names, titles, compensation and allowances of three principal officers, with an indication of whether they are elected "appointed or otherwise selected." Compensation and allowances for the preceding fiscal

year must be reported.

On the second page unions must attach a list showing the names, titles and compensation and allowances "of all other officers or agents whose aggregate compensation and allowance for the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$5,000.

Unions are next required to state the initiation fee or fees new members are required to pay to join the union, and list the regular dues or fees which members are required to pay to remain in good standing. A copy of the constitution must be attached, with specific indication as to which sections touch on qualifications for membership, elections, regular and special meetings, assessments, fines, authorization for bargaining demands, ratification of contract terms, strike authorization, authorization for spending union funds, audits, insurance plans and expulsion of members.

As a final point the form requires filing dates of the union's fiscal year, a list of all receipts and sources thereof, total assets and liabilities, and disbursements made, including the purpose for which made.

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NEWARK, N. J. — (FP) — Pres. Quincy Beltram of the Intl. Edge Tool Co., who hands out raises only if he receives a "message from the Lord," received a message from his workers July 31 in the form of a picketline.

The picketline got going after Beltram stopped each of his 15 employees as they were coming to work and asked one question: "Are you in favor of a union?" Eleven who said "Yes" were fired immediately. Picketing started at once at the plant entrance, which in addition to carrying the name of the firm displays a sign: Bible Studies in the Rear. Beltram, who conducts the classes, gives his employees time off to attend.

Later in the day Beltram was called to the office of the state board of mediation, where he agreed to an election. It was won 9 to 6 by the United Steelworkers (CIO). Beltram accepted the decision, announcing he would sign with the union. The Lord had no comment.

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A porter begins cleaning up the rostrum of the House of Representatives after the adjournment of Congress. For the rest of the country, the scattered waste paper represents unfinished business on housing, prices, and shadows of economic collapse and war. (Federated Pictures)

Steelworkers to Oppose NLRB, Exclude Strike Pledge

By Federated Press

PITTSBURGH — (FP) — The United Steelworkers (CIO) will channel any of its disputes through the new labor board established under the Taft-Hartley act. The executive board voted to commit itself to on-going obligations enforceable by the new law which, "completely destroyed the fundamental protection given to workers by the Wagner act," the board stated.

We shall in good faith seek to resolve all issues between our union and the employers through collective bargaining and peaceful means whenever possible. The right to strike in event of disputes must be preserved or our freedom shall be lost.

The board endorsed the national decision to refuse to "comply with unconstitutional limitations on political activity."

The processes required under the Taft-Hartley act would "serve only as a device to hamper and discourage organization and collective bargaining," the union stated, describing the aims of the act as an attempt "to undermine unions, prevent the organization of unions, encourage lawsuits against unions and their members, facilitate the issuance of injunctions against peaceful, concerted activities of workers . . . and break up industrial unions."

According to Sec. Treas. David McDonald, 1,050 contracts signed by the union this year contain no strike pledges. About 500 contracts remain to be negotiated, he said.

WASHINGTON — (FP) — Work needed now in building and modernizing water supply and waste disposal systems to the extent of \$7.5 billion, the U. S. Public Works Service said July 6 after completing a nationwide survey of sanitation needs. Some 100,000 Americans live in communities with improper facilities, it said.

MADISON, Wis. — (FP) — A union of farmer-labor unity was organized here when CIO workers at a J. I. Case Co. voted to contribute \$1,000 to the Wisconsin Farmers Union building fund to construct a state headquarters. The gift was a symbol of appreciation from members of Local 180, United Auto Workers, for the support given them by the farmers during their 14-month strike against the Case company.

CHICAGO — (FP) — Demands for a million railroad workers a 20c hourly wage increase went to arbitration, representatives of 17 noon-operating railroad brotherhoods and rail operators decided.

NEWSREEL



CONGRESSMAN PITTLE, "BY HECK
IT IS A PAIN IN THE NECK!
ON EARTH CAN I WIN
THOSE DOLLARS ROLL IN.
TELLS ME MY FUTURE'S
BLACK!"

RENT ADVISORY BOARD

Members of the Rent Advisory Board for the Gary-Hammond Rental Area were announced today by Frank R. Creedon, national housing expert, according to word received by Thomas M. Kitchen, area rent director.

The committee was named from recommendations made by Governor Ralph E. Gates, in accordance with the housing and rent act of 1947, effective July 1.

The board members, who will serve without compensation, are as follows:

John M. Fox, 4675 Jefferson Place, Gary, Indiana, Realtor; Robert Gray, 554 Connecticut Street, Gary, Indiana, Steelworker; Christopher A. Hibbler, 2507 Pennsylvania Street, Gary, Indiana, Field Representative, Lake County Dept. of Public Welfare; Michael Aawochka, 1700 Ellsworth Street, Business Representative, A. F. of L. Teamsters' Union Local No. 142; Carl Kleihage, 5142 Hohman, Hammond, Indiana, Realtor; John O'Malley, 2930 Oak Street, East Chicago, Indiana, Steelworker; Steven Toth, 524 W. 151st Street, East Chicago, Ind., Secy.-Treas. A. F. of L. Teamsters' Union, Local No. 520; David G. Jacobs, 7628 Jackson Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, Receiving Clerk, Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad Co.; F. Derrill Reed, 503 Conkey Street, Hammond, Indiana, Realtor; Byron C. Witt, 1113 Gostlin Street, Hammond, Indiana, Conductor, Indiana Harbor Belt R. R.

"I welcome the appointment of the board for the Gary-Hammond Rental Area," Kitchen said. "My office will cooperate with them and furnish all assistance they may require to enable them to perform their functions."

The housing and rent act authorizes the local rent advisory boards to make recommendations to the national housing expert as to:

1. Decontrol of a defense-rental area or any portion thereof;
2. The adequacy of the general rent level in the area, and
3. Operations of the local rent office with particular reference to hardship cases.

Within 30 days after receiving any recommendations of a local board, "appropriately substantiated and in accordance with applicable law and regulations," the law provides that the housing expert must approve or disapprove the recommendation, or notify the local rent advisory board in writing of the reasons why final action cannot be taken within 30 days.

The rent advisory board may also consider individual adjustment cases coming before it and make recommendations to the local area rent director. However, official orders changing maximum rents and other rent orders will continue to be issued only by local area rent directors as they have in the past.

Kitchen said the board will be provided with office space and facilities, including stenographic service, at the area rent office at 320 W. 5th Avenue, Gary. There will also be made available to the local board any needed information they may require as to the establishment and maintenance of maximum rents and housing accommodations in the area.

Down on the farmers: The Indiana Chamber of Commerce has graciously "loaned" two of its employees—Howard Friend and Robert Hammer—to the House Appropriations committee as "experts" on appropriations for the Dept. of Agriculture. So far all these swivel-chair farmers have produced is a series of gaping holes in the farm-aid program, which will be completely plowed under by the time they're through. What qualifies these Chamber of Commerce hired hands to be farm experts is hard to determine; but it's a cinch that when these big business outfits "loan" something, there's usually some interest involved.

Your Job and The Law

By JACK ABBOTT
Federated Press

Decision Unnecessary

United Electric Radio & Machine Workers (CIO) lost an election at F. A. Smith in Rochester, N. Y., on July 31, 1946, because, it claimed, the employer had interfered and discriminated against CIO unionists. These issues were litigated before NLRB in March, 1947. On July 18, 1947, NLRB issued its decision. We quote:

"We find it unnecessary to pass on the merits of the contentions . . . A year has now elapsed since the holding of the election and we do not believe any practical purpose would be served even were we to set aside the election . . . Accordingly we shall dismiss the petition."

This was a pre-Taft-Hartley case. The new law gives company lawyers many more excuses for delay. Draw your own conclusions.

DETROIT — (FP) — Less than two weeks after striking Ford Motor Co. foremen returned to work under pledges of "absolutely no recriminations or reprisals," 32 of them were fired. They are members of the Foreman's Assn. of America (unaffiliated).

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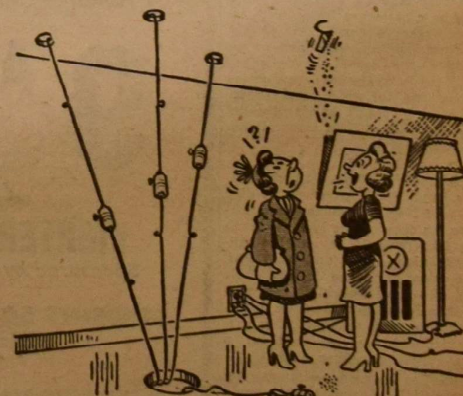


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For Judge
HENRY W. PETERSEN

For Clerk
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For Councilman-at-large
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They are the men the crank calls the Clique. They all should be proud of membership like these; they may call them the Clique or whatever they please, they never attempt any duties to further the cause—

They are the Clique that run "most every lodge. There are some people who always find fault, most of this kind are not worth their salt; they like to start trouble but seldom will stick—

They like to put all the work on the Clique. They not be one of the clique help your fellow worker, stand at night. . . . To wait the bus and the grabbing of boxes to sit on. . . . The flash of the plant watchmen look like lit up popcicles. . . . The motion on the lake of the lights the dock, shimmering in the formation. . . . The ear of the guy on the loud speaker, giving orders to the crews, sounds funny about in the morning. . . . Showers marks from the Blast Furnaces. Endless ribbons of red hot in the Merchants Mills, travel a mile a minute. . . . The glare on the clouds. . . . Heat, Chicago, lit up like a Christmas on a clear night. . . . Smoke. Outlines of half built mills, steel columns reaching up pointing fingers. . . . Steam-cumulus clouds—from the quenchers, showering a fine. . . . Pushing a heat from the ovens, a vision in technicolor. . . . The dismal wall from the lighthouse, on a foggy night. Monsters afloat, gliding with smoothness into the canal's mouth. . . . The throbings of machinery. . . . Sounds in the night, whistles, sirens, bells, accented by the blackness. . . . A crash of waves from a restless sea. . . . Heavenly dawn. . . . a shining shower. . . . home.

H Mc many thanks to George Sopko, Milligan, Ed Dittmars and Lutes, Tom Conway, and Don for contributions to this is—

THE EDITOR.

RS VERSUS MEALS

by the R. F. reporter

little over a year ago, the men of the Blast Furnace promised a cafeteria where they could get a hot meal if desired.

When the appropriation was made to make room for the brick garage now being built out of the coal field, as the get shiny new cars are important than the welfare of men.

At the time this goes to press we are working under the Taft-Hartley bill—so get to the next meeting without fail and the rights and wrongs of

of Taft—did you read the Senator's initials in the Ohio Senator? Is Robert A. Taft. . . . the initials yourself.

YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE

By HARRY MCCOY

Once again your scribe from the vantage point of a seat reserved for the press, got a birdseye view of an excellent card brought together by "Red" McGregor of our local, at the Civic Center last Thursday night—the customers really got their money's worth. Midst the thud of leather and the tang of resin and busily ducking the mouthpieces that were knocked my way by the determined effort of the fighters I managed to get the following blow by blow account of the proceedings.

The first bout of the evening was a scorching and as hot as the weather we have been having lately. It paired at 126 lbs. Raul Ramirez of the Gary A. C. and Dick Saunders of the Joyce A. C. Dick had the advantage of height and reach and got the decision over Raul, a very game lad. It was a fast scrap from the opening bell and a fitting opener for the bouts to follow.

The second bout saw a couple of 136 pounders. J. L. Sullivan (whom we have met before) of the Gary C. Y. O. and Russ Bannister of Griffith A. C. Russ, though plainly a novice, is a pretty rugged lad with dynamite in both hands and seemed eager to mix it up. J. L. showed improvement in his boxing style, but was very reluctantly forced to quit with a bad cut over the eye, in the second round. Ref Walter Schramm (an old favorite) showed good judgment in stopping the bout and awarding the decision to Russ on a T. K. O.

Juan Flores of Gary C. Y. O. and Joe Mays of Ringside A. C. at 130 lbs. were the next attraction. Juan got the unanimous decision of the judges and deservedly so, coming out like a banty rooster and carrying the fight all the way. Joe took some hefty licks and was relieved when the end of the third round finished the bout.

Next event saw Dave Milligan of Gary C. Y. O. and John Brown of Ringside paired off at 135 lbs. Halfway through the first round Dave caught a sock in the solar plexus that was a beaut and took no further interest in the proceedings.

We were introduced to a fighting name in this district in the person of Joe Zale of Gary C. Y. O. In the next bout, Joe met John Sassano of East Chicago at 135 lbs. and kept up the tempo of the preceding fights. Joe a tall, fair haired lad boxed flat footed and swung from the hips, a true sign of power, and had Sassano (a good scrapper) in trouble in the first round. However John recovered and started trading licks and both boys were down in the second round. Joe had enough to go on and win but it wasn't easy.

By this time the bigger boys started showing up and at 160 lbs. we saw Norm Malone of Chicago tackle Rick Leland of Joyce A. C. Rick appeared to be stronger and although inclined to clown a little, gave a smart exhibition of boxing and gained the decision over Malone.

The next bout at 150 lbs. brought together a couple of boys who had not been at the game very long, Geo. Sally of St. Joe's in Hammond and Luther Richards of Joyce A. C. What they lacked in experience they made up in aggressiveness because they came out fighting and no love taps either. Sally kept a left hand in Richard's face all through the scrap which earned him a popular decision with the crowd, who always likes to see the home town boy win.

Jess Ballard of Ringside and Harry Jones of Chicago were paired at 160 lbs. and both of these boys knew what the score was and went to work like veterans. Jones covered beautifully and liked the infighting, but Jess got wise to that and turned on the steam to gain the nod. A hard one to call, though.



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The wind-up saw a requested match, Percy Bell of the Ringside A. C. meeting Tom Simmons of Joyce at 175 lbs. They mixed it up like a couple of strange bulldogs and had the crowd on their feet. I wondered myself what kept either of the boys in an upright position. Bell don't rely very much on the fine points of the game, he's out to do damage, and brother he generally does. Bell won on a T. K. O. in the third round and it was a fitting climax to a card of good bouts, in my opinion the best you will see anywhere, at this type of show. "Red" McGregor should be congratulated on bringing this type of talent into the Calumet Area, and deserves support.

Announcements were capably handled by genial "Chuck" Harris and the referee chores were expertly handled by Walt Schramm and Mal Beckham. Our own chief of police, Walter Conroy, acted as one of the judges. It was a fine show, folks and

YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE.

POLITICAL ACTION

At the local union meeting Thursday much was said about the Taft-Hartley bill, and the representatives who put it over in Washington, and what should be done about it.

Your local union officers were criticized for their apparent lack of political action, with fall elections not far off.

Chairman Sargent promised plenty of action—to start with the next Executive Board Meeting.

THE NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

J. Sargent, P. Callaci, G. Sopko, D. Lutes, H. Powell and A. Breen are to meet at 12 noon Tuesday, September 2, for the purpose of approving a proposal for craft apprentice rates to be presented to the Company. This was approved by the Grievance Committee.

NOTICE — GROUP NO. 9

24-in. Bar Mill — 26-in. Bloomer — No. 1 Mechanical Dept. and Stores Dept.

Start thinking about setting a date for a big party at which we could elect our three representative stewards for each division.

We have a group fund that would furnish plenty of refreshments.

Make recommendations to August Sladick and George Sopko—Grievance Committeemen.

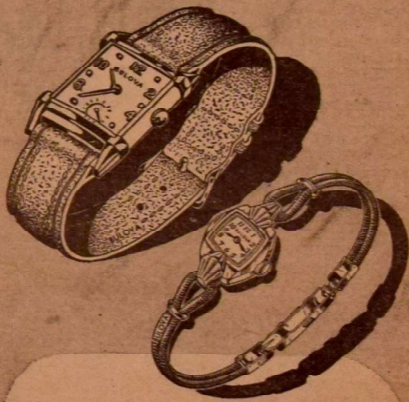
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GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

GRIEVANCE REPORT FOR MONTH OF AUGUST

1. STEP FOUR GRIEVANCES.

The union requested the supervisors of the departments in which the grievances are filed, be present at the step four meetings in order to reach immediate decisions. Management had answers on some grievances in this step.

"9C-1" Case in Zaragoza's department granted.

13-B-29" Indiscriminate schedule change in 76-in. Mill, denied.

"10-B-28" Motor inspectors and helpers, case granted.

2-B-18" Additional duties of transfer car operators of the coke plant denied.

"2-B-19" Lost turn in coke plant granted.

"10-B-25, 2-B-17" Settled satisfactorily.

"20-B-77" Presented by George Sopko was granted.

Mr. Luellen promised to expedite the grievance in this step more rapidly than he has in the past.

2. ACCIDENTS AT INLAND STEEL COMPANY.

This topic on the agenda was postponed to the meeting of September. The Company wishes to have the safety committee of Inland Steel Company present.

3. MANAGEMENT GIVING IMPROPER INEQUITY RATES TO EMPLOYEES.

Mr. Luellen did not uphold the giving out of improper rates by department heads but at the same time took a position of ignorance about the entire program. When questioned by the committee about it, Mr. Luellen has the job of administering the program and should know all the answers.

4. WATER IN NO. 2 O. H.

The Company stated they would take care of this.

5. INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT REMOVING EMPLOYEES FROM THE CHECK-OFF.

A meeting between Mr. McClure and the union's financial secretary will be arranged to straighten out the claims of the union. Mr. McClure stated their evidently have been some mistakes made.

6. INGOT SCALES IN NO. 1 & 2 O. H.

The company requested two weeks in which to make a study of this request.

7. STEEL DOORS IN NO. 1 O. H.

The company promised to take care of this as soon as possible.

8. MILK

The employees are requesting milk in pints be placed on sale. Some employees do not desire a quart and are unable to purchase pints. The union also requests soft drinks in vending machines. Company will check this request and have an answer in near future.

9. PARKING LOTS

The union requested the company better the lighting in the parking lots and also fill in the spots that are in bad shape.

10. COKE PRICES.

The union requested from the company the prices of coke for this year. The company will have a complete list of prices for the committee at the next meeting.

11. INDIRECT BONUS.

Mr. Luellen will discuss this problem with the individual grievance men involved.

12. MINER DUNN.

The union requested the lunch slip prices be raised to eighty-five cents. The price of food at the canteen has been raised and the sixty-five cents now allowed is not ample to provide enough food for an employee working overtime. Mr. Luellen said he would check this claim and if true adjust the amount allowed.

13. HOLIDAY WEEK SCHEDULE.

Mr. Luellen will check with Mr. Jiljes on this one and have an answer for the committee at September meeting.

Donald Lutes, Chairman
Sam Krupaw, Vice Chairman
Edward L. Dittmars, Secretary

First damage suit against strikers was filed in 1833 by the Thompsonville Carpet Mfg. Co.

Soft Ball Schedule For 2nd Round

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 27, 1947
Teams 7 and 9 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

Teams 10 and 6 No. 2 Field Todd Park.

FRIDAY AUGUST 29, 1947
Teams 2 and 10 No. 2 Field Todd Park.

Teams 3 and 8 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 1, 1947
Teams 2 and 5 Edward Valve Field—Double header 5:30 p.m.

Teams 10 and 4 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 1947
Teams 10 and 8 Edward Valve Field.

WEDNESDAY SEPT. 3, 1947
Teams 5 and 4 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

Teams 6 and 1 No. 2 Field Todd Park.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 5, 1947
Teams 10 and 1 No. 2 Field Todd Park.

Teams 2 and 3 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 1947
Teams 6 and 9 Edward Valve Field.

Teams 1 and 7 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

Teams 10 and 3 No. 2 Field Todd Park.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 1947
Teams 5 and 8 Edward Valve Field.

WEDNESDAY SEPT. 10, 1947
Teams 10 and 9 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

Teams 4 and 1 No. 2 Field Todd Park.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 1947
Teams 1 and 8 No. 2 Field Todd Park.

Teams 6 and 7 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 1947
Teams 5 and 10 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

Teams 3 and 7 No. 2 Field Todd Park.

Teams 4 and 9 Edward Valve Field.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 1947
Teams 9 and 3 Edward Valve Field.

WEDNESDAY SEPT. 17, 1947
Teams 7 and 8 No. 1 Field Todd Park.

The Tin Mill Team finished the first round of play with 9 wins and no defeats. The second round got under way Aug. 4, 1947, and with good weather should finish September 17, 1947 with the Blast Furnace No. 2 Open Hearth.

Edward Valve showing great improvements and should be a good fight right down to the end of the season. We have games scheduled for Labor Day but will have to play them at later dates.

STANDINGS

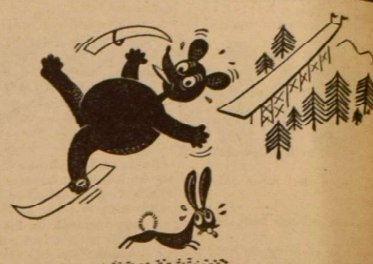
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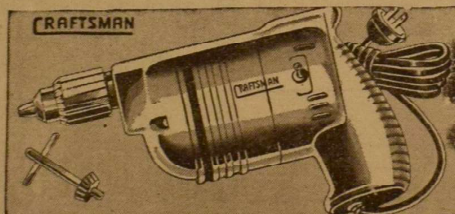
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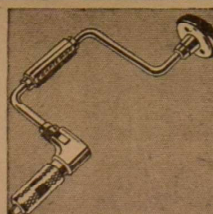
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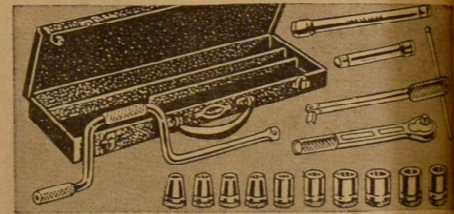
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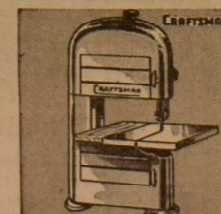
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REP. HALLECK REPUDIATED IN HOME DISTRICT

Members of Jasper County, Ind., outraged at Congressman Charles A. Halleck for his anti-labor activities in Washington, are retiring him from politics.

An article in the Terre Haute "Leader," an AFL publication, republished in the "Leader," official publication of the State Federation of Labor, charges virtually

that Halleck made a fortune when prosecuting attorney at Rensselaer by not prosecuting people with money to buy him off.

Congressman Halleck, who helped kill price controls and helped promote the Taft-Hartley Bill only escaped the penitentiary by pleading the statute of limitations, the article asserts.

The article is as follows:

Five hundred Republicans in Jasper County are organizing to defeat Charles A. Halleck, their congressman. In a widely distributed letter they charge him with being "the worst political crook we ever knew. A man that only escaped the penitentiary by pleading the Statute of Limitations, which only means he was not arrested soon after the crime and this while he was prosecuting attorney."

However, the 500 Republicans

allege that his lifelong chum was arrested while he was county auditor and sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

"We are 500 sleepy farmers," the letter goes on. "We should have acted before, but some said the skunk would stink himself to death! Now we are raising \$10,000 to push it out."

"He entered the prosecutor's office a pauper. He left office a rich man. Thousands of dollars did Halleck collect from people under threat of prosecution. Court house records prove the truth and justice of his arrest, and will always stand as witnesses against this evil man."

"This is our first warning to the Republican party. If Charles A. Halleck's name is entered anywhere on the Republican ticket in

The Railroads Are Doing Alright

WASHINGTON — (FP) — The Assn. of American Railroads conceded Aug. 5 that the first six months of 1947 have done mighty well by the nation's Class 1 carriers.

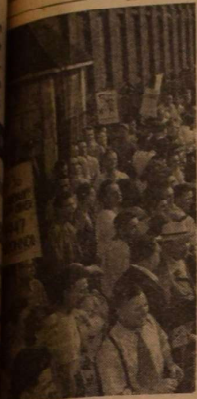
In a formal announcement the

1948, his life's record will be exposed by the opposition party. This man never did one good thing for them, all farmers say. He has always fought labor. Let's fight him!"

rail lobby said Class 1 railroads had an "estimated net income, after interest and rentals, of \$204 million compared with a deficit of \$20,600,000 in the corresponding period of 1946."

For June alone, Class 1 carriers had a net income of \$35½ million after interest and rentals, compared with \$14,872,000 in June 1946.

NEW YORK — (FP) — An all-out registration campaign, "the like of which this nation has never witnessed," will be the CIO's memorial to the late Sidney Hillman, CIO Pres. Philip Murray told a gathering in observance of the first anniversary of the labor leader's death July 30.



The Remington Rand Co. tried to return to the good old days of 1937 when its Mohawk Valley formula was a model for strike-breaking. But these United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers (U.R.M.W.) pickets had different ideas and stood firm against scabs and company cops. — (Federated Pictures).



The first major strike after the Taft-Hartley monstrosity became law was called by the Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers (CIO). These members turned out at midnight and sealed this Brooklyn shipyard with round-the-clock picketlines. — Federated Pictures).

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FOR RENTERS

Questions about evictions cannot be authoritatively answered at the area rent office these days, citizens of Lake County were reminded today by Thomas M. Kitchen, Area Rent Director.

"Forgetting that local courts now have complete jurisdiction in eviction matters, people continue to consult us on the subject," Kitchen said.

"We are happy to advise on anything within the jurisdiction of the rent office, but a person inconveniences himself by directing to us nowadays any queries on evictions. These should go to the courts."

He explained that the change came when the new rent law became effective on July 1.

Specific protections against evictions are contained in the new law, but eviction controls are enforced only by local courts, he added.

"The courts now determine the waiting period which must elapse before tenants can be evicted when a house is sold," said Kitchen. "The waiting period under the old rent law, established by the rent office, ranged from three to six months."

"Evictions to allow occupancy by others are limited by the new federal law to immediate personal occupancy by the buyer or the landlord himself. Other conditions under which evictions may be made are very specific in the law."

The tenant who continues to pay the rent to which the landlord is entitled and lives up to the obligations of his tenancy generally has no more reason to fear eviction than under the old law, the rent official said.

SEATTLE — (FP) — The 6-point program for fighting the Taft-Hartley act outlined by AFL Pres. William Green and international officers was adopted as the basis for meeting the slave act menace by delegates to the 45th annual Washington State Federation of Labor convention.

WE WANT NO MOORE

More from Moore: Senator Edward H. Moore, (R) of Tulsa, Okla., whose term expires next year, doesn't say much on the Senate floor, but he doesn't have to. His votes against rent control and for the Taft-Hartley bill are just as effective as his speeches might be. Maybe more so. One day last spring he piped up on price control as follows: "It has weakened the morale of our people."

What people? The average factory worker today works 12 hours for food costing \$14.24. A year ago, while Moore was speaking, the average factory worker would have worked 9 hours and 35 minutes for the same food. We can't figure how it improves the morale of the average worker to go shopping these days.

On the other hand Senator Moore is known as the wealthiest man in the Senate. His biography in the Congressional Directory lists him as an "independent oil producer, farmer, and cattle raiser." And we all know that the cattle raisers' morale was weakened under price control, to the point where they struck.

He was elected by a 37,000 vote margin in 1942. Only 372,000 votes were cast although there are almost 2,400,000 people in Oklahoma, whose morale must have been pretty low at that point.

CO-OP NEWS

People's Set Up Districts

HAMMOND, Ind.—The seven-city area covered by People's Consumers Cooperatives, is being divided into neighborhoods, which will be the co-op's governing districts. The co-op is securing pledges for shares pending registration of its securities.

Earl Hiff has succeeded Phil Lloyd as education chairman.

A total of 14,800,000 U. S. workers were covered by union agreements in 1946.

BENTON HARBOR, Mich. — (FP) — A politically minded Republican prosecutor, a vote-minded governor, and anti-employer public opinion are operative factors in the strike of United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers

(CIO) Local 931 against the notorious Remington-Rand plant in Benton Harbor. The strike of 400 workers began June 23 for a 15c hourly raise. The company offered 7c and 6 paid holidays.

NEW YORK — (FP) — A wage increase for 20,000 Atlantic and Gulf coast seamen was included in an agreement between the Seafarers Intl. Union (AFI) and nine shipping companies.

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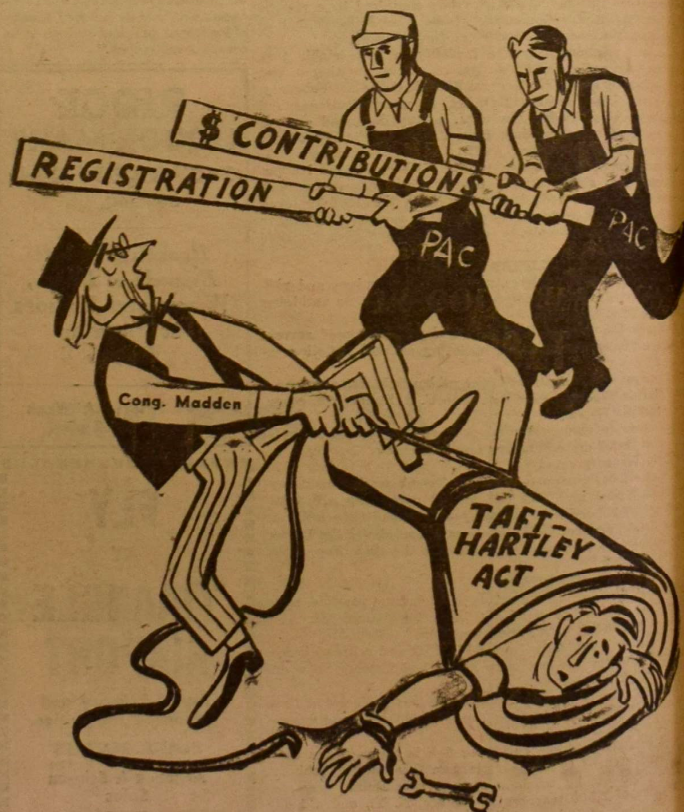
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PURCHASING POWER HELPED BY CO-OPS

HAVENFORD, Pa.—The labor movement needs to improve the purchasing power of the 15,000,000 union members and their families; the consumer cooperative movement has the know-how.

The two should work together, labor and co-op delegates to the 18th Annual Cooperative Institute sponsored by Eastern Cooperatives Inc. last week decided.

A part of each day at the week-long conference, held at Haverford College, was devoted to discussion of working with labor to build cooperatives.

WILL ALLEN, Washington representative of the International Ladies Garment Workers-AFL, said the 100 officers of co-ops and unions of the growing interest during the past three years in labor-co-op activities.

He announced that the AFL will shortly name a national staff member to work on co-op education and organization.

Allen also told of the co-op organizing work done by such CIO unions as the United Auto Workers, Rubber Workers, Textile Workers.

Greatest hazard in setting up co-op stores, co-op stores, purchasing clubs, and other ventures, has been the tendency to limit membership to union members, union leaders brought out.

On the basis of experience, membership is essential if the store or other co-op is to be a sound business basis.

An average-sized can of tomatoes cost 20.8c in April 1947, an increase of 8c over a year ago.



LONG LIVE THE QUEEN

We are happy to state that our own C. I. O. girl friend, Juanita Arredondo will be crowned Queen of the Fiestas on September 15th and 16th. Juanita is very grateful for the support given her by the Steelworkers and expresses her thanks in the following letter to this paper.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all those persons who so generously bought votes to help get me elected Queen of the Mexican Fiestas, which is an honor I feel proud to have bestowed upon me.

Also I wish to thank the "Labor Sentinel" Staff for being so nice in giving me the publicity that they did, and for giving me the space in their paper in order for me to thank all you nice people.

September 15th and 16th, are the two days of our big celebration which will take place on Stewart St., between Block & Penn. Ave., and I would surely be pleased to have all of you people present on these two days.

ONCE AGAIN — I WISH TO THANK EACH AND EVERY-ONE OF YOU.

Respetable público, deseo por medio de estas líneas dar mis más sinceras gracias a todas aquellas personas que tan bondadosamente me compraron votos, eligiéndome Reina de las Fiestas Patrias. Este es un gran honor que se me ha obsequiado, y deseo al mismo tiempo invitar a todos ustedes para que asistan a la celebración de nuestras Fiestas Patrias el 15 y 16 de septiembre.

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LOS ANGELES — (FT) — Looking ahead to '48, almost 300 delegates to a local CIO conference set about formulating a detailed 18-month political action program in firm union with the AFL and railroad brotherhoods.

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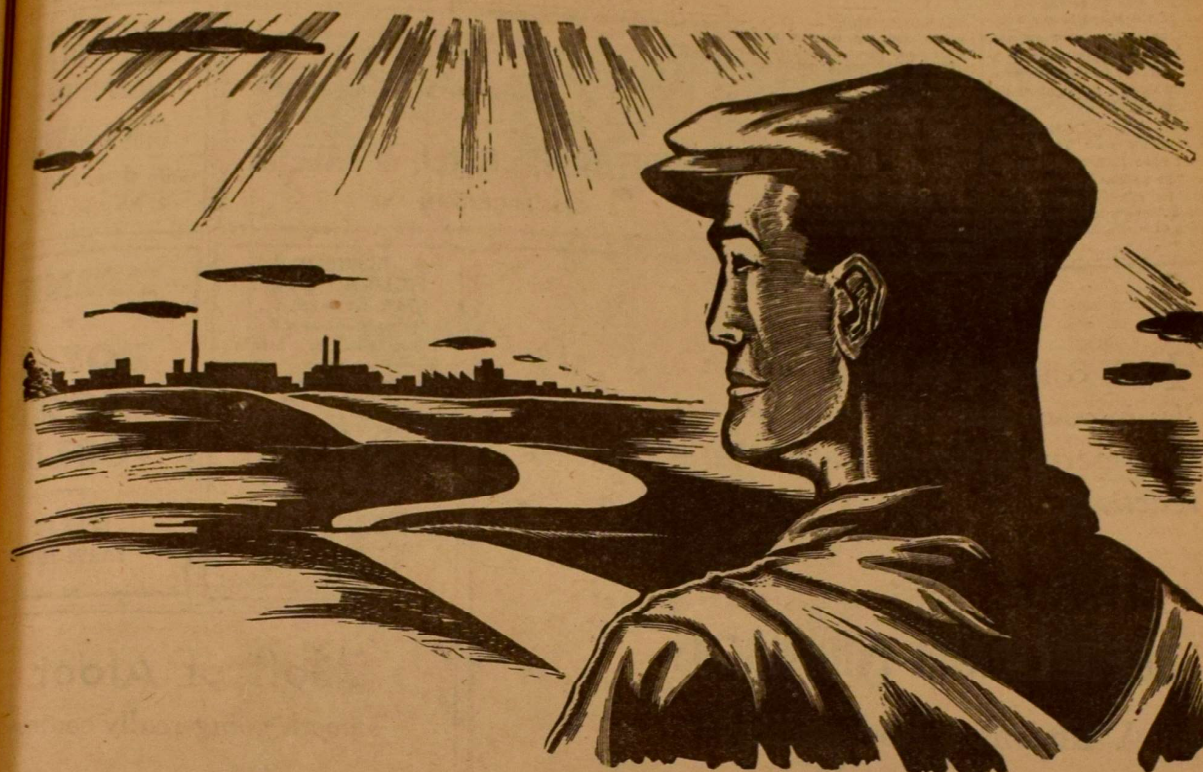
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'Labor, united, has pointed the way in the past. Labor, united, will point the way in the future.'

Joe Worker Can Do It!

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Job and Law

(Continued from page 6)

well established labor law that anyone may file a charge, which is simply a way of calling the attention of the board to the existence of an unfair labor practice which the board then proceeds to remedy. Perhaps its significance is best estimated in the light of the Taft-Hartley Act which sets up "qualified" and "disqualified" unions. Since New York State does not have such requirements, the board's action may be attributed to its admiration for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and Sen. Irving Ives both of whom favor the Taft-Hartley act.

DON'T WHISTLE WHILE YOU WORK

LANSING, Mich. — (FP) — Looking out the window of the Fisher Body plant of General Motors one hot day a member of United Auto Workers Local 602 (CIO) whistled at a girl across the street and drew a 3-day layoff. It made no difference that she was his wife, to the corporation martinots.

Total number of disabling injuries in the U. S. for the first quarter of 1947 was 127,000, an increase of 19,500 over the first quarter of 1946.

WASHINGTON — (FP) — Union members and their families can work toward full security by using their buying power to develop co-operatives and buck the monopolies, the CIO said in a new, illustrated pamphlet entitled Unions and Co-ops.

NEW YORK — (FP) — At least 1,900 shop stewards and officers from 238 CIO locals in New York City voted July 23 to set up the "largest political action fund" in labor history financed by \$2 voluntary contributions from their members.



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INDIANA CIO DEPOSES YEAR LEADERSHIP

INDIANAPOLIS—(FP)—Depositing its leadership of six years and fighting bitterly between right and left wing groups, the Indiana CIO ended its 3-day convention with delegates united on a position of fight against the Taft-Hartley law and its backers.

The new president, Neal Edwards, Anderson auto worker, delayed adjournment four hours to make schedule amid pledges of cooperation and unity from all groups.

Edwards was elected president over James McEwan of South Bend in a vote of 802 to 742, Walter H. Riddle, state CIO secretary for two years, conceded defeat before the recall was half over to Claude Riddle, Muncie steelworker. Mrs. Riddle, Amalgamated Clothing Worker member, was elected vice president after defeating steelworker James Hunter.

Despite the internal fight, delegates were united in their determination to do something very drastic about politics. Every speaker, every resolution, every committee report had something to say about the Taft-Hartley law, which went into full effect the day the convention opened.

The keynote was sounded by CIO Vice Pres. Van A. Bittner, who urged the delegates: "This is a time for men to keep their chins up and fight as they have never fought before. Our answer to Taft-Hartley will be to build stronger. We are grown too soft; we depended too much on governmental agencies. Now we have only ourselves."

Division first broke out over a resolution introduced by Local 1014 United Auto Workers, which called "labor's defeat in the 1946 elections" on "the activities of the Communist party of America." The resolution, strongly supported by Regional Dir. James Robb of



the United Steelworkers, was tabled after it was assailed by UAW Vice Pres. R. J. Thomas and CIO Regional Dir. Powers Haggood.

A resolution indorsing Henry A. Wallace for President in 1948 was shouted down by a more than 2 to 1 vote after lengthy debate. Delegates joined, however, in condemning Pres. Truman's executive order requiring all federal employees to prove loyalty.

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Pres. Philip Murray said the CIO will not comply with the unconditional limitations on political activity which are written into the Taft-Hartley bill. He asked AFL Pres. William Green and leaders of the railroad labor unions to join the CIO in a program of legitimate opposition to the law.

St. Louis Browns Play Steelworkers September 19

The St. Louis Browns, Major League Baseball team, will play an exhibition game with the Steelworkers at Block Stadium, Friday, September 19. Proceeds of the game will go to Father Campaigna's Hoosier Boys' Town, formerly called the Home of Opportunity.

Tickets for the event may be purchased at sub-district No. 2 headquarters, Broadway and Grand Boulevard, or from members of the sub-district's recreation committee. Blocks of tickets are also being bought by the various local unions of the district for re-sale to their members.

The game is scheduled for 5 P.M.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

As the first step toward assuring a labor-minded city administration in East Chicago as well as preparing for the largest labor vote possible in the 1948 national elections, CIO heads urge their members to lose no time in registering before the registration period ends.

Those who so desire may register at any time through the week at the City Clerks office, City Hall.

For the convenience of those who have difficulty in reaching that central point, a registration board will convene at various points throughout the city between September 22 and October 6.

A schedule of the Registration Board's sessions is listed below:

Monday, Sept. 22—McKinley School, and Riley School; 2-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 23—Baker's Hall, 5002 Baring ave., and Columbus School; 2-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 24—Baker's Hall, and Mark's Hotel, 2-9 p.m.

Thursday, September 26—Fire station on Guthrie and Elm.

Friday, Sept. 27—Fire station on Guthrie and Fire station on 149th and Kennedy.

Monday, Sept. 29—Fire station on 149th, and Fields School.

Tuesday, Sept. 30—Fire station on 149th.

Between October 1 and 6th, inclusive, voters may register all day at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, and in the Court House, Broadway and Grand Boulevard. The City Clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. during that time.

Young men and women whose twenty-first birth date occurs before November 6, may register and vote in these elections.

WALLACE WARNS AGAINST "PREMATURE PLEDGES", URGES FIGHT FOR PROG.

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—(FP)—A warning that "premature pledges to an administration which has not earned the support of progressives" is weakening labor's potential political force was sounded here by Henry A. Wallace as he called on labor to "come out fighting."

In a Labor Day editorial of the New Republic magazine, which he edits, Wallace declared that Labor should "set a new pattern for political action" and sponsor a progressive program which it will not abandon for immediate opportunistic gain. Such a program should draw support of farmers, professionals and small businessmen, he said.

Criticizing the fact that some union leaders have already committed themselves to the Democratic party as the "lesser of two evils," Wallace asserted that the time has not yet come when such a decision must be made.

"On this Labor Day, 1947, we should not be discussing which is the lesser of evils," he said. "We should be planning to avoid the necessity of such a choice by winning control of the Democratic convention. . . . We can win with fighting progressives in dozens of congressional districts. . . . We can replace Republicans and self-styled 'Democrats.' But we can do these things only if we concentrate on the job of building organization and deny ourselves the luxury of diversionary debates."

The former Vice President asserted that "no liberal can safely pledge support to this administration at a time when our foreign policy includes the support of reactionaries everywhere; when the administration is advocating ever greater armaments, demanding gentle exhortation rather than political power to get price reductions, and makes only feeble gestures to win liberal and labor support."

Expressing his "never-ceasing wonder" that some labor leaders are intimidated by the use of adjectives, including the word "communist," Wallace warned that he can't let the enemy call the signals.

Labor must measure a candidate by his stand on foreign as well as domestic issues, he said, for the two are faces of the same coin, and once a candidate is selected as truly progressive labor must get out and ring doorbells "or we shall feel the terror common men and women have already felt in so much of the world."

"There are great issues today and we shall either meet them with courage or pay the costs in the misery of depression and war," Wallace said. "Let labor view with alarm the danger posed by men whose primary interest is the protection of their excessive economic power, and who will, perhaps unwittingly, give us an American version of Italian fascism or German nazism, unless labor acts."

Good Union 'Blood'

BERKELEY, Calif. — (FP) — Action by the Alameda County Joint Labor Committee won victory for 500 striking members of the United Office & Professional Workers (CIO) after a 6-day walk-out at the Cutter Laboratory, which processes blood plasma and biological products.

Whiting Couple Win Plymouth

Lottie Wandel, her husband, Stanley, and their three-year old son didn't attend the LGIU picnic on Labor Day; their car, a vintage model of the earliest 30's, wasn't in the trip to Wicker Park and return.

They regretted it too. Lottie had a ticket on the new Plymouth that was being raffled, and Stanley is a kind of CIO man who built a union in these steel mills and industries in the first place. At that point, he is one of that small group in Standard Oil who came to a CIO island in a sea of company unionism.

Their Labor Day evening was good—until 10 o'clock or thereabouts—by another breakdown of the aging car. As they returned to their neat little home, 2458 Oak ave., Whiting, tired and miserable after struggling with the motor, a neighbor called them that they were to telephone Mr. Duncan, of the Lake County Industrial Union picnic committee. The neighbor said that thought it was good news.

It was. The raffle ticket held by the Wangel family had been drawn for the new Plymouth.

Other prizes, consisting of a radio, silverware, a lamp, a new cooker, and blankets, also awarded to holders of numbers in the raffle at the LGIU picnic on Labor Day.

Truants and Parents Scored by Gary USA-CIO

Pointing up the position of the United Steelworkers of America, CIO, on the mass truancy of Gary students and upon the Gary school authorities' determined stand upon ending discrimination in the public schools, local union 1014, at Gary Works passed the following resolution on Friday, September 5.

Whereas: The Executive Board of Local 1014, United Steelworkers of America, CIO, meeting in regular session on September 5, 1947, unanimously voted continued support to the established CIO policy against bigotry and racial discrimination, and

Whereas: Being law-abiding citizens, and in view of the fact that the decision of the Gary School Administration to end segregation in the public schools of Gary is in line with our CIO policy, we wish to again express our full support to the school administration, and

Whereas: We find it expedient to call upon all law-enforcement agencies to enforce applicable laws to the extent of prosecuting all citizens who are hindering the carrying out of this policy.

Therefore: We appeal to all our members, in the name of common decency, in the name of Christianity to carry through the policy of the School Board.

At a joint meeting of executive boards and shop stewards of all local unions in sub-district No. 1, held on Sunday, September 7, identical, forthright positions were also taken and expressed.

Spencer Myers, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, stated Monday, that support for the school board's policy against discrimination grew stronger daily as the mass truancy continued.

The League of Women Voters, the Gary Unity Council, the Council of Catholic Women, the Catholic Deafness, and the Gary Bar Association are among those civic and religious organizations who are bringing their full influence to bear against the dupes of racial agitators.

PROFITEERS DRIVE U.S. TO DEPRESSION, MURRAY WARNS

By SAMUEL S. WHITE
Federated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—(FP)—In a Labor Day speech broadcast to the entire nation Sept. 1, CIO Pres. Philip Murray warned that the U. S. is heading toward another depression which could "easily make the last one appear to be only a minor economic setback."

"I am not saying that another depression is just around the corner," he emphasized. "I am saying that the present trend of higher and higher profits and smaller and smaller purchasing power must be halted and reversed if we are to avoid economic chaos in the future."

Murray charged that the long-awaited peace was being taken over by the same profiteers and special interest groups who were responsible for the tragic boom and bust mistakes of the past.

Recalling Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers claims that ending price controls would lead to an adjustment of prices, Murray said: "The high prices and enormous profits of today provide convincing proof that we were right and that our opponents were wrong."

The special interests groups were also responsible for passage of the Taft-Hartley bill aimed at destroying unions, Murray said. Warning that American workers were in a fighting mood, the CIO chieftain said: "They are determined that their unions will not be weakened or destroyed. They are determined to change the anti-labor complexion of Congress. They are determined to wipe the infamous Taft-Hartley law from the statute books. Their determination is being translated into action—into democratic action—into political action."

The American workers, Murray said, "are tired of having our nation set a poor example for the rest of the world. They want real democracy—not pretty speeches about the advantages of the democratic system."

Earlier in the day Murray spoke extemporaneously before a Labor Day rally of 3,500 CIO workers in municipal auditorium and demanded the defeat of every member of Congress who voted for the Taft-Hartley bill.

Asking U. S. industrialists to "meet labor halfway and settle issues through free collective bargaining," Murray said: "The CIO has no interest in creating national discord. In this spirit I ask industry not to resort to bludgeons of injunction and damage suits. In the end these weapons can lead only to confusion and discord."

"On the other hand, if management believes it can defeat labor through the Taft-Hartley law, it is sadly mistaken. The law has united labor in a resolute stand to an extent never before witnessed in my lifetime."

Murray's visit to Kansas City occasioned the first Labor Day parade here since before the war. In the line of march were over 6,000 workers, including AFL teamsters from Topeka, Kans. More than 30,000 lined up on the sidewalks in 92 degree heat to witness the hour-long procession which featured 50 colorful floats and scores of placards denouncing the Taft-Hartley act and urging counter political action.

Surprise—Savings Down

WASHINGTON—(FP)—The year 1946 was marked by a considerable drop in the amount of savings by the American public with an increasing number of low middle income families living beyond their income, the Federal Reserve Board reported in its August bulletin.

They Want Wallace

LOS ANGELES—(FP)—The Henry A. Wallace for President boom entered a new phase as more than 600 enthusiastic delegates voted to launch their drive for the 500,000 signatures needed to put a third party on California's next election ballot.

LOCAL UNION 1010

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Group #2: First Friday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
#1 and #2 open hearths and steam department.
Group #3: First and Third Sunday; 10 A.M.
40" mill; rail mill; 28" mill; tie plate mill.
Group #4: Second Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
10" mill; 14" mill; roll shop.
Group #5: Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month; 7:30 P.M. 44", 76", 46". Bloomer, 44", 46" Slab Yards.
Group #6: First and Third Tuesday; 8 P.M.
Cold strip and tin mill.
Group #7: Fourth Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Transportation department.
Group #8: Third Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.
New construction.
Group #9: First Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
36", 19", 24" mills, stores, machine shop, blacksmith shop, boiler shop, pipe shop, riggers.
Group #10: First Sunday of each month; 2 P.M.
Galvanize; plate mill; bolt and spike.
Group #11: Second Monday of each month; 7:30 P.M.
Power department.
Stewards: First Monday of each month; 4:30 P.M.
(In the event of illness or death of any member, please notify the union headquarters, 3436 Michigan avenue, Indiana Harbor 3331.)

DUTY AND TEN BUCKS TOO

District leaders of the East Chicago Political Action Committee, who are entrusted with the responsibility of urging all those eligible to vote to register for the coming elections, are authorized to pay canvassers a fee of ten dollars. Those interested in doing this campaign work will contact the PAC leaders of their respective districts.

District leaders are: 2nd dist.—Ronald Donks; 3rd dist.—Lawrence Meskimen; 4th dist.—Fred Matasar; 5th dist.—Abram Ally; 6th dist.—Mike Mamula.

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September 10, 1947

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celebrating the solidarity among people of all national origins, a parade representing local union 1010 will take part in the Fiesta Patrias parade September 18. Central figures of the parade will be a Mexican, a Negro, a white member of the United Brotherhood of America posed in national attitudes.

Romay, Mexican Consul General, to this area will open the festivities at 11 A.M., September 18th, with a short address commemorating this anniversary of independence. Dancings and other festivities will begin immediately thereafter.

Black and Pennsylvania avenue, in the vicinity of Benita Hall, will be bloned off for the two day celebration.

Organization of Juanita Arredondo was elected Queen of the Fiesta Patrias, will take place on the first day, September 16. Other members of the community sharing the honors are Maria Rosario, Princess, Hilda Navarro, and Josephine Campos. Paula Esparza, Maids of Honor.

Motorcycle club from Montemorelos, Mexico's third city, will feature the parade which will start at 5 P.M. at the Cuauhtemoc Hall at 5 P.M. Route of the parade is along Guthrie, Broadway, Grand Boulevard, and Penn avenues to the grounds adjacent to Benita Hall.

Jaworski New Asst. Griever

John Jaworski was elected by the sheet and galvanize division Sunday, September 7, as assistant grievance man. Jaworski succeeds Howland Wilson who was compelled to leave the post.

"POWELL" WELL AGAIN

Harry Powell, grievor for #2 sheet and member of the inequity committee, will be back on the job late this month. Powell is recovering from a severe ailment which has kept him confined to his home for the past five weeks.

Bank Home Again

Hank Broxcar returned this week from a 19 day campaign against Minnesota's blue gills, beer and bass. Originally a Minnesotan, Hank visited St. Paul and Minneapolis as well as his home city, Duluth.

ONE HELD ON

ROOM COSTS

Those peaceful, pre-inequity days, when a man had a choice of a classification, Al was on the rolls as a laborer in plant #1 store room. Al, a young man on the sunny side of life, sweeps up, carts off considerable amount of waste, and performs a number of duties too minor in extent to be detailed description but which are vital to maintaining the room and efficient part of In's operations.

When the wage inequity program Superintendent Sneider, whose habits are dedicated to the proposition that all wages are relative, saw a chance to pare departmental overhead a hair more, he room laborers, under the new plan were awarded a 2½¢ increase. Janitors were not. The day that the program went into effect, Al Regan was released as a janitor.

FIRE GRIEVER'S HEARING SET SEPT. 30

The case of H. McGilvery, assistant grievor for the mechanical department who was fired last March for upholding the right of employees to refuse overtime, will be heard on September 30. A succession of delays in bringing this matter to a decision arose from inability of the local union and management to agree upon an arbitrator.

Railroaders Want Unity

SAN FRANCISCO—(FP)—The Bro. of Locomotive Firemen & Enginemen is ready to abandon its nearly 75-year independence and join a unified labor organization "if and when" the AFL and CIO merge. A resolution, adopted by the brotherhood's convention in its sixth week, described this pledge as "the outstanding move taken toward establishing labor unity since the union movement was aroused by passage of the Taft-Hartley bill."

Labor Leader Sees Real Issues Sidestepped at Rio

MEXICO CITY—(ALN)—Pomp and lofty words from the assembly of American nations in Brazil make no impression on the peoples of Latin America who are faced with the real problems of unemployment, starvation and tyrannical suppression. Pres. Vincent Lombardo Toledano of the Latin American Federation of Labor (CTAL) warned here.

Though Pres. Truman, Sec. of State George C. Marshall and other leaders stressed their desire for peace and cooperation, the conference sidestepped all pressing issues which the labor leader listed as economic aid to industrialize Latin America; joint action to insure respect for trade union and civil rights in Brazil, Nicaragua, the Dominican Republic, Paraguay and other countries where these rights are being violated; and joint action to stop private interests from interfering in Latin America's internal affairs.

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Typos Nix Contracts

(CLEVELAND)—(FP)—The Intl. Typographical Union (AFL) convention underscored its contempt of the Taft-Hartley act by adopting a declaration of policy not to sign any more contracts with publishers. The policy will require locals to post "conditions of employment" in their shops, stating the terms under which they will work "so long as they are willing and able."

In 1946, 54% of the nation's manufacturing industries inspected violated the wage-hour law.

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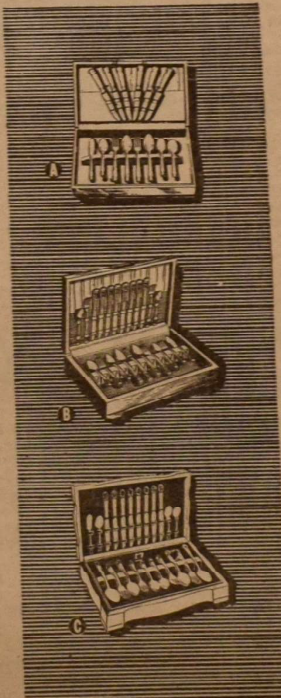
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MURRAY WARNS LABOR IT MUST FIGHT

WASHINGTON—(FP)—“American workers face an unprecedented challenge on this Labor Day of 1947,” CIO Pres. Philip Murray said in his annual message to take nation.

“The Taft-Hartley act was designed to wipe out many of the gains that organized labor made during the past several decades.

“The Wage-Hour law was weakened so that it lost much of its usefulness to the lowest-paid workers of the nation.

“Funds of governmental agencies which might have been of real assistance in providing facts and personnel to aid in the collective bargaining processes were slashed unmercifully under the deceitful slogan of economy.

“Nor is the end in sight. Rep. Fred Hartley, co-author of the Taft-Hartley act, promises even more severe anti-labor legislation next year. Others who speak for big business are anxious to support his efforts.”

Murray called on all American workers—“not just those who belong to unions”—to rally on this Labor Day to support groups seeking to prevent further turning back of the clock. He said the blows aimed at labor will be felt by everybody.

“We cannot ignore the repercussions throughout the world that result from each new attack on the rights of the working men and women of this nation,” he said. “This is extremely important to remember, because most of the world is looking to the U. S. for economic aid and for preservation of the spirit of democracy.

“Throughout the world there is fear that our nation is turning its back on civil liberties, tolerance and progress.

“To win respect and admiration, we must move forward. We must demonstrate by deeds and not by words, that we can make democracy function successfully and produce for its people more and more of the good things of life.

“Our recent course has been away from those things which Americans want and need most. Short sighted men with greed for power have been responsible for this. Our course must be changed if we are to avoid eventual disaster.

“Labor Day is a good occasion on which to point these things out. It is a good day, too, for those of us in organized labor to pledge we will do everything within our means to wipe out the infamous Taft-Hartley act from the statute books.

“We must lay the foundation for new legislation that will help—not harm—the people. We should work for higher minimum wages, a sound national health program, expanded social security, better educational facilities, more and better homes and a halt to persecution of minorities.

“The nation's unionists can help achieve these goals—through organization of workers who do not yet enjoy the benefits of unionism—through strong political action in all parts of the nation—through intense activity in every phase of our work.

“We must set the stage to meet the demands of the American people. Labor again dedicates itself to this task.”

Labor Highlights of the Year

(Continued from Last Issue)

MARCH

Strikebreaking by injunction in federally seized industries was approved by the U. S. supreme court in a 7 to 2 decision upholding U. S. Judge T. Alan Goldsborough's verdict against the United Mine Workers (AFL) and its president, John L. Lewis. The court also fined the union \$3½ million but cut it down to \$700,000 after Lewis formally withdrew his strike notice.

Supervisory workers in mass production industry were declared covered by the Wagner act as the U. S. supreme court in a 5 to 4 decision upheld the NLRB ruling in the Packard case.

After a visit to Argentina, the AFL Committee on Intl. Labor Relations said that “no collaboration is possible with the Argentine Confederation of Labor as at present constituted” under Pres. Juan Peron. The CIO rejected an invitation to visit.

Pres. Truman ordered an official investigation into the background and political beliefs of 2,200,000 federal government workers.

A union threat to picket the Rhode Island state airport quickly stopped use of a helicopter to deliver scab material to the strikebound Cornell-Dubilier plant in New Bedford, Mass.

Unionists were advised by AFL Pres. William Green to ignore the rising number of state anti-closed shop laws until they have been ruled upon by the U. S. supreme court.

The 17th convention of the Intl. Bro. of Blacksmiths (AFL) overwhelmingly voted full rights to Negro members, officially seating Negro delegates for the first time and revising the constitution to end Jim Crow locals.

APRIL

America's 400,000 soft coal miners took a week-long memorial holiday for 111 of their brothers killed in an explosion at a Centralia, Ill., mine, twice found violating major provisions of the federal safety code.

The CIO executive board designated April as Defend Labor Month and urged “all union members to use this month to demonstrate to Congress that the labor movement is united against the passage of anti-labor legislation.”

The new CIO increase pattern was set when the United Steelworkers (CIO) and Big Steel signed an agreement providing 15c hourly raises. Big electrical, auto, steel and hosiery companies followed suit.

The AFL started a series of full page ads in 110 daily newspapers and national hookup radio programs to arouse public opinion against the Taft-Hartley anti-labor bill.

Months of futile negotiations with the Bell system were climaxed when 294,000 telephone workers belonging to independent unions went on strike from coast to coast.

AFL and CIO unions joined in opposing New Jersey's new anti-

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Labor Around The World



LEBANON

BEYROUTH — (ALN) — The Taft-Hartley law influence appears to have reached Lebanon. A bill to dissolve all unions on the grounds that they restrict the rights of employers has been proposed by the minister of national economy. This announcement came immediately after four opposition newspapers were suspended by the government.

PALESTINE

JERUSALEM — (ALN) — A strike of 70,000 Arab and Jewish workers employed by the British War Office here was averted when union recognition was granted and working conditions improved. Among the benefits gained by the common struggle of Arab and Jew were a week's vacation after six months service, coverage under the workmen's compensation act and increased severance pay.

NORWAY

OSLO — (ALN) — If a bill recently submitted to Parliament becomes law, every worker will be guaranteed a 3-week vacation with pay. Those employees earning a regular yearly, monthly or weekly wage will get full pay during the vacation; others working on a contract basis will get 6.5% of their earnings. It is expected that the law will be in effect by Nov. 16.

MEXICO

MEXICO CITY — (ALN) — Mexico has begun to nationalize her fishing industry. A decree now prohibits foreign boats from fishing in territorial waters. This order not only strikes at alien interests but also at private Mexican concerns which have tried to escape the provisions of their country's laws by registering their craft under U. S., Cuban and other flags.

EGYPT

ALEXANDRIA — (ALN) — When the gas and electric monopoly here refused to grant wage boosts, the workers decided to do a little more than just strike. Organized into “utility” squads, they roamed the city, systematically dousing all the street lights. Police called by the company arrested 120 workers.

SOVIET UNION

MOSCOW — (ALN) — The Soviet Union has its Chamber of Commerce too. Members of the organization are not private firms but state and cooperative enterprises engaged in merchandising at home and abroad. Delegates of 1,300 such outfits met in a national convention recently to discuss trading methods and commodity standards.

HUNGARY

BUDAPEST — (ALN) — Men who were workers and peasants in the past are rising to prominent positions in Hungarian life. Four workers now sit on the executive board of the nationalized coal mines. Others hold similar posts in different industries.

FRANCE

PARIS — (ALN) — Workers in the radio industry are against commercial advertising. Unions representing more than 200,000 employees came out unanimously against a government proposal to sell radio time to defray broadcasting expenses. The workers also opposed any tax on radio sets.

DENMARK

COPENHAGEN — (ALN) — The seamen's union here issued a new warning to sailors against shipping on vessels flying either the Panama or Honduras flag unless American working conditions are guaranteed. U. S. companies have transferred many ships to foreign registry to avoid union working conditions.

COOKING IN CONGRESS

BILL

Taft-Wagner-
Ellender
Housing Bills
S. 866
HR 2523

Federal
Anti-Lynch
Bill
HR 3488
S. 1352

Anti-bias
Bill
S. 984
HR 2820

65c-75c
Min. Wage
Bill
S. 1404
HR 3764

Anti-Poll Tax
Bills HR 7,
HR 29 and
others.

National
Health Insurance
Bill
S. 1320
HR 3548

Displaced
Persons Bill
HR 2910

Federal Aid
to Education
S. 472
HR 2953

Universal Military
Training
HR 1988,
and others S. 651

WHAT IT DOES

Long-range housing
program, with gov.
help to spur construction
of low-rent and
slum clearance projects.

Makes lynching a federal
crime, to be prosecuted
in U. S. Courts.

Sets up natl. agency to
enforce anti-bias policy
on jobs, hiring. Uses
voluntary and compulsory
methods.

Lifts minimum wage in
interstate commerce to
65c an hour, 70c in '48,
75c in '49.

Abolishes poll tax in
Federal Elections.

Introduced by group of
liberal Senators & Rep.
Dingell in House. Sets
up health insurance
program based on 1%
payroll deduction.

Permits entry of 400-
000 homeless Europeans
in U. S. under
unused immigration
quotas.

Fed. gov. would allot
at least \$3 per child to
states for educational
purposes.

Compulsory military
training for men be-
tween 18 and 20.

ACTION

Ask Senators to force
early vote and pass;
ask Congressmen to
sign Douglas discharge
petition.

Write Rep. Michener,
Chmn. House Comm.:
Sens. Ferguson & Wil-
ley, Chmn. Sub-Comm.
and full Comm. for
speedy action.

Write Senators & Congressmen to give strong
support. Ask Rep.
Hartley to order House
hearings.

Write Senators and
Congressmen to urge
passage of bill before
Congress adjourns.

Write Chmn. Gamble of
sub-committee, Chmn.
LeCompte of full com-
mittee urging favorable
report on bill.

Ask Senators, Congressmen to urge fast
action by committee.

Write Congressmen to
support this bill.

Ask Chmn. Hartley for
early action by House
Comm. Urge Senators
to push bill to floor.

Register opposition to
bill with Chmn. Andrews
and your Representative.

Address all Representatives at House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.
Address all Senators at Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

CAMPAGNING BY NEWSPAPER LEGAL

WASHINGTON—(FP)—The law is not violating the Taft-Hartley law by printing the voting records of congressmen in their newspapers and urging defeat of the labor legislation, Rep. Fred Hartley (R., N. J.) told *Feature* Press Sept. 4.

The co-sponsor of the new law said he disagreed with the opinion of Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., O.) on this point and pressed confidence that he would back me up on it. He added that “there's a hell of a lot more Hartley than Taft in the law, you know!”

The question of “union activities” in connection with elections for federal office was discussed in the Senate shortly before that body voted on the labor bill, with Taft insisting on campaigning by a union-owned paper or magazine would be illegal. Since then, however, the CIO and independent unions have defied Taft's interpretation of law in special elections and in reference to the general election of 1948.

Hartley said he would follow the practice of printing “an unusual number” of copies of a union paper which would contain campaign material. He said CIO's political arm, the CIO-CPA, is operating 100% within the law in my opinion, adding that “I did a darn effective job myself in the last election, even though they didn't hear me.”

Asked whether he had yet set up his mind to fire Attorney General McCann, who slipped in Gen. Counsel Joseph P. Kamp's weeks before in Hollywood, whose ouster AFL Pres. William Green has demanded, Hartley was still waiting for “more news accounts of the incident which have not yet been written. He will welcome testimony of the fracas from newsmen who are present, he said.

But he admitted that McCann's insulting baiting of Pres. Truman, C. Doherty of the Nat'l Assn. Letter Carriers (AFL) & Hollywood subcommittee boss “was absolutely indefensible,” showed FP an exchange of letters he had with Sec. Jerome J. Brown of the union expressing deepest apologies for McCann's behavior.

Conroy Quiet Won't Change Policy—Miguel

Police policy in East Chicago as it concerns organized labor and its activities will remain unchanged, regardless of who succeeds Walter Conroy as Chief of the Department.

Mayor Miguel, although declining to comment further upon Conroy's resignation which the city accepted last week, assured the *Sentinel* of that circumstance.

Now on duty in the television, E. C. headquarters, Conroy also chose to be silent regarding this development.

Tradition Takes A Trimming In By Products

One of those hangovers from the old, unorganized days is finally being corrected in the products department with the establishment of a rate on the operator's job.

Chester Jackson, who signed to that job, had been receiving floor man's wages, all those who were on the floor him. The department, however, was going to allow the status quo. Brother Jackson is now a crane man and receives \$1.00 an hour more than his former classification provided for.

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 - ♦ WILL GIVE THE MOST EFFICIENT GOVERNMENT
 - ♦ WILL GIVE THE MOST ECONOMICAL GOVERNMENT
 - ♦ WILL BEST REPRESENT THE CITIZENS OF EAST CHICAGO

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WILL CONVINCE YOU THAT THE MORE ABLE CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR IS

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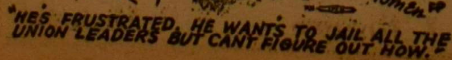
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(This advertisement paid for by "Wleklinski For Mayor Boosters"—a club of Republican, Democratic and Independent Voters.)

SHORT BUTTS AND CROPPINGS

Itinerant station schedules for the area remain the same. A Social Security representative may be contacted at the U.S. Employment Service office, 4706 Indianapolis Blvd., East Chicago, Monday and Thursdays at 1:00 p.m., and in Room 202, Post Office Bldg., Whiting, every Tuesday at 1:0 p.m.

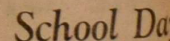
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HIGHLAND

LABOR HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

(Continued from Page 4)

Under the new law which three leaders of striking phone workers were arrested for refusing to call off the walkout. General Motors Corp. fired 15 workers and laid off 23 others for their part in leading a work stoppage by a half million Detroit workers to protest anti-labor bills pending in Congress. Ignoring the AFL and CIO requests for a veto, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey (R) of New York signed a bill introduced after the Buffalo teachers strike, barring walkouts by public employees.

MAY

Representatives of the rival AFL and CIO met in Washington to discuss labor peace and joint action against pending anti-labor legislation. The 2-day meeting broke up in an impasse over how organic legislation could be achieved.

Despite protests from organized labor, Pres. Truman signed the Geyne bill, making illegal portal-to-portal pay and weakening the eight-hour law.

The biggest lynch trial in the south ended when an all-white jury freed 28 white defendants despite their written confessions of having lynched Willie Earl, 24-year-old Negro.

Settlement of the nationwide telephone strike was completed when the Western Electric Co. signed an agreement providing average weekly raises of \$4.60 to installation men.

Following the piecemeal settlement of the phone strike, the CIO set up a national committee to organize telephone workers.

General Motors Corp. revealed in its quarterly profit statement that it made in the first three months of 1947 almost 75% as much profit as in the entire year of 1946.

First agreement in the basic steel industry to provide a company-financed health and welfare program was signed between the United Steelworkers (CIO) and the Allegheny-Ludlum Steel Co.

JUNE

Giant protest demonstrations throughout the country climaxed with a motorcade to Washington featured labor's united opposition to the Taft-Hartley anti-labor bill.

Pres. Truman vetoed the Taft-Hartley bill but his veto was overridden by the House and the Senate.

Following passage of the Taft-Hartley bill, 50,000 miners went on a spontaneous protest stoppage and the AFL and CIO planned an all-out court fight against its many labor shackling provisions.

Openly defying sections of the Taft-Hartley law curbing freedom of the press, a number of labor papers denounced members of Congress who voted for the law and urged their defeat at the polls.

Reversing U. S. Judge Walter J. LaBuy, who had voided the Leas (Taft-Petrillo) act as "class legislation," the U. S. supreme court held the law to be constitutional.

First labor injunction under the Taft-Hartley law was issued in Dallas, Tex., to halt picketing in a secondary boycott by an AFL union.

The Republican tax bill, assailed by organized labor for bringing more income tax relief to the greedy than to the needy, went into the legislative discard as the House narrowly voted to uphold Pres. Truman's veto.

Winding up its first convention, the Communications Workers of America, formerly the Natl. Federation of Telephone Workers, voted against affiliation with either AFL or CIO.

CIO membership in the south increased 70% in the first year of the CIO's southern drive.

JULY

To avert damage suits under the Taft-Hartley law, both AFL and CIO adopted a policy of avoiding no-strike clauses in their future contracts. The big CIO unions voted in addition to boycott the NLRB.

A masterful contract providing substantial pay raises, a "willing and able" clause and a number of other devices to avoid the oppression of the Taft-Hartley law was won by the United Mine Workers (AFL) in a new agreement signed shortly after return of the mines to private ownership.

Defying the Taft Hartley law, CIO Pres. Philip Murray on page 1 of the CIO News called for the election of Magistrate Edward A. Garmatz in a special Maryland congressional race. Garmatz, also backed by the AFL, won by a big majority.

Pres. Truman nominated Robert N. Denham as chief counsel of the NLRB to replace Gerhard P. Van Arkel, who resigned because of his opposition to the Taft-Hartley law. J. Copeland Gray and former Sen. Abe Murdock (D, Utah) are the new members of the 5-man board.

Cracking down under provisions of the Taft-Hartley law banning organization of foremen, west coast waterfront employers refused union recognition for walking bosses and the Ford Motor Co. fired 100 who were active in the recent foremen's strike.

First major strikes following enactment of the Taft-Hartley law were those of some 60,000 shipyard workers and 16,000 Remington Rand employees. Rem-Rand tried unsuccessfully to renew its Missouri Valley strikebreaking formula.

Another call for organic unity as an imperative preliminary to joint action to defeat the reactionary upsurge was made by AFL Pres. William Green in a letter to CIO Pres. Philip Murray.

In a number of localities and states AFL, CIO and railroad brotherhoods prepared joint action to defeat congressmen who voted for the Taft-Hartley bill.

The AFL urged workers to organize consumer cooperatives rather than wait for so-called free enterprise to bring prices down.

LIES OF THE PRESS

"It is a melancholy truth that a suppression of the press could more completely deprive the nation of its benefits, than is done by abandoned prostitution to falsehood.

"Nothing can now be believed which is seen in a newspaper. Truth itself becomes suspicious by being put into that polluted vehicle. The extent of this state of misinformation is known only to those who are in situations to confront facts within their knowledge with the lies of the day.

"I really look with commiseration over the great body of my fellow citizens, who, reading newspapers, live and die in the belief that they know something of what has been passing in the world of their day, whereas the accounts they have read in newspapers are just the real names of the day are affixed to their fables. General history may indeed be collected from them, such as that Europe is now at war, that Bonaparte has been a successful warrior . . . but no detail can be relied on.

"I will add that the man who never looks into a newspaper is better informed than he who reads them; inasmuch as he knows nothing nearer to the truth than he whose mind is filled with falsehoods and errors.

"Perhaps an editor might begin a reformation in some such way as this: Divide his paper into four chapters, heading the 1st, 'Lies'; 2nd, 'probabilities'; 3rd, 'Possibilities'; 4th, 'Lies. The first chapter would be very short."

—from a letter written by Thomas Jefferson in 1807 to J. Nervell.

HARTLEY PANNED BY OWN BUDDIES

Even Big Business cannot stomach all the tripe dished up by Representative Fred A. Hartley, chief of the anti-labor bloc in the House.

Reporting on his statements to the effect that management would be held responsible, along with labor, for attempts to evade the Taft-Hartley law's restrictive provisions concerning the conduct of labor-management relations, the "Wall Street Journal," a mouthpiece of business and finance, gave him a sound spanking.

In a front page article, the paper pointed out that the agreements which annoyed Hartley are "mutually acceptable compromises," whereby unions assume full responsibility for acts authorized by them and employers agree not to seek damages for acts of individual employees "which are beyond union control."

Then in bold face type, it rapped Hartley's contention that such agreements violate the new law and his threat to call in the parties to Washington to "explain."

Can't Compel Use of Law

"This is idle talk," the paper declared. "It cannot have been the intent of Congress to punish men or organizations for acts they neither authorized nor instigated, much less those which they have in good faith attempted to prevent."

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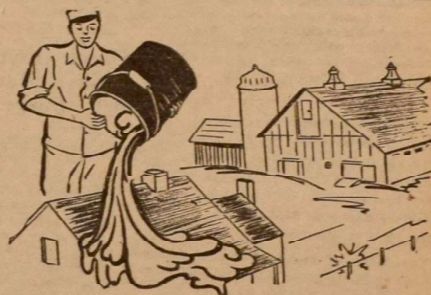


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Sick Committee Report

The following sick and injured members of local 110 were visited by the local's committee: Carl Stanley, during August; S. Fernandez, rdj yastaoineatoin S. Fernandez, yard labor; Joe Boko, sheet mill; Herman Stinke, 76 inch mill; Andy Bandura, cold strip; John Rau, 76 inch mill; John Kozolowski, 44 hot strip; Lorenzo Santiago, yard labor; C. Sabones, No. 1 open hearth; Sol C. Shaney, pl. No. 2 pump house; Manuel Sanchez, yard labor; Mike Laska, No. 2 open hearth; William Thornton, 19 inch mill; Antonio Rodriguez, No. 2 open hearth; Jesus Sepuvedo, 45 inch mill; William Steffan, const. elect dept.; Harry Powell, No. 2 open hearth.

Special Session on Equities Called

To further the unsmiling of rates and classifications in all departments, dumped upon union representatives by the company's industrial engineers, an all day conference of grievance committeemen from each department is called for Friday, September 12.

John Sargent, president of local 1010, and Don Lutes, chairman of the grievance committee, have also been instructed by the executive board to meet with all groups in order to acquaint the membership with the complex provisions of the wage inequity program.

The following letter, in response to a communication from local 1010 requesting the International Union to bear all costs of arbitration, was received by Recording Secretary Sopko on September 2.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your letter of August 20th addressed to Philip Murray has been referred to the writer for reply.

All local unions were advised quite some time ago that it would be impossible for the International Union to bear the arbitration costs due to the fact that if we were to stand the expense for one group of local unions, we would, in all fairness, have to stand arbitration expense for every local union. A great number of our local unions have always borne this cost without appealing to the International Union for aid.

You state that the amount collected in assessment far exceeds the necessary amount needed to pay the wage increase. As I explained in my letter to your local union, this assessment was decided upon, primarily for salary increases for the employees of the International Union, and it was our hope to earmark this money for this purpose exclusively.

However, we lost about a million dollars last year due to the strike. We had to pay a lot of money out for strike relief. In addition to the need of our employees for a salary increase, we are faced with tremendous losses, one amounting to \$750,000 and another started out at \$75,000 and is increasing at the rate of \$30,000 a week. This now amounts to \$195,000. These are suits under a state court and under the Taft-Hartley Act. If the people who passed this law had their way, our office workers and all other workers would be in much worse shape than they will be by meeting this \$2.00 assessment.

I hope that you will pass this information along to our members of your Local Union and I am sure that they will understand the reason for the assessment and be willing to meet their constitutional obligations.

Sincerely yours,

David J. McDonald,
Secretary-Treasurer

Charge American Legion Selling Out W. W. II Vets

NEW YORK — (FP) — The American Legion suffered a 40% membership turnover during the past year because its policies undercut the welfare of 15 million World War II veterans, Pres. Henry Geisz of the Natl. Conference of Union Labor Legionnaires charged here.

Held simultaneously with the Legion's 29th convention, the conference drew delegates from 145 legion posts disgusted with the big business tone and horseplay of the 4-day legion celebration. Pointing out that for the first time in its history the legion had denied the speaker's platform to AFL Pres. William Green, Geisz said: "There is a great danger that the legion, under the Taft-Hartley act, will return to the strikebreaking role it played during the thirties."

Exec. Sec. George Danfield voiced fears of midwestern posts that retiring legion Commander Paul Griffith's call for military intervention in Greece was a virtual declaration of war that alienated millions of ex-GIs more interested in jobs and housing than in getting back into uniform.

New Greek Govt. Bars Strikes, Starts "Loyalty" Purge

Athens — (ALN) — Greece's new government which is considered far too right-wing even by conservative U. S. officials has launched its career by banning any criticism of its military activities in the press, prohibiting strikes of government workers and inaugurating a purge of democratic-minded civil service workers.

The purge of government workers and the ban on strikes were justified by government spokesmen as modeled after similar recent moves in the U. S.

The ban on criticizing military activities covers not only editorials but also bars news stories reporting criticism by public figures.

RENT CHISELING CHECKED BY GARY OFFICE

Regardless of agreements they may have arrived at with their landlords, tenants do not have to pay rent increases unless a lease providing for the increase has been written, signed by both parties, and approved by the Area Rent Control Office in Gary.

John O'Malley, Chairman of the East Chicago PAC, instructed members of that organization at their meeting Sunday, September 7, to relay this information to their local unions. Brother O'Malley, together with Steve Toth, AFL, was appointed to the Rent Advisory Board to represent East Chicago.

Lack of understanding of the rent control law's provisions has, in several cases, enabled owners to raise rents illegally as well as evict their tenants without sufficient grounds. Only three reasons constitute legal grounds for eviction under the federal law:

1—Failure to pay authorized rent. 2—The landlord desires the property for his personal residence. 3—Use of the property for illegal or immoral purposes.

Evictions, furthermore, may only be carried out through a court order. No other agency is empowered to evict a renter from the dwelling he is occupying.

Complaints about illegal rent increases, attempted evictions, and other matters under the federal rent control law's jurisdiction may be taken to the Area Rent Control Office, 320 W. 5th street, Gary. Members of CIO locals may contact Chairman O'Malley or their local's representatives on the Political Action Committee for advice and help in these matters.

53 U. S. FIRMS TIED TO FARBEN

BERLIN — (ALN) — Fifty-three important American companies had close ties with the German I. G. Farben enterprise, some of whose directors are now on trial for mass murder, slavery and other war crimes. The number of U. S. firms associated with Farben were listed in Farben's own records, produced by American prosecutors at the war crimes trial here.

The German firm made direct contributions of \$12 million between 1933 and 1934 to build the Nazi party, the documents show. Aside from these direct financial contributions, the enterprise was one of the chief factors in the Hitler war machine, according to the U. S. indictment.

One result of Jimcrow in the south: Negro population of New York City has increased 67% in the past 15 years.

First boycott occurred in 1799, when unionized Philadelphia shoemakers refused to eat at boarding houses patronized by nonunion shoemakers.

One result of skyrocketing living costs: The number of families in which both husband and wife work was 2,000,000 higher in 1946 than in 1940.

Gary School Board Upheld by E. C. P.

The Gary School Board officials, who have steadfastly refused to be pressured from policy of unsegregated schools were commended by the East Chicago PAC on Sunday, September 7. The resolution was passed by unanimous vote of the assembly membership.

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Death Crossing' Bridge Construction Remains Stymied by no Dough

If economy-minded members of the congressional appropriations committee had not pared federal funds quite deeply; and if East Chicago's Plan Commission and Board of Works had not channeled the meagre funds which were available into projects other than construction of an overpass across the railroad tracks at plant No. 2, Salvadori Gardoni might have been spared to provide for his wife, mother, infant son and sister.

He was killed by a train Thursday night, Sept. 18, during the construction of the bridge across the heavily traveled tracks at the foot of Michigan street three times daily.

Salvadori, calculated to move officials into procuring federal funds for an overpass across the dangerous spot, was taken by the union 1010 late in 1945.

A communication from the Indiana Economic Council disclosed that the revolving fund, from which municipal projects are ordinarily financed, was exhausted. Chicago's portion had already been allocated to construction of sewers on Magoun and 4th avenues and the building of a fire hall on the south side.

The Indiana Economic Council, in cooperation with the Federal Works Agency, must pass on federal projects before they are allowed. Although that body approved construction of an overpass, as requested by the city, further appropriation of money by the House Appropriations Committee was the means of financing it.

The matter was carried by local functionaries to the Federal Works Agency, Bureau of Community Facilities. Latest communication from that agency, dated Sept. 14, 1946, stated that the application for advance funds had been accepted.

Even on the initial stage of plans for the overpass, however, until Congress makes a new appropriation the Federal Works Agency refuses its funds.

There the matter rests as Salvadori's family mourns.

Win Seniority Back to 1909

George Hargans, heater in the 76' mill is getting three weeks' vacation this year instead of two, the result of seniority restored to his original hiring in 1909. In 1923, Brother Hargans was required to quit the company for thirty days in order to rehire as a heater; evidently a quaint custom of those pre-union days. A grievance filed soon straightened the matter out, however.

Time Change

Don't forget, Mayor Migas warns all you good folk, that daylight saving time ends Saturday night. Before Sunday morning turn your clocks back one hour—unless, of course, you want to go to work an hour early.

Intimidation Backfires; 6 Back on Jobs

Attempted discipline of six tonnage laborers, Thursday, Sept. 18, calculated by management to intimidate the rest of the 40-man gang into maintaining what clinic and insurance figures prove to be a man-killing pace, bounced off the solid front presented by the entire gang into Superintendent Snider's teeth.

Charged with slowing down their normal rate of output, the six were given 5-day suspensions and sent home at 2 p.m., Thursday. Friday morning, every man in that sub-division of the stores department reported at the usual starting time, requested a like suspension for himself, and went home again. The requests were not granted.

Outcome of a conference which the company called Friday afternoon with grievors George Sopko and John Sargent was cancellation of the suspensions imposed upon the six men.

Over Work + Under Pay = Resistance

Underlying the events of last Thursday and Friday is a year's long struggle which these men have waged against overwork and underpay.

That the refractory tonnage laborers have the hardest job in the Inland plant is attested by the fact that one gang, 27 men, load

1010 to Provide Food To Members at Cost

Local 1010 will begin selling canned foods to its membership at cost as quickly as arrangements can be made with wholesalers for large scale deliveries and bulk purchase prices.

A deal for canned corn, tomatoes, beets, asparagus and like vegetables is under way between Tom Conway, Financial Secretary, and local food distributors. It will be at least two weeks, he stated, before the canned goods are placed in the union headquarters for sale to the local membership.

Details of procuring adequate help from the membership in handling the food, setting up means for families of local members to identify themselves to qualify for purchasing, and other matters incident to the undertaking are also being worked out under Brother Conway's direction.

As soon as the goods are ready to be sold, the membership will be notified by circular. Further information will be carried in the next issue of the Sentinel.

LOCAL CO-OP TAKING SHAPE

John Durcho, vice-president of the Consumers' Co-operative which is in process of organizing here, announced that 135 people of East Chicago and Hammond have, so far, bought shares in the venture.

Local 1010, by the recommendation of the executive board, voted to buy twenty shares at \$5 each.

All money collected for shares is deposited in a local bank pending the time when it is used for providing the co-op's first stock. Promotion of the co-operative is financed by the entrance fee required of each share buyer.

CIO-AFL Scorn Anti-Red Pledge of 'Labor' Law

W. HARTFORD, Conn.—(FP)—CIO Sec.-Treas. James B. Carey said here that neither he nor CIO Pres. Philip Murray had any intention of signing anti-Communist affidavits required under the Taft-Hartley act for NLRB certification.

Addressing a local CIO meeting, Carey said he and Murray were both convinced that the affidavit requirement was "clearly unconstitutional." He predicted that the NLRB would reverse a ruling by its general counsel, Robert Denham, that officers of national labor organizations must sign the affidavits to qualify affiliated unions for NLRB procedures.

Carey also called on union members to "openly defy this law in the good old American tradition of the patriots who dumped the tea into the harbor in Boston."

Following a recent meeting of CIO vice presidents in Pittsburgh Murray announced that CIO leaders would ignore the Sept. 25 deadline set for filing the affidavits.

Robots Replacing Tin Mill Girls

The shape of things to come disclosed itself with the abrupt lay off, September 5, of 14 girls from the tin mill assorting line.

Devised by an inland engineer some three years ago, the mechanical sorters were withheld from operation until this time because of the war time shortage of essential materials for their manufacture. Five of the devices were installed in June of this year and two more added late in August. As quickly as kinks were straightened out in the robot's operation, the first contingent of girls, whom the machines replace, were lopped from the pay roll.

Severance pay cannot be collected by these employees, most of whom have two or more dependents, because that clause in the contract provides it only for entire departments which are discontinued.

The girls were notified at 2 P.M. of their dismissal which took effect the same day.

According to USES information, there is a growing surplus of female factory workers in Lake County at this time.

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GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

Item #1 Safety:

Mr. Ridinger, head of the safety department of the company, was present at this meeting. The committee presented to him the various safety factors that need immediate attention in the depts. Don Lutes requested the company build a steel railing and platform around the top of the fuel oil tank. He requested that employees not be requested to go under the hot bed while mill is operating. Danger of chains breaking is too great a risk.

Transportation department grievor requested the company institute some system to remove from service bad order equipment system and repair same before being replaced in service again. Also a follow up on inland cars by some responsible method to stop the reloading of bad order cars. Coincidentally, the company has a system of checking inbound foreign cars to safeguard their financial loss of loading bad order cars outbound; is not the loss of life and limb just as important?

The transportation department also requested that cars being delivered outbound on a foreign rail road be supplied with air to safe-guard emergency stops.

Poorly ventilated and overcrowded toilet facilities in the sheet mill and new construction was brought to the attention of the company by McKinsie and Harvel. Callacci referred to the use of bad cables in the slab yard; requested that this be discontinued.

The union requested a copy of all safety meetings be supplied to the grievance committee. The company agreed to this request. Mr. Luellen also agreed to resume the company and union safety council. When requested to determine an employee's position in regards to working under an unsafe method, Mr. Luellen stated that an employee had the right to refuse. All members of the union should do their part in acquiring the establishment of proper safety practices.

Item #2 Back Pay—adjusted rates.

The company stated that some jobs had not been adjusted yet and so these rates have remained the same. The committee requested to talk to Mr. Helm and found he had left for Sweden. Mr. Hurley is taking Helm's place and he answered the various questions the committee asked relative to rates placed in effect. He also stated that the job classifications were not ready to date but were being compiled as rapidly as possible. Mr. Luellen directed him to add more effort to get the job classifications out faster than he had anticipated they would be ready. The absence of Mr. Helm, a principal figure in the inequity program negotiations, has already been felt.

Item #3 Overtime Rate-Table

The company promised to present the grievance committee with an overtime rate table the week following this meeting. All grievance men should make sure they get a copy.

Item #4 Sequences Not Submitted in the Various Departments.

Brother Lutes accused the company of making arbitrary changes in the 76" sequences that already (Continued on page 4)

Three Tin Mill Wins

Three more gains were scored this month in the tin mill, a department which seldom fails to back its grievors' arguments with whatever action is indicated.

A bonus was established for scrap balers in addition to their day rate; flying shear tractor operators and black plate hookers received increases amounting to \$.06½ respectively by settlement of filed grievances.

The law which, in its majesty forbids the rich as well as the poor to beg for pennies, sleep under bridges or steal bread.—Anatole France.

East Chicago Community Chest Plans Announced

East Chicago's 24th Annual Community Chest Campaign will be held the week of October 13. It was officially announced at Chest Headquarters today. With Cliff Porter, local lumberman, leading the drive as general chairman, a record breaking goal of \$76,216 will be sought. The 1946-47 goal was \$63,000.

The addition of a new beneficiary, the Veterans' Service Center, is responsible for \$4,600 of the increase. The Center was supported previously by money from the War Fund, raised during the war years. The remaining increase in the budget is to meet the increased costs of materials and higher cost of living for employees of the beneficiary organizations. All funds are used locally, exclusively.

East Chicago's Community Chest is unique in having always raised its goal, and Mr. Porter expressed no doubt that with additional hard work pledged by his committee, this year's would be reached. In order to do so, he said it would be necessary for those who give each year, to dig a little deeper this year, as they have had to do for their own personal budgets. He added, "After all, the organizations which are supported by this drive have to face the fact that things cost more today, just as you and I do, and East Chicago cannot afford to force them to curtail their work by not giving them the funds they need."

Officers for the year, who will administer the affairs of the Chest Assn. during the year, are president, Jess McAttee; vice president, J. L. J. Miller; treasurer, Alan E. Lewis; secretary-manager, Harold B. Woodlief.

LOUIS GEARRING DIES SEPTEMBER 13

Louis Gearing, employed for more than 30 years in the coke plant, died Saturday, September 13, at his home, 3630 Penn. ave., Indiana Harbor. Brother Gearing, who was one of the pioneer union men at Inland Steel, was the father of Hollis Gearing, assistant grievance committeeman for the coke plant division.

Lift Suspension

(Continued from page 1) however, the company contends that an average of 19 tons of brick or 39 tons of floor stock must be handled by each man every day.

These are some of the conditions and circumstances with which, Superintendent Snelder alleged Friday afternoon, "Seventy per cent of the men are satisfied."

Choosing to ignore the gang's one hundred per cent request for suspension a few hours before, he asserted:

"There are only five or six agitators causing all the trouble."

By-Pass Pledge

Bulk of the tonnage gang's work, carried on in their one-day absence, was done by labor gangs employed by McKee, outside contractor employed in the plant. Two furnace helpers on No. 1 open hearth, a charging car operator, and a few other members of local union 1010 were, however, induced to trade their union obligations and the respect of the men they work with for the company's favor and a few pieces of silver.

For informing three men in his department that they were taking over the work of union brothers involved in an effort to better their condition, Nick Migas, No. 1 o.h. grievor was threatened with discharge by Asst. Works Supt. Luellen. Apparently, however, the company's wireless from that section of the plant exaggerated Migas' alleged interference. No further threats have been uttered or action taken against him.

GARY CO-OP PROVES PAYING PROPOSITION

Maybe co-operative stores won't work out but:

The co-operative store at 801 West 25th st., Gary, is doing \$6,000 worth of business every week, its manager stated Tuesday afternoon in answer to a query. It wasn't hard to credit, either. At least a couple of dozen housewives were moving speculatively about among the orderly mounds of cereals and bakery goods and a hundred other items that go to make up a streamlined grocery and meat department.

An invasion of small fry from the school directly across the street, some of them with a whole dime to squander on high living, twittered and chirped about the candy department. They seemed to feel perfectly at home. And why shouldn't they? The majority of these kids' parents owned the place.

In point of statistics, that co-operative has nine hundred owners. With few exceptions, they're steel workers or other wage earners' who wrest their living from Gary's industries.

These people pooled their savings to begin the community enterprise last December 16. This December, after stock, operating, tax and all other expenses have been met, stock holders will receive dividends in the form of cash rebates on their purchases of the current year. Size of the rebate depends, of course, on the surplus which the co-op accumulates over necessary expenditures. This, the first year, the manager estimated, the rebate to each stock holder will amount to from 2 to 4% of his purchases.

Its a democratic organization. Board members are selected by direct vote to the stock holders. They appoint the co-op's manager who, in turn, hires the people essential to conducting the business. Union wages are paid to all employees who are, incidentally, members of the Retail Clerks' Association, CIO.

Like the co-operative itself, its manager, Leslie Joseph, is young, business-like, and as modern as jet propulsion. He answered all questions concerning the undertaking with the certainty and promptitude of Luellen denying a grievance.

Prices, he said, follow the level of those prevailing in the chain stores. With each purchase, stock holders are given a receipt to be turned in at the end of the year for their rebates.

Local unions 1014, 1066 and 1117, USA-CIO, have each invested \$500 in the Gary co-operative store.

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Fear and Apprehension Dog Steps of High and Mighty at Youngstown

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IF melancholy days are come
sighing, and yet—no Youngs-
town superintendent was fired to-
day (Monday). None was fired or
fired down. In fact, for more
than a week now no shivering
number of that once charmed
place called management has felt
the sharp pain of sudden and un-
expected separation from that
source of material blessing—the
union.

On the other hand, among those
placed by a benevolent
management there are some whose
skins are fanned daily
the chill breath of disapproval,
the swift banishment, per-
petrating from a great industrial
family. Apprehension skulks
in a grey ghost through the grim
gloomy works.

Great Place for Rumors

What's going on? Most anyone
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you anything, this being with-
out doubt one of the up-and-com-
ing rumor factories in the en-
tire U.S. Ten days ago this un-
usual form of "production"
which was conceded to be
all-time high, and round and
went the word that 14 com-
pany big-wigs were scheduled to
leave the dust. Accorded top spot
Youngstown's hit parade was
imaginary lyric "Rumors are
going on." But right about then
someone popped up with a rumor
somebody else was doing a
like ditty called "They're a-
leavin' Up That Ol' Gang o'."

A box score on those whose
connections with Y. S. & T. al-
ready have been severed in past
weeks shows these:

Al Wynkoop, industrial engi-
neer; Ralph Wohlforth, ass't
maintenance supt.; C. F. Koehler,
metallurgist (after 31 years
there); A. G. Black, ass't supt.
Hearth; L. L. Hendricks,
supt. Besemer.

More Joy in Heaven . . .

On his return from vacation
Pit Boss Bill O'Donnell
informed his job was being
away with. He was put back
a heater. Despite questions
on seniority, etc., O'Don-
nell already has signed up with
CIO.

Report out over the weekend
that a new man replacing
Wohlforth under Jack Price in
maintenance will be on
by Oct. 1.
In the meantime, while the high

and mighty sweat under such
soul-searing torment, the average
man in the mill is occupied almost
completely with such insignificant
matters as inequities (new rates
and back pay, if any and when)
and, of course, the price of food
—sometimes described as worry-
ing about where his next meal's
coming from.

On inequities a special mass
meeting has been called for this
Wednesday night in the Union
Hall.

On the matter of soaring food
prices a committee, headed by
Ralph Hyndmann of the Steel
Plant Machine Shop, has been de-
legated to see what Inland Local
1010 is doing about a reported
move to buy up canned goods in
case lots for sale to members at
cost, a plan already in operation
in unions elsewhere.

Matter of Appeasement

IN THE usual course of things
it is rather to be expected—some
of the more snooty readers of this
high-toned journal will be shock-
ed and pained at the sudden re-
appearance of your Youngstown
correspondent in these otherwise
cloistered columns. Also, on this
side of those placid intervening
waters of the canal, it is no secret
that certain among the elite re-
gard with distinct disapproval and
distrust any form of fraterniza-
tion with those bold, bad brethren
of the left bank. (Indeed, how
would you like to see your Aunt
Tillie in the arms of one of these
rascals?)

So, to appease all of these peo-
ple—if it'll do any good—we are
ready and willing to undergo a
complete loyalty check, such as we
understand is favored now even
in some union circles, and make
solemn denial we have ever been
a member of the Uniform Rank
Knights of Pythias, Sons of Itches,
or—if memory serves us correct-

ly—the Chattering, Eight Bunco
Club (Indiana Harbor Chapter).

We sincerely hope this will
make everything all right.

Bar Room Scarecrow

BUT, be that as it may, the fact
remains we were called forth from
among the daffodils and the horse
weeds of our vast Miller estate to
do a little "documentary impres-
sionism" of life in the saloons, to
pick up choice bits of this and
that among the Harbor's best
brass rail society. Now, coming in
right spang out of the country
like that with sand burrs still stick-
ing to our pants legs and rollaway
sox, we had hardly expected to
present a picture in any way iden-
tifiable with a reporter in the
best Hollywood tradition. More
like a sand dunes hillbilly. How-
ever, we were somewhat taken
aback when, as we walked into
the Inland Club bar, the barten-
der blenched clear down to his
necktie and a certain blond wom-
an shrieked and fled. We trust
these good people were properly
informed that that "wild look"
comes from trying to live on
Youngstown pay.

A Sin and a Shame!

AND that brings us to the per-
tinent point that here is just
about as good a place as any to
reveal the distressing fact that
certain members of Youngstown
local have not been deporting
themselves in a manner quite in
keeping with that high moral tone
set by our best citizens.

Now we hate to say this, but
while we were politely look-
ing over Inland's clubrooms we
took secret note of the fact that
"several from here," as the old-
fashioned country correspondent
used to say, were shamelessly
swaggering around with cue sticks
—engaged in a sinful game of
pool. Others, apparently unmin-
dful of the scandal they were creat-
ing, sat at the bar sipping up bot-
tle after bottle of loathsome beer.
(And at only 20 cents a bottle,
by the way.) Such men as John
Matie, Frank Rasch, John Carr—
young men in the prime of their
lives! Why, if we could do to them
in five minutes what that untamed
bellywash will do to their poor
gizzards over a course of years,
they would kick us down the front

steps of the old union hall, and
rightly so!

Such disgusting carrying-on! —
when anyone knows these same
young men could just as well have
selected a nice quiet corner in
their own hall and sat down to im-
prove their minds and enjoy them-
selves in dignity with a good book
like, say, "The Little Shepherd
of Kingdom Come."

Or sit and whittle!

Lesson Barely Heard

NOW this little anecdote may
not mean much to some people.
And, strangely enough, it was
provided — though in complete
naivete — by a Youngstown work-
er who recently lined up with
those who professed great alarm
over the attendance of Negro
children at Gary's Emerson school.
As he related, he was leading his
own small son to St. Luke's in the
block next to Emerson. He no-
ticed several little kids of darker
than average hue frisking happily

CHINA

PEIPING—(ALN)—More than
700 miners were killed in acci-
dents in the Mentoukou pits dur-
ing May, June and July, it has
just been reported. Three hundred
were drowned when a new shaft
was opened in July. The deaths
were attributed to the Chiang Kai-
shek government's drive for more
coal to keep its civil war produc-
tion in motion. Because many
mines have been captured by
Communist troops, the rest are
being exploited recklessly with the
most primitive safety precautions
disregarded.

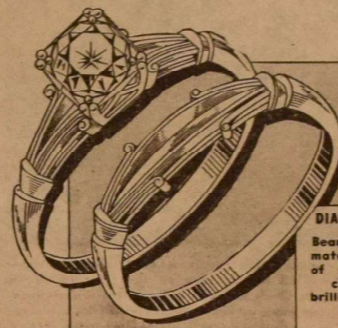
with the other children at play in
the parochial school yard.

"Do you have colored pupils at
St. Luke's?" he asked his son.

"Oh, yes Daddy," replied the
child, surprised no doubt at Dad-
dy's question. "They're good
Catholics, too!"

"Out of the mouths of chil-
dren . . ."

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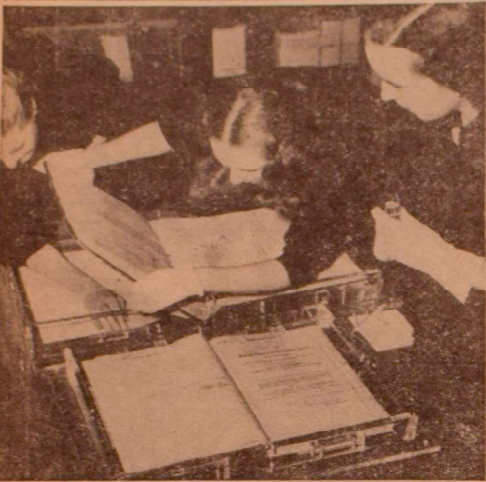
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Abraham Lincoln's emancipation proclamation freeing the slaves is put into an airtight sealed plastic case as the Freedom Train sponsored by Atty. Gen. Tom Clark prepares to leave for a nationwide tour Sept. 17. Many famous government documents will be displayed but there isn't a single one relating to this glaring omission. (Federated Pictures)

PAGINA EN ESPANOL

Programa De Reajustes

No obstante que el programa de nivelación de salarios, fue solucionado y firmado a la vez la Unión y la Compañía, en Junio 30 del presente año; resta aun gran cantidad de trabajo por hacer en reajustar la cantidad de pago y clasificar cada uno de los Departamentos de la Planta.

El progreso para completar estos reajustes es detenido por la compañía, por no entregar a los representantes listas finales de las clasificaciones y puntos para evaluar los trabajos.

Las clasificaciones que en el presentestán en rigor, no son finales para los trabajadores de la Inland y pueden ser mejoradas por medio de negociación entre el representante del Departamento y la Compañía. El pago atrasado esta siendo calculado de acuerdo con los aumentos de salarios que dieron principio el 30 de Junio del presente año. Si el salario de algun empleado es aumentado antes de completar el programa, el recibirá un cheque adicional por la diferencia acumulada.

Muchas injusticias se han encontrado al reajustar los salarios de los diversos departamentos. Por ejemplo, iguales trabajos en diferentes departamentos, han sido clasificados y presente rigo, es el caso de los ereneros del Departamento de la galvanización; no obstante estos hombres hacen trabajo idéntico y en condiciones exactamente iguales; la compañía propuso aumentarle a la mitad 11 1/2 cents, por hora y a la otra mitad 17 1/2 cents.

Esta es una pequeña mención de los obstáculos que encuentran los representantes al tratar de terminar el programa para poder aceptarlo.

La Oficina del Pagador todavia no ha fijado la fecha para principiar a pagar el dinero atrasado.

El Presidente de la Local, John Sargent y Don Lutes Presidente del comité de representantes, atenderán a todas las juntas de los varios grupos para explicar a los miembros bien detalladamente

el programa y como afecta a cada departamento.

Solamente atendiendo a estas juntas pueden los miembros entender los complicados trabajos del programa de nivelación de salarios.

Rumores de que el 30 por ciento y muchas otras historias circuladas por personas no responsables en la planta; son absolutamente falsas.

SEIS SUSPENDIDOS

La acción unida de todos los compañeros que trabajan sufriendo ladrillo y otros materiales en los dos Open Hearths, forzó a la Compañía a reinstalar a seis compañeros, suspendidos por cinco días; castigo impuesto el día anterior.

Segun la Compañía, estos hombres fueron suspendidos por trabajar muy al paso; debido a que están descontentos con el pago de tonelaje actual, el cual no ha sido aumentado en los últimos años. En presencia de Mr. Sneider Superintendente de la Local 1010, John Sargent quien manifestó al Presidente y representante Sopko; que habia solamente cinco o seis descontentos, todo el conjunto de trabajadores reusaron trabajar hasta que el castigo fuese removido.

ALIMENTOS AL COSTO

El compañero Tom Conway, Secretario de finanzas de la Local 1010, hace del conocimiento de todos los unionistas, que está en arreglos para la compra de artículos de primera necesidad en grandes cantidades, si es posible por carros de carga de los ferrocarriles, para ser vendidos a los miembros o a sus esposas, al costo. Los detalles de este plan aun no han sido terminados. No obstante es probable que se de principio esta semana.

COPERATIVAS

La tienda coperativa, instalada en las calles Harrison y 25th de la Ciudad de Gary, reporta que vende mas de ses mil dolares semanales. Está integrada por novecientos miembros quienes son dueños del capital invertido; siendo la mayoría trabajadores del acero. Segun

Grievance

(Continued from page 2)

had been agreed upon. The company was also accused of trying to infiltrate the 76th sequences, and also the car shop sequences, with employees from the #1 machine shop. Lutes and Ditmars objected to this and stated the employees of these departments would not abide by such arbitrary actions of the company.

Mr. Luellen agreed the company was to abide by the Gary program pertaining to mechanical employees. A committee of grievance men who have shops in their departments has been established to meet with the company and iron out the mechanical problems.

Item #5 Waiver Interpretation. Mr. Luellen stated he felt the company had the right to determine the valid reasons of an employee waiving his right to a promotion. The committee argues at length about this item.

This particular waiver right is being denied the tin mill employees at present. Mr. Luellen finally agreed to a meeting with Leonard to straighten out the differences involved.

Item #6 Bus Transportation

The company refused to place two busses in service on Sunday.

Item #7 Canteen Prices The company refused to increase the purchasing price of the lunch slips, stating the increases in the cost of food in the canteens does not warrant doing so. Chocolate milk in pints and various soft drinks are to be made available. Complaints about sour milk will be investigated.

Item #8 Grievance and Suspension Notices.

The committee requested all grievances in the third step and all suspension notices be mailed to the grievance committee men's homes. Mr. Luellen agreed to this.

Sincerely,

Don Lutes, Chairman
Sam Krupsaw, Vice Chairman
E. L. Ditmars, Secretary

informes recibirán de 2 a 4% des a cuatro por ciento de sus compras. Estos dividendos serán repartidos el mes de diciembre próximo.

La cooperativa de Gary principió el 16 de Diciembre de 1946.

PELICULA

El Martes 30 del presente mes será exhibida gratis una Pelicula denominada "TIERRA NATIVA" en el Auditorium Hall, 3436 Michigan Ave. a las 8 P.M.

Esta cinta documentada y larga, de batallas en las líneas de pickets y otros terribles acontecimientos, sufridos por los trabajadores para poder establecer uniones en las grandes industrias; la matanza del Memorial Day, conocida por la mayoría de los viejos unionistas de la Local 1010, que se puede decir son responsables de la organización de esta gran unión.

No falte.

HALSEY BONUS

Starting October 6th, and continuing for a trial period of four pay-days, in all departments working on the Halsey Bonus System, the hourly rates will be lowered one increment, and the bonus will be increased to 12 1/2 cents less than your hourly rate.

For example—

Present hourly rate	Hourly rate for 4 pay periods beginning Oct. 6	Bonus base for 4 pay periods beginning Oct. 6
1.73	1.685	1.56
1.69	1.65	1.525
1.61	1.58	1.455
1.53	1.51	1.385
1.45	1.44	1.315

At the end of this four pay trial period a vote will be taken to determine whether the majority of you prefer a higher hourly rate with your present bonus base or whether you are willing to sacrifice part of a guaranteed hourly rate of a broader bonus base.

In the following issues of this paper I will endeavor to acquaint you with the Halsey bonus as it has been applied in the Mechanical Department.

George Sopko

THE POLITICAL PITCH

by
James Hunter, State Rep.,
Vice President,
Lake County CIO Council

The "Skip Election" law, passed in 1943 by the Republican dominated General Assembly and amended in 1945, separated city elections from those of the county and state.

Far from being passed in the interests of the people, it was enacted for the sole purpose of providing the Republican Party a better chance of winning elections in Lake County's three largest cities. That cost of separate elections fell upon the citizens of the state, was an aspect of the matter to which those who forced it through gave no consideration.

Contrary to what others might have you believe, city elections are very definitely party elections. Of most importance to labor, these are the Grass Roots elections which bring into the communities the policies and doctrines of the victorious party. These will, in time, determine elections of county, state, and national officials as well as those on the local ballots. No Republican Mayor, for example, would contribute to the election of a Democrat Congressman.

Because the coming elections, represented as a neighborhood affair, have such a strong bearing on what our state, national, and International policies eventually will be; labor will be very ill advised to under rate their importance. Labor must learn to profit by experience and not accept catch phrases as a measuring stick of worth.

The hand writing is on the wall. The Taft-Hartley law is a Republican measure. Under one section of the law, labor unions are prohibited from making any reference to candidates for federal office or expressing preferences in their newspapers. The penalty: a \$5,000 fine for the union and a \$1,000 fine or year in jail for its officers.

That is a part of the bill sponsored by the Republican Party and which received the support of both Indiana Senators and all of its Congressmen save one. That one was, of course, the Democrat who won the nomination through votes cast by your precinct committee-men.

These "most capable men" ignored the avalanche of cards, letters, and telegrams which you sent them, asking them to oppose the Taft-Hartley bill while it could yet be stopped.

Answers which you received were invariably "Received your letter and advice on the TH bill for which I thank you. I will take this under consideration when this measure comes to a vote."

Result: A vote for the bill and another to override the President's veto. It cannot be overstressed that these "Capable men" were nominated by neighborhood politics.

These "capable men" blamed the high cost of living on OPA; so you voted for them because of an apt-sounding catch phrase. "Prices will find their level" they shouted. "They will come down as soon as controls are lifted." It was by this that such "Capable men" as Senator Jenner won the 1945 elections.

Well, control was lifted; and prices are the highest in all our history.

That election should be considered as experience and the knowledge of its results applied to the prospect for labor under Republican dominated conditions.

This election, most emphatically, has state and national as well as local significance. If not, why did the Republicans spend so much effort and money to ram "skip elections" down the people's throats?

To lose East Chicago, Gary, or Hammond is a step toward losing our labor minded congressman. It also means, of course, that our own Charles Fleming will no longer carry labor's cause in Indiana's law making body. It cannot, with safety, be forgotten that a Re-

publican regime in Lake County will be a green light to those who voted in the infamous 1945 law against utilities.

We had more than a half million dollars in the Wolf Lake Fund, until it was raided by the recent Indiana Legislature. No secret that a complete publican controlled legislature were led to that piece of pie handedness by Representative Standford for the benefit of the kakee land barons.

So, on this issue alone, we have more than a quarter of a million dollars lost in public money which can be charged to Republican skull duggery.

Issues are sharply drawn to permit labor a choice in these elections. Every working man and woman must register and vote to gather strength for future action against Taft-Hartley law and its companion pieces of vicious degradation.

It is impossible to vote after polls are closed and labor's enemies cannot be defeated by those for those who have unworriedly introduced and supported such legislation.

Local Issues Only In the Elections

By Rose Gordon Lutes

One of the nicest features of the city election this fall is that it is a purely local election in which only local issues are at stake. No considerations need be given to state or national elections. We need not be chagrined this time to find we have chosen a dunderhead who had nothing on the ball except that he was smart enough to ride on the coat tails of an appealing national figure in the battle of national issues. Candidates in East Chicago's campaigns are to be judged solely on their own merits in relation to the issues facing this city and its government. And there are many: Housing, health service, the cost of government and wasteful practices, recreation, racial relations, and good administration are just a few of them.

City machines can control the outcome of elections for congressman if it is assumed that city employees vote. If all city employees vote (as during time of strong city machines do not admit weight an election. But if citizens want to eliminate that risk need only insist that city governments adopt a merit system for employing personnel. A merit system divorces city jobs from party domination.

Consequently to find the Democratic party trying to kid labor into believing election information a seventh grade citizen could spot would hardly labor voters. Also when same Democrats fight a campaign around issues that were brought their last 15 years ago it doesn't help their prestige. We have graver issues facing us NOW in HERE. Washington 15 years ago cannot figure in this campaign. Moreover, Labor is not voting for any party or person out of gratitude. Not in these perilous times. Labor looks to the future and wants officials who can act intelligently in coping with present problems. A word to the wise should be sufficient.

BRAZIL

RIO DE JANEIRO — (AP) Recent mass demonstrations by war veterans, white collar workers, teachers and students have reflected the determination of the entire people to defend their constitutional rights despite dictatorial decrees by Pres. Eurico Gaspar Dutra. Dutra recently outlawed the labor movement, claiming it sought to free it from the veteran's influence. The veterans' members of Brazil war veterans' petitionary force in Italy, armed with banners calling for four freedoms enunciated by Franklin D. Roosevelt. Similar demands were put forward by other demonstrators.

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IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

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And the Only Questions Involved are

WHO

ARE THE MOST **CAPABLE** CANDIDATES
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WILL CONVINCE YOU THAT THE MORE ABLE CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR IS

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As I See It . . .

—By JOHN SARGENT—

I've hesitated for a long time before taking on the not too pleasant job of writing about some important problems of the Union. I've found that even people who do this sort of thing regularly for a living, manage somehow only to confuse rather than enlighten. Someone said "Those who know, do; others write." However, there's so much confusion now about some of the matters I want to take up with you that it seems anything that might be said couldn't possibly make things worse.

Anyone who is up to the Union Hall for any length of time knows there are about 50 guys a day who come up slightly wild-eyed to ask about the inequity program. Well, here's a make-believe list of questions asked most frequently; maybe their answers will throw a little light on this wilderness.

Q. What is the inequity program, anyway?

A. It is an attempt to bring some order out of the jigsaw that is the rate structure of the mill.

Q. How are they doing that?

A. Well, first, the company takes every job in the mill and describes it; that is, they write down everything a fellow does on a job. They show this to the grievance man who works in the department where the job is. He shows the description to the man on the job, and everyone tries to agree that this is the proper picture of the job. This is called the job description.

Q. What do they do with the job description?

A. They use the job description in order to evaluate or rate the job.

Q. What's that?

A. Jobs are different. Some jobs take a strong back; on others you have to use your head.

Q. You mean someone but foremen have to use their heads?

A. The company concedes that. On some jobs, if you make a mistake you may ruin a few thousands of dollars worth of steel. On other jobs, if you make a mistake, you may only break a leg or cut your head off. In other words, each job is broken down: how hard do you work; how much skill is necessary on your job; how much training or schooling do you need for your job; what risks do you take on your job; what responsibilities do you have on your job, etc. Each of these items are a factor on your job, and each of these factors are rated so many points. The total number of points on your job determines its classification.

Q. How many classifications are there?

A. There are 35 classifications starting from labor. There is 3½¢ between each classification. Labor is in Class 1 at \$1.09. Class 2 is at \$1.11½. Class 3 is \$1.15, etc., to Class 35.

Q. Is every job in the mill classified?

A. Every job that is covered by the Union Contract is classified.

Q. Can I see my classification?

A. No. The company has not yet submitted any classifications to us. They promised us these classifications in the first part of July, and then again in the first part of September. We haven't received them yet.

Q. What if I don't think my job is in the right classification?

A. You make a grievance of it, and if it can't be settled between the Union and the company, it goes to arbitration.

Q. Since I can't get my classification, how do I know if it's right?

A. You might help us pry these classifications from the company.

Q. Has the inequity program raised wages of all workers?

A. No. Only about 60% of the people got a raise. The other 40% got nothing.

Q. Did anybody get a cut in wages under the inequity program?

A. No. No one was supposed to get a cut. The company started tampering with bonus and tonnage

rates for mechanical jobs and day rate plus tonnage jobs, which resulted in a cut in wages for some people. They have now agreed to leave those tonnages and bonuses alone.

Q. How does the inequity program affect bonus and tonnage workers?

A. Bonus and tonnage rates are affected only as follows: For electrical and mechanical jobs, 5% is added to the evaluated rate to take the place of cost bonuses only. If your rate before the evaluation was higher than the evaluation plus 5%, then you get the old rate.

For tonnage plus day rate jobs. If your tonnage rate is less than 33% of your evaluated day rate, then your tonnage rate may be raised to this 33%. If your tonnage rate is more than 33% of your day rate, and you got an increase in wages through the inequity program, that increase will be added to your day rate.

For straight tonnage jobs. Where the day rate is raised but you ordinarily get more than your day rate, the raise is tacked on to the day rate for down or delayed time.

Q. Where can I get this evaluated rate?

A. Your grievance committee-man has a copy of all evaluated rates in your department.

Q. If I get a raise by the inequity program, do I get back pay?

A. Yes. Some of it goes back to April, 1947, and some to January, 1944.

Q. I got a 10c an hour increase. How much of this will go back, and how far will it go back?

A. We don't know yet, but it would be safe to estimate that about 50% will go back to 1944.

Q. Does any of this back pay go for clerical work to figure out the back pay?

A. No.

Q. Does any of this back pay go for wages for anyone working on the inequity program?

A. No.

Q. Why then don't I get my full 10c in back pay?

A. Because 3½¢ per employee was put aside in a kitty from January, 1944, to April, 1947. An additional 2.6¢ was put aside from April, 1947 to July, 1947, but the total cost of the program is 7.6¢. So, you will get only about 50% of your increase in back pay.

Q. If I've quit the mill and I have back pay coming, can I get it?

A. Yes. The company has sent out forms to each former employee, on which they can file for back pay. If you don't get your form soon, go to the paymaster's office and get one.

Q. When will we get this back pay?

A. We don't know. When it's figured out. Maybe around Christmas time.

Q. Do you know any more about the inequity program than you did before?

A. Hmmm.

Swede "Earl" Carlson, ex grievor, tin mill, seems to be doing all right for himself these days and, for all we know, nights. He's got himself a service station at the corner of Sibley and State Line, Hammond; a region in which, it is reported, Crown Point quail abound in great numbers this season.

Don Lutes, a pigeon breeder from way out west of Gary, took the blue ribbon with his homers again this year at Lake County's fair. This makes the second consecutive win for Brother Lutes who, as some 1010 members may have noticed, devotes his spare time to working for—and against—Inland Steel.

Elizabeth Basso, tin mill assorting room, and Edward Nowyta, who said they would on September 13, are making their home in East Chicago. The bridegroom is an employee of Standard Oil.

76 Maintenance Mixed Up as Muflur Moves In

Apparently an Asst. Superintendent's job covers much more these days than just acting as a private Gestapo agent for management. The men in the 76—Hot Strip mill have found that they are now blessed with a new jack-of-all-trades, Walter Muflur, Asst. Superintendent, and self-styled authority on every job in the mill.

Muflur knows so much about everything in the mill, that he has frequently taken over the coiler's job when there is bad coiling. The coiler quit after Muflur incessantly goaded him about it, although the coiler was only following the mill foreman's orders. He was subsequently reinstated at the Union's request.

In addition to this violation of the union contract, Muflur has been seen setting up the screws for the No. 5 mill. Not content with these two jobs, Handy-Andy Muflur occasionally works out as a hot-bed hand in straightening out cobbles. Apparently, Muflur thinks he is still working at his old job, as a loader in the sheet mill.

Muflur has a sense of humor, too. When Pete Calacci and Fred Matasar complained to him about these violations of the union contract, Muflur leaned back, smiled slyly, and said, "Well, Matasar—(who just so happens to be an electrician)—wouldn't help out in that pile-up, so I had to."

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'Round and About The Departments

Split Personality?

Cold strip crane drivers wish Asst. Superintendent McLeod would try and make up his mind. On the same day, he threatened #20's operator with a discipline for excessive speed and, later, reprimanded him for allegedly slowing down the work.

Two-Bit Reprisal

Immediately after Joe Tykes was promoted to templet filler in the big roll shop, the outcome of a stubbornly fought grievance, the sixth day in that sub-department was discontinued.

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Halloween Dance on Nov. 1

Mickey Isley and his band, who have a reputation for cutting it the way dancing public hereabouts like it, have been booked for the Halloween dance Saturday, November 1, in Local Union 1010 headquarters, 3436 Michigan ave., Indiana Harbor.

Although various groups and departments have had parties for themselves from time to time, this is the first local-wide social affair to be arranged since the Halloween dance of last year. In the in-

tervening months, the headquarters has been redecorated and the club bar put into operation, two developments which will heighten enjoyment of the evening for both the esthetic minded and the thirsty.

Dancing will begin at 8:30 and continue to an indefinite hour. The recreation committee is sponsoring the event, proceeds of which will go to the bowling league.

Admission is 75c.

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Bosses Get Bodacious

When tin mill supervision deigns to bestow promotion upon the fortunates therein employed, they won't take "no" for an answer. Or, at least, supervision doesn't like to.

Four bundlers on the shipping dock were sent home in one day for declining advancement to a car bracer's job. Three more bundlers also refused the favor but, possibly owing to management's waning moxie, were not disciplined. Several single instances of men being sent home for insisting on their right to waive promotion have been, and are, almost daily occurrences on the tin mill shipping dock.

Martin Gordon, a car bracer, was ordered to operate a tractor which he declined. Management would have disciplined Gordon too but, in process of building up an air tight case for its action, fouled up. Gordon, who is 61 and isn't bucking for a completely strange job, was found by the clinic to have slightly defective eyesight.

For details on the local union's position on the right of waving promotion, see the grievance committee report, this issue.

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DEMOCRAT TICKET OK'D BY E. C. PAC

Without a dissenting voice, East Chicago's Political Action Committee voted Sunday afternoon, October 5, to support the Democratic ticket in the city elections on November 4. That decision, which is binding upon every local unit affiliated with the PAC, was made by a vote of 100 to 0.

The official policy for CIO units in this community, as set forth by the PAC, is to support the Democratic ticket in the city elections on November 4. That decision, which is binding upon every local unit affiliated with the PAC, was made by a vote of 100 to 0.

Representing each local union in the CIO within East Chicago's boundaries delegates overflowed the hall of the two meeting rooms in the Steelworkers' building on Broadway and Grand Boule-

delegates McCoy, General Armstrong, and Norrick YS&T, were requested to set up arrangements for a shoppers' protest demonstration against high prices.

Using the example of one local unit, three thousand membership cards have already turned in \$300 to the PAC dollar drive, County Chairman John McAllister emphasizes the necessity of financing the campaign by these means.

A check up on the effectiveness of the PAC ward committeemen in

Hands Not Enough; Inland Buys Minds for the Same Wages

Before Robert Daley perfected the plan for guiding stock through the plate punch presses automatically, the machines' operators were compelled to pry each piece as it came off the conveyor, a position with a bar.

Only tons were but rarely moved in any day's production. Operators, exhausted by the effort of wielding a heavy bar all day and burned by flying scale, were compelled to take frequent periods, another factor which limited output on the production line.

In 1945, management listened to the idea advanced by Daley, leader of the setter and operator in the plant, for increasing output by lessening strain on the punch operators. Shortly after it was placed in operation, under Daley's supervision, tonnage leaped to a minimum daily output of 100 tons, a figure which is usual.

Daley, of course, made no effort to patent his invention nor to let the company for cash payment. A card circulated by management in 1933, which employees were asked to sign as an alternative to losing their jobs, gave the company sole rights, without a cent's worth of compensation, to the mechanical improvements which employees may devise.

Daley's record does, however, show a notation of his contribution to Inland's spiraling profits. It knows it's there because he has to carry the matter all the way to Supt. McLure's office to even that recognition.

In addition to the notation, Daley has the privilege of standing far away from the press line to avoid further scolding by flying scale.

The Sentinel will carry a series of articles on how Inland has expedited production by looting workers' minds.

per capita income for 1946 in Chicago was \$550 as compared with \$200 for the nation.

getting voters registered and plans for carrying the campaign on a door to door basis were also principal points of the afternoon's business.

Sub-Dist. Meeting To Hear Madden Friday Evening

Congressman Ray J. Madden will address Sub-District No. 2's conference Friday, October 10.

Called for local union officers, grievance committee men, and stewards, the conference will be, however, of interest to every active union man and woman in the area.

The conference will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Steelworkers' Hall, Grand boulevard and Broadway, Indiana Harbor.

Says America Like Germany Back in 1932

MINNEAPOLIS — (FP) — "Americans are closer in many ways to conditions in Germany in 1932 than we realize. We are in the midst of a reaction in this country of more terrifying proportions than any this country has ever experienced."

That warning came here from Asst. Atty. Gen. O. John Rogge who was fired from the government after he made public links between prominent Americans and Nazi Germany uncovered during his official investigation of a group of indicted seditionists.

Rogge, who spoke at a banquet climaxing an all-day labor legislative conference, charged that the current attack on civil liberties and labor's rights is intended to throttle all opposition to the big business policies heading our country toward depression and war.

Selling Gold Bricks
"The monopoly cartel crowd is doing its best to sell us a gold brick composed of knifing labor, the discredit of Franklin D. Roosevelt, the destruction of our civil liberties, the rebuilding of Germany and war with Russia," he said. He listed 11 Wall Streeters who are translating Herbert Hoover's program into official administration policy and termed Pres. Truman and his associates the "best water boys the large industrial and financial interests have ever had."

Rogge scored the President's loyalty purge as a vehicle that merely gave added speed to the witchhunt being led by the House committee on Un-American activities and declared that by this order, Truman linked himself with the forces bent on depriving the people of their civil liberties.

Another speaker was Pres. James Patton of the Natl. Farmers Union who assailed the attacks on unions and cooperatives. He called for united farmer-labor political activity "to oust the Washington reactionaries and elect those who will do the will of the people."

Out of 9,000 regular army commissions authorized recently only 29 were awarded Negroes.



Last week Pres. Charles Luckman of Lever Bros. was named head of Pres. Truman's 26-man food committee, supposed to meet the current crisis by a conservation program. Immediately after he took over, his company showed how much good the committee would do by boosting the price of Spry (vegetable fat) and their soaps (Lux, Lifebuoy and Swan) by about 10%.—Federated Pictures.

Nat'l CIO to Meet Oct. 13 In Boston

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Sen. Claude Pepper (D, Fla.), the leading liberal voice in the upper house, and Pres. Arthur Deakin of the World Federation of Trade Unions will be featured speakers at the CIO's ninth constitutional convention opening in Boston Oct. 13. CIO Sec. Treas. James B. Carey announced the list of speakers and said there may be later additions to it.

Deakin will address the CIO convention on his return east from the AFL convention in San Francisco where he will appear as a fraternal delegate of the British Trades Union Congress. Deakin is secretary of the Transport and General Workers Union, Britain's largest.

Other speakers will include Labor Sec. Lewis B. Schwellenbach, Gov. Robert Bradford (R.) of Massachusetts; Pres. Michael T. Kelleher of the Boston Chamber of Commerce; Pres. Joseph Salerno of the Massachusetts State CIO Council and CIO Regional Director Frank Carmichael.

Among the churchmen who will appear will be the Most Rev. Richard Cushing, Catholic archbishop of Boston; Rabbi Joshua Liebman of Boston's Temple Israel and the Rt. Rev. Norman B. Nash, Episcopal bishop of Massachusetts.

E. C. Red Feather Drive Gets Going

East Chicago's Community Chest Drive moved into high gear Tuesday noon with the first of a series of meetings which will culminate in the general drive the week of October 13-17.

The Industrial Committee, headed by Fred Gillies, which will direct the drive in the plants during the next two weeks met at the Chest headquarters Tuesday noon, at which time the broadsides, window stickers, pledge cards and feathers were distributed to the plant representatives. Drive Chairman Cliff Porter spoke to the committee urging extra effort this year to meet the increased budget of \$76,216. He also asked the com-

Canned Food at Cost On Sale to 1010 Oct. 18

Eleven hundred cases of canned food will go on sale, at cannery prices, to members of local union 1010 and their families at local headquarters, 3436 Michigan ave., Saturday, October 18, 10 a.m.

Financial Secretary Tom Conway completed arrangements with a cannery in Austin, Indiana, for delivery of the goods to union headquarters in time to put them on sale on the above date. Handling of the food after its delivery will be done by volunteers from among the local's membership.

Whether or not further purchase of staple groceries by the local for resale at cost to the membership depends upon the response made to the first effort.

Savings, based on the difference between cannery prices and the lowest listed in public markets, vary from 2c to 22c on each can. In order to insure against resale of the goods for profit, a limit of two cases to each member has been set by the committee in charge.

Purchasers will be required to show a membership card in local union 1010. It will not be necessary for the member himself to make the purchase, however; his wife or another member of his family may do so by presenting

the union card for her identification.

Sale Prices

Items listed below will be sold by local 1010 Saturday, October 18, at union headquarters:

Item	Size	Can	Per Case
Sauer Kraut	#2 1/2	.08	\$1.92
Hominy	#2	.08	1.92
Pumpkin	#2 1/2	.12	2.88
Tomato Juice	#2	.10	2.40
Tomato Catsup	14 oz.	.13	3.12
Tomato Paste	#1	.07	2.64
Tomato Soup	#2	.11	2.64
Veg. Soup	#1	.07	3.36
Chicken Soup	#1	.07	3.36
C. Rice Soup	#2	.07	1.68
Diced Carrots	#2	.08	1.92
Peas & Carrots	#2	.08	1.92
Mixed Veg.	#2	.07	1.68
Beets	#2	.13	3.12
Evergreen Corn	#2	.13	3.12
Y. Sweet Corn	#2	.13	3.12
Mixed S. Corn	#2	.13	3.12
Spaghetti	#2	.07	1.68
Pork & Beans	#2	.11	2.64
Kidney Beans	#2	.10	2.40
Pinto Beans	#2	.10	2.40
Lima Beans	#2	.10	2.40
Tomatoes	#2	.12	2.88

Hoosier Bosses Try Out T-H Law Down at Salem

SALEM, Ind. — (FP)—Within two weeks after the Taft-Hartley act was passed, this usually quiet little town had a major labor dispute on its hands, involving an anti-picketing injunction, dynamiting of a worker's home, vigilante tactics and the calling out of state troopers.

It all started when the United Furniture Workers (CIO) won a bargaining election by 252 to 155 at the Smith Cabinet Co. three days before the Taft-Hartley law became effective, but was refused NLRB certification pending CIO compliance with a provision requiring signing of non-Communist affidavits.

Company Pres. Chester Smith promptly refused to recognize the union, and two weeks later the workers walked out. Almost every ingredient in the pre-Wagner act union-busting formula was then used against the workers.

COMPANY ATTORNEYS got an injunction restraining mass picketing at the plant and three workers were cited for contempt of court under the restraining order. A series of altercations followed, in one of which a piece of dynamite was thrown near a worker's home.

Most serious clash came when union members from Louisville, Ky., drove in to help swell the strikers' picketline and became involved in a fight with some scabs. Using vigilante methods, Washington County Sheriff Orval Hamilton forced the Louisville workers to leave town.

Then followed an appeal from Mayor O. L. Cook to Gov. Ralph F. Gates (R) to send in state troopers. The troopers arrived the next day, restoring an uneasy truce to this town which is learning first hand the kind of labor peace the Taft-Hartley act brings.

mittee to carry the word to the men in the industries to display their window stickers at home so that the voluntary and unpaid house-to-house workers would not lose time resoliciting them during the general drive week.

Robots in, Girls Out At Inland

Five more girls from Inland's tin mill assorting room were added to Lake County's growing number of unemployed factory workers last week. The girls were notified on Thursday, October 2, that their jobs ended at quitting time on the following day.

This brings the total number of girls replaced within the month by robot assorters to 19.

Ex-Employees May Claim Back Pay

Former employees of Inland Steel are being notified by a joint letter of company and management to apply for back pay which they may have coming under the Wage Rate Inequity Agreement.

The enclosed card must be signed and mailed to the company within 120 days after it is received.

A widow can claim her former husband's back pay provided that she is the administrator of his estate. If she has married again, she will sign the card with her present name and under the line write "formerly the wife of (name of first husband)."

If the postal card is lost, another may be obtained by applying to the pay window of Inland Steel.

The office of the Financial Secretary, LU 1010, 3436 Michigan ave., will help persons with any questions they may have concerning retroactive pay.

"The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much; it is whether we provide enough for those who have too little."—Franklin D. Roosevelt, Second Inaugural Address.

LONDON—(ALN)—A pledge that the government will not freeze wages, as Minister of Labor George Isaacs had hinted, was given to a delegation from the British Trades Union Congress by Prime Minister Clement Attlee here Oct. 1.

CIO Keglars Buck Jim Crow Bowling In Detroit Alleys

DETROIT—(EP)—The first of 10 city tournaments for bowlers without race restrictions will be held in Detroit in November. Recreation Dir. Olga Madar of the United Auto Workers (CIO) announces. Among other cities to be favored with these bowling tournaments, which will be open to all bowlers, whether CIO, AFL, white, colored, are Buffalo, Cleveland, Milwaukee and the towns where the UAW is strong.

Armed with \$12,000 voted by the UAW board, the recreation unit is setting up competition against the American Bowling Congress, which restricts participation to white male bowlers. The \$12,000 will be used principally to supplement the prize money to

be derived from the entry fees, Miss Madar says. Two alley owners in Detroit have given permission to hold (unsanctioned by the ABC) tournaments there. Organizers are busy helping lo-

cal unions to set up bowling leagues. Regional tournaments are expected to follow the city tournaments in the UAW program to end discrimination in this popular American sport.

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Steps to Increase Negro Leadership Taken by Local 1010

Because Negro members of the USA-CIO on the International Union's staff are not in proportion to their membership among the steel union's rank and file, a letter calling this matter to the attention of top executives was authorized by local union 1010 Thursday night, October 2.

The letter, copies of which are being prepared by members of the local's anti-discrimination committee, will head a petition. All members of local 1010 will be requested to sign it.

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THE POLITICAL PITCH

By JAMES HUNTER

In the previous issue of this paper, an attempt was made to point out that city elections are party elections; that they are the standard bearers of the major parties and set the policies of the state and national organizations. Further, that the very existence of labor unions will be jeopardized if we fail to recognize that local, state, and national units of party organizations are one and the same. The thinking and acts of a national party is, it must not be forgotten, the thinking and acts of every group which functions under the party's label and with its approval.

For example housing, most emphatically an outstanding issue in our city elections, has been treated badly in every instance in which the Republicans were in control. The 80th session of Congress slashed the Federal Housing program so deeply that it is but a skeleton of its former self.

Here in Indiana, the Republican dominated legislature in both the 1945 and 1947 sessions blocked the passage of all housing legislation, good or bad.

Proof? Sure:

In 1945 Mr. Stanley Kwiat (D.), then a member of the legislature, introduced house bill number 192 which proposed to give authority to township assessors to assess unplatted lands on a basis of separate lots. This would have compelled holders of large land plots, principally realtors who were and are withholding this land from badly needed building sites, to pay taxes for each lot. That such a law would have resulted in new home projects being opened up is foregone.

Kwiat's bill was killed on the second reading by those who dominated those sessions of the state legislature.

Rep. Betty Malinka also introduced a bill in this connection during the 1945 session.

Provisions of the Malinka bill, HB 360, were: to authorize housing for the clearance of blighted areas; to legalize ghettos; to acquire real property and make it available for redevelopment; to confer necessary powers on housing authorities, cities, and other public bodies; to make obligations issue by housing authorities, in connection with redevelopment projects, legal investments and security for deposits; and for creation of an advisory board to housing authorities.

Representative Malinka's measure, which passed both bodies of the state legislature, was killed by the veto of Governor Gates.

Again—this should be proof enough that local and state issues are one and the same and are won or lost in local elections.

Another effort to alleviate the housing shortage was initiated by the writer in the 1947 session of the State Legislature. This measure, HB 240, was a proposal to create a housing authority in each city in order to implement public and/or private housing.

Despite that this bill was submitted to the attorney general's office to make it conform to the Governor's wishes, the Republican majority in the Senate, under the astute guidance of Governor Gates killed HB 240 dead enough to skin.

How can any Republican speak of insufficient housing, juvenile delinquency, and hazards to the public health, when they consistently sabotage every effort made to correct conditions they profess to deplore?

Functionaries of CIO, AFL, and RR Brotherhood Unions in Lake County are abundantly familiar with the foregoing facts. If any one questions them, however, the truth of these allegations of mine can easily be verified by a look into the House Journals for 1945 and 1947.

In these documents you will find that not one labor restricting bill was introduced by a Democrat. You will also find that Senate bill No. 52, an anti-picketing measure; House bill 31, a proposal to give extra powers to state police in times of strikes; House bill No. 56, which would have prevented the AFL Teamsters from soliciting members among the road drivers; and House bill No. 107, designed to limit the time for labor to file a case to one year; were all sponsored by leaders of the Republican Party.



Juvenile Jim Crow. Because the Hal Roach motion picture, Curley, includes white and colored children in the cast, the Memphis Board of Censors has banned it from the city's screens. "The south," says the censor, "does not permit Negroes in a white school nor recognize social equality between the races—even in children." The city's arbitrary undemocratic action is now being challenged by progressive groups.—(Federated Pictures.)

Trouble in Eden?

When a Vet Marries, Sometimes It Poses a Problem in Economics

By FRANCIS MALLOY

At one time or another we remember pointing out rather indelicately—and perhaps in these very same austere columns—that, while some men are born great and some men achieve greatness, a great many other guys are just a great big pain in the you know where.

Now it is to be hoped no one will be low-minded enough to suppose this prefatory observation is anything personal, or a back-handed slap, as it were, at one or more of the sedate cast of characters—all of them charming people we'll have you know—to walk this week across the Indiana Harbor scene.

You might say we just threw it in for want of something better, something more high class.

Lucky Guys Dissatisfied

And so, to begin with, we are forced to report—with grave misgivings, too—a serious clash recently in one of the minor workshops of our great private enterprise system. Mixed up in it was something sometimes called financial incentive and, along with that, human interest in the welfare of the worker. No need to be coy. It was in Youngstown's steel plant machine shop, and involved were war veterans who are machinist apprentices, and Boss Walter Hausknecht, a veteran of World War I.

Oddly enough, the episode brought into sharp relief a provocative question of whether it is advisable now, or economically sound, for a veteran (a poor one, of course) to wed and begin this business of begetting. We say "oddly" because to some all this might seem passing strange in a happy land where magazines and bill boards lately having been carrying such ads as one picturing a man and woman swinging gaily along on a pink cloud—with two bright little kids—and all under a bubbling blurb:

"Lucky People! (They're going to buy a Gasmobile.) Next year they'll buzz around amid the scenic beauties of far-off Lake Malatestinich and old Mount McGilvery. Wheel!" We might add, though, that the man in the picture bears little resemblance to a steelworker who, between pay days at least, is not so much given to outbursts of "wheel" as some people think.

Seek Aid on Problem

Anyway, as we started out to say, the apprentices—represented by Stanley Dowmbrowski, Vito Collyard and John Tomko—approached Mister Hausknecht with a problem. They asked, as we understand it, that a system now in force at Inland—by which apprentices are given credit by industry for the work they performed in their trade overseas with the armed forces—be instituted at Youngstown. According to our informant, Mister H. said well, no, he didn't see how it could be done.

At this young Collyard is supposed to have launched into a somewhat familiar dissertation on how hard it is now to stretch a penny that already has been stretched to the limit, mentioning the fact that he is married, has a child, and, in order to get a place to live, has been forced to undertake buying a house.

Now it is no intention of ours to rake Mister Hausknecht over the coals for his reaction to this. His reported answer indicates no first-class thinking, and veterans may rebel—as well they did!—at the outrageous injustice of the situation it implies. Only the fact that it is so brutally, tragically true for so many who played their part well in defense of this land of plenty makes it at all newsworthy.

"Well," Mister H. is reported to have said, "you shouldn't have got married!"

Rare Restraint

To the best of our knowledge,

Collyard did not at this point exclaim, "NOW he tells me!" Nor did Mister H. preach in a clear, strong voice about how you can't find that inner peace by working merely for pay, but for the pleasure of the work itself. What Mister H. is quoted as saying is, "All that you guys want is a donation."

As you might guess, that didn't sit so well. The way we hear it the whole matter was referred to Supt. of Shops Harry Snedden, who's to see what can be done about it.

At this writing the vets are still pretty sore. Want to know if they're to believe holy wedlock should be reserved only for the well-heeled, and if so, won't it cut pretty deep into the crop of stalwarts they may send out to slip atomic pellets at the Russians or whoever in 1970. Things like that.

We pose as no expert, but are confident nature will work its usual wonders in this respect. No matter what. And we thought you might like to know.

FASHION NOTE: Goose pimples, we hear, are still in vogue among some of the well-dressed at Youngstown.

FINANCIAL: Passed down from Sub-District Director Les Thornton at last Thursday's Local 1011 meeting was word that special effort will be made at Youngstown, Ohio, these coming weeks to wind up inequities (the rate angle, only) before Nov. 1. The Local voted to dispatch George Cushman, vice president of 1011 and an expert on the inequities program, to the Ohio city to assist in bringing this about. He will get \$10 a day expenses, we hear, plus what he's been making in the mill.

COMMODITIES: Also at the last local session go-ahead was given Chairman Ralph Hyndmann of the "Wholesale Foods Committee" in the matter of planning the purchase of canned food for sale to union members at cost. No decision has yet been reached on how much to buy, where to buy it, or how it's to be distributed. All this awaits a study of how that is done by other unions.

DIVIDENDS: Ruth Dexter, pint-size stenographer in Shipping at Youngstown, has acute (she's cute, too) hearing. It paid off pretty well—that and the fact she belongs to a union.

A supervisor, with prospective new employee in tow, entered the office where Miss Dexter and other girls were at work, waved an impressive hand. "Now this is where you'll work. And I suppose you know the starting salary will be..."

He mentioned a figure, and what Miss Dexter's shell-like ear picked up made her almost fall off her chair. It was \$22 a month more than she'd been getting the four months she'd been on the job.

Howard Vezey, president of Clerk's Local 3127, was sought out, a grievance drawn up and filed; and right back came the answer. An oversight, it said. She'd be paid the correct rate, and back to the date she started.

WASHINGTON — (FP) — As prices continued spiraling upward toward new peaks during the late summer and early fall, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported Sept. 25 that weekly earnings in U. S. factories averaged about the same at the end of August as they did in June. The national average of all manufacturing was \$49.29 weekly gross wage, or \$1.24 hourly for 39.9 hours.

In the U. S. 55% of the people belong to either a national or religious minority group.

There are no such things as menial jobs; there are only menial minds.

Pagina en Espanol

Victoria

Los trabajadores del Stock de retornaron a sus trabajos el día 6 del presente mes, después de permanecer 11 días fuera de la planta, como protesta por haber suspendido a 13 compañeros, por paso preliminar para darles tiempo.

Como ya es conocido por todos fueron suspendidos acusados de trabajar al paso, al desear el ladrillo y otros materiales para Open Hearths el miércoles 24 de Septiembre próximo pasado. 27 trabajadores restantes se comprometieron a no trabajar hasta que los compañeros fueran restituidos.

No obstante que un gran número de obreros de la yarda y del Open Hearths fueron asignados a los del contrato, no les fue posible descargar los carros y entraron día a día; a mediados de semana pasada había 163 carros que descargan.

Por tal razón la compañía tenía que pagar \$11 once dólares por día por cada carro.

El material descargado antes que estos trabajadores fueran peditos fue consumido parcialmente por la grande demando los hornos del Open Hearths.

El bajo pago de tonelaje, la compañía enfáticamente se había reusado a mejorar, obligó los compañeros del contrato trabajar duramente para ganar un salario menos de \$10 dólares por día; por lo que se dieron trabajar al paso y obtuvieron el pago de \$1.23 por hora.

Por esta actitud tomada, la compañía suspendió a seis hombres, cinco días el jueves 18 del pasado; por lo cual toda la familia se estuvo en casa hasta el castigo impuesto fuese levantado.

Por esta demostración de asistencia y solidaridad se les dio el tiempo a 13 trabajadores el 24 del mismo mes.

Mercancias Al Costo

Mil cien cajas de comida enviada han sido compradas por la unión local 1010, las cuales serán vendidas a la membresía al costo el sábado 18 del presente. Son miembros de la unión, o familiares pueden comprar la mercancía, identificándose por medio de la carta de miembro de la 1010.

Se ahorrará Ud. de dos centavos a veintidos por bote, comparando los precios con las marcas públicas.

La venta, que se llevará a cabo en las oficinas de la Local, 30 de la Michigan avenida, dará principio a las 10 A.M. y será men's por un día.

Aviso

Por medio de una carta firmada por la unión y la compañía, se notificó a los trabajadores, el americano pago atrasado conforme los términos del acuerdo de ajustes de salarios.

La tarjeta que se encuentra dentro de la carta, debe ser firmada y remitida por correo a la compañía, dentro de un plazo de 120 días de haberla recibido.

Una viuda puede reclamar pago de su desaparecido esposo probando que ella es la responsable o encargada de la familia; si ha casado de nuevo, debe de firmar la tarjeta, con el nombre de su nuevo esposo y bajo la línea de firmar el nombre que tenía el primero.

Si la tarjeta fue perdida, dase una nueva en la Oficina Pagador de la Compañía.

Si alguna pregunta desea haceracerca del pago atrasado o contestada en la Oficina del retario de Finanzas de la 1010, 3436 Michigan Avenue.



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Mr. Republican Candidate—

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Tell us what you did for the welfare and civic improvement of East Chicago as a citizen up to this time?

Tell us, are you the only candidate of the opposition?

We are for Frank J. Migas for Mayor and the entire Democratic ticket, because we believe they will best serve the people regardless of race, creed or color.

Keep East Chicago Democratic!
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WE OF ORGANIZED LABOR join all groups of responsible citizens in supporting fully our Community Chest campaign.

We are for it. And we have particular reasons.

The labor movement by long tradition and practice has stood solidly for the cause of the welfare, the dignity and the self-respect of human beings. The Community Chest is an able spokesman for this cause.

Labor uses the Red Feather services. We want our boys and girls and all youngsters to benefit from the wholesome fun, sports, hobbies and fine educational programs of the Red Feather youth services . . . We want health protected, family security strengthened, aged and handicapped people cared for with kindness and understanding.

And so we support the Community Chest, not only by our daily use of its services and our annual gifts to its campaign, but by our growing volunteer participation in its planning and policy-making bodies. We support the Chest, not as a "charity for the underprivileged," but as a federation of fine community services for everybody whose high privilege it is to live and work in an American community.

We believe that the Community Chest is the sound, sensible and fair way to plan and to support health and welfare services. Here indeed is a job in which all citizens of good will can unite, forgetting the many things that tend to divide us . . . remembering the one big thing that unites us—our common humanity.

This is good trade unionism—good democracy—and good sense.

Signed

Frank Jurvis, (C.I.O.)

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(This advertisement paid for by "Wleklinski for Mayor Boosters"—a club of Republican, Democratic and Independent Voters.)



Personally, we would rather look at a picture of Martha Nash than we would at this one of Mickey Isley. But we'll see and hear 'em both at Local 1010's Halloween hurdy-gurdy slated for Saturday night, November 1. How about you?

DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

**13 Fired; 27 Pull
Pin: 40 Back to
Work Monday**

Their ranks unbroken by the tentative firing of thirteen of their number, since rescinded, stock shed workers returned to their jobs Monday, October 6, following eleven days' absence from the plant.

Charged with slowing down the work of unloading refractory stores to the open hearths, thirteen of the forty men gang were suspended Wednesday, September 24, preliminary to discharge. The remaining twenty-seven workers in that department promptly refused to go to work until the discharged men were reinstated.

Although large numbers of yard and open hearth laborers were assigned to the tonnage men's work, they were unable to keep incoming cars unloaded. By the middle of last week, 163 cars were waiting to be unloaded. Eleven dollars a day for each car was, meanwhile, piling up in demurrage costs to the company.

Material reserves, unloaded before the regular gang was forced off their jobs, dwindled rapidly under the heavy demand of open hearth furnaces.

Low tonnage rates, which company has, so far, obdurately refused to adjust, compelled the stock shed tonnage men to work at top speed for an average of less than thirteen dollars a day. They decided to fall back upon their hourly rate, \$1.23, instead.

For this, six men were given five-day suspensions, on Thursday, September 18. The entire gang remained away from work until the suspensions were lifted. Firing of thirteen men on September 24 followed that demonstration of resistance and solidarity.

Jesse Crawford seems to be taking care of his job as a griever steward in the 28" mill. Seven millwrights, improperly classified as relief repair men, drew retroactive pay for the whole period, about three months, before the company error was corrected.

**G. A. Good Fellows'
Party Set Oct. 25**

Two hundred dollars in prizes will be won by lucky people at the General American Good Fellow Club's party Saturday, October 25. The affair will begin at 8 p.m. in the Steelworkers' hall, Grand boulevard and Broadway. All union people and their friends are invited to attend. Refreshments and entertainment are also slated for the event.

The nation's insured banks made their highest earnings on record in 1946.

**"We'd Rather Be
Right Than Raised"
Tin Mill Bundlers**

"I don't give a d—n what the contract says; if a bundler refuses promotion to car bracing, he'll be sent home."

Thus Superintendent Koeglie threw down the gauntlet to Assistant Griever Szepeich and the whole institution of collective bargaining three weeks ago.

But time, and a warehouse bungling with unshipped orders, have demonstrated to tin mill supervision that there's madness in that method.

The trouble originated over conflicting interpretation of the contract clause dealing with promotions. Company insisted that accepting a promotion was compulsory. Shipping dock workers, backed by local union 1010's grievance machinery, contended that a man was entitled to remain on a job to his liking regardless of a vacancy occurring higher up.

Confronted with a steady parade of shipping dock bundlers to the clock house, management conceded that they might be in error on their interpretation of this clause.

As of last week, tin mill employees aren't being sent home for refusing to promote.

**Tin Mill Softies
Top 1010 League**

Beating #2 open hearth by scores of 6 to 5 and 13 to 8, the tin mill softball team scaled the final heights to local 1010's championship for 1947. Team Captain Nick Hardich piloted the tin millers to the top.

Jackets for the victorious aggregation were ordered by the local union last week.

Today's maxim for motorists: Children should be seen and not hurt.

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No Third Party '48—Kroll

CHICAGO (FP)—The CIO Political Action Committee has officially abandoned thought of supporting a third party in 1948, Dir. Kroll told a press conference after the CIO convention resolved to intensify its work with the PAC.

Kroll told newsmen that "a third party now is definitely out. We are working in the framework of both major parties."

Asked if that applied to 1948, Kroll said it did, but "unless we have an effective political organization of ourselves, we won't be able to take advantage of future political winds." Asked whether he thought there would be a third party movement after 1948, Kroll said he was not a prophet, but "there would be a realization of the present parties at that time."

At a banquet with a mingling of labor and business leaders, Kroll greeted Pres. Michael J. Quill of Transport Workers Union when he said: "There is a new voice calling for peace in the U.S. today. That is Henry Wallace."

Kroll said that if Democratic candidates want the support of the people in the next election, the Democratic convention must be run by Farley and men of his type.

The Resolution charged that the Congress was stamped with servitude to the dictates of representatives of the power-holders who control the major policy and policies of the corporation and the same stamp is stamped into every branch of our government, it said, pointing out that too many instances representatives of the ideals and principles of our great war President have been ousted from office replaced by representatives of organized industry."

CIO Resolves Upon Third Party Move

A resolution calling upon International officers of the USA-CIO to sponsor a conference of all labor organizations for formation of a third political party was passed at local union 1010 Thursday, October 16.

Although the resolution was passed unanimously, it met with a hour of spirited discussion before the body called for a vote. Because of the recorded action at the national CIO convention against formation of a third party, the resolution from a major steel union takes on special significance at this time.

Replaced by Robot; Gets Better Job

Miss Sut, one of the fourteen who rotated off the tin mill assortment line by robots, September 5, back on the Inland payroll.

According to contractual agreement with the union, laid off employees have first preference for jobs which they are qualified to do. Despite that, management placed two girls who had never been employed by Inland, on the scale shanty, No. 1 open position.

Speaking about it, Sister Sut noted local 1010's grievance committee chairman, He, together with a member for No. 1 open hearth, took the matter before management at the general meeting, Tuesday, October 7.

Wednesday morning, Anne went to work on the scale job after plant seniority intact. Employees who have been laid off, not fired for cause, are

CARE OF INJURED MAN LIMITED TO 1 CALL A MONTH

Since the latest one in a series of casts was moulded upon his crushed leg, August 12, Isaac Villalpando, 3415 Block ave., has been visited exactly twice by Doctor Cole, a member of the clinic retained by Inland Steel to care for employees injured in the company's service.

On Friday, October 10, an ambulance picked Brother Villalpando up and took him to the plant No. 1 clinic for routine examination by the company doctor on duty there. The doctor in the plant clinic, who had had no previous connection with the case, told the injured man to go home and wait another thirty days.

No other professional attention has been given Villalpando in that time.



Meanwhile, Brother Villalpando doesn't sleep very well. The cast has chafed and irritated his flesh considerably and his toes, protruding from the constricting plaster, are swollen and discolored.

Besides the physical suffering, the problem of stretching \$80.30, monthly compensation, to support a family of eight is another matter which is doing very little to make Isaac Villalpando's convalescence an easy one.

Injured in the 76" hot strip, September 27, 1946, he spent the following eight months and ten days in St. Catherine's Hospital. The injury is a multiple fracture of Villalpando's right leg. Despite the complexities of such severe damages to human tissue and bone, a specialist was called into consultation by the clinic practitioners only once. His examination of Villalpando was limited to ten minutes.

Although barely able to walk on crutches, and with months of painful recovery before him, Brother Villalpando was released from St. Catherine's to the devoted but non-professional care of his family.

Their flat is on the second floor in one of those crumbling structures which pass for habitations on Block avenue. Tidy and tastefully furnished as it is, the flat is much too small for a large family to live in anything like comfort.

On sunny days, Brother Villalpando contrives to hobble painfully down the stairs to sit and chat with the neighbors and watch the children at play.

It helps a little.

To vote is your duty. The laws of Indiana provide that you be given four hours from your work on election day between the opening and closing hours of the polls. Any employer violating this section of the law shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

The deepest sin against the human mind is to believe things without evidence.—Thomas Huxley.

advised to keep in touch with their former department representatives in order to demand jobs which may be rightfully theirs.



Picture by W. Huttie

Hundreds of Inland's union members and members of their families jammed Michigan avenue Friday morning, October 18, for an hour before sale of canned goods at cost began in local 1010 headquarters at 10 o'clock.

Planned by the local both as a protest demonstration against rocketing food prices and as a means of enabling the membership to save a few dollars on the purchase of canned food, response to the sale exceeded all anticipations. Those arriving after twelve o'clock found the entire stock, eleven hundred cases, sold out.

Success of the venture has warranted further sales of food, officers of the local stated Saturday afternoon. There has not been time to draw up detailed plans, but it is generally accepted that other staple groceries and fruits will also be available at forthcoming sales.

At Crown Point

SANITARIUM BEDS IDLE AS SCORES WAIT ENTRY

Although forty victims of tuberculosis in Lake County remain unhospitalized, forty beds in James A. Parramore Hospital, Lake County's sanitarium situated in Crown Point, are unoccupied. Fifteen of the forty persons under treatment by the out patient clinic, Doctor Becker stated Thursday, October 16, should be assigned to wards.

Patients on the waiting list are admitted in the order of their applications, Doctor Becker stated. This is not, however, a hard and fast regulation, he elaborated. Home conditions, stage to which the malady has developed, and other circumstances which vary in considerable degree with each tuberculosis sufferer, are also weighed carefully before deciding how quickly he will be hospitalized for treatment.

Those on the waiting list who are able to travel from their homes to Crown Point are treated in Parramore's out patient clinic. Patients confined to their homes are given professional care by the mobile unit of the Lake County Tuberculosis Association.

Danger of contagion from victims of tuberculosis mingling with their families and their respective communities exists, Doctor Becker conceded. It is, however, much less than danger from people who have contracted the disease without themselves becoming aware of it. All patients under medical supervision are painstakingly instructed in methods of avoiding spread of the infection.

Shortage of trained nurses is the chief reason offered by hospital authorities for keeping a waiting list of patients while bed space in Parramore is not being fully utilized. The situation is a chronic one; during the war years, eighty beds were idled by shortage of hospital help.

Ward attendants, kitchen help, and other unskilled and semi-skilled, non-professional employees are also, at time, too few in number to maintain the sanitarium at a level adequate to the county's needs.

Salaries for registered nurses range from \$135 to \$155 a month. Ceiling on non-professional workers' pay, which begins at \$65 a month, is \$85. All living expenses are, of course, provided in addition to these figures.

These wage and salary levels are, Doctor Becker told the Sentinel, above the average paid in hospitals throughout the state.

Paring of funds provided by Lake County for care of its residents stricken with tuberculosis is not a factor affecting the insufficient number of personnel at Parramore and resultant below capacity operation.

Both Frank Hoess, President of the Board of Directors, and Doctor Becker stated for publication that appropriations requested from the county's budget committee had been slashed.

In addition to county funds provided for maintenance of the sanitarium at Crown Point, the state provides \$1.50 for each patient therein. Contributions from the Community Chest and Christmas Seals are also a source from which expenses of Parramore hospital and the Lake County Tuberculosis Association are met.

PRICE CONTROL "POLICE STATE" SAYS TRUMAN

NEW YORK (FP)—According to Pres. Truman's definition of price control and rationing as "police state methods," virtually every country in the world except the U.S. is a "police state."

Among those countries which in the past have been cited by U.S. government spokesmen as the world's last bulwarks of western civilization, the following fit Pres. Truman's definition of a "police state," which he aired at a press conference Oct. 16:

Australia, where price control and rationing are strictly enforced.

Canada, where price control is still in effect on several key commodities.

England, where both price control and rationing are in effect and where government leaders have stated firmly that they will not be relaxed in the foreseeable future.

France, where both price control and rationing are in effect—and where labor's chief complaint is that they are not enforced strictly enough.

Norway, where both are strictly enforced.

Holland, ditto.

The fact is that almost every country in the world today has maintained price control and rationing as the only method of insuring fair distribution of scarce food and other necessities at prices that working people can afford.

In every country where price control is in effect, the labor movement—the most powerful spokesman for popular opinion—is the leading defender of continued controls. In these few countries where price control and rationing are not in effect, such as China, the labor movement and other democratic groups are leading the movement in favor of their introduction.

BOSTON CONVENTION SHAPES CIO POLICIES



In an opening day speech to the ninth CIO convention Pres. Philip Murray urged all-out aid to Europe, adding that "in the interest of universal peace, it seems to be the duty of the U. S. government to see that prices are driven down." At the speaker's table is Sec.-Treas. James B. Carey.—(Federated Pictures)

Murray Says Wage Drive Stopped U. S. Collapse

By Federated Press

BOSTON—(FP)—The major obstacle in the way of economic collapse of America's inflated economy has been organized labor's bitter fight for higher wages, Pres. Philip Murray told the CIO's ninth constitutional convention October 13.

Murray's report, highlighting the brilliant opening session in the Hotel Bradford, covered a broad field of topics with the thinking of himself and his associates in the CIO leadership.

"Skyrocketing prices, greatly inflated profits, a refusal to expand capacity and the weakening of social legislation inevitably will lead to economic chaos," he declared.

"There has been one major development on the economic front that has stood in the way of an economic collapse, and that has been the successful drive of organized labor in the past year for higher wages. This has added purchasing power to the mass of American workers and has thus played an extremely important part in preventing a collapse of our economy."

Prejudice Called Criminal by CIO

BOSTON—(FP)—Anti-Semitism and all other forms of anti-racial prejudice must be recognized as a crime, the CIO convention declared in a resolution which also called for opening U. S. doors "to the thousands of homeless and desperate Jews in Europe."

The CIO endorsed the Buckley bill, HR 2848, which would ban dissemination through the mails of anti-racial propaganda and further called for "a code of laws dealing with the hateful evil of racial bigotry." It also asked the U. S. to fight for adoption of the majority report on Palestine in the United Nations.

Fifteen dollars each will be paid by the East Chicago Political Action Committee for Cars, with drivers, for Election Day, Tuesday, November 4. Those desiring to put their cars at the disposal of the PAC may do so by calling Chairman John O'Malley, East Chicago 1138 J, or by contacting him through YS&T local 1011.

Los Angeles police arrested six unionists for wearing Robert A. Taft masks when they picketed the senator.

If it's a crime to look like Taft, why is the chief violator running around loose?

DEPORTATION, 1919 STYLE, FOUGHT BY CIO CONVENTION

BOSTON—(FP)—Efforts of the Justice Dept. to deport Dir. of Organization John Santo of the Transport Workers Union were branded as persecution of a leader of labor in a resolution unanimously adopted by the CIO convention adopted Oct. 16.

The resolution called on Atty. Gen. Tom Clark to halt the attack on Santo and pledged "the full support of our organization" to his defense.

Chairman Van A. Rittner of the convention's resolutions committee took the floor in support of the statement, saying he wondered "what's happening in the U.S. at this time."

He pointed out that Santo has been a "legal resident of the U.S. for 20 years who, after serving 3½ years in the armed services, received the commendation of his commanders."

Charges against Santo, he said, "are not only a disgrace to the U.S. but also a disgrace to civilization everywhere."

Santo is facing deportation on charges of being a Communist.

CIO Hits Mass Witch Hunts By Congress

BOSTON—(FP)—The mass witch-hunts of the 1920's are today "being reproduced with terrifying fidelity," the CIO convention warned here Oct. 15 in a resolution demanding that American civil authorities be safeguarded by law.

The CIO reiterated its demand for dissolution of the House committee on unAmerican activities, which it termed "the most powerful voice of a reactionary program to deprive our people of cherished civil and political rights and to rob our heritage of its tradition of democracy, fair play and tolerance."

"That danger is no less—but for greater—because government interference with the economic and political liberty of our people comes at the very time when the arrogance and aggressiveness of monopoly and its reactionary political spokesmen are increasing."

Good fame is like fire; when you have kindled you may easily preserve it; but if you extinguish it you will not easily kindle it again. —Bacon.



Sen. Claude A. Pepper hit Republicanism and reaction in fighting speech before the CIO convention and warned "that a return to New Deal democracy can retrace the nation's steps." (Federated Pictures)

G. O. PRICES

Remember June 30, 1946—and the death of OPA?

Remember what the Republican Party promised during the last campaign on prices and the cost of living?

Remember what they said about how "prices will take care of themselves"?

Remember that they said "trust us and big business to not only end shortages, but give you lower prices"?



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Nov. 22, 1947

DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

Not in Duplicate Copies

Everybody in the coke plant is disciplined for failure to do these things, but Bus Logan, of that department, is a letter for that or some other reason against the peace of Inland Steel any day.

Reports receiving copies of more than twenty disciplinary orders late this summer, no one month were issued in his name.

Of the alleged offenses are instances of minor neglect and carelessness which supervisory personnel that they had the confidence of their subordinates could correct without resort to official action.

High (or low) point in the flood of provocations by management was the demotion of Paul Sprusanski, to maintenance helper.

Sprusanski's misdeed was handgiving a minor cut on his finger with first aid supplied for that very purpose.

Despite that he immediately thereafter proceeded to the professional treatment, disciplined for not calling attendance first.

Other outstanding indication of management means to have in a reprimand placed a pusher door man for his bring in two wheel bar-

rows of dirt. Wheeling in dirt is an unspecified duty incident to the job which is traditionally arranged among the door men who succeed each other on shifts.

The coke plant boys, who have no desire to return to the days when management issued no reprimands at all against offending employees—they just fired 'em in—aren't being frightened by the high tide of disciplines.

They're getting mad.

MIKE KATCHMAR, grievor steward in the coke plant electrical department, is one of the younger union men who is doing the work where it counts, on the point of production. Last month, Mike turned in more than forty applications for membership.

Night Mechanics Minus

Now that steam department foremen have been barred by filing of a grievance from doing repair work themselves, the department stands badly in need of at least two mechanics assigned to each shift.

In case of emergency on other than the daylight shift, machinists are called from plant No. 1 or other departments of the plant. Because these men are entirely unfamiliar with the particular conditions of steam department work, their repairs usually have to be gone completely over.

Management is saving the wages of regular repair men on the shifts

all right, but it's throwing extra work on the day crew as well as hanging up operations unnecessarily.

"Penny wise and pound foolish" about sums it up.

Operation men in the boiler house and elsewhere in the department who let supervision know them into doing part of the maintenance jobs aren't doing anything to help correct the situation.

IF SAM VANSKOY, steam department's general foreman, has been advised by the main office that overtime is a strictly voluntary proposition, he's choosing to ignore it.

Fifteen minutes before the scheduled punching out time, Saturday, October 11, Vanscoy ordered Willie Fobb, boiler washer, out of the shower to wheel additional mortar for brick work. The work is not an emergency nature but is, on the contrary, work which would have been taken care of under normal operations.

Brother Fobb, unaware that an employee cannot be compelled to

work overtime against his wishes, put his working clothes back on and worked until five o'clock.

At the arbitration hearing of H. McGilvery, September 30, neither Lucellen, Blake, Helm, nor any others of Inland's ranking brass could be induced to say that overtime is compulsory or that refusal of overtime is a matter for discipline.

Twenty furnace men in the tin mill anneal won approximately

\$1.25 a day increase by settlement of a bonus rate Friday, October 17. The beef, which has been simmering on the back of the stove for more than a year, concerned increased production, which the company wanted, and an increased rate, which it didn't.

In good, old tin mill tradition, the boys refused to settle until company saw things a little more the men's way.

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GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

Item No. 1, Seniority: Don Lutes protested the promotions on the No. 2 strikers. The company had used unit seniority in place of sequential seniority in filling these jobs. Don also requested the seniority lists for the 76 mill. These lists the company has promised to have ready immediately.

The union committee at this meeting advised the company of the union's position on seniority. Union contends sequential seniority on all promotions and departmental seniority on all demotions. They advised the company that they were willing to go to arbitration to uphold this contract interpretation.

Item No. 2, Technicalities of Grievance Procedure: The committee expressed their opinion pertaining to the company's policy on settling grievances. The farce of first step with the foreman, whereas the foremen really play no part in answering a grievance, the grievance answers being controlled by Luellan's office all the way through. The highly technical answers dealing with simple grievances has only led to confusion and undermining of the employee relationship. This in turn has crippled production and so leads to no good for either the company or the employee. The inconsistent method the company employs in the payment of overtime was also discussed. Mr. Helm stated that the company has prepared an overtime table which every grievance man should obtain.

Item No. 3, Miner Dunn Canteen: The union stated that the coffee and food being served was not up to par again. On some occasions they had refused to replace spoiled food which had been returned. The coffee urns which were supposed to be installed weeks ago have not appeared yet. The committee in final opinion stated that the company should see that decent food is provided or a reliable dispenser of food employed.

Item No. 4, Inequity Rates: The company has not applied increases plant wide on like jobs. The No. 2 open hearth employees request a separation of their base rate from their tonnage earnings. The company has also not applied the proper evaluated rate to the high line and narrow gauge engine men. This is a violation of the inequity agreement and should be corrected without grievance procedure.

Item No. 5, Steam Washers: Mr. Luellan notified all department heads on August 6th to install steam washers. Some departments had installed them, others had not.

Item No. 6, Safety Minutes: The safety minutes have not been posted as the company promised. Mr. Helm stated that all department heads had been notified that to post these safety notices and to advise him if it was not being done and he would see it was being complied with.

Item No. 7, Pay Line Shelter: The length of time required of an employee to get his check on pay day was brought to the attention of the company. The union requested more pay windows to speed the paying of the men. The company agreed that the situation should be rectified but would not agree to more pay windows.

Item No. 8, Girls Laid Off in

the Tin Mill: Due to the new robot type of machinery now being used in tin assorting, the company had laid off nineteen employees. The committee protested the action of the company and stated that the employees laid off are entitled to bottom jobs in sequence or labor pool. The company agreed to comply with this request.

Item No. 10, Veterans' Leave of Absence: At the former meeting in September it was brought to the attention of the company that the clause dealing with a veteran's leave of absence for educational purposes in our contract had been used in a discriminate manner. The company allowed that this was so and is drawing up a policy to allow veterans the right to retain their seniority and avail themselves of any veterans' schooling they may desire. This policy, when presented to the union, will be made known to the veterans.

Item No. 11, Washroom Roofs, No. 2 open hearth: The roofs over the No. 28 and No. 36 locker rooms have been in bad condition for some time. Mr. Laughton was informed four months ago of this condition and to date no repairs have been made. Mr. Helm agreed that he would look into this and correct the condition that exists.

Item No. 12, Red Cards: The committee protested about the misuse of red cards causing employees to think they were discharged when found in their time card rack. One employee lost five days' work merely because the foreman red carded him instead of reaching the employee in the proper fashion. The foreman, when contacted about this, said he wanted the employees to call him on the telephone before allowing him to return to work. You can't feed a family on that type of thinking.

Item No. 13, Scale Slips for Refractory Workers: The union requested the company to install a better system of recording the tonnage records of the refractory tonnage workers. Daily scale slips of the amount of material handled in each car unloaded was suggested to the company. The company agreed to check into this and see what could be done toward bettering this prevailing system.

Miscellaneous: Due to Mr. Luellan's absence at this meeting, Mr. Helm, who presided for the company, did not deem it in his capacity to answer the following items on the agenda. The No. 1 and No. 2 open hearths again requested scales be installed. The blast furnace employees requested bus service.

Sincerely,
Don Lutes, Chairman
Sam Krupsaw, Vice Chairman
E. L. Dittmar, Secretary

These Modern Times!
"Times certainly have changed," sighed Smith.
"How so?" asked Robinson.
"Why, at a little family party last night, the women talked politics while the men got off in a corner and exchanged recipes."

That Tells It

A ruffled school teacher demanded of a bright-eyed ten-year-old how long he had studied his poorly recited lesson.
"Well," drawled the little boy, "I studied from 'Blondie' until ten o'clock news."

Grievers Offered Chance to Bone up On Job Evaluation

Job evaluation, a two edged weapon which is becoming a more important part of labor-management struggles every year, will be studied by those grievers in local 1010 sufficiently interested to take instruction from a qualified authority on the subject.

An instructor from Purdue University's Extension School has been retained and fees for the griever of each department who elects the class will be paid by the local union. In the event of a griever failing to register for the job evaluation study, his assistant may attend in his place.

Two-hour sessions will be conducted two days a week beginning on a date to be announced shortly.

CIO T-H Resolution

BOSTON.—(FP)—In pledging an all-out fight for repeal of the Taft-Hartley act Oct. 14, the CIO convention condemned the law as "a triumph of repression" and "a direct step toward fascism." Excerpts from the resolution follow:

"We would betray the heritage created as a result of struggles in Homestead, Cripple Creek, River Rouge, South Chicago, Gadsden and other places throughout the length and breadth of our land, where American workers have spilt their blood so that our movement might be free. We would not merit the name of free Americans if we acquiesced in a law which robbed American workers of the right to strike, to picket and to engage in those concerted activities which are the life blood of our movement.

"We propose, as good Americans, to fight the political restraints in this legislation. We cannot and will not acquiesce in a law which makes it a crime to exercise rights of freedom of speech, freedom of press, freedom of assembly. . . . We will not comply with the unconstitutional limitations on political activity which are written into the Taft-Hartley act.

CIO Wants Price Control Restored

BOSTON.—(FP)—A special session of Congress to reestablish price control and rationing was demanded by the CIO convention here Oct. 15 in a resolution which also insisted on "a realistic attack upon monopoly in our basic industries. . . . to prevent the strangulation of our economy through monopoly prices, curtailed production and distribution, and the creation of scarcity for profiteering purposes."

Industry's exorbitant profits and its arbitrary curtailment of output of such key products as steel "have given the lie to the false propaganda" that wages are responsible for U. S. economic problems, the resolution declared. It warned that any "immediate and bold steps" will save the U. S. from economic collapse.

In a separate resolution, convention delegates demanded extension of federal rent controls beyond the present time limits; strengthening of the anti-eviction sections of the law; elimination of "voluntary" increase provisions; a large-scale government housing program and priority allocation of scarce material to residential construction.



Joe Smith is a guy with a brain
Who says, "Folks, to me it is plain:
You'll never get stuck
If you give FAC a buck
To speed up the '48
Train."

Pagina en Espanol

FIESTAS PATRIAS

Mr. Gillies glorifica la Independencia de Mexico, pero se opone energicamente a que los Mexicanos mejoren de trabajo.

Juanita Arredondo, cuyas fotografías dominaron en las dos páginas de la edición de octubre del Inland News; es hija de Miguel Arredondo, steward y veterano de la huelga de 1937.

En 1933 cuando Juanita era aun muy pequeña, la Inland puso fuera del trabajo y con bola negra a su querido padre, cupándolo de tratar de organizar a otros trabajadores, particularmente a los Mexicanos, con el fin de formar una unión.

Mas tarde la compañía comprendió que Arredondo había aprendido su lección y lo reemplazó en el departamento de la Yarda.

Miguel Arredondo no tiene un buen trabajo en la Inland, son muy pocos los Mexicanos que de su generación los tienen; hasta que la señoría de departamento fue puesta en operación con la firma del contrato de 1942.

Hasta que la sorprendente fuerza de la Local 1010 rompió todos estos obstáculos, la planta uso pretextos como diplomas de escuela superior, ciudadanía y otros requisitos para privar a los trabajadores Mexicanos de trabajos mejor pagados.

Que coacción entre una alta educación y tirar minerales dentro de un horno, la compañía nunca a atentado explicar.

Por ejemplo: Lupe Perales por alla en los tempranos años de 1920 obtuvo el trabajo de segundo ayudante en el Open Hearth número uno.

Los rigidos metodos de la compañía no permitian que los Mexicanos progresaran a primeros ayudantes, hasta que le Unión rompió todos estos obstáculos, el fue segundo ayudante hasta 1942.

Merced Velazquez es el primer Mexicano que agarró el trabajo de garrotero en la Inland. El tambien quebró las reglas de la compañía contra los Mexicanos por la virtud del contrato de 1942.

En el verano de 1946, Pedro Hernández trabajador del contrato se le concedió temporalmente el trabajo de lider de la cuadrilla después de que la unión llevó el caso a los altos empleados de la compañía, quien había designado a un individuo de diferente nacionalidad, con 12 años menos de señoría que el compañero Hernández.

La descriminación contro los Mexicanos en la Inland es segunda unicamente, a la que encadena a los compañeros de raza negra a los trabajos mas mugrosos y mas mal pagados. Son innumerables los ejemplos en donde se trata de separar a los Mexicanos del resto de los miembros de la Local 1010. Existen algunos departamentos en donde no se permiten Mexicanos, limitandolos unicamente a los trabajos mas bajos.

No se emplean Mexicanos para el departamento de la transportación, en el machine shop del número uno con la excepción de dos creneros, se les da unicamente los trabajos de barrenderos y gancharos, excluyendolos arbitrariamente de las siencuas para llegar a mecánicos.

Ejemplos de estos métodos para mantener a los miembros desunidos, para poder usar a muchos como quinta columnistas para quebrar a la Unión completamente, son muchos para darles publicación en un solo articulo.

Las practicas de empleo en la Planta del Coko, sirven para ilustrar la forma de descriminación; que en otras partes no se hace abiertamente.

Mexicanos y Negros al ser mandados por la Oficina de empleos, a la Planta del Coko, son invariablemente asignados a las baterías, a manejar carbon y a las cuadrillas de péones. No así con emplea-

Gromola, Coopw LU 64, Re-visit Scenes of Strife

Brothers Louis Gromola and Edmond Coopw, President and Chairman of the Grievance Committee, respectively, of Local 64, Chicago Heights, returned over to 1010's club last evening, October 17.

Those who follow blow by blow accounts of the union's struggle with Inland's management will call that these brothers presented their local in our contract negotiations which was maxed with a seven-day strike in May.

As in the Indiana Harbor report, management of Chicago Heights Works, was withholding provisions of Tough and Hearties' sucker punch at some later date.

Marshall Plan Supported by CIO

After almost two hours of debate that CIO Pres. Philip Murray took on the "air of a hostilities" although every word was in favor of the Marshall Plan, the issue was summed up by Murray's own declaration of opinion.

Murray said there was "no room for rancor," but each speaker "given vent to his own opinion" what the resolution meant.

Expressing his support of the Marshall plan, Murray said it was a simple relief measure. He said that "if in the distribution food the people of Europe don't want communism, they get plenty of food, nothing you and I can do about it."

The first left-wing speaker, Kehoe, who criticized the Marshall Plan, rose to support the resolution "attempt to rewrite it." He supported "the real America not the America of Taft, Hartleys, Vandenberg and Kins. I am for the American Franklin Roosevelt, of the Jefferson and Paine."

Speaking from the platform Reuther said: "Unless the Marshall Plan wins there won't be a trade unionism in Europe, as is none on the other side of the iron curtain. We of the CIO against all forms of totalitarianism. It matters not what kind of is on your chain."

dos nuevos de otras ramas, nes dan empleo en la Planta Tar y Planta del Banzamiento con los electricistas anicos.

El único Mexicano que ha sido un ayudante de hornos puesto en el trabajo por la Unión.

Se admite a la vez, que la cal 1010 no ha dedicado sus esfuerzos a atacar este movimiento para terminar la descriminación contra los Mexicanos y lo se lleva acabo en toda la

No obstante, se puede sentir orgullo, que se ha hecho record al mejorar estas condiciones equalizando sus condiciones de vida; para que sus derechos reconocidos por la Local 1010 y las Corporaciones sin la fuerza de la Unión, habría sido un hecho.

Por lo tanto, glorificamos a un representante de los canos en la Unión, la noche de Septiembre próximo para la oratoria de Fred Gillies, Miller y M. M. McClellan, bien; siendo por lo menos, bras pronunciadas de acuerdo los principios de la American.

Pero estas palabras de las cuentas en las instalaciones, o limpian las calles de la Watling, Black avenues, operen a los años Mexicanos el oportunidad para aprovechar de responsabilidad, bajos de ello mejor condiciones de vida.



MAYOR FRANK J. MIGAS

UNITED WE STAND FOR VICTORY!

The Democratic Party has no individual candidate. Because they believe that they will best represent their interests in the administration of city affairs for the next four years, the people of East Chicago by a overwhelming majority have chosen these Democratic nominees:

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STANLEY WLEKLINSKI

Reprint from Labor Sentinel
April 23, 1947
(EDITORIAL)

The Mayor Ignores Labor

Little more than a year ago, in this same space, we commented that Mayor Migas seemed to be doing very queer things for a man desirous of re-election in a community where trade unionists represent so large a share of the voters.

This comment was the result of the mayor's beligerent refusal to address a union rally celebrating the end of the 1946 steel strike.

In this year of Our Lord, 1947, His Honor has again shown his regal disregard for organized labor by his failure to meet with the East Chicago Political Action Committee and, together with other candidates, present his program for the city.

He not only didn't appear. He did not even acknowledge the invitation.

Consequently, the leaders of organized labor are exceedingly unlikely to be found out beating the drums for the present chief executive.

Having memories longer than His Honor's (he can't even remember who it was who elected him) they say very fairly that the city police department, under Migas, behaved in exemplary fashion during the last strike.

But that is all they can say. The mayor has rejected the opportunities repeatedly offered him to present his platform to the democratically selected representatives of labor.

He is reported to have frequently expressed the view that he "doesn't need to have anything to do with unions" because he'll "get the union vote anyhow."

It might be well in order for union voters to remember this when they go to the polls May 6. Their votes can tell Mayor Migas that the unions are an important, integral part of the community, and the mayor of East Chicago cannot expect to retain the confidence and support of the voters if he refuses to recognize this.

Labor Does Not Care for a **CHAMELEON***

Let's look at the Record,
Mr. Mayor. If YOU have
forgotten, Labor has not.
You state NOW that you
are Labor's friend, but

REMEMBER?

Reprint from Labor Sentinel March 6, 1946
(EDITORIAL)

How to Be An Ex Mayor

Politics in Indiana have always been strange, not always wonderful. With this in mind, no one should have been too surprised at the amazing conduct of East Chicago's mayor in recent weeks. But suicide, be it political or otherwise, is always astounding to watch and difficult to understand, so we can all be excused for any raised eyebrows we might be seen wearing.

The relations between labor and the mayor have often been more than a little strained. However, local unions in East Chicago have never failed to make efforts to cooperate with the head of the city government on those occasions when his efforts have been directed toward the civic good. They did not expect to be rewarded by a statement from the mayor that would have done a Southern polltaxer proud, and certainly had no place in an industrial area populated by progressive trade unionists.

As is well known by now, Mayor Migas refused to address the victory meeting of the steel locals after the wage increase was won at Inland and Youngstown. And he wasn't content with simply refusing. He had his little piece to say and he said it.

Subdistrict Director Lester Thornton was informed by the mayor that he would not speak to the meeting because the body was "communistic, Jew-baiting and Negro-hating." When Mr. Thornton told the crowd assembled at Washington High School Auditorium this statement by their mayor, labor became downright mad, and chances are, they're going to stay that way.

That old "you're just a bunch of reds" line simply doesn't go over any more. When the CIO first came in it was used in the hopes that it would prevent organization of the millions of unorganized. It didn't, and it isn't going to break up the unions today. Furthermore, we might remind Mayor Mi-

gas of the fact that millions upon millions of American voters rejected red baiting as a political tactic way back in 1936 when they re-elected Franklin D. Roosevelt in answer to one of the most vicious and slander campaigns conducted along such lines.

Hizzoner's other charges against the United Steel-workers of America are too silly to be dealt with more than in passing. Any Negro worker in the steel industry can tell the mayor of the unions' stand on racial discrimination, and can tell him also what the Negro workers think about the union. Our union constitution is a model in its provisions which forbid any form of discrimination within the organization.

And incidentally, Mr. Mayor, those are kind of brittle walls in that glass house of yours. Any observant citizen of East Chicago can point out to you rampant discrimination against both Negroes and Mexicans in your bailiwick about which you have been singularly silent.

All things considered, we would say that the mayor pretty well assured himself of a long vacation once his present term of office ends by virtue of his attitude toward the steel workers of his city. To the record of inefficient government he has behind him already and his failure to make any effort to meet the burning needs of his community the mayor has added one more heavy black mark. We can scarcely see how it can be erased.

Just what have YOU done for Labor, Mr. Mayor. How else can we judge you other than by your past actions? The record speaks for itself!

* A Chameleon is a species which has a faculty for changing colors at will—Websters Dictionary

WHY, OH WHY, MR. MAYOR?

WHY Have you refused to appear with Labor and its representatives at other than election time?

WHY Have you failed to show Labor's representatives the courtesy of answering its invitations to counsel with them?

WHY Haven't you done something to clean up our slum areas (other than turn down a \$1,000,000.00 Federal grant)?

WHY Have you disregarded completely the city's housing problems?

WHY Have you turned down Federal funds for Civic projects?

WHY Haven't you given us clean Alleys and Streets?

WHY Haven't you given our underprivileged groups in the city a 'break'?

WHY Have you given us the highest tax rate in our city's history?

WHY Haven't you done anything about overpasses over dangerous railroad crossings?

WHY Haven't you fixed Michigan Avenue and other streets used by our workingmen and women?

WHY Haven't you done something about the trains blocking our crossings during changes of shifts?

WHY Have you permitted our bridges to remain in a state of disrepair for long periods of time (in non election years)?

WHY Haven't you done something about additional community recreation facilities for our children?

WHY HAVEN'T YOU DONE *SOMETHING* FOR LABOR, Mr. Mayor? Nine years of bungling is enough, Mr. Mayor.

IT'S TIME LABOR IN *EAST CHICAGO* GETS ITS DESERVED BREAK!

ELECT

STANLEY WLEKLINSKI

as **MAYOR**



STANLEY WLEKLINSKI

His stand on the Taft-Hartley Labor bill is well known to all. He openly opposed its passage and in telegrams to our Indiana Senators strongly urged that they support the President in his veto, thus killing the legislation.

LABOR RELATIONS:

"I believe in the right of labor to organize, to bargain collectively for better wages and better working conditions. I recognize the right of labor to use all lawful means to accomplish this purpose.

"Picketing has been recognized as lawful by both the courts and the legislature.

"I will instruct my Police Department to protect all citizens from violence, but will not permit the use of our Police Department at a medium to break any strike.

"Ours is a laboring community and any program that is just for labor will receive my whole-hearted support."

REMEMBER THIS IS A LOCAL-CITY ELECTION
VOTE REPUBLICAN—PULL THE TOP LEVER

Mechanical Dept. Report To the Grievance Committee at Their Special Meeting of Tuesday, Oct. 14

During negotiations on the Wage Rate Inequity Program the Company agreed to meet hourly rates as established in Gary under the threat of a shutdown.

In many sub-departments of the Mechanical Department the number of classifications and the rates for these classifications are generally in accord with the set-up arrived at in Gary between the International Union and the Corporation.

Our main point of dispute here being the placing of the employees into the proper classification.

The Company has attempted to steal approximately \$.08 per hour from most of the employees in the mechanical department.

For example, the employees who work as leaders were previously paid a higher rate than the first class men in their particular line of work. The Company's proposal on the inequity program put the leaders on the first class rate, and the first class men were degraded to second class, and so on.

The workers in one of these sub-departments, the Pipe Shop Division, refused to start working one morning until a meeting was held with one of the assistant master mechanics and their demands made known. Result of this meeting was that most of the jobs in this department were brought up to meet the Gary rates for the same type of work.

Several days later another sub-department, the Rigger Shop, refused to start working until a meeting was held for the same purpose. This department was also fairly well straightened out.

A third department, the Tin Shop, after much complaining by myself and the men, is now awaiting the approval of the front office on the proper rates.

The Boiler Shop employees, who were degraded one complete classification, picked a committee who, with myself, held a meeting with Pennington, one of the assistant master mechanics, and the boiler shop supervisors. The result of this meeting is still doubtful.

The machine shop (largest division of the mechanical department) is still to be straightened out.

In 1944 the Gary machinists' rate was \$1.14. The Inland machinists' rate at that time was also \$1.14, although we had a special rate of \$1.175 on a few jobs. The Gary machinist rate is now \$1.69. The Inland proposal pays \$1.69 only on the few jobs that previously paid \$1.175. As a result, men who were first class machinists for 25 years have been degraded to second and third class machinists. Men, other than apprentices, who received rates lower than \$1.14 in 1944, and who have progressed in ability, and who we expected to be classified according to their present calibre as promised by the Company whenever there was a rate complaint during the last 4 years, have been put in classifications equaling their ability of 4 years ago.

The machinist apprentice set-up in Gary takes an apprentice to the standard rate of \$1.69 in 5 years. A 4 year training period and 6 months on the starting machinists rate of \$1.63, another 6 months on the intermediate rate of \$1.61, and then the standard rate of \$1.69.

The Inland Steel Co. has now agreed to meet the Gary apprentice set-up for the 4 year training period but require the apprentice to work one year on the starting rate of \$1.53 before they accede to the intermediate rate of \$1.61. There is no further guarantee for the standard rate of \$1.69—this is also a steal of \$.08 per hour.

The machine shop employees who are not apprentices are called either fitters or operators by the Company, although they do machinist's work. A promotional sequence proposed by the Company, and practiced more or less during the war, put the non-apprentices on par with the apprentices—top rate of \$1.14 in six years. The Company now fails to recognize this sequence and claims they need

not promote anyone to top rates but the apprentices.

After a series of meetings with management, there has been very little done to remedy the above mentioned complaints. Therefore, inasmuch as the majority of the machinists throughout the plant have been degraded by the Company's proposal on the inequity program, I request this entire grievance committee to approve and support this recommendation:

1. All machine shop employees who, prior to January 25, 1944, received the standard machinist rate of \$1.14 per hour, or over, be classified into the revised standard machinist rate of \$1.69 per hour or over.

2. Machine Shop employees, other than apprentices, who received less than the standard machinist rate of \$1.14 per hour, prior to January 25, 1944, be classified in accordance with the promotional sequence presented to me by management on March 25, 1944.

3. The "Fitter" title be abolished and replaced with "Floor Machinist."

4. The title of "Machine Operator" be used for employees who operate simple machines on repetitive work, and who require little

mechanical ability and few machinists tools.

5. Promotional sequences be revised to train all employees to accede to standard machinist rate of \$1.69 per hour within 5 years.

6. All machinists and other apprentices be limited to a ratio of one apprentice for every ten journeymen.

George Sopko

Motion carried unanimously by the entire grievance committee to support the above program for the mechanical men.

E. L. Ditmars,

Sec. Grievance Committee

The above proposal has been submitted to the Company for approval.



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DEPARTMENT NEWS—

(Continued from page 3)

Ray Ralich, Jr., in charge of the situation up in the tin mill, seems to be doing unusually well in that pursuit lately. The recent means which the boy has hit upon to antagonize the department is using laborers as fitter helpers. At laborer's expense fitter helpers are of course.

The mill teletype reports that Ray Ralich, who would like to pay the fitter labor rate, is trying to find out how Ralich gets away with it.

Workers in the 10" and 14" mills are becoming more and more inclined to risk infection from mill injuries rather than report to a clinic for treatment. Reprimands are frequently placed on men for injuring themselves despite the fact they comply with standing instruction in regard to reporting accidents.

The tide of reprimands, which was quite noticeably since mid-summer in several sections of the plant, has reached higher than any week in Griever Zarabian's department.

Mike Noch, former grievance committee man and anchor man of the union among boiler shop workers, was given a three day suspension on October 9. Mike's alleged offense was failure to do work according to verbal instructions.

Disciplinary letters are showered down upon this division, represented by George Sopko, at the rate of one every other day.

HALSEY BONUS

Employees working on the Halsey Bonus system are hereby notified that there will not be a trial period with lower hourly rates and broader bonus base.

No hourly rates now in effect will be lowered. Many should be raised.

George Sopko

R. L. Hall, asst. superintendent of the plate mill, according to those with whom he deals, is a man who knows essential justice and the regard of his department above most interpretation of contract technicalities.

Juan Ramirez, a painter in that department, over stayed the time clock within which absentees are on the pay roll. Past good record of Ramirez and his present readiness and application to his job rated more with Supt. Hall than that circumstance, however. He agreed to restore Brother Ramirez' seniority.

AN OILER'S PAY for a shift is saved for the company from time to time by Jim Petros, asst. superintendent of plant No. 3. He does it by the simple device of using a man from another section, a pump engineer in one instance, to fill the oiler's turn in case of absenteeism or faulty reading.

Until recently, one oiler has been maintained on the pay roll for each furnace.

A plumber is badly needed for time work in the Parramore hospital, Crown Point. Anyone interested in the position may call the hospital for further details.

Mike Ortiz, late of the refractory linnage gang, is back at his job on a forging hammer at Orchard Forge. Mike figured on getting some time ago but didn't leave the gang until after the beef they were having with management came to a head two weeks ago.

Like the Old Woman in The Snow, who had so many children she didn't know what to do, in-

land has trouble keeping track of its cranes.

Lawrence Tillotson, crane man on the 28" billet dock, registered a loud beef with supervision about an inequality in his rate. Company countered with the amazing allegation that no such cranes as No. 3 and No. 4, which Brother Tillotson operates, exist in the department. Under urging of the grievance representative, management consulted its force report which showed cranes No. 3 and No. 4 very much in the picture of billet dock operations.

Brother Tillotson's rate has been adjusted.

Brother Gus Anton, hot bed handy man, 28" mill, is still idled by a bone infection which has kept him off the job for more than a year. Gust, a union man in the '37 tradition, tried to walk the picket line last spring but was compelled to give it up after a couple of rounds.

He'd appreciate having the boys drop around once in a while.

John Durcho was appointed Thursday night, October 16, to represent local 1010 officially with the People's Consumer's Co-operative. Brother Durcho, who is a chief steward in the tin mill, is also Vice President of the Co-Op.

If I have ever made any valuable discoveries, it has been done due more to patient attention than to any other talent. — Sir Isaac Newton.

Trusts Politely Requested by Govt. To Obey Fed. Law

WASHINGTON—(FP)—One of the most humorous announcements out of Tom Clark's Justice Dept. was the Oct. 11 statement that the antitrust division has been checking up on interlocking directorships in the big business world.

Its purpose, Clark said, was "to secure compliance with Sec. 8 of the Clayton act, which makes unlawful the holding of directorships by the same person in two or more competing corporations." If one of the firms is a million dollar outfit or bigger.

Investigating 10,000 corporations directors, the antitrust sleuths found 60 violating this section of the law. Brought into court? Why, no! These directors, Clark said, "were informed of the government's views and invited to discuss the matter with representatives of the antitrust division." Twenty have responded like gentlemen, it was announced, having "agreed to resign" from boards of competing firms.

Clark stated: "The cooperation of businessmen in the effort of the department to enforce Sec. 8 of the Clayton act has been most encouraging. This augurs well for the future compliance with this

important provisions in our antitrust laws."

But a few meanies, it appears, "disagree with our view of the law." The government, therefore, will have to sue them in federal court.

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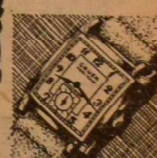
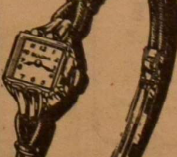
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"I have always supported union principles. That's why they call me 'Johnny' the working man's friend!" said Giovanni (John) DeMartino, 1910 E. 138th St., last night at one of the many Republican meetings he is attending nightly in quest of his election as Councilman at large in East Chicago.

Mr. DeMartino has a long record of union membership. He became a member of the barbers' union in Chicago in 1914. When he removed to East Chicago in 1916 he became active in organizing East Chicago and Whiting, and in 1917 was elected the first president of the journeymen barbers.

Later he took a withdrawal card from the journeymen's group, assisted in organizing the local master barbers' association, and was elected president of that body in 1924. When he entered a new line of business in 1927 he took an honorable withdrawal from the organization.

He has been active in the republican party, serving as a precinct committeeman from 1924 to 1928. He says, "I have always believed in good government to protect the rights of the working man and the taxpayer. That is why I now come to the union men for their vote and support in my campaign.

"If I am elected those will be my principles, and when I am in office the union men of East Chicago can be assured that I will be their friend and available to them at all times."

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Champ Class Boxing Tops Oct. 7 Card

The Marquis of Queensbury, who promulgated the radical notion late in the last century that a boxer could be adjudged victorious without necessarily reducing his competitor to inert, quivering flesh, also laid the basis for an argument that yet remains unsettled.

As late, at least, as October 7, 1947, whether a draw is possible between two evenly matched fighters or, as some contend, one guy's gotta get licked, the matter was still an area of unresolved dispute.

Johnny LaBroi, Ringside, and Rudy Barret, Savoy, are the ring scientists who brought this matter before the board of academicians in session at the Civic Center on the night of October 7. For five rounds Professors Barret and LaBroi dueled each other with the dazzling speed which betokens mastery of the art.

LaBroi was awarded the official nod. This writer would, however, hint at ear marks of a home town decision except for circumstance, that he is required by duty to visit the Ringside AC from time to time and that he is neither heroic nor fast on his feet.

The semi-windup was relished in much greater degree than the feature by the majority of the Twin City Athletic Club's paying

guests. Unlettered in the nuances of boxing, they care little for finesse; what they crave is blood.

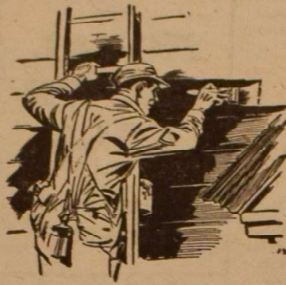
Despite that Buck Raven, Joyce AC, nailed Orlin Ott five to one in the exchanges, Ott's twenty-four pound weight advantage was too great for the Joyce entry to overcome. Raven hit the deck three times, once for a nine count.

but finished with all guns firing.

In the supporting bouts Ray Estes decided Joe Zale; Willis Boyd TKOed Hank Cotton (1); Paul Hernandez decided Speedy Taylor; Milton Marcy KOed Charles Anguina (1); John L. Sullivan decided John Cremen; and Al Bannister decided Charles Dell.

A sound discretion is not so much indicated by never making a mistake, as by never repeating it.—Bovee.

It's a known fact that many horses are not allowed to eat a day before a race. With the tortors, it's usually the day after.



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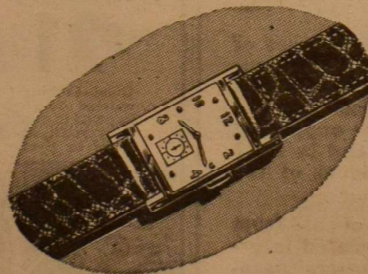
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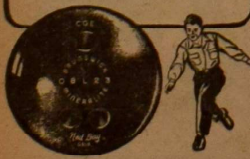
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Great Is the Grief of
A Grievance Man, or
So the Minutes Show

FROM the way certain grievance men tell it we gather there are ways than one for the un-
lucky to get flim-flammed in a
way that just with jolly old
fellowship.

Now the matter of simply being
grievanced or out-foxed is figured
into the natural hazards of the
grievance trade — something that
can be avoided. But how
being "outcounted," as it
is, in the official minutes of a
grievance hearing? Ah! There you
have something else again. Like
the game only to have the
scorekeeper put the results
backwards.

It's All So Depressing
The naturally grows a little mel-
ancholy over the mere suggestion
engaged in manufacturing
a product as steel
be connected even remotely
what we low-brows some-
times choose to call a "fast one."

Yet, if we are to credit the
grievance disclosures of these
men already men-
tioned, it is not too unusual —
polite Step 3 palaver with
men in neat grey suits—to
rum deal in the company
treatment of what took

those particularly un-
lucky over this alleged situation
dashing hither and yon in
interest of that modern galley
the office worker whose sad
it seems, dooms him or her
to wait for the "second
when benefits are served;
ultimate reward, if any, no
is being stored away for the
by-and-by in some CIO

heaven. And in case you have not
already guessed, the young man
referred to is none other than
Howard Vezey, head of Local 3127.

Fact Is, It's Stale Stuff

Now, for Mr. Vezey to be dis-
satisfied or even mildly discon-
solate over the outcome of a given
grievance is not particularly world-
shaking. Besides that, because of
the niceties involved, etc., this
thing that wounded him to his
sensitive soul did not immediately
hit the public prints.

Anyhow, according to Vezey's
charges, a petty character identi-
fied as H. Carr, who annually as-
sumes briefly to exalted status
when Chief Storekeeper Gail
(O'Dell) May goes on vacation,
cut loose one day and in a rude
and violent manner called Mr.
Vezey a name—a foul name, in
fact. And a fine howdy-do, too!
with Mr. V. a visitor at the time,
and several members of both
unions—Locals 1011 and 3127—
though not of both sexes, fortun-
ately—sitting there taking it all in.

Hurray! We Win!

The resultant grievance, we are
told, soon reached that tertiary
stage—a hearing before C. Kornis,
industrial relations chief. And the
upshot: Vezey, and Cecil Clifton
of the international union, headed
away from that dignified gather-
ing with the complacent feeling
they had wrung a rather wry ad-
mission from the company that,
inasmuch as it did not condone
name-calling in management-union
relations, it could not indorse
Carr's alleged crude choice of
phallic (now you boys git away
from the dictionary!) epithet; and
finally that Carr would be given

the company version of a slap on
the wrist and told what's what.
The union had demanded an apol-
ogy. Management, with back
slightly up, had said something
about needing nobody's advice
about on how to discipline the way-
ward within its ranks.

Oh No, We Don't

Then came the minutes, suffi-
ciently smoothed over with irrele-
vant verbiage (we pause here to
blush at the phrase) that—to Vez-
zey, at least—it looked like an at-
tempt had been made to place him
in the light of actually being guilty
with the accused. He fired it back
with the comment which, liberally
interpreted, amounted to, "That
ain't the way I heard it!"

But management held firm to
its original version. Vezey finally
signed. Reluctantly.

Still, that didn't end it. Later,
in reported discussion of an al-
leged encroachment upon the
rights of a union member, Carr
was quoted as having surmised the
matter in question "had been re-
ferred to the (hard name) depart-
ment," using an unamusing though,
what might seem to some, flatter-
ing variant of that objectionable
term which had caused all the
trouble in the first place.

Since it appeared doubtful now
the incorrigible Carr even had been
disciplined or even told what's
what, the matter again was brought
to official attention. Management,
we hear, got off this time with
the rather lame excuse that Carr
may have referred to his own boss
in particular, or (and we shudder
at the thought!) to management
in general.

In that case, of course, manage-
ment may just as well have felt
flattered.

Popp O.K.'s Long Skirts

TO allay what little anxiety may
have assailed our fair read-
ers over possible masculine dis-
approval of the new longer dress
styles we are happy to report this
week pertinent and encouraging
comment on the subject by Mister
Theodore Popp, YSTX soaking pit
millwright and foremost authority

in the Blooming Mill on women's
attire.

Declared Mister Popp with less
rhetorical dignity than emphasis:

"You can say for me that, as
far as I am concerned, I don't
particularly give a damn. What
you gotta understand," he added
by way of explanation, "is that
it's not so much the length of the
garment that counts, but the up-
creep."

Thank you, Mister Popp!

Canine Calamity

THOSE of our readers who
have pestered us for pups ever
since that six-pup misadventure
of Topsy, the family cocker
spaniel, no doubt will be grieved
to hear the details of why she did
not produce this year.

Until late in the summer Miss
Topsy has had, as usual, the dog-
gondest time making a general
nuisance of her black little self on
the beach and tennis courts at
Birchwood, Mich. But when per-
sistent suitors began hanging
around the cottage she was whisk-
ed away to the vet and hospital-
ization at Three Oaks.

It was announced to the sympa-
thetic kids that she had undergone
an operation for appendicitis.

Topsy bore her temporary in-
firmity with dog-like resignation,
though rooting around a lot to get
out of her bandages. Eventually,



back in Gary, she became her old
frisky self. Yet it must be ad-
mitted she occasionally stops with
a thoughtful look in her eye, as
though debating the unheard of
act of biting a human leg.

The horrible truth finally came
out, of course. Topsy never again
will hear the patter of puppy paws
on basement stair or kitchen lin-
oleum.

It shouldn't happen to a dog!

Personal property is, in many
instances, the effect of paying too
little for the labor that produced
it; the consequences of which is
that the working hand perishes in
old age, and the employer abounds
in affluence.—Thomas Paine.

I speak the truth, not as much
as I would, but as much as I dare.
—Montaigne.

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In The East Chicago City Election
NOVEMBER 4th, 1947
VOTE DEMOCRATIC
PULL THE SECOND LEVER

This ad paid for by East Chicago CIO Political Action Committee

GARY PAC HITS PRICES



Eugene H. Schwartz, endorsed by CIO-PAC for Mayor of Gary, signs cards to Truman and Capehart demanding action on high prices.

More than a thousand post cards, demanding of President Truman and Senator Capehart that they do something more effective about runaway living costs than proclaim meatless Tuesdays and mildly reprove profiteers, were signed by Gary shoppers Thursday afternoon, October 9.

"Sure, who wouldn't?" was a typical response of shoppers who were asked by members of the Tolleston Political Action Committee, USA-CIO, to sign cards calling for a special session of congress to restore price controls.

Twenty women, most of them wives of CIO steel workers, staged the "empty shopping bag" demonstration on lower Broadway, Gary's busiest shopping district, during the rush hours. Two of the demonstrators, unable to squeeze baby sitters' pay into a steel worker's family budget, guided strollers about in which infants sat and viewed the proceedings with grave interest.

Slogans in large letters on the flat shopping bags left passers by in no doubt as to what the demonstration concerned.

"Not the workers, the farmers, the middle men cause high prices; curb monopoly," one bag asserted.

"Steel workers have been eating too little meat already; restore price controls," said another one.

Joseph Goin, director of the Gary sub-district, USA-CIO, congratulated the women who assembled in Philip Murray hall after the day's signature drive had been completed.

"Your first picket line against high prices has been a success," he told them. "What we need to do now is enlist more housewives in this campaign against the food, and clothing, and rent profiteers."

"The full resources of the Gary sub-district are at your disposal in this fight you are making which is, actually a part of the same fight your husbands are making against the steel corporation for decent wages."

Eugene Schwartz progressive candidate for the office of mayor, also addressed the women and expressed his warm support of their campaign to restore price controls.

Plans for recruiting more housewives and extending the drive into Gary's outlying shopping districts were drawn up and are being put into operation.

Mrs. Anne Mallis, 1760 Cleveland ave., organized Thursday's signature drive and protest demonstration under sponsorship of the Tolleston PAC.

'SWEET' REPLACING 'HOT' CLAIMS ISLEY

In the opinion of Mickey Isley, who should know, people who attend dances go there to dance. Consequently, this popular band leader foregoes extravagant novelties in order to insure his listeners the kind of music which makes dancing a pleasure to be enjoyed rather than an ordeal to be endured.



● Martha Nash, featured with Mickey Isley's band and scheduled to sing at 1010's Nov. 1 Hallowe'en dance.

Slow, ballad type tunes, whose vogue began two years ago, are becoming increasingly popular. Contrary to the preferences of preceding generations, who were disposed to bounce all over the premises, young dance crowds are particularly inclined toward numbers pitched to sentiment and leisurely tempos.

Originally a trombone man, Mickey Isley traded his horn for a baton shortly after leaving Northwestern University. He's been fronting his current tempie combination since the early thirties.

Martha Nash, who takes care of the singing assignments for Isley's aggregation, was formerly with such nationally known bands as Benny Mirhoff's and Anson Weeks'.

Although vigilant patriots succeeded in keeping history-making labor documents off the Freedom Train, a few subversive items were smuggled aboard.

One document, it is rumored, includes the phrase, "in order to form a more perfect union."

TEETH IN T-H LAW NOT YET BARED MADDEN WARNS

Emphasis of sub-district No. 2's conference, held Friday evening, October 19, at the Steelworkers' Hall, was on the vital need for intensified political action by the local unions represented.

Representative Ray J. Madden, featured speaker of the evening, told the conference of grievance committee men and stewards that there was an excellent chance of erasing the Taft-Hartley law from the books in the coming sessions of congress.

Power of the law, he said, and labor's helplessness under its restrictions are being deliberately concealed by the National Association of Manufacturers until after the elections of 1948.

Praising Picketing Picketing of Hartley meetings in his own district, and defeat of sixteen reactionary congressmen by progressive Democrats in primary elections were held out as encouraging indications that labor is rousing itself.

Statistics that only 5 per cent of our food, including 2.2 per cent of our meat production, is sent abroad were held out by Representative Madden to disprove charges that food exports were a cause of spiraling living costs.

Sub-district Director Lester Thornton chaired the conference. In his opening remarks, Brother Thornton expressed his intense dissatisfaction with the lack of attention to political action by local unions of the sub-district.

"Be Some Changes Made" Basic reasons for lack of wide participation of the membership in PAC, he charged, are lack of organization and program by local union leadership. He stressed that a thorough going change in this matter is vitally necessary in the coming weeks.

Local union 2298, the smallest local in the sub-district, was commended by the sub-district director for turning in 48 PAC dollars from a membership totalling 55. Several medium sized locals, he added, are well along toward the fifty per cent mark.

J. E. Dickinson Reports on Union Affairs in Dixie

"I will never be able to repay for the good it's done me and the fun I've had in it while I was active in its affairs," J. E. Dickinson told the membership at Thursday night's meeting, Oct. 16.

Brother Dickinson, who, as all but the very newest comers know, is a former financial secretary of 1010, gave a short resume on the state of the union in Hot Springs, Arkansas and vicinity. The locals are much smaller, he said, but they are a much greater part of their members' lives than is the custom with us in the greater industrial areas. Women's auxiliaries are especially well organized and bear the heavy end of the various local's social activities.

Many young people, he related, particularly among Negroes, are rapidly showing initiative and capabilities for leadership under the encouragement of the organizing drive currently under way in the South.

A three or four day visit was all Brother Dickinson planned to make to East Chicago at this time.

Garyites Learning to Say "A Few Words"

Locals of sub-district No. 3, Gary, are fated to be addressed by a bumper crop of silver tongued orators in the coming months. Of three classes, currently being conducted in Philip Murray Hall by Community Services, the one in public speaking outnumbers the others two to one in point of attendance.

Other subjects in which instruction is being provided by the co-operation of the Gary school authorities are job evaluation and labor history.

NOTICE All Inland Steel Apprentices

Following are all the new rates agreed to by the company the six months' training periods:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
machinists	1.09	1.13	1.17	1.21	1.25	1.29	1.33
pattern maker	1.09	1.13	1.17	1.21	1.25	1.29	1.33
roll turner	1.09	1.13	1.17	1.21	1.25	1.29	1.33
boiler maker	1.09	1.13	1.17	1.21	1.25	1.29	1.33
welder	1.09	1.13	1.17	1.21	1.25	1.29	1.33

These rates are now the same as those negotiated between the International Union and the corporation.

Retroactivity will be full back to June 30, and from then on the same as other increases under the Inequity Program.

Veteran apprentices who were given credit toward their mechanical training received in the service will, we hope, progress to higher rates. They will, however, be expected to complete their full program in school and shop hours.

The set up now in effect from the completion of the training periods to the standard craft rates is not acceptable to the union mentioned elsewhere in this issue.

George S. ...
Grievance Committeeman, March 1946

Inlanders to Keep Up Flirtation With Fast Freights

Streamliners and fast freights are likely to continue hazarding the lives of Inland's plant No. 2 employees for an indefinite period, according to City Engineer Steiner.

No new federal appropriations for community improvements have been made since local 1010's efforts to have an over pass across the maze of tracks obstructing plant No. 2 gates bogged down in

March, 1946, he told the Board Wednesday, October 15.

The Michigan are, overpass sixth on a list of eleven projects for which the city Planning Board requested funds from federal agencies.

Only two of these projects, fire station and sewer main extension, were allotted funds for completion.

DEWEY PRAISES NEW PERS—headline in the New York Post.

That man will stop at nothing to get votes.

PERFECT TAKE-OFF!



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If you hanker after the unusual, here is your hat. It's the Dobbs "Country Comfort" ... a high-flying felt for high-spirited men. Luxuriant nap ... bold, free lines ... narrow felt band—the "Country Comfort" has that get-up-and-go look. Made for men on the move ... it's the Dobbs' Country Comfort in and try on the "Country Comfort". Chances are, you'll wear it home!

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\$12.50

Others to \$20.00

NAGDEMAN'S

Truly a Store for Men

CORNER MICHIGAN AVE. AND FIFTH

Routes 1, 2, 3 and Gary Railway buses to our store

E. C. CIO OK'S MIGAS

DEMOCRATS INDORSED BY SENTINEL AND LEADING MEMBERS OF LU 1010

We are apprized that Mr. Wiekliński's campaign committee has had 5,000 made of a political advertisement which appeared in the October 22 issue of the Labor Sentinel. Mr. Wiekliński's supporters have every legal right to do this as would any advertiser in the Sentinel or any other newspaper which accepts paid advertising.

These reprints do not, however, constitute either endorsement or approval by the publication in which they originally appeared.

In the view of the Labor Sentinel, there is one issue in this municipal campaign which transcends all other considerations.

That, we contend, is the all out effort by the party of Taft, Hart, Taft, and Hoover, to become dominant in Lake County.

Because of that reason, and the further circumstance of an unquestioned pro-labor outlook are also on the part of the Sentinel, the Labor Sentinel committee its full support to the re-election of Mayor Migas and election of all candidates on the Democratic ticket for East Chicago's public offices.

Endorsement of Democratic candidates is not to be taken as an unqualified approval of Mayor Migas. The Sentinel frequently been critical of Migas' policies in the past and if he is returned to office, we will continue to criticize shortcomings in the future.

The same goes for any other candidates who attain positions of responsibility to the public. To refrain from doing would be to shirk obligations assumed by any person pretending to be other than an advertising medium. In accordance with the official position of East Chicago's CIO as well as by our individual political conviction, the undersigned elected functionaries of Local 1010, CIO, indorse and support the candidacy of Frank J. Migas and the Democratic Ticket in East Chicago's election.

Hugh McGilvery, Editor, Labor Sentinel
John Sargent, President
Peter Callacci, Vice President
Tom Conway, Financial Secretary
George Sopko, Recording Secretary
Don Lutes, Chairman, Grievance Committee
Archie Breen, Trustee
Mike Greslo, Treasurer
William Young, Trustee

Albert Lesniak Indorses Entire Democratic Ticket

I am not now a candidate for office but I am none-the-less, concerned about the victory of the city Democratic ticket this fall. I ask you to support all the Democratic candidates. By this, I mean vote the straight Democratic ticket.

I am a Democrat in spite of my personal feelings which are very human, for some one and another and another candidates on the Democratic Party is greater than any one man.

Let this be clearly understood: I will not vote or support any Republican candidate. I advise you not to split your votes. You have nothing to gain by doing so. You have nothing to gain from the Republican Party or any of its candidates.

Don't let the Republicans fool you with promises of better government or service. So don't help them take all the benefits from you. Don't help them to defeat the gains and beneficial labor laws which they have now partly upset and wrecked through their national representatives. Don't help them to destroy our many years of effort in building up our Democratic Party.

For over forty years the Republicans have been in power in this city and county. What have they done to give you better government or better living conditions to justify any faith in them? The only people who benefited were the Republican politicians and their appointees.

The people of our city have been saddled with a long term bonded indebtedness for which they have not much to show. They have paid out more in interest than the value they have received, and are still paying on the bond principal that should have been paid long ago.

You have nothing to gain from the Republican Party, be it national, state, county, or city government. The Republicans are accustomed to making glittering promises which they don't have any intention of every remembering.

The Republicans have been fooling the voters of this city for some forty odd years, and they want to fool them again. All of you citizens and voters who love your city can protect your own interest by voting the straight Democratic ticket in the election coming this November 4. No one else can do it better for you than yourself by keeping the Democratic Party strong and without your interests will be protected.

I am appealing to you not only as a good Democrat but as a life long citizen of East Chicago. My appeal is on behalf of the Democratic Party candidates in this city election. I am sure that the Democratic organization in this city can correct the deficiencies in its own ranks and that the city administration will give the citizens of this city improved and better service than you have received up to now. You have the most to gain by voting for all the candidates on the Democratic ticket. Keep that in mind on election day.

signed:
John O'Malley,
Chairman, E.C. PAC

City Gov't Applies— Federal Gov't Denies— \$ for Civic Projects

Applications for the above projects were all accepted by the Federal Works Agency. This agency advanced funds for planning the South Side Fire Station and Sewer Relief projects. The first station has been designed and is awaiting P.W.A. approval. The land has been purchased and other details are being worked out so that construction can start at an early date.

One portion of the relief sewers has been designed and approved by the Stream Pollution Board of Indiana and the Federal Works Agency, while the remaining portion of the project has been designed and is awaiting the approval of the State and Federal agencies.

This eleven point program as it stands now is self-explained in the following letters received by Mayor Frank Migas.

Honorable Frank J. Migas
Mayor, City of East Chicago
City Hall
East Chicago, Indiana
Dear Mayor Migas:

We have completed the processing of your applications for advances to assist in the preparation of plans and specifications for the above listed projects.

Due to insufficient planning funds, it has been found impossible to take favorable action on all the numerous requests for assistance in the preparation of plans for desirable public works. Accordingly, we have placed your application in a deferred classification, but we can assure you that they will receive further consideration in the event additional funds become available.

We regret that we were unable to advance funds for planning these public works from the present appropriation, and wish to express our appreciation of your past cooperation.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) R. C. Ashton
Division Engineer

Honorable Frank J. Migas, Mayor
City of East Chicago
City Hall
East Chicago, Indiana
Dear Mayor:

For some time we have been concerned with the lack of facilities that would permit our citizens to take the fullest advantage of, and enjoy to the utmost, our invaluable God-given lake front.

Now with planning funds available by both State and Federal agencies with which to prepare plans for such needed public improvements we take this opportunity to lend our support and approval to your request for funds to defray the engineering cost of the lake front recreational area.

Our present existing bathing beach is seriously overcrowded and the physical characteristics of the surroundings are such that the beach is fast deteriorating. We believe all of these defects can be overcome and enhanced facilities created if plans are prepared right away.

We desire also to provide unanimous approval of the contemplated Michigan Avenue grade separation. Without this a very dangerous crossing of the four busy railroads forms a continuing death trap for our children and adults seeking access to the beach.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) Robert Smith,
President Board of Park
Commissioners
RS:EGM

Honorable Frank J. Migas, Mayor
City of East Chicago
City Hall
East Chicago, Indiana
Dear Mayor:

Your Board of Public Works and Safety has reviewed with deep interest the many postwar projects the various city agencies are contemplating.

While our first interest is in projects affecting our operations

- (a) Fire Station
- (b) City Hall
- (c) Michigan Avenue Viaduct
- (d) Power Plant
- (e) Canal Street Bridge
- (f) Pedestrian Overpasses
- (g) Public Works Yard and

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Republican Sent From Indianapolis To Sap CIO In Gary

Real aims of the Republican Party in its attempt to seize public office in East Chicago, Gary, and Hammond, were voiced to a carefully selected group of Negro religious, civic and labor leaders by State Senator Robert Lee Broadbent, Republican, Tuesday night in the basement of St. Paul's Church, 1938 Adams Street, Gary.

The Taft-Hartley Law, the down state Republican told the small assemblage, is the Negro's "Second Emancipation." Under provisions of that law, he elaborated, Negroes would be enabled to quit the ranks of the CIO and form all-Negro organizations of their own.

Members of USA-CIO unions, angered at Brokenburr's open effort to foment division in labor's ranks by appealing to anti-white prejudice, walked out of the meeting.

YS&T's First Fin. Sec. Up For Council

Fred Saviano, Democratic candidate for Councilman at Large, was YS&T local 1011's first financial secretary. Since leaving Youngstown's mills to carry labor's battles into East Chicago's civic affairs, Fred hasn't forgotten how to hit the bricks; he's found time to spend a few hours a week on the picket lines every time the USA-CIO found it necessary to bargain collectively the hard way.

When you pull the second lever, you'll be voting for Fred Saviano, too.

E. C. PAC Reaffirms Stand on Elections

At our regular meeting, October 5, 1947, the straight Democratic ticket was indorsed by unanimous vote of the Political Action Committee, CIO, of East Chicago.

This committee, together with the pledged support of each local union in East Chicago, will do everything in our power to elect Frank J. Migas and the entire Democratic ticket to office on November 4.

This is now official union policy as well as the individual opinion of each delegate to the PAC as being in the best interests of the union members whom he represents.

signed:
John O'Malley,
Chairman, E.C. PAC

CORRECTION

A paragraph in a story head "Sanitarium Beds Idle As Thousands Wait Entry," appearing on the front page of the Labor Sentinel for October 22, 1947, was incorrectly quoted.

The paragraph, dealing with the statement authorized by these people should have read:

Dr. Frank Hoess, President of the Board of Directors of the Lake County Hospital, Dr. Becker stated for information that appropriations for the hospital had not been made.

The word not was omitted through an error of the proof.

The Labor Sentinel apologizes for the oversight which reversed the intended meaning of this paragraph.

CIO PAC MASS MEETING

Hear
FRANK ANNUNZIO
Regional Director Steelworkers' PAC speak on political action.

Hear
MAYOR FRANK MIGAS
and all Democratic candidates who were indorsed by your union's Political Action Committee.

Steelworkers' Hall

Broadway and Grand
Boulevard.

Sunday, Nov. 2, 1947

Sponsored by East Chicago Political Action Committee.



MAYOR FRANK J. MIGAS

UNITED WE STAND FOR VICTORY!

The Democratic Party presents a complete ticket with more than one candidate. These Democratic Candidates were chosen in an open competitive primary election. Our party did not "Hand Pick" the wealthiest man available. Our party is dedi-

cated to the national program of the Democratic Party concerning labor and other social legislation. Our party does not make liberal campaign boosts locally, while being "Hamstrung" and stifled in Indianapolis and Washington.

ELECT

FRANK J. MIGAS for Mayor

THOMAS W. CALLAHAN for Judge

CONRAD B. BONIECKI for Clerk

COUNCILMEN AT LARGE

George C. Lamb

Fred Saviano

Walter R. Forszt

DISTRICT COUNCILMEN

1st. John F. Conroy

4th. Albert Geo. Guzorek

2nd. Thad A. Bogusz

5th. William W. Bielski

3rd. Charles J. Kotzan

6th. Dan Laidella

VOTE STRAIGHT DEMOCRATIC — PULL THE SECOND LEVER

THE POLITICAL PITCH

By JOE JENESKE

Republican candidate for East Chicago alleges that he will further a labor relations program. However, he says, in the right to organize, and to bargain collectively for better wages and working conditions. He also states the right of labor to picket is a lawful means to accomplish these purposes.

What is he trying to kid? It is precisely the Republican which has done its utmost to destroy all the gains made by the labor movement. Under a Democratic Administration, the Taft-Hartley Law is the effort of big business, or rather politically in the Republican Party, to legalize the union which these corporations no longer able to do with industrial strike breakers and armies of company thugs.

It is the party whose representative in East Chicago, Stanislaw Wiekinski, asserts that he will maintain and further a "strong relations program."

It is upon which Mr. Wiekinski is making great political capital that he sent telegrams to the two reactionary senators, both dyed-in-the-wool Republicans, asking them to support the President's veto of the Taft-Hartley Act. This Mr. Wiekinski did, serene in the knowledge that Capehart and Jenner regard these telegrams as a gesture for the

Wiekinski states that he supports all lawful means taken to organize and bargain collectively.

What does he mean by "lawful means?"

Other provisions of the Taft-Hartley act, and others likely to be vetoed by Republican legislators, labor is compelled to carry on disputes with management through mountains of red tape National Labor Relations Board in which labor has neither voice nor assurance of a fair break.

The United Steelworkers' policy is to pass provisions of the Taft-Hartley law which are designed to wreck all collective bargaining worthy of the name.

The Steelworkers will, instead of submitting to legalized strangulation, organize and bargain through membership by methods made effective before the Wagner Act and the Norris-LaGuardia Act and other safeguards of fair play were erected under the constitution of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

That these safeguards have been destroyed, the USA-CIO will open its members to back the spokesmen in direct labor-management negotiations.

In the event of breakdown or delay of direct negotiations, how do you suppose Mr. Wiekinski and the Steel Corporation backers would like to recognize effective picketing as "lawful?"

In this campaign, Republicans have been quite free in their picketing is lawful.

Brother; how long did it take them to find that out?

Remember the strike of 1937? East Chicago's Republican requested the Governor of Indiana to send troops to break the lines at Inland Steel and Inland Sheet and Tube?

What about the high cost of living?

Who is responsible for prices that they are today?

Don't have to answer that. The Republicans killed OPA in the 79th Congress and have since then their energies since, set up and down on its

The only solution to rising food costs and static wages coming, so far, from the Republican Party was voiced by that sterling friend of labor, Robert A. Taft. You've got to eat less, he said, so that your hard earned dollar will go further.

What is the stand of East Chicago's Republicans on the cost of living? They aren't allowed, by the Republican owners of meat and food trusts, to have any.

Up to this point, East Chicago Republicans are ignoring the high cost of living. They're mainly concerned with the high cost of campaign expenses. From that rate they're throwing campaign funds around, they're not too greatly worried about expenses, at that.

Efforts to obtain low cost housing in East Chicago is another issue which local Republicans do not care to have examined in too much detail.

That the real estate lobby contrive to kill a one million dollar grant for slum clearance in 1939 is a matter of common knowledge to the community. Sincerity of Mr. Wiekinski's glittering promises to work for adequate housing in East Chicago may be gauged by the circumstances that he is a real estate executive and, therefore, one of the chief executioners of the federal housing program.

The Republican candidate for mayor keeps talking in very general terms about a housing program. He neglects to state, however, whether he will take steps to enable East Chicagoans to build homes on the abundant acreage owned by Inland Steel on the outskirts of the city.

Another tenement, or group of tenements, for imported labor may quite possibly be what Mr. Wiekinski and his backers have in mind as a housing project for East Chicago.

Despite the noise which Republican office seekers are making about housing, it is a matter of clear record that Republicans in all levels of government have deliberately sabotaged all attempts to put programs into effect which would ease the existing shortage.

All federal funds for civic projects were, within the recent past, withdrawn from the city and state because of a statement uttered by a Republican Governor of Indiana.

"Indiana wants no federal grants," he said grandly, "Indiana can take care of its own."

How about tax rates in East Chicago?

Sure they've gone up, not only taxes but every service and commodity as well for the very simple reason that a Republican congress destroyed price controls and the meat packers and food speculators, who are the real backers of Republican policies, faked scarcities.

The item of city employees' wages in itself, which have been boosted several times under the current administration, is a big factor in increased city taxes.

Does the Republican Party propose to lower taxes in East Chicago by making Inland Steel and other big industries pay their fair share of the tax burden?

Proper evaluation of industrial properties would be a certain method of accomplishing this end.

But the owners of industry, upon whom the Republican party depends for its campaign funds, are unlikely to contribute to any group of office seekers proposing to encroach on industrialist's profits.

One year ago, enough working people were duped by promises of the Republican Party to lower living costs and do something about housing to make Republicans top dogs in Congress and the Senate. Had enough?

LOCAL CAMPAIGN IGNORES PHONEY RECORD OF GOP

Concentrating on one post, the office of East Chicago Mayor, the Republican Party quite plainly hopes that citizens of the community will split their vote. The tactic is a simple one. By emphasizing one individual, the Republican strategists believe, the bad odor which sticks to the Republican Party as a whole will be considerably diluted.

That any Republican gaining any public office carries the party principles, which is to say the principles of the National Association of Manufacturers into office with him, is a matter which these politicians hope will be overlooked in the heat and confusion of election time.

A working man or woman who splits his vote, therefore, is helping to defeat the principles which guard his own vital interests; the principles of the Democratic Party and the New Deal.

The entire Democratic ticket was unanimously endorsed by East Chicago's Political Action Committee at their regular meeting October 5, 1947. Reasons for the endorsement of Mayor Frank Miggas and the Democratic slate which he heads, obvious as they are, will bear repeating.

It is our opinion that the city elections mean a great deal more to labor in East Chicago than just the election of city officials. Labor asks very little in the way of help from any administration whether it be city, state, or national.

Labor's chief aim is to be able to bargain collectively with its employers without interference from any governmental agency.

So far, the present Democratic administration has passed no restrictive legislation to curb the legitimate activities of labor. Neither has it interfered with the legitimate activities of our union.

That record is reason enough, in itself, for labor's support of the Democratic administration. That record is also a reasonable guarantee that this administration will pass no labor restricting legislation in the future.

We are vitally concerned with seeing to it that administration of East Chicago's civic affairs is honest and efficient. East Chicago is predominantly a laboring community. The majority of the people who live and vote in East Chicago are members of our union.

It is, consequently, an obligation upon those holding office in the United Steelworkers of America, CIO, to insure that their brother members are protected and fairly represented not only in the industries which employ them but in the community in which they live as well.

Paid advertisements and campaign oratory with which the Republicans are deluging East Chicago would have it believed that the coming city elections have no bearing on national issues.

Don't be misled.

We all know what happened in the latest sessions of congress.

Far from doing anything to better the condition of labor and the common people, the 80th congress, Republican controlled, enacted the most vicious anti-labor since the days of Injunction Bill Taft, father of Robert A. It was the 80th which wrecked price controls too.

Direct and immediate results of those two pieces of Republican statesmanship are deprivation of employment security from each work-

REPUBLICAN TAX BOARD WHITTLES VALUATIONS OF UTILITY HOLDINGS

When the Democrats came into office in Lake County, they found, among other heritages of their Republican predecessors, a wide disparity between the taxable values placed upon industrial holdings and valuations placed upon homes and property of low income groups. The advantages were, of course, heavily on the side of wealth and power.

In succeeding years, Democratic assessors have made noticeable progress in equalizing the tax burden by raising the valuation of industrial holdings several millions of dollars.

A heavy proportion of the rising cost of government was, thereby, shifted to those who have never paid their rightful share.

The Republican Party promises

to continue this fair policy but, as usual, you can't believe 'em.

Despite ever rising costs of government, the utility industry has succeeded in getting the Republican Board of HTX Commissioners to cut valuations of their property in Lake County.

Services were, never-the-less, maintained with such funds as the unwarranted tax slash left to the various departments of the city and county. Taxpayers cannot in honesty say that they know of a single utility in Lake County which has been vacated or put out of use.

Yet, in the face of a rising cost of living, and higher taxable value, the Republican Board of Tax Commissioners succeeded in giving the following decreases in North Township:

East Chicago			
Utility	Year	Tax Valuation	Decrease
Railroads	1946	\$4,676,205	
	1947	\$4,472,900	\$203,305
Pipe Lines	1946	\$ 107,580	
	1947	\$ 98,000	\$ 9,480
Public Utilities	1946	\$4,360,940	
	1947	\$4,337,220	\$ 23,720
Total Decrease for East Chicago—\$236,515			
Hammond			
Utility	Year	Tax Valuation	Decrease
Railroads	1946	\$ 5,705,860	
	1947	\$ 5,230,640	\$475,240
Pipe Lines	1946	\$ 220,595	
	1947	\$ 220,220	\$ 375
Public Utilities	1946	\$19,329,920	
	1947	\$19,184,940	\$144,950
Total Decrease for Hammond—\$620,565			

ing man and woman; and living costs which have driven real wages to a point below the earliest days of union organization.

We all know where responsibility for this situation lies: with Republican reactionaries who took office as the outcome of last year's national elections.

Here in the Calumet Region, we are fortunate in having Congressman Ray J. Madden serving our interests in the House of Representatives. The city elections must, therefore, show a strong Democratic vote to insure the re-election of Congressman Madden in the federal elections of 1948.

If a Republican administration is elected in East Chicago, the first order of business will be the setting up of machinery to oust Congressman Ray J. Madden and replace him with a man subservient to the Republican leadership now in our national law making bodies. No labor, not the shop keepers nor the professional people of East Chicago would be served by such a jackal of the big interests. A Republican elected to congress by the power and money of Indiana's industrialists would serve his pay masters' alone.

Although the experience of labor with Republican politicians and its common sense is enough to penetrate the lying pretensions of the local Republican campaign, an editorial in the Hammond Times, June 20, 1947, gives the show away in print:

"For G.O.P. harmony, our neighbor the Indianapolis News says, 'There are evidences of better party relations but, it sharply reminds the state leaders that their most important job at this time is to elect Republican Mayors in 102 cities, because these city elections will help them determine whether the state and nation will go Republican in 1948.'"

Don't be misled.

If East Chicago Republicans are concerned with local issues only, let them come out in support of Ray J. Madden for congress.

Pull the second lever—Vote straight Democratic.

Queer's Campaign Prefabricated With Inland's Aid

Inland Steel's heavyweight hope for East Chicago's Council is William C. Queer, machine shop superintendent and candidate for Councilman At Large.

Value to Inland of having their own man in a strategic spot in East Chicago's civic business is evidenced by the aid and money which the company is lavishing to build Superintendent Queer's prestige in the community.

Every one of the activities which the Republican campaign committee is peddling to the voting public as proof of Candidate Queer's devotion to East Chicago, was financed by Inland Steel. Many of these jobs, making and installing the flag pole in Block Stadium, for example, was done by Inland employees on company time.

These sops to the public pay dividends as well as do the corporation's larger investments. A few hundred dollars spent for minor park improvements and promotion of benefit games doesn't stack very high alongside other items which non-company minded councilmen might regard as necessary projects.

Such as condemning large tracts of the land which Inland is holding idle for a genuine housing plan.

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Facilities

We are not unmindful of the extreme importance to the health, welfare, and happiness of our citizens concerning the proposed lake front development and the needed recreational opportunities it will afford.

All of the above projects should be brought to the blue print stage as soon as possible so that we may be ready to rapidly engage in a wide construction as war conditions permit, and the necessity of launching this program develops during the reconversion period.

All of these projects are useful and needed and will contribute in no small measure to the relief of our potential post war unemployment problem.

Respectfully yours,
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
(Signed) Joseph Steiner, President
(Signed) Lloyd J. Cohen,
(Signed) Ben A. Bochnowski

G. O. PRICES

Remember June 30, 1946—and the death of OPA?
Remember what the Republican Party promised during the last campaign on prices and the cost of living?
Remember what they said about how “prices will take care of themselves”?
Remember that they said “trust us and big business to not only end shortages, but give you lower prices”?



LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD!



Butter and steak \$1.00 a pound—if you can afford it!
The cost of living up 60 per cent today over prices a year ago!

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CIO BACKED SLATE WINS

Witch Hunts Murray Asks of S. Leaders

WASHINGTON — (FP) — CIO Philip Murray asked the respectable leaders of Congress Oct. 15 to repudiate the House un-American activities committee and prevent the heaping of any further infamy upon the name of the Congress.

Murray expressed himself in a letter to Sen. Arthur Vandenberg (R., Mich.), president pro tempore of the Senate, Sen. Wallace R. White (R., Mo.) and Sen. Alben Barkley (D., Ky.), House Speaker, Joseph Martin (R., Mass.) and Charles A. Halleck (R., Ind.), and Sen. Rayburn (D., Tex.). Referring to the "current anti-labor" of the committee, Murray said the committee and its predecessors have "known and understood its willingness to use the cloak of congressional immunity for purposes of slander and character assassination."

"Politically we have understood the operations to represent the interests of thought control which characterized the police state of the nations who were our enemies in the recent war. Economically we have understood its efforts to weaken labor unions in the struggle for improvement of living and living conditions."

"In the current shameful demagoguery with respect to the motion picture industry, the committee has fully exposed for all to see its objectives and the scandalous character of its procedures."

Charging the un-American committee with attempting to dictate the content of motion pictures, using hearsay, rumors and reports, Murray said the "entire performance which I know you will agree adds no credit on those responsible for its staging." He said the committee had for many years conducted a shameful blot on the face of American legislative action and a reflection upon our standards of decency and fair play.

"The new depths to which this committee has now descended poses for the responsible leaders of Congress a sharp challenge—a challenge to maintain the name and standing of the institution they represent. It creates for leaders the obligation to repudiate the committee and to terminate its existence once and for all."

Profits after taxes of all corporations were \$12.7 billion in 1946, an increase of \$2.7 billion over the 1943 figure.

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SHOPPING DAYS till Christmas

No T-H Slate In '48—Vows Reg'l Director

Top CIO policy of no compromise with any provisions of the Taft-Hartley law will be carried out to the letter by all staff representatives of the International Union, Frank Annunzio, Regional Director, Steelworkers' PAC, told an overflow audience at Steelworkers' Hall, Sunday, Nov. 2.

Violations of civil rights, written into the vicious legislation, were especially scored by Brother Annunzio. Most of his address was devoted to detailing how each of the T&H act provisions will be applied against labor if the Republicans are victorious in the 1948 elections.

Money for a campaign to refute the misinformation and slander with which the GOP will flood the nation through its controlled press and radio works, he stressed, is more essential now than it has ever been before.

Only source of revenue for a labor backed campaign is, of course, dollars which workers themselves contribute.

East Chicago's PAC, which collected 7,300 signatures against the Taft-Hartley bill from a total of 17,000 sent in by Lake County, was cited for this and other outstanding work done in labor's political effort.

Mayor Migas and other candidates for East Chicago offices also addressed the meeting.

Regular business of the E.C. PAC, which was adjourned last Sunday for the rally, will be resumed at 2 p.m. Sunday, November 9, in the Steelworkers' Hall.

Co. Refuses to Verify Date of Back Pay Start

Those Inland employees who received raises under the wage inequity program will receive part of their accumulated back pay the first pay day in December, according to Staff Representative Joe Jenesse, although Paymaster Ralph Zern's office curtly refused to verify that information on Saturday, November 1.

Refusal to confirm Brother Jenesse's statement is, however, more probably due to company's hostility to the Sentinel, for reasons which its readers can easily understand, than to reluctance to divulge information concerning distribution of back pay checks.

Job descriptions and evaluation points, which management promised to provide by October 1, are — meanwhile — reaching departmental representatives in only a small trickle. None of this essential data has been furnished for mechanical and maintenance workers and only a small proportion of the production and maintenance jobs have been described and evaluated.

Grievance committeemen cannot, therefore, proceed with the work of adjusting out-of-line rates and establishing the program in its final shape.

Now that Herbert Hoover's working in Washington again, there's only one thing missing to bring back the "good old days."

And if current predictions of competent economists come true, we'll have that with us pretty soon.

Lamb Leads Demo Ticket in Near Sweep

By a majority of 603 votes, incumbent Mayor Frank J. Migas was chosen by East Chicago's voters to hold sway in their city hall for another four year term.

Highest vote for a single candidate was cast for George C. Lamb, Democratic candidate for Councilman at Large. With only one exception, Hill, who defeated Conroy in the 1st district, all Democratic candidates gained office.

Final tabulations showed the following totals:

For Mayor:
Migas (d*) 10,123
Wiekliński (r) 9,520

For City Judge:
Callahan (d) 11,078
Petersen (r) 8,381

For City Clerk:
Bonicki (d) 10,978
Halstead (r) 8,634

For Councilman at Large:
Forst (d*) 11,358
Lamb (d) 11,729
Saviano (d) 11,209
Demartino (r) 8,218
Mohler (r) 8,010
Queer (r) 8,390

For Councilman—1st Dist.:
Hill (r) 1,395
Conroy (d*) 1,226

For Councilman—2nd Dist.:
Boguz (d) 2,180
Mysliwy (r) 1,525

For Councilman—3rd Dist.:
Kotzan (d*) 1,781
Szabo (r) 1,354

For Councilman—4th Dist.:
Guzorek (d) 1,998
Vania (r) 1,535

For Councilman—5th Dist.:
Bielski (d) 2,299
McKinney (r) 1,066

For Councilman—6th Dist.:
Laidella (d) 1,780
Sirlin (r) 952

Further Food Sales Hindered by Lack of Warehouse Room

Further sales of canned food and other grocery items to local 1010's membership will be resumed as quickly as a warehouse can be rented for storing the goods temporarily and handling its distribution. Use of local headquarters proved impractical in the first sale, October 10, in which 1,100 cases of canned goods were bought out in less than three hours.

Perishable food, which is much bulkier, will be added to a considerably larger amount of canned goods than were handled at the first sale. Consequently, local union headquarters cannot be withheld from meetings and other routine use for the length of time which will be necessary to store and assort the food for ready handling.

Negotiations for a car load of potatoes have been entered into between the financial secretary and down state farmers. The Morgan Packing Company, whose goods are labeled "Scott County," and two canneries in Hoopston, Illinois have also been contacted for prices and delivery dates.

It will be at least three weeks before the next sale can be arranged, local union heads stated Saturday, November 1.

CAMPAIGN PROMISES, EXPECTED BY DEMOCRAT SUPPORTERS, TO BE PROVEN BY ADMINISTRATIVE DEEDS

That Frank J. Migas will get his mail at City Hall for another four years chiefly because sub-district No. 2, USA-CIO swung its weight behind him is a matter which no one is likely to dispute. Even with that powerful support, however, Mayor Migas retained his office by the comparatively small majority; more than 4,000 less than East Chicago voters gave the Democratic candidate in the Congressional elections one year ago.

At the same time, Whiting, a town under the domination of Standard Oil and with no strongly entrenched labor organization, went Democratic for the first time since the early thirties.

The significance is clear: working people are clearly disillusioned with the reaction exemplified by the Republican Party. So embittered are the mass of wage-earners at the finagling with food costs and rent controls, the attack upon unions, the blatant war mongering, and all the rest of the poisoned grist which grinds daily from Republican operated legislative mills, that they will swing toward any figure which can lay claim, however faint, to the mantle of FDR.

But East Chicago voters served plain notice upon the Democratic Party that Frank Migas is not the kind of candidate to whom labor will give its undivided support.

Eugene Swartz, who carried his campaign forcibly against the steel corporation and who committed himself irrevocably upon such vital—though controversial—issues as slum clearance and discrimination in the schools, is a type of candidate more to labor's liking. They showed it by rolling up a safe majority of 2,500 votes in the teeth of a vicious campaign by the people's enemies who played the current red hysteria as their trump card.

In the tradition of FDR and by example of his inheritor, Henry Wallace, Mayor-elect Swartz stuck to issues and made it pay. This is the kind of leadership under which labor is chafing to unite for its life-or-death fight one year from now with developing American fascism.

This is the kind of leadership we demand from Mayor Migas now that we have given him another four years to prove that he's not operating on a trailer license.

Local Union 1010 and the Sentinel indorsed the candidacy of Frank Migas and his Democratic running mates. We implemented our indorsement with our unrestrained efforts to persuade those who we can influence to vote that ticket in.

But it wasn't a blank check to the local Democratic Party. There certainly are slums long overdue for clearance in this community. Pedestrians are killed and traffic paralyzed because of inadequate provisions to cope with East Chicago's ubiquitous grade crossings. Segregation of Negro pupils has been conveniently passed by responsible officials for entirely too long.

The list, we are aware, is a long one; and we don't expect the Common Council and the Mayor to use up the powers of the state and national governments. But we do expect some action on a number of these conditions which lie within the power of city government to correct.

It's the Mayor and the Councilmen's move.

Civic Welfare First, Pledges Mr. Wiekliński

I wish to thank the voters of East Chicago who supported me in the election Tuesday, November 4. I have tried to present the issues of this campaign fairly and without prejudice. I shall always continue to cooperate in all activity for the betterment of our city, and assure our citizens of my good intentions in that regard.

Very Sincerely Yours,
Stanley Wiekliński

One way of ending the housing shortage, says the bright-young-man-in-the-office, is to build more houses.

Why hasn't Washington thought of that?

Servants: People hired by the wealthy to live the uninteresting parts of their lives.

Mayor Migas Thanks Labor For Support

I wish to extend my warmest thanks to organized labor, particularly the CIO-PAC, for their faith in me as Mayor of East Chicago and for their splendid support of my campaign.

Permit me to assure you that I shall continue to cooperate with union labor to the limit of my capabilities.

If we carry the spirit of co-operation, which achieved this victory, into further activities for achievement of our common end, I have every confidence that we shall continue to move steadily forward to a better community.

Again I wish to express my thanks to the men and women of labor for their support of all Democratic candidates in this election.

Sincerely yours,
Frank J. Migas

Radio Commentators Don't Have to Be Phony, But It Helps Survey Shows

NEW YORK—(FP)—The big American radio networks are selling their freedom for a pot of advertising gold, a survey by the weekly newsletter In Fact revealed October 13.

The newsletter reported new depths in radio's surrender to reaction, which became strikingly noticeable last year with a drive against progressive radio commentators, disclosed by Federated Press. Only three liberal commentators are now left on the networks, their combined weekly outpouring adding up to 105 minutes, compared to 465 minutes of seven reactionaries who propagandize an estimated 31 million listeners over 1,460 outlets each weekday night and 264 more on Sunday. In Fact lines them up as follows:

LIBERALS	Network	Stations	Est. Audience
Cecil Brown	Mutual	100 (Mainly in West)	3,000,000
Leland Stowe	Mutual	55	1,500,000
Raymond Swing	(Wed. only) ABC (Sun. only, sustaining)	(ntwk says it doesn't know)	
		155 plus	4,500,000 plus
REACTIONARIES			
Gabriel Heatter	Mutual	450	6,500,000
Ray Henle	NBC	35	unknown
H. V. Kaltenborn	NBC	80	7,000,000
Fulton Lewis Jr.	Mutual	350	4,000,000
Samuel Pettengill	ABC (Sun.)	264	2,500,000
Henry J. Taylor	Mutual	380	2,500,000
Lowell Thomas	CBS	165	8,500,000
		1,724	31,000,000 plus

Dozens of other commentators, described by In Fact as conservatives ranging from middle-of-the-roads trying to be objective to others who stop just short of joining the "Sellout Seven," have, between them, thousands of outlets additional tens of millions of listeners.

In the case of the three liberal commentators still left, only one, Leland Stowe, has a regular sponsor—the United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers (CIO). (UE was scheduled to replace Stowe Oct. 22 with commentator Arthur Gaeth, who will broadcast directly from Washington.) The cost to the union for only 12% of the Mutual Broadcasting System's 450 stations is about \$225,000 annually, In Fact reported.

Cecil Brown, a commentator of excellent reliability and standing, has been unable to find a large sponsor and is offered on a co-operative basis in various cities. Although he's on the air daily Monday through Friday, his 10 a.m. broadcast time drastically limits his audience.

The third commentator, Raymond Swing, lacks any sponsor and is heard only 15 minutes weekly on Sunday. The American Broadcasting Co., which carries him on a sustaining basis, could not estimate how many of its 264 stations use Swing and an ABC spokesman confided in In Fact that the liberal commentator would probably be off the air in a few weeks.

According to Federal Communications Commission records, more than half the nation's radio stations are owned or controlled by newspapers, whose heavily anti-labor slant is widely acknowledged, In Fact said.

The weekly also pointed out that four advertising agencies, whose clients comprise a Who's Who of the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers, dominate radio. The four agencies—J. Walter Thompson; Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborne; Young & Rubicam, and Ruthrauff & Ryan—buy most of the time, select the type of program and performers, decide which commentators shall be aired and which shall be given the air.

Most dangerous development noted by In Fact is the decision of the network owners to ask the FCC Jan. 12 for perpetual licenses instead of the present 3-year franchises which must be renewed and serve to prevent operators from completely flouting FCC regulations requiring radio to serve the public interest.

DIVIDENDS ZOOM AS STEEL OUTPUT LAGS; 300% OVER '46

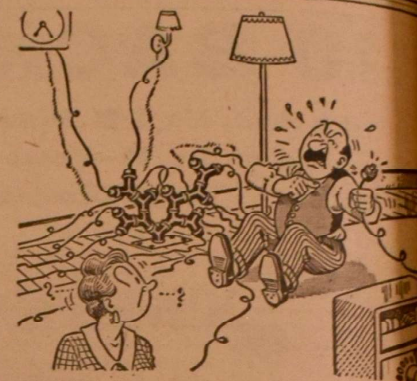
NEW YORK—(FP)—For the first time since before the big crash in 1929, U. S. Steel declared an extra dividend to its 170,000 common stock holders.

The dividend reflected the highest profit peak in the history of the corporation. In the nine months ending Sept. 30 the net income ran \$97,306,461, approximately 75% higher than the \$57,467,894 profits of the same period a year ago.

The increased profit was made on an increase in actual shipments of less than 50%. The corporation also wrote off \$136 million for improvement of plant and equipment as well as \$19.6 million to cover the replacement cost of facilities over their actual original cost.

The clamor that was raised at the time the United Mine Workers (AFL) won a reduction in workday from nine to eight hours was sharply undercut by Olds' admission that the resulting drop in coal production in the company's captive mines was less than the 11% decrease in working time. He did not report how much less but admitted that it reflected an improvement in labor efficiency.

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DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

FURNACE

McClure, blast furnace foreman, hasn't an enemy in the department—but most of them hate him.

Because of his authority, a string of abuses which McClure rated below coke in the blast furnace popularized him. The unwarranted attempt to remove John Williams, the keeper John Williams, from the 4-12 shift, home from the 4-12 shift, October 23.

Howard, another keeper working an extra turn, to take over Williams the event that Uncle Bud unload sand all night," Howard offered, "but I a tap of Williams floor you send him home."

Williams finished the Bud, who has spent the twenty-five years of his life raw ore into pig iron and steel, is the patriarch of the house. A sober and serious workman, he has an record with all other men in the department. Williams, General Foreman seems to have Brother singled out for special attention. A short time ago, McClure authorized a letter of reprimand against him for allegedly protesting. Protest by the grievance committee that Williams had the tool crib instead of the room.

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Jimmy Levin, general turn foreman, is hospitalized in St. Catherine's with an attack of pleurisy. The boys on his shift will be glad to see Jimmy well and back on the job again.

No definite word has yet been passed about when Charles Spalding, out with a heart ailment for the past two months, will be back at the head of his turn.

The big billed bird favored Frank Fazek's house with a baby girl last week. Frank passed cigars around and then took his two weeks' vacation; whether to celebrate the event or recuperate from the ordeal has not yet been ascertained.

Floyd Roebuck, b.f. millwright gang, suffered a burned face but escaped serious eye injury when slag from a rivet he was burning out splashed backward.

Warm cars, for blast furnace Big Wheels to get into, still have priority over warm food for blast furnace workers to put into their stomachs. While construction of a canteen for the blast furnace, promised more than a year ago, is still snookered by an alleged lack of materials, a ten car garage for foremen's cars is nearing completion in that department.

COKE PLANT

Breakdowns or faulty operation of machinery in the coke plant's batteries doesn't cost the company a pound of coke less in the day's output.

Pusher men, quenching car operators and all other battery workers are required to speed up the various operations necessary to coke production in direct ratio to the length of the delay. If the shift in which the mechanical trouble develops is unable to pick up the delayed tonnage, the succeeding shift is compelled to do it.

Battery workers are not on bonus or incentives of any kind. Increasing their effort, to make up delays for which they are in no way responsible, is, therefore, an extra dividend which Inland Steel extracts from their labor.

OPEN HEARTH

Aware that management listens more intently to a group of their employees than it does to any individual, especially when the group is aroused about some injustice, a delegation of first helpers paid a surprise visit to their superintendent during the week of October 19.

Favoritism in the matter of scheduling long terms off prompted this rank and file delegation which accompanied the departmental grievance man through the first step of grievance procedure. Outcome of the interview was an agreement to schedule long turns off on a basis of seniority. Second as well as first helpers are included in the settlement.

The men involved are working on a 6-2 schedule.

TIN MILL

Brother Clyde Smith, of the tin pot unit in the tin mill, is feeling quite well although he is still confined to his home by a respiratory ailment. Off the job since October 2, Brother Smith says that he has no idea when his doctor will permit his return to work. Any of the boys who wish to pass the time of day with Brother Smith will find him home at 3898 Penn avenue.

Louie Abrams, on leave from the cold strip, writes that he's keeping in trim for his usual activities hereabouts by walking a few turns in Hollywood picket lines.

The boys in No. 2 burning field congratulated Jerry Ford on the advent of a baby girl into his house, October 17.

When Senator Bilbo died, Senator John Overton (D.) of Louisiana sent a telegram to the United Press, "He was one of the most fearless defenders of white supremacy and pure Caucasianism." Any resemblance between this pure Caucasianism and the pure Aryanism that so recently resulted in the deaths of more than 10,000,000 unpure people is a rather nasty coincidence.

So Taft has officially tossed his topper into the Presidential ring.

That's the best thing that's happened to the Democratic party since Dewey started running years ago.

STUFF

Tom "Long Count" Conway is keeping the finger holes in Alex Huttie's bowling ball warm this season. Brother Huttie is too busy dealing shots and beers across the club bar to declare in on this year's bowling activities. According to reports, Huttie's "Sour Apple" is doing all right by Conway; he's hitting 141 at this point.

STUFF

The nights which are filled with music from the club bar's blatant juke box are varied from time to time by some of the Texas boys appearing their homesickness with familiar melodies.

Damaio Cano, who contrives to make any beaten up, old piano sound like a softly strummed guitar, and a few other brothers lately from the Rio Valley, had customers deserting the bar for the main hall the other night with such tunes as "La Prima Veras" and that hardy perennial, "El Rancho Grande."

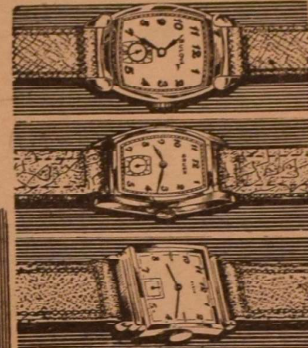
Self Control to Be Scrutinized by E. C. Discussion Group

Mrs. K. R. French, Secretary of Anselm Forum of East Chicago, announced today that the November and December meetings of the group will be held at the Indiana University Center, 2901 Indianapolis Boulevard.

The Forum will hear two lectures by Doctor Sundar Joshi, Indiana University faculty member. On November 2nd the subject will be "Buddha; Taming Oneself Is Better Than World Conquest", and on December 7th, "Mohammed; Woman Plays a Role in Paradise". Both of these dates fall on Sunday; the time is 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. The members of the group will be guests of the University on these occasions.

At the November meeting the program committee will present a tentative schedule for the remainder of the year. Mrs. H. E. Walley is president of this group.

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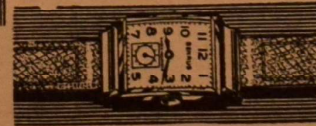


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Affront to Music

Sentinel Is Spurned; Seems It Profaned a Lunchroom's Jukebox

By FRANCIS MALLOY

"NEVER be rude to the paper boy. If not your grandfather, he may be your gray-haired, good-natured Uncle Pud."

The foregoing words of wisdom, as will immediately be manifest to the more erudite of our many thousand readers, were plucked raw and at random from one of the other of four volumes of "The World's Great Thinkers."

And more in sorrow than in anger, don't forget that!

Yet true as they are, we would hardly regard them as worth foisting on an all-suffering public were it not for a terrible thing that happened Friday last in Barbour's Lunchroom, a select eating and drinking place at the foot of a bridge leading into a local steel mill on the right bank of the ship canal. Any attempt to keep the unseemly circumstance quiet, as might have been foreseen, were entirely futile. Nobody could be counted on to keep his mouth shut.

Sentinel Spurned

But what actually happened was this:

A "paper boy," as usual, took an armful of the latest edition of the Sentinel (in this instance an election special calling on all workers to support the Democratic ticket in East Chicago Tuesday) into the Barbour joint, to be made available (free for nuthin') to any who might be interested in what it has to say. A sweet-faced barmaid stopped him in his tracks with something to the effect that, "We don't want your paper any more."

During the ensuing interchange of this and that an old woman—presumably Madame Barbour—emerged from the kitchen. She explained coldly that nobody picks the paper up; and besides that, she said, the jukebox man objected to leaving Inland's well-intentioned efforts in labor journalism on his high-priced, golden-throated instrument.

Suds Supper Speaks

But at this juncture, as they sometimes say, a gentleman sopping up suds at the bar and later tentatively identified as Joe Jug-butt belched politely and, as self-appointed spokesman for some 5,000 union members, inquired with great tact, "Whaddaya keep bringin' yer paper in here fer? We don't want it. The local voted it out once. Ain't that enough?"

Our crest-fallen paper boy mumbled some inane something about, "If you fellows want to read your labor news hot off the company press, that's your privilege." And with that he faded forth into the

Neatest quote department: Senator Harley Kilgore (D.) of West Virginia put it this way September 26th—"Speculators are making a million-dollar crap game of our economy."

Those dice are loaded, too, Senator.

If you want to make a living you must work hard.

If you want to become wealthy you must use a different approach. —Hector Himself in the San Diego Labor Leader.

bitter afternoon to peddle his poor papers elsewhere.

It is hardly worthwhile now to explain that Barbour's is not, as some may have mistakenly supposed, a barber shop. Nor is it exactly a place of gaiety and glamour where the tepid husband seeks temporary surcease from male menopause in having his beer slopped up by hippy females. Some of the squeamish might regard it as a sordid little dump. But we don't. We aren't mad at anybody.

Good for the Soul

BUT seriously, you'd hardly call the Sentinel one of the best papers in the world. It isn't even a very good one when compared with such "labor" sheets as, say, the Racing Form. And nobody knows that any better than its editor, those who write for it, those in Inland Local who are behind it.

As far as that goes, a good labor paper is yet to be published in this country. You may have heard that before.

Despite the Sentinel's admitted mistakes and floundering, Inland Local has had the guts to go on with it while those of little faith dropped out. For the workingman there's a vision, perhaps, of a brave new thing in labor publication. Something fearless and free, maybe, to say whatever it wants to—about anything.

It's a goal, anyhow. Anything wrong with it?

Defense of a Hero

While we are at it, and before the current unholy season of ill-will draws to a close, we feel constrained to wag an admonitory finger at those depraved souls who, during his recent illness and while he was flat on his back in bed of pain, had the audacity to launch a cowardly attack on the popular Col. Harry J. Davis Powell of Inland, questioning his right to the rank usually accorded him in the public prints, claiming that at best he is no more than a Kentucky colonel—if that.

To these character assassins all we can say is, "Phooey on you, too!"

Although we have at no time discussed the matter with Colonel Powell, we feel we have every right now to reveal the heroic truth: that he won his high rank through gallantry in action as officer in charge of a Salvation Army detachment in one of the famous Santa Claus kettle drives back during the grim, dark days of the depression.

Now what have you got to say to that?

That U. S. Steel board chairman Irving S. Olds was more or less pleased with his current rate of profit was indicated in his statement that no further price rises were expected "under existing conditions." However, he emphasized that "the full impact of the year's wage and cost increases have not yet been felt."

Labor Around The World



France

PARIS—(ALN)—Hundreds of workers were beaten up as French police, armed with nightsticks, rifles and sub-machineguns, sought to disperse 15,000 demonstrators protesting a meeting called by supporters of Gen. Charles de Gaulle. While right-wing papers claimed that the demonstrators were all Communists, the fact is that the Communists were just one of many organizations participating in the call. A number of unions, including the powerful Metal Workers Union, also participated.

Philippines

MANILA—(ALN)—Labor has put up its own candidates for election to the Senate and Manila city council for the first time in Philippine history. The candidates are sponsored by the Political Action Committee of the Congress of Labor Organizations. Among candidates picked for the city board was CLO leader Guillermo Cappadocia, former ALN correspondent.

China

SHANGHAI—(ALN)—The Chinese Democratic League, a world-renowned liberal organization, is under attack by the Kuomintang government as a "Communist front." An organized campaign of extermination has been launched against the league, with many of its leaders ordered executed. Meanwhile, it was learned here that Gen. Douglas MacArthur has condemned the Kuomintang government for profiteering at the expense of China's starving people. Cotton goods diverted to China on the plea of the people's dire need are being sold by Kuomintang government organizations at 500% profit, MacArthur's headquarters revealed.

Yugoslavia

BELGRADE—(ALN)—A new salary scale based on "payment by results" has been introduced in the Yugoslav civil service. Formerly all workers got equal pay based on rank and length of service, regardless of their efficiency or responsibility, with rates ranging

from \$60 to \$180 a month. Now base pay for all will be \$80 to \$100 monthly, with bonuses and special allowances for extra ability and effort potentially doubling these figures.

Greece

ATHENS—(ALN)—Since the U. S. sent over its barrage of American experts to organize the Greek economy, the price of powdered milk has gone up 80% to 100%, canned foods 30% and tires and auto parts 60%.

Canada

TORONTO—(ALN)—A threatened railway strike by 125,000 members of 17 unions was called off here when employers finally accepted the recommendation of a conciliation board made last June. Key point in dispute was longer paid vacations for the workers. The unions had okayed the conciliation proposal for vacations ranging from six to 12 days yearly according to length of service. The employers flatly refused to consider the proposal until faced with the strike threat.

Egypt

CAIRO—(ALN)—A widespread cholera epidemic has caused mass unemployment and a daily death toll of 150 people in half of Egypt's territory. With traffic cut off between infected areas, about 70% of Egypt's workers and most of the peasants are unable to work and consequently unable to eat. Vaccine is in short supply and so far the bulk has been allotted to inoculating the rich, whose quarters have not been affected. Large quantities of vaccine rushed from the U. S., England and the Soviet Union have disappeared on the black market and the government has done nothing to prevent it.

Japan

TOKYO—(ALN)—A minimum wage that will guarantee a diet of at least 2,400 calories a day, including a set quantity of proteins, has been demanded for all workers by the government Railway Workers Union here.

VOTE AGAINST LABOR IN SESSION; STAGE PHONEY RED PROBE DURING VACATION—FILM SNOOPERS' RECORD

WASHINGTON—(FP)—The nine members of the House un-American activities committee probing Hollywood cast nine solid votes for enactment of the Taft-Hartley anti-labor bill last June. On this and three other key issues of the 80th Congress, weakening the wage-hour law (portal pay suit bill), the Knutson tax cut and the anti-pol tax measure, House un-Americans voted against labor 30 times, right five and failed to vote once.

Along among the committees of Congress in having no minority, no difference of opinion on fundamental matters, the un-Americans line up this way:

Chairman J. Parnell Thomas (R., N. J.)—A Wall St. insurance broker before coming to Congress in 1936; still director of a building and loan association; member of the un-American activities committee since it was started by Martin Dies in 1938; chairman in 80th Congress. Thomas launched a phony spy scare involving Oak Ridge, Tenn. atomic plants this year, being paid an author's fee for a magazine article from a so-called secret committee report which was not even available to Congress or the press.

Thomas pretends to put a front of dignity on the committee, as opposed to the racist phobia of Rep. John Rankin (D., Miss.), but in voting record and applauding Rankin's every House tirade reveals their complete accord.

John E. Rankin (D., Miss.)—His name linked forever with the late Sen. Theodore Bilbo into whose seat he is trying to climb as an unashamed racist. Rankin sees a Jewish-Communist-Negro plot in almost every decent bill that has come before Congress in recent years. In 1945 Rankin swung a disorganized House into changing the un-American group from a special to a standing committee. Makes almost daily speeches attacking minorities and labor. Original member of Dies committee.

Karl E. Mundt (R., S.D.)—Member of original un-American committee, Mundt had his father's real estate and insurance business as a sideline before coming to Congress in 1936. He told the House in 1946 that: "If any one man in America has set the standards for this committee it is Mr. John W. Davis," who is attorney for J. P. Morgan & Co., of Wall St. Mundt asked Davis' advice on the way to

Big Business Corners Atom

By MIRIAM KOLKIN

Whether the American people ever get a chance to live in a world of atomic plenty may be determined by a group of big business men who have a personal stake in keeping up industrial uses of atomic energy.

Despite its significance for U. S. future, the program played down the recent appointment by David E. Lilienthal of a special board of businessmen consultants to the federal Atomic Energy Commission, which heads the appointments, Dr. William Higinbotham of the Federation of Atomic Scientists told the Associated Press, are all "free enterprise" minded men and should be used to rest any big business fear of Lilienthal's social ideas, raised during the fight over his Senate confirmation to the commission post.

Lilienthal said the new board would have two purposes: (1) to recommend methods to expand and (2) to keep American industry informed on the commission's widespread activities in research and development.

Government Monopoly
Lilienthal's move is regarded as an attempt to break through the tacit big business boycott of the government's program, which dates back to last year when it failed to knock out a ban on private ownership of atomic patents in a transfer of atomic control from military to civilian hands. The move now gives the government a complete monopoly on atomic power with authority to license operations on a freely competitive basis.

Bringing in the industrialists may mean a reopening of the patent issue, with big business renewing its fight to maintain private monopoly, just as utilities are now in its grasp. The oil and public utility industries, both heavily represented on the new board and now among the most profitable in the U. S., could easily become dependent on the government for the production of atomic energy. Under a private economy, both could be used to other uses but American industry is notably reluctant to surrender immediate profits for the sake of technological advancement.

conduct un-American committee affairs.

John McDowell (R., Pa.)—Named head of subcommittee to investigate fascist activities. McDowell promised big things, but dismissed his first hearing in minutes for lack of business. Eastern Penna. liberals have protested the use of racial slanders in his papers he publishes.

Richard M. Nixon (R., Cal.)—Eager freshman who tried to baiting on witnesses before the labor committee during the Hartley bill hearings; deadly serious always as he votes straight GOP line.

Richard B. Vail (R., Ill.)—Former Vail Manufacturing Co. of Chicago, and was cited by the NLRB for his unfair labor practices, with NLRB bringing action to force reinstatement of 25 discharged members of United Steelworkers (CIO) investigating fascists. Vail said: "I wouldn't know a fascist if I saw one by the tail."

John B. Wood (D., Ga.)—Committee chairman between Dies and Thomas regimes. Wood let his run the show. A former publisher Wood said: "The threats and intimidations of the Kuklux are an old American custom—like illegal whiskey making."

James H. Peterson (D., Pa.)—Peterson quietly casts his vote with the anti-labor reactionaries has been in Congress 13 years previously was a city attorney, criminal court prosecutor.

Herbert C. Bonner (D., N. C.)—Get the un-American committee dig up a so-called red plot in Winston-Salem, N. C. when Food, Tobacco, Agriculture and Workers (CIO) struck J. Reynolds (Camel) plant for living wage.

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Mr. Ford's Mr. Breech Broaches The Bunk

DEARBORN, Mich.—(EP)—“If you can tell me what wage rates will be, I’ll be able to tell you what my prices will be,” cracked East. V. Ford, General S. Breech of the Ford Motor Co. to the Associated Press Managing Editors Assn. at a Greenfield Village luncheon held in the auditorium by the committee October 24.

The U. S. Dept. of Commerce reports that in 1944 wages and salaries took 34.2% of the country's national income, and profits took 12.7%. By 1946, the government says, profits had climbed (after taxes) to 11.1% of the national income, while wages and salaries dropped to 33.4%. That is, profits had gone up almost 50% in two years.

But the managing editors, comfortably stuffed with Mr. Ford's single lunch, may prefer to believe Mr. Breech, and go back home preaching that not outrageous wage increases but “outrageous wage increases” are keeping prices up.

Christmas for G.I.'s

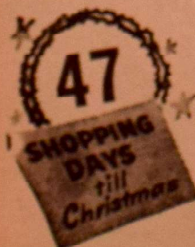
Gaily wrapped Christmas packages will not be missing from the December 25th celebrations of military personnel who will be on the high seas at that time. This was made clear last week by Miss Madeline S. Blusky, executive secretary of the East Chicago Chapter of the American Red Cross. Large numbers of gifts will be needed to insure the traditional gifts under the Christmas tree on every ship on every ocean where American military and navy personnel are forced to spend Christmas. The East Chicago Chapter accepted a quota of 100, which was recently sent to San Francisco for use in the Pacific area. Each package contained one good gift such as a toilet article, or similar item. In addition, there were soap, and soap boxes, candy, games, and plastic bubbles.

What Is a Living Wage?

What is a living wage? It all depends, as someone said, on whether you are giving it or receiving it. And one of the chief jobs of labor unions in America has been to win for those on the receiving end the right to a voice in setting their living wage.—Dayton, O., CIO News.

America Not Best Fed

Although most Americans arrogantly believe they are not only the richest, but also the best fed people on earth, the fact is they are far down the line in the nutritional value of food consumption. This bubble bursting is proven in an article in the October issue of the American magazine which places New Zealand as the best fed nation and shows that only one-third of the U. S. population gets all the necessary food elements. The reason for the poor U. S. showing? “Low income,” according to Exec. Dir. Fred Bailey of the Natl. Agricultural Research Inc., author of the article.—Rochester, N. Y., Labor News, AFL.



A laborer making \$1.25 a day in 1939 was doing as well then as the family budget standpoint as a \$100-a-week man today, a report sponsored by the New Jersey Agricultural Expt. Sta., showed.

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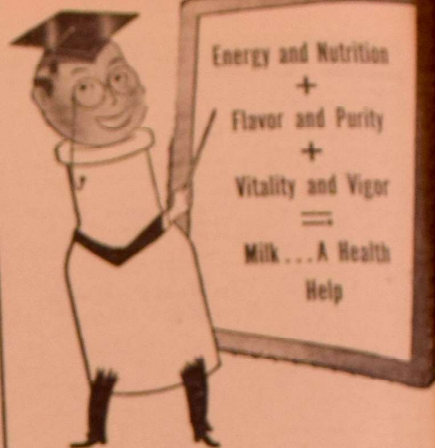
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Report Injuries Promptly Advises Cmp. Committeeman

Members of local union 1010 who have been injured at work, or who may have other matters under the head of compensation about which they want information, may contact the local's compensation committeeman, Glen Cramer, at headquarters. Appointments may be made by those wishing to consult Brother Cramer through the local union office.

In order to preclude actions which may possibly bar them from collecting compensation benefits in full, 1010 members are advised to take the following steps and precautions in the event of an injury to themselves:

- 1—Report the injury or accident immediately to your foreman, first aid man, or directly to your employer.
- 2—Demand workmen's compensation immediately if it is a lost time accident.
- 3—Report the injury and accident immediately to your grievance committeeman, steward, safety representative, or compensation committeeman.
- 4—Do not make any statement in writing to your employer. Just report the injury and accident to him.

Get the names of all persons who saw the accident and obtain a written statement from such persons establishing that they are witnesses.

6—Give copies of these statements to your compensation committeeman; keep the originals yourself.

7—If you are unable to do these things yourself, ask your departmental representative to do them for you.

8—Do not sign any papers in blank. Show any papers offered for your signature to your compensation committeeman before signing them.

9—Know your rights. Do not accept your employers' decision whether you are or are not entitled to compensation; consult your union representatives.

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Control Still on; Renters Warned of Illegal Increases

Although the Housing and Rent Act of 1947 has put four months more to run, under terms laid down by the last Congress, its protection is still important to tenants and should make their complaints known to the rent office if they suspect rent law violations, it was stated today by Thomas M. Kitchen, area rent director.

"We urge no falling off in contacts with the rent office during these last months of the law," he said.

"We are still in business to advise tenants and landlords of their rights under the law, and it was the intention of Congress that the protections and services of the law be given until February 29, 1948."

The rent official referred to frequent reports that some landlords have raised rents without the formality of written leases, or rent office orders, as required by law.

"This is a violation of the law and tenants gain nothing by just 'going along' with a landlord on this basis and hesitating to make a proper report of the situation to the rent office," admonished Kitchen.

He also pointed out that substantial reduction in services to tenants may be another common violation.

"Such reductions amount, in effect, to an overcharge in rent and should be reported to us for compliance or litigation action," he said.

The rent official reminded landlords that there are still 15 grounds on which they may petition, with proper facts and figures, for authorized rent increases, if they have not arranged rent-increase lease. The rent office continues to handle such petitions as speedily as possible.

House Un-Americans Lauded by Girdler

George Sylvester Viereck (German agent in two World Wars): "I have the highest respect for the committee and sympathize with its program."

Tom Girdler ("Chicago Massacre" employer): "The committee has earned the nation's gratitude."

EMPLOYERS, NOT WORKERS, UPHOLD DISCRIMINATION

WASHINGTON — (FP) — Private employers have been largely responsible for inequality of job opportunity in the U. S., the 180-page report of the President's committee on civil rights showed Oct. 29.

Set up a year ago by Pres. Truman, the many-sided committee recommended federal and state legislation to enforce fair employment practices and a non-discriminatory policy in government service, backed by suitable machinery to enforce them.

The report quoted a review by Pres. Roosevelt's wartime FEPC for the fiscal year 1944 showing 69.4% of all charges were leveled against employers, 24.5% named the government for bias, and 6.1% accused labor unions.

Of the victims of job discrimination, 81% were shoved aside on so-called racial grounds (nearly all Negroes), 9% on religious grounds (mostly Jews), 6% because of national origin (mostly Mexicans) and 4% because they were aliens.

The report cited a 1946 survey of employment agencies in 10 northern cities, which showed that "89% included questions covering religion on their registration forms." It also cited a study of promotion in a government agency showing that it took the average Negro seven times as long as the average white to get a promotion.

Of discrimination in unions, the report found that "great strides have been made in the admission of minorities to unions. Both AFL and CIO have repeatedly condemned discriminatory union practices. But the national organizations have not yet fully attained their goals."

The group urged prompt action to preserve America's wartime gains in the wiping out of unfair employment practices.

In Chicago and Los Angeles 80% of the non-Negro residential areas are kept lily-white by restrictive covenants.



What Goes On Here?

St. Paul's Is Scene Of Wedding—The first wedding ceremony to take place in the New St. Paul's Episcopal Church was that of Anna Jean Robb and Dan Ralph York, which was Saturday morning. At the reception in the Roberts Room at the church are (left to right) Mrs. Homer E. Capehart, Senator Homer E. Capehart, Mr. James Robb, father of the bride, the bride and bridegroom. The News Photo—Paul Shideler.

This is a reproduction of a photo and caption appearing in Indianapolis News, Tuesday, September 23, 1947. James Robb, director of District No. 29, United Steelworkers of America, CIO.

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SLUGGING IT OUT WITH CONGRESS



Claudia J. Davis (left) and Mrs. Lawrence Meskimen, two members of East Chicago's Political Action Committee who defied today's chill drizzle to gather more than five hundred signatures in petition calling for restoring of controls and roll back of prices. (Inset Photo.)

RAIDS SLATED FBI TO COVER SLUGGING OF LABOR

LOS ANGELES (FP) — Spectacular mass midnight raids on alleged Communists and sympathizers in key cities from New York to Los Angeles are scheduled to be carried out by the FBI and Justice Department within the next 10 days, O. John Rogge, former special assistant to Attorney General Tom Clark, warned here today.

The raids are part of a stunt to speed the trend toward "whip up a new wave of anti-Soviet hysteria," Rogge said in a press conference here.

The former government official placed the blame for the snowballing financial and industrial interests who control our government as never before. "The facets of their campaign, said, are the Hollywood investigation and the Taft-Hartley Act. Industrialists, Rogge said, are 'trying to make us scarce of production, as the steel industry; the knifing labor, as in the Taft-Hartley and acquiescence in their unreasonable profits, as in the packing industry where so large they are afraid to ask them.'

The raids, Rogge said, arise out of a special federal grand jury which has been in progress since June. When refused to return indictments for espionage and treason, the FBI and Justice Department instead a list of alleged Communist cases involving Communists, who will be arrested.

Rogge said he was breaking the news and I hope it will get back to Clark. It's time he was playing politics with the Department. It's time, he said, that people in this country realize the danger of a political force."

LOCAL PAC OPENS DRIVE ON PRICES

Program of Civic Needs to Be Urged on Council

Exactly timed with the opening of the special session of Congress, East Chicago's Political Action Committee took resolute steps Saturday, November 15, toward letting the nation's rulers know that people of the Calumet Region want something done about runaway living costs.

Despite the dismal weather, which had shoppers scurrying from cover of one market to another, few people showed hesitancy about stopping to sign the petition for price controls and roll backs which PAC members tendered to them.

Particularly good work was turned in by a delegation, headed by Mrs. Daisy Brown, from the Women's Democratic Club.

More than five hundred signatures were obtained during Saturday's demonstration in Indiana Harbor's shopping district and more signed petitions are being turned in daily to PAC Chairman John O'Malley by members who are circulating them in their shops and neighborhoods.

Committees were set up at the regular monthly meeting of East Chicago's PAC to formulate a program of civic improvements with special emphasis on housing and its associated consideration, slum clearance.

As quickly, as these plans take definite shape, demands will be made by the Political Action Committee upon East Chicago's city government to implement their campaign commitments upon these matters.

Although activities of the PAC are maintained at a minimum level by a handful of its most energetic members, effective work is greatly handicapped by lack of funds. Apathy of local union heads in organizing collection of PAC dollar memberships in their respective organizations has, so far, braked all out activities of East Chicago's Political Action Committee.

Back Pay Minus 8%—Committee Checking Data

Unless union representatives refuse to accept the company's figures an settlement of the wage equity program, back pay will be calculated at 42%.

Total cost of the program, including both current raises and accumulated back pay under the War Labor Board Directive which ordered the companies and the union to set the program up, is limited to 3 1/2c an hour for each employee on the company's rolls.

In addition to this amount, 2.6c was put aside from April, 1947 to July, 1947.

In adjusting the rates, however, the cost of the entire program increased to a total equaling 7.6c an hour for each employee.

As union representatives had done in U. S. Steel negotiations, 1010's representatives agreed to the difference in the total cost being deducted from back pay earnings.

Because increases on job rates at Inland took more money out of the fund than increases at U. S. Steel did, the union negotiators estimated that they would absorb about 50% of the retroactive pay. At the monthly meeting, Tuesday, November 11, however, the company informed the committee that payment would be made at the rate of 42%.

At the same time, James Helm, assistant to Superintendent Luelan, assured the committee that raises granted clerical workers and brick layers would not be deducted from the funds set aside to finance the program for their USA-CIO employees.

Local union heads are unwilling to take Helm's explanation of the reduction from a previous estimate of 50% to 42%. As this issue of the Sentinel is going to press, a meeting has been arranged for Joe Jenesse, John Sargent, and Don Lutes with Superintendent Gillies to push for more detailed explanation from higher authority.

Equity Checks Begin on First December Pay

Back pay accumulating for the year 1944 will be paid to those who have it coming on the first pay day in December. Nine hundred and forty-five's retroactive pay will be distributed on the second December pay. Balance of the money due Inland's workers under provisions of the Wage Rate Inequity Program will be paid in April, 1948.

The above information was given to the grievance committee Tuesday, November 11. James Helm, assistant superintendent of personnel department, stated, however, that the scheduled pay dates were subject to revision.

NEW YORK—(FP)—A 5-day drive to collect a half million signatures petitioning Congress for price and profit curbs was launched by the Greater New York CIO Council Nov. 14.

1010's 2nd FOOD SALE SET NEXT WEEK; CLOTHES TOO, SOON

Another sale of canned food by local 1010 to its members will be held within the next week. Announcement of the date, place of distribution, and types of food will be made, as in the first sale, by hand bills passed out at the mill gates.

A store front at 3309 Watling street, in the immediate vicinity of plant No. 1 gate, has been procured as a temporary warehouse and distribution point.

In order to insure that members get the kind of food in the quantity they desire, the hand bills will include forms for ordering.

These are to be filled out by each prospective purchaser, according to what he wishes to buy, and turned in to the local union office, 3436 Michigan avenue. It is important that the membership turn these order forms in on or before the date designated as they will govern the amount of food ordered from the canneries.

A car load of potatoes, to be sold at a price well below retail, is being negotiated for through a down state broker. The committee in charge is also investigating the possibility of purchasing war surplus clothes for sale to the membership at cost.

It is unlikely, however, that arrangements can be completed for procuring clothes and food items other than canned goods before the date of the next sale.

USA-CIO FIGHTS NLRB DISMISSAL OF PENDING CLAIMS

The CIO Steelworkers have filed an objection, either as petitioners or intervenors, demanding that the Natl. Labor Relations Board hold hearings and or arguments on 22 pending USA Recognition cases.

The NLRB has declared the cases are subject to dismissal under the affidavit provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act. USA officers have refused to sign the affidavits.

The USA objection, filed by Gen. Council Lee Pressman, says that if the NLRB dismisses the cases it would be "illegal, invalid and an improper construction of the Wagner Act and the powers thereunder and also unconstitutional."

The objection said the unconstitutionality claim is based on (a), USA be deprived of "due processes"—5th Amendment; (b) of "equal protection of the law"—14th; deprived of "freedom of speech, press and assembly"—1st and it would be "a bill of attainder"—1st Article.

USA also contends the board's action would be a violation of the Administrative Procedures Act in that the NLRB failed to publish its order in the Federal Register.

Pressman declared the Wagner Act requires hearings and due notice in recognition cases. The NLRB had merely announced its system to the press in August and sent a letter to the union.

Wonderful actors, some congressmen.

The Senate war investigating committee, after two years, finally stumbled over an army procurement officer who picked up a little dough "on the side" during the war.

And the good senators actually looked startled at the idea!

PROGRAM FOR PEACE URGED BY MURRAY

Washington—(FP) — As Congress began mulling over the Marshall plan and its costs to the U. S. in dollars and higher prices, CIO Pres. Philip Murray called upon all senators and representatives to join in a drive to "reduce living costs at home immediately and to deliver food to starving people abroad."

Denouncing proposals to hold hearings in order to "discover whether the cost of living has gone up" as a "farical procedure," Murray said the people of America are fully prepared to support a fight at home and abroad against hunger, cold, homelessness and privation.

In his letter to all members of Congress, Murray declared U. S. families are faced with the "specter of uncontrolled food prices... face the threat of a rent gouge," and are "overwhelmed by a picture of record profits while the savings of the common people are depleted."

To correct this situation the CIO chief proposed a 4-point program to Congress "for the immediate institution of clear and strong measures to set and hold prices at a point within the reach of the American people by:

"(1)—Re-establishing price control and the rationing of food, clothing, and the other necessities of life.

"(2)—Instituting a tax program to recapture speculative and excess profits.

"(3)—Eliminating margins on the grain exchanges.

"(4)—Conducting an all-out attack upon monopoly and its attendant artificial curtailment of production, creation of scarcity for profit, artificial spiraling of prices and general strangulation of our economy."

Murray declared that individual meat packing companies have doubled and tripled their net income in a single year, that the textile industry is now earning more than any previous period "while the American people are compelled to feed their families on less than adequate meat rations because of high price levels and are compelled to curtail their clothing purchases for the same reason."

Faced with this situation, he wrote, "we are entitled to look to Congress for courageous action and not for the farical procedure of widespread hearings to discover whether the cost of living has gone up."

After detailing his program of action, Murray added that the fight against hunger and privation at home "is part and parcel of the (Continued on page 3)



Labor-haters Use New Appeal-- 5 Million 'Comic' Hate Books!

ST. PAUL, Minn.—(FP)—A nationwide broadcast will be used as a sendoff for distribution of five million copies of a slick, full color "comic" book which under the guise of attacking Communists heaps fascist-like ridicule on organized labor and other American institutions.

Called "Is This Tomorrow?" the comic book is slated for mass distribution at 10c a copy in schools, churches, factories, organizations and on newsstands. It was prepared by the Catechical Educational Society Guild, a 20-year-old publishing house for Catholic literature, headed by the Rev. Louis Gales and two laymen, F. Robert Edman and Francis McGrade.

The 48-page booklet, which claims to reveal how the Communists would set up a dictatorship in the U. S., is replete with subtle anti-Jewish propaganda and peddles the line that organized labor, the movies, the press and publish-

ing houses are all cogs in a revolutionary machine.

Workers are shown shooting down cops, lynching capitalists and staging a general strike at the drop of a hat. The nation's labor leaders are portrayed as sheep who can be herded together in one room and given strike orders by a dictator.

From 1938 to 1940 Gales edited "Telling Facts," a magazine which featured smear attacks on labor and articles by Jane Anderson, who later broadcast from Berlin for the Nazis, labor spy Jacob Spolansky and pro-fascist Merwin K. Hart, a Franco supporter and head of the National Economic Council.

Chesterton Amber:

Not Forever or Nice As Window Dressing; Mill Foreman Fined

Comes now out of staid Porter county a sensational expose of strange nocturnal relaxation in the fair village of Chesterton. Involved is a phantom midnight extortor, a stained glass window, and—you'll find it hard to believe!—a distinct though mild form of anarchism in the suburbs. When the good Republican burghers first heard about it no doubt they were shocked to beat the dickens.

In the first place the juicy details came to us second hand—but fairly warm—from Mr. Uno Hill, Inland chemist and one of our sand dunes neighbors. He had gathered them hot one morning on the NYC rattler from another Inland employee on his way to work. We remember hearing the same gentleman inquiring for us on the train, but of course we had no way of knowing then that he was not from the FBI.

It seems the man owns a store in Chesterton. Night after night for an extended period—or too damned long, as Hill remembered his narrative—the front window of this business property was stained with the deep, rich amber of sprayed-on tobacco juice. Then again, it may have been the flowing by-product of a licorice stick. But whatever it was, every morning he had to wash it off.

Our anonymous hero got pretty tired of that.

Finally, one night he and a friend stayed up to watch. Tense and expectant, they crouched among the rutabagas and other produce in the front of the darkened store. About midnight a

shadowy figure loomed up in the sable-shrouded street, lagged a moment in their line of vision. And pretty soon—prrip! it had happened again!

Now Mister Hill, admittedly not worth two cents where names are concerned, is nevertheless a stickler for detail. He is firm in his stand that it was "prrip!" and not the usual messy, less artistic "p'tchew," as we thought proper to suggest. And no doubt some among our readers may be impatient at what they regard as quibbling in this respect. Just the same, from the standpoint of accuracy we regard it as highly essential. We knew a Georgia woman once down Texas way who used a kind of jet-propulsion technique. Almost completely soundless, executed in the perfect ease and grace of the Old South, it was a beautiful thing to see; and the thin, aristocratic stream thus ejected between her front teeth had sufficient force, we were assured, to break a brickbat. It should be apparent then, that at least to those with the proper perception, such things are indeed important!

Anyhow, the two vigilantes, careful not to knock over the canned corn, leaped up from their place of concealment and rushed out into the gloom of the night to apprehend one who they charged was the mischievous miscreant. Haled before a justice of the peace, he was found to be the spittin' image of a Youngstown foreman. In fact it was a Youngstown foreman who was assessed \$25 fine and costs.

Later it came out that culprit and captor comprised the two sedate sides of a long-standing, neighborly feud.

It beats about anything

76" MILL

The company went hog-wild Wednesday, October 29, in distributing bonuses to the men in the 76" mill, after exceeding the production record for the month.

In a lavish display of generosity, none other than Mayberry himself announced to the foremen that the bonuses were on him—one cigar for each man.

Still staggering from the impact of this terrific bonus, worth at least 5 cents in any high-class joint in town, the men on the finishing end found that the fun wasn't over yet.

T. M. Davitt (known as "Irish" to his friends) thought it great fun to play coy, and he announced to the men that they would have to come and get it.

Although a vicious rumor has been circulated around the department that Joker Davitt pocketed the better part of the box—at Mayberry's expense—we know this to be but idle chatter of those that were too lazy to go into his office and humbly beg for their deserved bonus.

Then, too, we would also like to dispose of that other rumor that the whole thing is ridiculous. Some free thinkers in the department say that management isn't kidding anybody. They claim that nobody broke any records at all, and that the mill was kept running for 29 days out of the month, instead of the usual 16 or 17.

And, further, these dissidents also say that management strained itself just a little too much—that something busted. To be specific, one of the furnaces broke down.

We dismiss this as just so much sour grapes, probably originating from the plate shearing mill, where the men were not selected to break any records, and only worked three days that week. And, of course, they received no cigar bonuses.

GALVANIZE

Although operations have been upped 25% for the past eight weeks in the Galvanize, bonus pay has actually decreased at the same time. Normally, three of the huge chemical vats into which sheet steel is dunked for galvanizing, are used. Market demands for that type of Inland's production has reached a point, however, which warrants capacity output.

Without increasing personnel of the department, company has put the fourth unit into operation.

A group of the boys in the Galvanize joined the Inland Athletic Association, a company supported and controlled organization, some time ago in the belief that it was set up to stimulate and arrange inter-departmental sports.

Accordingly, at the initiative of Fred Gardiner, they formed a basketball squad and applied to the IAA for equipment, allotment of gym time, and other details incident to participation in the current season's play.

Brother Gardiner, who acted in complete good faith, was informed by Eddie Nichols, the IAA's organizer of basketball, that Negro players were not welcomed to intra-plant competition.

TIN MILL

Union working conditions scored another advance upon job discrimination against minority groups when a Negro brother was promoted from the tin house to the tin mill shipping department last week.

A vestige of the days before the union began demanding equal opportunity for all its members, the tin mill shipping department has, until now, been strictly white.

Jimmy Pauly, leader in the tin mill annual, broke his leg while going after pipe connectors last week. A little foresight by supervision in piling pipe connectors closer to transfer cars would have prevented this accident.

TRANSPORTATION

An attempt by Transportation Supt. Bradley to intimidate Mike Arredondo, track department steward, with loss of his seniority because Brother Arredondo took a job in the car repair shops is bringing the matter of obstructing promotional rights of track workers to a head in that grievance division.

Although Griever Dittmars contends that the track gang is the logical place from which to draw men for higher paying jobs, management stubbornly refuses to recognize that circumstance. New men are hired instead for breaking into clerical, car repairing, and switchman's jobs.

Brother Arredondo's case and, by implication, that of every other employee in the track department, is being fought through grievance procedure.

Until it is definitely established that a man will not lose his departmental seniority by promoting from track laborer to a better paid job, few track workers are willing to gamble their job security against a pay boost. With depression and mass layoffs approaching, they, quite naturally, are more concerned with making a bare living than they are with getting ahead.

A large proportion of the track workers are Mexicans. Isolating that unit from the rest of the transportation department and discouraging its members from applying for better jobs, is, therefore, one of the cunningly contrived means by which Inland keeps its workers at odds with each other on superficial differences of nationality.

The constant warfare which local 1010 representatives wage, in greater or lesser degree, against denial of equal rights to Negro and Mexican members is not, however, without some victories going to the side of decency and justice. Within the past year and one-half, eight Mexican brothers relinquished their seniority standing in the track gang to buck the switchman's extra board. All of the eight are now regularly assigned as switchmen and the way cleared for other track laborers who may wish to follow their example.

Company's refusal to assign newly hired Negroes to the track gang, or any other unit of the transportation department, is, however, a bar to complete breaking down of discrimination therein.

COLD STRIP

The union, according to no less an authority than Assistant Superintendent McLeod, plans to convert the cold strip cranes into homes for Inland's crippled children.

That piece of startling information was conveyed to a glibble crane man shortly after El Mischivich had been returned to his job last week after having been taken off it, allegedly for physical disability.

The glibble crane man sought out Chief Steward Stone, who had remonstrated with department supervision for depriving Brother Mischivich of his job without due cause, and charged him with undermining the job security of all crane operators.

It was explained to the glibble crane man (a) that union machinery was used precisely to keep a member on a job to which he was fairly entitled and (b) that the cold strip's marked-down Machiavelli is merely doing the best he can to get cold strip crane operators, one of 1010's best organized departments, mad at each other.

Marshall Splady, cold strip lab, who was married October 24, apparently without obtaining formal permission of Bob Winters, Metallurgical foreman assigned to the cold strip, received congratulations when he returned one week later. Brother Splady also received a two-day discipline for taking a week off for his honeymoon.

COKE PLANT

Fate and Inland's planning de-

Lights, both traffic and illuminating, occupied a major portion of East Chicago Council meeting Monday, November 10.

Councilman Bielski proposed installation of a traffic light on Main and State streets. Some opposition was voiced to the expense of other light but arguments for fast traffic is a hazard to residents in that neighborhood resulted in unanimous concurrence.

A motion, by Saviano, that city engineering department provide each councilman with a key of street lighting was also made. The action followed discussion of inadequate lighting in the district which the various councilmen resented.

Operation of a bunk house on the B&O railroad in the tract was protested by Councilman Hill. Undesirable elements charged, recruited in Chicago, housed there, were terrorizing the neighborhood. Councilman Hill's motion to have the tract investigated was accepted.

Councilman Laddella proposed that the war time permit on the Pennsylvania railroad for crossing Rile road, close to Youngstown Sheet and Tube's steel mill, be revoked. The permit, he alleged, ignored all regulations to minimize traffic blocks at point.

The Council authorized drawing up of an ordinance to move railroad tracks from crossing.

An ordinance proposed concerning handing of milk in Chicago passed its second reading. Following introduction of a new ordinance, the Council adjourned.

The NAM has decided it has to be done about these sized profits.

Reduce them? Heavens, they're working out a new keeping system that makes a million profit look like a 5c on the dollar.

A Bureau of Labor Statistics survey of 50 foods in 56 big cities showed a retail price increase of 1.8% from mid-July to August, setting a record for 196.5% of the 1935-39 period.

partment seem to be favored coal handlers, long the plant's forgotten men. Enough lockers are in process being erected to provide one each man, and machinery sucking the dense dust out of crusher house will be completed shortly.

Parts and materials for the dust collector have been ordered for some time, and a crew of tractor McKee's men have been down the old installation the past weeks.

Completion of the dust collector will remove one item from the grievance committee's monthly agenda which has swirled to the surface from time to time for nearly three years.

Ed note: Many new boys yet see a canteen operation, the blast furnace boys' and convenience, at that.

RAIL MILL

The stork detailed to Chicago duty evaded the Brother Rufe Camacho by coming round with a Monday morning, November 10. Three boys and three girls make up the happy household under the Camacho. Recall the Camacho kids out paper plates and cups for spring's picket lines.

Machine shop grieves Sopko reports that a constituent has authorized a collection of money to help Inland's starving workers. What with pork chops they are, they plead, is he selling by the bank.

HOSPITAL HOURS DRAGGING BY FOR INLAND INJURED

Bandura, who had one week in the cold strip last week, is sufficiently recovered to be discharged. Before he's discharged, Andy must undergo a draft to the injured men who are confined by injury to the hospital, as Andy Bandura is, a home and family man, a circle of friends in East Chicago. Reading falls after a time, and the radio, loused by the air waves with innumerable soap operas and commercials, is a contrivance which the patients endure more than enjoy. They sit or lie in bed and hear the time and the slow process of healing to return them to normal living. Stanley, appointed by the hospital to visit the sick and injured, fulfills his responsibility. Never a week goes by when Brother Stanley does not see a hospitalized member of the union at least twice. He is enlightening out insurance and pension tangles, seeing that the boys have cigarettes, visiting families and procuring aid for those who require it, are only some of the duties which fall to the committee man. An official call from a union committee man is, at best, a substitute for a visit from the boys in the wards like what the boys in their departments are doing and to talk to somebody about matters other than insurance and changes in hospital policy.

St. Catherine's Hospital during the week of November 9 are: Brother Ferdinand, yard department, hospitalized since June 18. He expects to be out temporarily within a short time, but have to return for further surgery to his injured leg. Michael Laska, mason, department. Although Mike Laska is not a member of our local, bricklayers are organized under the AFL. He is glad to hear that he is having a fair recovery. Brother Villalondo, 76" mill, had hands badly lacerated November 6. Brother Villalondo another couple of weeks at the hospital before his condition will warrant discharge. Brother Steglich, new construction, has about three weeks convalescence ahead of him. He suffered a broken knee which keeps him completely out.

Brother Rodriguez, No. 1 open heart, has been in St. Catherine's three months. Brother Rodriguez was badly burned on one side. Brother Botello, No. 1 open heart, another burn victim. Brother Botello has been there for nine months. Brother Del Prado, No. 2 open heart, has been confined to the hospital for one month. Brother Morales varied the hospital's record of accidental deaths by getting his fingers smashed on Friday, November 6. Brother Morales is a hook No. 1 open heart. Brother Chavarria, No. 2 open heart, on the sick and injured in addition to those in St. Catherine's Hospital, are: Brother Bako, sheet mill; Herman Bako, cold strip; Alex Ihass, 76" mill; Refugio Villalreal, No. 2 open heart; Edward Hochstetler, car Simon Hernandez, No. 2 open heart; Ortega, yard labor; John Bako, 10" mill; Romero Salecio, 10" mill; Joe Vuovich, cold strip; Alex Patitescu, blast furnace; John Cosmac, new const. mach.; Joe Staovbarra, No. 2 o.h.; J. Hernandez, No. 2 o.h.; Jeannie Ramirez, tin mill; D. Kutravac, roll shop; Reggie Brons, coke plant, and G. Sargen, n.e. mech.

New Labor Board Likely to Reject 65ers' Case-Donner

Although two regional agencies of the National Labor Relations Board have recommended that Inland Steel be compelled to bargain the case of 65-year-old employees, the NLRB will probably refuse to consider the matter at all.

Frank Donner, assistant chief counsel for the CIO, informed Joe Jeneske, staff representative on Tuesday, November 11, that the USA-CIO's refusal to comply with provisions of the Taft-Hartley law enables the board to throw out all cases which the steel union has pending as well as to refuse services of the NLRB in future matters of dispute.

Local union 1010 received a letter early in the month notifying it that the 65-year-old's case was scheduled for a hearing on November 18.

In the event that the board does hear this case, the union is allotted only 45 minutes in which to present its arguments. Attorney Donner assured Brother Jeneske that local 1010 would not be required to send witnesses to Washington, where the NLRB is sitting in any case.

Local 1010 voted Thursday, November 6, to urge prosecution of the case by the International Union through civil courts if the NLRB refuses to act. Suits against the NLRB, charging violation of constitutional rights by depriving persons of property without due process of law, are already instituted to test the legality of the Taft-Hartley law.

Workers Nearing Retirement Urged to File for Pensions

The Social Security Administration is offering full cooperation to workers and former workers who have reached the age of 65 in an effort to help them avoid any loss of benefits through delay in filing claims, it was announced today by Charles S. Davis, manager of the Hammond field office.

Because of a recent change in regulations, any individual may now file his claim even though he is still working, and he officially informed as to the amount of his monthly benefit. Of course, he may not receive benefits while he is working, but by filing application he will not only find out how much he will receive when he does retire, but he will also prevent any possible loss of benefits in the future.

"So important is this matter that we not only invite, but urge all workers and former workers in private industry and business establishments—those who have done some work under social security—to come and see us," Davis said. Since a representative of the Social Security Administration has office hours at the Employment Office in East Chicago every Monday and Thursday at 1 p.m. and in Whiting every Tuesday at 1 p.m., we will be glad to arrange for an interview in those cities.

I am over 65 years of age and have never interviewed a representative of the Social Security Office.

My Social Security Number is I have read your article in the Harbor Labor Sentinel and would like an appointment the next time you come to East Chicago or Whiting. My name is and my address is Indiana.

Fill in the above blank and mail to the Social Security Administration, Room 417 Post Office Building, Hammond, Indiana.

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No Job, No Pension: Reward of 37 Years Service to Inland

Following 37 years' employment by Inland Steel, Andy Matuga, 3925 Fir St., is one of some twenty other aging workers whom the company labeled "unfit for further service" without even the usual accompanying pittance which passes as retirement pay under the existing setup.

Although over the retirement age, 65, Brother Matuga stayed on his job in the 24" bar mill until November, 1944. Then rheumatism forced him to take an extended sick leave. Recovered, he reported for work in August, 1946.

At the personnel office, to which he was referred by his departmental head, Andy Matuga was informed that he was over the employable age limit. He was informed, further, that, because he was not on the payroll at the time of the mass lay-off of 65-year-old employees, April, 1946, he was not eligible for pension benefits.

As a sop, company tendered him an insurance check, for a trifle over two hundred dollars, more than a year and a half after Brother Matuga had been taken sick and after he had fully recovered.

That Andy Matuga is one of those rarities among Inland's discarded workers, a man of fairly comfortable means, is a fortunate circumstance with which the company is neither connected nor concerned. Four of Brother Matuga's five sturdy sons are currently employed by Inland. In the footsteps of their father, a 1919 striker and a charter member of the CIO, the present generation of Matugas are part of the bone and sinew of local union 1010.

Back in 1903, when blast furnaces were charged by hand-pushed buggies and continuous strip mills hadn't cut labor costs—and labor—to a decimal point, Andy Matuga started working for Inland Steel. In 1919 he walked out and stayed out with those courageous pioneers whose bitter battle with the trust broke the 12-hour day and laid the foundations for our own enduring organization.

Along with thousands of his caliber, Brother Matuga was kept from steady employment for four years. Then, in 1923, when steel demands of the rapidly expanding automobile industry forced the company to seek skilled and trustworthy workmen, Brother Matuga was rehired.

PROGRAM FOR PEACE URGED BY MURRAY

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urgent struggle against hunger throughout the world.

"These people must be helped freely, ungrudgingly, without discrimination and without attempt to use their need and our aid as means of coercing free but needy people in the exercise of their rights of independence and self-government or to fan the flames of civil warfare.

"With all the sincerity at my command, I urge and plead that all parties in Congress and all groups within all parties set aside their political differences in a common endeavor rising above party politics to reduce living costs at home immediately and to deliver food to starving people abroad immediately."

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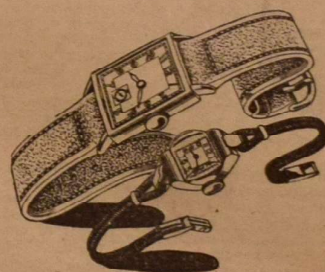
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WORLD-WISE

By ISRAEL EPSTEIN
Allied Labor News

Congress is set to consider the first installment of Marshall plan funds for Europe. At the same time, in London, the Big Four foreign ministers are to meet on the fate of Germany.

Actually Germany is the main issue in Washington, too. Secretary of State George C. Marshall has testified before House and Senate committees that he gives high priority to restoring Germany's industrial heart, the Ruhr. Immediate grants to France and Italy are for food, fertilizers, consumer goods, etc. Only in Germany is the first emphasis on coal and steel.

Republican Senate leader Robert A. Taft thinks the whole Marshall program is too big. But on Germany, he is fully agreed. On November 11 he said that "the German policy of the government is even more important... than the Marshall plan." Opposing the dismantling even of military factories, Taft declared that "any plant built for war purposes can certainly be converted to peace use." What Taft left unsaid was that it can just as certainly be turned back again to aggression.

American soldiers, along with those of Britain, Russia and other countries, have had to face German arms twice. France has had to do it three times. We wonder how many people stop to think that this ancient, proved enemy is being groomed again amid talk of squashing, or "containing," a former ally, Russia. We are told that the USSR is the enemy of the future, but that isn't new, either. There was a lot of discussion of the "Russian Bear" before World War I and of the "Bolshevik menace" between World War I and II. But in the end the west and Russia had to fight both the Kaiser and Hitler together.

President Roosevelt never forgot this. His policy was to make sure that Germany would never again be the main industrial force (and therefore the main fighting force) in Europe. First, he wanted to purge the German militarists and industrialists who always built for war. Second, he was determined to dismantle the most dangerous German plants. There could be no security until the combined industries of countries bordering on Germany, east as well as west, grew to match or exceed those of Germany herself.

Roosevelt's purpose was not to take revenge on the German people by starving them, or to punish them economically beyond the just need of replacing what they had smashed abroad. The late President thought that while post-war suffering in Europe lasted, it was only fair that the Germans should bear the brunt. But ultimately his plan would make all Europe more prosperous than before. That would include a Germany with no way forward except peaceful work, and no burden of armaments and war stockpiles, with pulled teeth but a full stomach.

Such a program, Roosevelt knew, was only possible through unity of the wartime allies, as sketched in the Tehran, Potsdam and Yalta agreements. He remembered, as too few do now, that Germany built herself up after World War I defeat by trading on inter-allied differences. Then Britain wanted German revival to offset France. America's Wall Street bought heavily into Germany industries and retooled them to keep down British competition. America, Britain and France all thought it was all right for Germany to re-arm if it was against Russia.

Germany's rulers, who are smart people, used all these circumstances. They offered the west help against "communism" in the intervention against Russia's revolution in 1918-22, the Locarno Treaty of 1925 and the Munich Pact of 1938. At the same time they peddled non-aggression guarantees to Russia, at a price, in the Rapallo Treaty of 1922 and the German-Soviet Pact of 1939. At home they smashed the labor movement and all peace-loving elements. And all the while they built their own fascist alliance with Japan and Italy, to seek world power.

Today west German industry is once more being restored for "anti-red" purposes. Wall Street is back in the picture to a greater extent than ever, having pushed British competition out of the Ruhr. James F. Forrestal of Dillon, Reed & Co., which helped build Germany between World Wars I and II, is now U. S. Secretary of Defense. John Foster Dulles, with the same history, helps run foreign policy. People who wanted to limit Germany, from ex-Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., down, are practically called traitors.

—It doesn't look good.

Can't Whistle While They Work For GM

LANSING, Mich.—(FP)—Latest crackdown on workers by General Motors' Hitlers in charge of the Fisher Body plant here is that nobody is allowed to sing or whistle.

A member of Fisher Local 602, UAW-CIO, reported to the bargaining committee that he had received a disciplinary layoff for singing in the cushion room. Management said both singing and whistling are forbidden while at work. The committee is protesting.

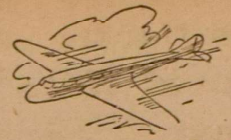
A couple of weeks ago management began searching dinnerpails as workers went in. Before that a man was disciplined for whistling at his wife across the street from the plant.

Union Wins In First NLRB Decertifying Test

NEW YORK—(FP)—First local election held under the Taft-Hartley law to decertify a union as collective bargaining agent resulted in a victory for the union here.

By a vote of 38 to 33, employees of the Staples-Smith Display Co. voted to retain Local 144, Window Trimmers & Displaymen's Union (CIO) as their representative. A group of artists and sculptors employed by the company had petitioned the NLRB to withdraw bargaining rights from the union on the ground that it was no longer supported by a majority of the workers.

Labor Around The World



France—(ALN)—The French General Confederation of Labor (CGT) has demanded a general wage increase throughout France retroactive to Nov. 1 in a message to the government, which controls wage rates, the CGT announced it will wait for action till Dec. 19. Meanwhile it urged all locals and shop units to meet and vote on what action they would support after Dec. 19 if the government fails to meet labor's demands. Among the demands is a wage review every three months to see that pay is kept in proportion to the constantly spiraling cost of living.

Japan—(ALN)—A tip to the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers from Japan's big businessmen is offered in a manual on how to break strikes: "It is recommended that labor-management councils be exploited to the greatest extent possible. In time of dispute, management can gain time through the councils and thus dispirit the workers. If prolonged negotiation is hoped for, bring a large quantity of cigarettes..." The manual, published by the Gifu Managerial Assn., is being used by the Electrical Workers Union to educate its workers on management tactics.

New Caledonia—(ALN)—French colonial authorities here have asked Gen. Douglas MacArthur to send 5,000 Japanese coolie laborers to work in New Caledonia nickel mines. The French authorities want the workers sent over under the prewar contract system, which tied the workers to their jobs at starvation wages. Opposition to the move is expected from Australia and New Zealand, neighbors of the French colony.

China—(ALN)—Several hundred striking taxi drivers here have made it impossible for cabs to drive their vehicles. The strikers "sat down" in the cabs, first taking precaution of deflating tires.

Soviet Union—(ALN)—Consumer cooperative stores, which account for a large part of Soviet distribution, have reduced all food prices for the third time this year. New price cuts average 10% to 30%.

AFL-CIO Solidarity Wins 1½ Hr. Strike

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (FP)—The shortest strike on record here was won by the Food, Tobacco, Agricultural and Allied Workers (CIO) against the California Cotton Compress and Warehouse Co.

Pickets arrived at 6:30 A.M. AFL construction workers began to come to work at 7 and refused to pass the lines. They and the CIO workers built a bonfire and kept warm waiting for the plant manager. He got there at 7:55, took one look and began signing the contract, which he had refused to do previously. At 8:05 the strike was over.

The CIO workers are all either Negroes or Mexicans, the AFL workers all white.



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for meat, poultry, fish, eggs, fruit and nuts. Prices are cut, spokesmen explain, whenever supplies increase sufficiently.

Mexico—(ALN)—The crackdown on labor in Brazil, Cuba and Chile is actually directed against the establishment of democratic, free enterprise systems in those countries, Pres. Vicente Lombardo Toledano of the Latin American Federation of Labor charged here. The governments concerned have tried to brand strikes as "movements under the direction of 'agents of Moscow' at a time when wages are enabling labor to do little more than die from hunger," he said, adding that none of these labor movements stand for communism but rather for freedom from colonial exploitation.

England—(ALN)—No government wage freeze order will stop British miners from pursuing their demand for \$4 more in their minimum weekly pay. Gen. Sec. Arthur Horner of the Natl. Union of Mineworkers asserted here. Official estimates that miners average \$28.30 weekly are way off the mark, Horner stated, pointing out that thousands of miners take home only \$16 or \$17 weekly after deductions.

Greece—(ALN)—The Federation of Workers for the Press & Paper Industry, one of the unions which the government thought it had under control after it removed all elected officers and appointed new stooge officials, has denounced the government's prohibition of new papers. The move, it says, forces printers "to choose between unemployment and starvation on the one hand and, on the other, appearing before a court martial should they dare to work for a newspaper likely to come out in the future." Besides banning new publications, the ruling legalizes the suppression of 65 newspapers.

Nicaragua—(ALN)—Incensed by the government's anti-labor campaign, state and municipal employees have voted to affiliate for the first time to the Nicaraguan Federation of Labor. New bills proposed by the government would deprive government employees of civil rights.

Profits (Reports) Scare Publishers

NEW YORK (FP)—Industry can make 'em, but newspapers better be careful how they report those record profits, they were warned here by the news publishers' Bible, Editor and Publisher.

Concerned lest straight reporting of new all-time high profits "inadvertently add grist to the mill of left-wing critics of our profit system," E&P warned:

"Financial stories often play up record dividend or net profit figures without picturing them in relation to total sales, total payroll or any other figure that might portray them in their true perspective. Thus a public misconception of exorbitant profits is created with its resultant criticism of the profit system."

Newspaper editors were therefore urged to help "educate the public" by "clarifying" their financial stories.

Which means the figures will still be there, you'll just have to look harder to find them.

DEMOCRATIC, GOP CONVENTION DATES SET

WASHINGTON (FP)—The Democratic National Convention will open in Philadelphia on July 12, closely following the Republican National Convention in the same city, which will open June 21 and probably continue a week.

Pagina en Espanol Importante

En el primer pago del mes de noviembre próximo, recibirá el pago de pago atrasado todos los meses de acuerdo con el programa de aniveleración de salarios. Advertiendo que en el primer pago se pagará por el año de 1947 y en el segundo por el de 1948. El resto será pagando en años sucesivos.

Hay la posibilidad de que los pagos sean hechos después de las fechas indicadas por que la compañía alega que está obligada a pagar únicamente el 42% de la cantidad retroactiva acumulada. De acuerdo con el Comité de Guerra del Trabajador sección 1944 en la que ambas partes habían formado el programa de aniveleración de salarios con un pago que no excediera de 2 1/2 centavos por hora para cada trabajador en la planta. Al anivelerar los salarios el programa costó a la compañía 10 cents por hora.

La Local 1010 aceptó el programa puesto en vigor en la decisión de Gary Ind.

La Unión no ha aceptado la proposición de la Compañía de pagar el 42%. Hay alguna duda de si la Compañía ha tomado la cantidad requerida para el salario de los oficiales y los senadores de la CIO, de la cantidad apropiada para el programa de la aniveleración de salarios.

Hasta que esta dificultad sea arreglada en favor de la Local la oferta de un 42% de la cantidad acumulada no será aceptada.

Las clasificaciones no han sido entregadas en su totalidad a los representantes de los Trabajadores, por tal razón todos los que crea que su salario no es anivelerado en una forma justa, deben entender que tiene derecho a un reajuste conforme sea dictado.

Atencion

Otra venta de mercancías botadas al costo, para la memoria de la local 1010, se hará a cabo dentro de una semana. El medio de programas que se distribuirán a la salida de la planta dará a conocer el día y la hora en que dará principio la venta.

Estos programas irán acompañados de una lista de los artículos que se puedan obtener, sirvan al mismo tiempo para ordenar que cada miembro tenga a la compra.

Para que las Oficinas de la Local puedan ponderar cuanto mercancía se necesita, todos deben retornar sus órdenes tan pronto como sea posible y que sea antes de la hora en que se llevará a cabo la venta.

Para las futuras ventas, el comité encargado espera tener también, de la fabricada para la guerra y a precios muy reducidos. Se ha rentado un edificio en Watling número 3100 donde se almacenará y se pondrá a la venta la mercancía.

Voice of Democracy Silenced in U. S. Capitol's Schools

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Public speaking contest on the Voice of Democracy cannot be held in the public schools here, learned Nov. 4, because the round will have three speakers along with eight.

Sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the contest move for its final round in auditorium of All Souls Church, because the board of education finds it would "be a violation" to Washington custom and "tie" to hold a mixed contest school.

The Voice of Democracy comes from the fact that the speeches are based on the Rights. The capital winner compete with state winners the national title.

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O. P. Hangs Up Its Costume; Canned Hate Stored for Next Time

By Francis Malloy

county cities, we are happy to see that the mustache over word of Tovarich Swartz's victory in Indiana Gary.

We Collaborate to Keep A Good Man in Office

THERE'S one thing we regret. Not that we want the publicity, you understand, but it's just this: The daily papers in their desperate haste overlooked the all-important fact that it was none other than your roving reporter, the woman, and one other Democrat—as yet unidentified—who kept Councilman Harold Stack from running a dead heat with whoever the Republican was who opposed him in our Gary district.

Out of approximately 6,000 votes for the office Stack got three more than the other fellow.

At first we had rather inclined to credit Tinsmith Harry Fish with casting one of those deciding ballots. However, for months now he has been on the water wagon; Prohibitionists have been whooping and hollering about boosting their vote total to around 300; and, as much as we hate to say it, the finger of suspicion is being pointed at Mister Fish. Asked about it, he merely mumbled something about "peeing on the parade," which wasn't a very nice thing to say. Or very pertinent, either.

Of course a great many people (more than voted for him) are claiming they are the ones who saved Mister Stack's pale political neck. Knowing two of the three who turned the trick we feel duty bound to warn the councilman against allowing himself to be taken in by these imposters. Give 'em half a chance and they'll drink him out of house and bowling alley!

We have in mind in particular one Mr. Paddy Ryan, a character from Island Manor, who has been strutting around bragging that he saved Stack single-handed. Mister Ryan claims that he talked two old Republican women out of voting and then snuck over to the polling place and won the election. And so we asked Paddy, "Why didn't you say it was three old Republican women and..."

"WHAT?" he yelled indignantly. "And tell a damn lie about it?"

To think that some Republicans had the nerve to call Mister Ryan a "stupid Irishman!"

Union Spokesman Says Steel Shortage Leading to Major Depression

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Congress acts fast legislation to encourage expansion of the basic steel industry the present steel shortage affecting dependent industries will lead to depression, the United Steelworkers of America (CIO) Senate small business committee Sept. 11.

Representing the program of his expansion of America's capacity, USA Research Director Otis Brubaker urged "long-range low-interest RFC loans" and "a market plan of some

by government, union and other authorities, show a need for an immediate expansion of basic steel capacity.

2. Postwar steel needs of other countries call for U. S. exports far above the record of any previous peacetime year.

3. The steel industry has apparently determined not to expand basic steel capacity. (Basic steel means ingots, as opposed to steel fabricating, or production of such useable steel products as beams, sheets, ships, etc.).

4. The government must promote steel making expansion to support the domestic economy and to meet foreign needs.

Brubaker said a recent union survey in the fabricating field found 20,000 USA members temporarily out of work because of the steel shortage. "We do not want this condition to become a permanent feature of our economy," he told the subcommittee.

He said world demand "could absorb any possible domestic slack during the next 10 years," adding that steel exports with expanded production can be 15 to 20% of U. S. output instead of 10% now.

Resolution Passed By 1010 for Labor Lead 3rd Party

The following resolution was proposed and adopted at the membership meeting of Thursday, October 16. The Sentinel regrets that space considerations prevented its publication in an earlier edition.

Whereas: The organized labor movement today embraces fifteen million members, who, with their families, make up the strongest single force in the United States, and

Whereas: The enemies of organized labor, having failed to break up the powerful unions of labor, are now engaging in an attempt to smash the unions through reactionary legislation supported by politicians of both the Republican and Democratic parties, and

Whereas: The passage of the Taft-Hartley Law, the most vicious anti-labor legislation in all modern labor history, was made possible because it was supported in Congress by a majority of Democrats as well as a majority of Republicans, and

Whereas: This final insult to the labor movement reveals beyond all doubt that both major political parties are willing servants of labor's enemies and that what labor needs most of all today is a political party of its own, sponsored and built by the labor unions and serving as the champion of all those sections of the American population who are the victims of the mad drive for profits and another world war,

Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved: That Local 1010 of the United Steelworkers of America, CIO, call upon the International Union officers to invite leaders of all bona fide labor unions to join immediately in the formation of a Labor Party which can rally labor against the reactionary congressional offensive against the working people and expell the agents of profit from the halls of congress, and

Be It Further Resolved: That we request of our leaders that independent labor candidates be run by unions in those cities where the union movement is strong enough to elect them, as has been done recently in Dayton, Ohio, where a slate of union men and Negro leaders defeated both the Democrats and the Republicans in the municipal election.

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Reuther Right Wing Slate Sweeps UAW-CIO National Elections

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—(FP)—Pres. Walter P. Reuther of the United Auto Workers (CIO) consolidated his sweeping victories Nov. 13 by winning a majority of the union's executive board in election of regional directors.

In contrast to last year, when the coalition led by outgoing Sec. Treas. George F. Addes and vice presidents R. J. Thomas and Richard T. Leonard held a 14 to 8 lead on the board, incomplete returns showed Reuther facing possible opposition from only four incumbents.

The four reelected regional directors who opposed Reuther last year were Richard E. Reisinger, Cy O'Halloran, George Burt and Paul Miley. Observers pointed out, however, that Reuther's capture of all the top offices may result in shifting alignments on lower levels.

Among the anti-Reuther board members defeated in the all-day balloting were Jack Holt, Arnold Atwood, Percy Llewellyn, Joseph Mattson and William Stevenson.

A parade of defeated UAW office holders back to the shop began as Leonard announced from the platform that he would apply for his old job in the DeSoto plant of Chrysler Corp. on Detroit's west side Dec. 1.

Leonard lost his union post to John W. Livingston of St. Louis by 5,024 to 1,626 with some of his strength drained off by former Recording Sec. Shelton Tappes of Ford Local 600 of Dearborn, whose

candidacy was backed by a caucus of Negro delegates. Tappes surprised dopesters by piling up 560 votes.

Out of the shop since 1937, Leonard told convention delegates: "I'm taking an hourly paid job. I'm going back to the beginning because I cannot think of a better place to start over again."

Leonard is expected to run for international office at the next convention, either for board member or general officer. In a somewhat barbed sentence, he said while congratulating the victors:

"They have made many great promises to our union. Time and you delegates will prove them out, and I know that you will rise in praise if they succeed, just as you will strike them down if they fail."

Leonard's position signified that the opposition to Reuther, though overwhelmingly defeated, is not demoralized but is digging in for an uphill comeback fight.

Addes, ousted from the post he held for 11 years by Emil Mazey of Detroit, is also said to be planning a turn at the time clock after a rest. He and Thomas, third defeated top officer, have lost their plant seniority and would have to take potluck at the employment offices.



Standard Press Lies Form a Broad Pattern

If the needle on your phonograph catches in the groove of a broken record, it continued to scratch out the same tune. Similarly, the major part of the U. S. press, with some variations on the theme, continues year after year to grind out lies which fall into the same groove.

In working on this column for the past 1½ years—reading newspapers from all over the U. S.—we've discovered that time and time again, in feature articles, editorials, in the manner in which news is handled—most of the newspapers and the big press associations (AP, UP, INS) are guilty of misleading and misinforming the American people.

Take this "free enterprise" business. The newspapers are full of the stuff—about how the U. S. economy is "free," about how we have a "free competitive economy!" Day after day, week after week, year after year, the same "free enterprise" slogans are dinned into the minds of the American people. And yet, the facts are:

"The monopoly problem in American industry today is more serious and widespread than at any time since the passage of the Sherman act in 1890. . . . The largest corporations in this country now hold approximately two-thirds of the nation's usable manufacturing facilities." That statement is from a report made by the anti-trust division of the U. S. Dept. of Justice in June 1946.

The same year, a Federal Trade Commission report stated: "This growing concentration of economic power through mergers is today's greatest challenge to the American theory of competitive enterprise and to the American way of life."

In the authoritative Senate report, Economic Concentration and World War II, which was ignored or buried by most newspapers, the following startling facts about our economy are set down:

"The relatively few giant corporations of the country which have come to dominate our economy are themselves largely owned by a few thousand stockholders and by a mere handful of financial interests."

Then, citing specific figures, the report disclosed that:

Eight groups of banking interests control 106 of the 250 largest corporations.

One-tenth of 1% of all corporations earn 50% of the total corporate income.

Less than 4% of all manufacturing corporations earn 84% of all net profits of manufacturing firms.

This trend increased during the war. A Senate small business committee report, Disposal of Government Plants, which was suppressed by the Senate but leaked nonetheless, revealed that monopolies had been strengthened during the war.

That report disclosed that 68 corporations received two-thirds of the value of federal research and development contracts during the war and that 70% of all war plants were sold to the 250 largest manufacturing firms—firms which already controlled 66.5% of all U. S. manufacturing facilities.

All of the reports cited above didn't reveal essentially "new" material. The fact is that in 1939 the Senate's famous TNEC studies reported the same degree of monopoly concentration in the U. S.—and the TNEC reports received the same indecent burial by the press which today's reports have received.

That takes care of the No. 1 lie which the press constantly spreads.

Co-Op Supermarket Blue Printed by Ford UAW

DEARBORN, Mich. (FP)—The 65,000 members of Ford Local 600, United Auto Workers (CIO), may be buying many of their groceries, household supplies and much of their clothing at their own cooperative by next spring if the local union council approves the executive board recommendation to be submitted by President Thomas Thompson.

The board urges a \$10,000 appropriation to start a supermarket to be financed by sale of shares in regular cooperative fashion. The campaign is to be headed by a director, probably chosen from the membership, who will qualify for the job by taking an intensive course in cooperative methods from experts in the movement.

No site has been chosen, but sentiment is strong for erection behind the local headquarters just across the tracks from the Rouge plant.

The Motor City Cooperative, an organization aiming at 12 supermarkets in the Detroit area, having both AFL and CIO representation on its board, is still trying to raise the first \$35,000 of its \$250,000 goal. The \$35,000 will have to be put in escrow to protect stockholders under state law.

Govt. Orders Blackout on FDR's Portrait

SAN FRANCISCO (FP)—A 7-foot portrait of Franklin D. Roosevelt has been ordered removed from a 29-panel post office mural by a Washington government agency.

Artist Anton Refregier, announcing he would defy the order, said the instructions came in a letter from the Public Buildings Administration, Commission of Design and Construction. Refregier was advised to redesign the portion of the mural showing the late President because "we do not advocate the portrayal of prominent persons in any mural of this character."

The controversial panel, dedicated to the growth of the United Nations, is dominated by a huge portrait of Roosevelt framed by four blocks representing the four freedoms. The mural is intended for a new post office annex here.

Charging that the government order reflects the current "campaign to discredit Roosevelt," the artist said: "To omit the portrait of FDR from the final panel dealing with the United Nations meeting in San Francisco is a concession I cannot make. I cannot allow myself to be a victim of propaganda against a very great man."

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Last Man In The Line, the American Iron and Steel Institute's heart-breaking saga of Andrew, the put-upon stock holder, is, to quote our own Fred Gillies, "short and to the point". Inland's report to its stockholders, for the first three-quarters of 1947, is even shorter and more pointed. (See adjoining reproduction).

That, too, we believe, you will like to read.

First Carving

In the "white meat" department, about which Last Man in the Line speaks so feelingly, you will notice that Inland's stockholders sliced \$21,791,583 net income for the first nine months of 1947.

In the adjoining column, figures show that investors were forced to feed their families on a total net income of only \$9,900,773 the first nine months of 1946.

By simple arithmetic, therefore, "white meat" for Inland's owners jumped \$11,890,810 in the space of one year.

In the same period, dividends on each share increased from \$2.02 to \$4.44.

Who Gets the Neck?

Inland's wage-earners, meanwhile, were obliged to lose a full week's pay while trudging the picket lines to wring a grudging 12½¢ hourly increase from the company.

If wages rose in the same proportion as dividends, labor rate would now be in excess of \$2.00 an hour.

Inland has not seen fit to provide the labor press with a complete breakdown of its stockholders. Total number and names of all the yard laborers, tin plate assemblers, crane operators and the like "Andrews" who punch the clock and rush home to clip their

coupons every quarter-year, are not, consequently, available for publication.

White Meat and Gravy, Too

Information about Inland's Board of Directors, from an "Annual Meeting of Stockholders, April 30, 1947, indicates, however, that these gentlemen are losing very few dental fillings by gnawing the neck of the chicken.

Fifteen of these top dogs are listed as possessing beneficial holdings of capital stock, as of February 11, 1947, in the total amount of 314,005.56 shares.

Dividends computed at the rate of \$4.44 a share give these fifteen an income from their holdings of \$1,974,184.64.

That income is, of course, in addition to the salaries and benefits they grab as "gravy" for the "white meat."

Joseph L. Block, Executive Vice President in Charge of Sales, for example, owns 12,070 shares of capital stock. From this one item, he garners \$53,590.80 yearly. Besides that, Joseph L. Block collects an annual salary of \$70,000 plus \$3,048.36 which is lifted from the profits of steel production and tucked away for his personal retirement fund.

All others on the Board of Directors are similarly provided for in greater or lesser degree.

None of Inland's Board of Directors are named "Andrew."

show in which to iron out their differences. Both of these boys have been plying their trade quite industriously in the Chicago Stadium and other top bracket arenas of the area.

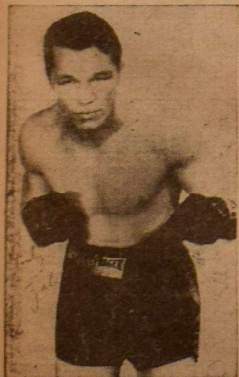
Mike Sopko, whom civic minded East Chicagoans hope to see emulate Tony Zale, is carded for another five-rounder with Santo Quintero of Puerto Rico.

Two more bouts, five in all, are being arranged to round out this all-professional show.

Mayor Finnerty of Gary will head a delegation of mayors and mayors-elect from surrounding cities to the November 22 card as a gesture of the esteem in which these communities hold Tony Zale.

The affair is under the auspices of the Men's Club of the Beth Sholem Congregation, East Chicago.

Reserved tickets may be purchased at the following places: Hammond—Civic Center and Armstrong's Jewelry; Whiting—Hooser Drugs; East Chicago—Nassau & Thompson, 812 W. Chicago Ave.; Tarler's Shoe Store, 3425 Michigan Ave.; Blumenfeld Jewelry, 3512 Main St., and Kotzan Drug Store, 4859 Alexander Ave.; Gary—Siefer-Lamar Inc., Broadway and 5th, and Striegel Drug Store, Broadway and Ridge Road.



TONY ZALE

will give his partisans hereabouts a flash of championship class boxing, Saturday night, November 22, in Hammond's Civic Center.

Because the card is a charity benefit, the kind of money necessary to inducing any given pugilist to stand up against the ex-middleweight champ's most devastating efforts is out of the picture. The main bout will, therefore, be an exhibition, with Zale confining himself to speed and polish instead of the savage punching which carried him to the pinnacle of the middleweight division.

Eddie Thomas, who fought his way up from among Maryland's Magnolias to the ranks of lightweight contenders, faces Ted Christie, a New Yorker, in the semi-windup. Thomas and Christie are slated to tussle for eight rounds or, as ring announcers are wont to hedge, less.

More familiar to fight fans of Chicago and environs are Nick Ranieri and Jesse Gully, who have been allotted five rounds on this

INLAND STEEL COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1947	June 30, 1947	March 31, 1947	Sept. 30, 1947	Sept. 30, 1946
Net Sales and Other Revenues.	\$79,482,681	\$74,492,415	\$70,272,728	\$224,247,824	\$153,690,511
Deduct:					
Cost of sales, exclusive of depreciation and depletion.	64,509,801	62,007,784	54,703,532	181,221,117	132,137,923
Depreciation of plants and depletion of minerals.	2,154,341	2,174,167	1,913,764	6,242,272	4,829,202
Interest on bonds and serial notes	348,344	354,833	359,375	1,062,552	617,296
Provision for Federal Income Taxes	4,799,900	3,830,200	5,300,200	13,930,300	6,203,217
	71,812,386	68,366,984	62,276,871	202,456,241	143,789,738
Net Income	7,670,295	6,125,431	7,995,857	21,791,583	9,900,773
Less: Appropriation for Reserve for Contingencies..	1,600,000	1,150,000	2,800,000	5,550,000	—
Balance of Net Income transferred to Surplus.	6,070,295	4,975,431	5,195,857	16,241,583	9,900,773
Net Earnings per share (see note)	1.56	1.25	1.63	4.44	2.02

NOTE: Net income per share based on earnings before deducting amounts credited to contingency reserves for possible future inventory price declines. Income for 1947 is subject to annual audit by certified public accountants.

Members of Local Union 1010 interested in playing basketball this season are requested to report at the Columbus school Friday night at 7 o'clock.

Practice sessions will be held each Friday night thereafter at the same place between 7 and 8 p.m.

The Columbus school is located at the East Chicago end of the Columbus Drive viaduct.

SAN FRANCISCO — (FP) — Some 10,000 members of the Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union called here for abolition of the House committee on un-American activities.

UAW-CIO Posts \$550 Prize for Non-Jim Crow Bowl Tourney

DETROIT (FP) — The All Americans Bowling Tournament, open to all comers and not merely Caucasian males, sponsored by the United Auto Workers (CIO) recreation department opens in Detroit at Eastern Market Recreation, 1458 E. Vernor, November 29. This is the UAW answer to the unAmerican discrimination practiced by the American Bowling Congress in its membership and tournament policies.

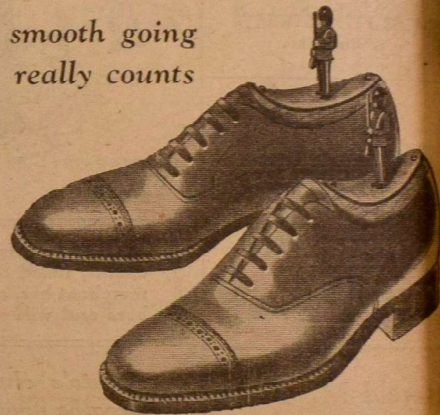
All entry fees will be used for prize money and a guarantee of \$550 for prizes is posted by the union in addition, Recreation Director Olga Madar announces. Deadline for entries is Monday, November 24. Get entry blanks from your local union or the UAW Recreation Department, 10 W. Warren, Detroit 1. Every bowler, regardless of his average or affiliation is eligible, Miss Madar says.

Gary is one of the two American cities cited by the President's Committee on Civil Liberties for ending segregation in its schools.

It costs a low-income family five in New York city more than twice as much to eat today as did in January 1942, according to the New York Budget Council.

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	G.	W.	L.	Pct.	Total Pins	Ave.
1. Cold Strip Trans.	27	20	7	.740	21,632	801
2. Joe Germano's	27	17	10	.629	21,557	798
3. 44" Slab Yard	27	17	10	.629	19,937	738
4. Slab Yard Cranemen	27	17	10	.629	19,468	721
5. Tin Mill Trans.	27	17	10	.629	19,444	720
6. Transportation	24	14	10	.583	18,608	775
7. Blast Fee. Hot Shots	24	14	10	.583	18,029	751
8. 76" Slab Yard	27	15	12	.555	19,130	708
9. Blast Fee. No. 3	27	15	12	.555	18,797	696
10. Pipe Shop	27	15	12	.555	17,800	659
11. Tin Mill Assort.	27	14	13	.518	20,368	754
12. Blast Fee. Fdry.	27	14	13	.518	18,820	697
13. Cold Strip Shipping	27	11	16	.407	19,163	709
14. Unity Flyers	27	11	16	.407	18,816	696
15. Blast Fee. No. 1	27	10	17	.370	16,746	620
16. 44" Hot Mill	27	9	18	.333	17,845	660
17. Plate Mill	27	8	19	.296	16,637	616
18. Car Shop	21	1	20	.047	12,630	601



ing Gillie's Guff
 Fred Mataras, Assistant Grievance Committeeman in the cold strip, as if he might be sleep walking in this picture. But Fred isn't, and neither is any other good union man hereabouts, especially toward to Inland's intense propaganda barrage plugging the "honeymoon" which the Taft-Hartley act enables the corporations to bestow on their workers.
 We didn't identify the brother in the glasses and hat who is about 1010's answer to one of the series of letters with which Gillies recently been cluttering up the mails, Brother Mataras and a half dozen other good union men ignored the cold weather to pass out these letters the afternoon before Thanksgiving.

ORDER BLANKS FOR GOOD TOMORROW; SALE SAT., DEC. 13

Plans, for ordering the quantity and type of canned goods for local 1010's members wish to buy at the next food sale, will be distributed at plant gates tomorrow, Friday, December 5.
 Conway, financial secretary, stated that the sale would take place on Saturday, December 13.
 In getting the second food sale under way is due to cancellation of rental of the store front 1411 Mich. Ave. after plans were made for this location.
 Other quarters have, however, been obtained at 3471 Pennsylvania avenue for use as a warehouse and distribution point.
 In order to have their orders filled completely, the membership requested to fill in the ordering card and return them to the union office directed. As in the first membership cards in local 1010's, USA-CIO, will be required for identification before purchases be made.
 Because pressure of work has prevented Brother Conway from getting further about the possibility of obtaining war surplus goods, no further details concerning this matter are available at this time.
 Stassen is the only GOP candidate who has been platformed down in a book, and other candidates are standing on the paper shortage.

NLRB HEARS 65ERS' CASE; T-H LAW MAY FOUL UP DECISION

If the National Labor Relations Board rules that Inland Steel must bargain with the union over terms of dismissal of their 65-year-old employees, the decision may not be carried out because of the steel union's refusal to comply with terms of the Taft-Hartley act.
 Frank Donner, Assistant Chief Counsel for the CIO, who argued the case before the NLRB November 18, contended that pensions were, in actuality, a form of deferred wages involving a reward for destruction of earning power. He insisted, further, that retirement on pension is really a discharge of the employer. The union is, therefore, entitled to bargain upon the terms under which their members are severed from employment.
 NLRB trial examiners have ruled in the union's favor and have directed Inland Steel to bargain with local union 1010 on the type and extent of the retirement pension.
 Refusal by the company to accept the trial examiners' directive brought the case by lengthy stages to the top body of the NLRB whose decision will be final and binding.
 No official word of the NLRB's decision has yet been received by local officials of the union.
 The cost of living for moderate-income families rose another 1.2% between July and August, reaching an all-time high for the third consecutive month.

ADJUSTMENT OF EQUITIES LOOM AS CHECKS BEGIN

Whether Inland's figure of 42% payment of back pay under the Wage Rate Inequity Program will be accepted by the union has not yet been decided.
 Company figures which show that raises in job rates have already cost them 8.2c an hour for each employee in place of the 3.5c, plus the 2.5c and 1.5c which were gained by agreements, cannot be checked by the union without retaining a firm of accountants; a long and expensive process.
 Meanwhile, checks for back pay accumulated in the year 1944 will be distributed on December 10. Amounts over \$75 will be mailed to employees' homes; lesser amounts will be handed out together with the regular pay period checks.
 Back pay for the year 1945 will be distributed the second pay day in December.
 Raises on job rates, which amounted to considerably more at Inland than they did in U. S., is the principle reason that Carnegie-Illinois employees seem to have gotten a better deal on back pay than Inland's workers are getting.
 Although U.S. steel paid off 70% of the original sum accumulating from 3% for each employee hour, the back pay amounted to only 46% of the 7.1c which the final program adjustment cost the company.
 To the original 3% an employee hour agreed upon between

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STEVE TANDARIC ORDERED DEPORTED

Case of 1010 Charter Member to Be Carried to Board of Appeals
 Steve Tandaric, a steel worker in Hammond, Indiana, and a resident of the United States for 36 years, has been ordered deported to Yugoslavia by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. It was announced today by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born.
 The American Committee stated that Isidore Englander, New York attorney, is representing Steve Tandaric and has requested special hearings in the case before the Board of Immigration Appeals in Washington.
 Steve Tandaric who brought to the United States by his parents in 1911 when he was 9 years old. During the 1930's he was a leader in the organization of the steelworkers in Indiana and is a charter member of the United Steelworkers of America, Local 1010. In 1937, he joined the International Brigades and went to Spain to fight fascism. He returned to the United States in 1939.
 In October, 1944, the Immigration and Naturalization Service started deportation proceedings against Steve Tandaric on the ground that, in 1939, he reentered the country illegally upon his return from Spain.
 The American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born urges organizations and individuals to write to Hon. Watson B. Miller, United States Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Philadelphia 2, Pa., protesting the attempt to deport Steve Tandaric and insisting that he be permitted to adjust his status and remain in the United States with his family and friends.

E. C. Council, School Board Stall Action On Student Jim Crow

Balked by a single "no" vote from bringing the matter of discrimination against Negro students in East Chicago's public schools before the city's Common Council Monday night, December 1, more than one hundred and fifty aroused citizens, who packed the spectators' section of the council chamber and overflowed into the halls, plan to carry it before the next Council meeting, Monday, December 8.
 Councilman-at-Large Fred Saviano, although professing to be in sympathy with the movement to end segregation and consistent humiliation of colored students by members of Washington High School's faculty, cast the single vote necessary to keep the issue from being considered at the special meeting of December 1.
 Re-elected November 4 on a labor backed program, one of whose chief points is opposition to discrimination in the public schools, Saviano offered a lame excuse, based on a technicality, for his desertion of announced principle.
 The special meeting he alleged, was called for the sole purpose of appropriating money to meet essential community expenses and should, therefore, have no other business placed before it.
 James Dent, sole Negro Councilman, addressed each of his colleagues by name in appealing for justice to his people.
 Of the eight Councilmen present, five voted to sustain Dent's motion for suspension of the rules in order to hear a resolution calling upon the Board of Education to revoke its policy of discrimination. The remaining two abstained from voting. Councilman Makowski was the only member absent from this session of the Council.
 Bluntly refusing to permit colored seniors attendance at their class festival and dance, held November 14, Principal Frank Cash, of Washington, brought resentment long simmering against inferior status thrust upon Negro students in that school to a boiling pitch early in November.
 "If any of you persist in attending," he threatened a group of colored seniors, "Somebody is going to get hurt." He emphasized his edict with a reminder to them that they were a minority.
 Frieda Keys and two other Negro girls were intimidated by Katy DePuy, Dean of Girls, into tearing up cards which they had signed indicating their intention of attending the affair of November 14.
 To a committee of leading people of the Negro community, who protested, Principal Cash was equally blunt.
 "I'll use police or any other force that may be necessary to prevent Negro students from attending the Harvest Festival," he warned the committee of adults.
 The Committee, headed by Mrs. Edwin Broomes, contacted School Superintendent Senour later. He promised to inaugurate a policy of opening all school sponsored activities to all students. On November 18, however, a leaflet notifying Washington students that all social affairs in that school

USA-CIO Stands Pat on T-H Defy

PITTSBURGH—(FP)—Standing firm on its defiance of the Taft-Hartley act, the United Steelworkers (CIO) executive board voted unanimously Nov. 19 to refuse to file non-Communist affidavits required by the NLRB under the new law.
 The decision was announced by Pres. Philip Murray, who had previously stated that signing the affidavits would be personally repugnant to him.
 The executive board action which Murray said came after a long, thorough discussion, upheld the non-compliance policy voted by the union's policy committee in July.
 At that time the union denounced the Taft-Hartley act and the new NLRB as "instruments clearly designed to oppress unions and to destroy the living standards of American workers."
 Its decision to continue that policy means the 900,000-member union will boycott the NLRB completely and seek the solution of any problems through direct collective bargaining. The union announced recently it would seek a court test of the constitutionality of the affidavit requirement.
 The steel union is one of the two major CIO unions that have voted an outright boycott of the NLRB, the other being the United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers. The United Auto Workers broke away from a similar position at its recent Atlantic City convention when it voted to file the affidavits.

AMERICAN SYSTEM, NOT RED RULE, FIRST CONCERN—WALLACE

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(FP)—"We are not fighting to bring the Russian system to the U. S. We are fighting to bring the American system back to the U. S."
 With those words former Vice Pres. Henry A. Wallace drew cheers from 2,000 persons, the largest mixed audience of whites and Negroes ever to assemble here.
 Wallace, in the midst of a speaking tour that is carrying him through Ohio and down through the heart of the south, told his enthusiastic audience: "The possibility of communism exists in the prospect of depression, not in the scenarios of motion pictures"
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LOCAL UNION MEETING TONITE
 ONLY 18 SHOPPING DAYS till Christmas

FAILURE OF LIMIT SWITCH KILLS COLD STRIP INSPECTOR

A limit switch, defective since crane No. 21-a was installed in August, 1946, which failed to work, caused the death of John Molnar, Tuesday, November 25, in the cold strip mill.

Reports made at subsequent safety meetings that Molnar and the crane man were arguing are without foundation.

Members of the crew which installed crane No. 21-a warned Master Mechanic Simburg that the device which holds the limit switch contact weight in place was likely to fail at a critical moment. The warning was disregarded, however, under pressure of work which falls to the small force of machinists assigned to crane maintenance.

Since crane 21-a is a low one, and material is piled to considerable height on the floor of that department, unfailing operation of the limit switch is vital on that item of equipment.

That crane machinists cannot be charged with negligence in checking for defective parts is apparent. Four machinists maintain 30 overhead cranes, four charging cars and 10 jib cranes, in addition to all door, windows and other minor mechanical devices.

Brother Molnar's death marks the third major accident to occur in the cold strip within one month's time.

Overcrowding and unduly speeded operations are strong factors in the high accident rate.

Endeavor by management to place blame for all unsafe practices upon employees is doing very little to lower the accident rate.

Sam Stomp, hooker, was given a letter of reprimand for improperly hooking a load, November 20, in the vicinity of No. 13 skin mill.

Actual circumstances are that Mickey Patrick, assistant mill foreman, compelled Brother Stomp to omit proper safety precautions because the mill was waiting for a load. Holding up a mill, even with the alternative of killing somebody, rates with stopping MacLeod's blood circulation under current conditions in the cold strip.

That operations can be conducted with a minimum of injuries and health hazard is proven by the safety picture in the tin mill. Brother John Durcho, safety representative, who doesn't hesitate to instruct top supervision

Labor Around The World



Canada

TORONTO — (ALN) — A concerted labor-sponsored drive has resulted in partial resumption of price controls in Canada. Faced with increases almost as sharp as those in the U. S., the Canadian government announced it is placing controls on most canned fruits and vegetables and that these controls may be extended. Government spokesmen admitted many price rises were found to be totally unjustified. Pres. Percy Benbow of the Trades & Labor Congress termed the government move a "step in the right direction."

France

PARIS — (ALN) — A general strike on French railways was called by the Railway Workers Federation Nov. 25 to enforce wage demands. Even before the official strike call—which involves about 1,700,000 workers—about 20,000 railwaymen had walked out with local union sanction. The railway workers have been seeking a 20% wage increase for months without success. The strike order followed a meeting between France's new premier, Robert Schuman, and officials of the General Confederation of Labor (CGT), during which CGT leaders demanded a "vital minimum living wage" of \$90 a month instead of the present \$67.20.

Mexico

MEXICO CITY — (ALN) — A giant demonstration was staged by Mexican workers here to protest the U. S.-backed Clayton plan, which would end all inter-American trade restrictions. One parade poster showed a U. S. jockey on a racehorse alongside a Mexican on a burro—reflecting the widespread conviction that semi-colonial Mexico hasn't got a chance in "free" competition with American mass production. Mexican businessmen are backing the anti-Clayton plan drive on grounds that U. S. prod-

ucts would swamp the Mexican market, wiping them out of business.

where to put its feet down in that department, is the chief reason for the tin mill's good record in that respect.

Full cooperation of department heads with Brother Durcho in keeping the accident rate low is also a mark for other supervisors to shoot at.

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China

SHANGHAI — (ALN) — Thirty-five thousand university students are striking in several Chinese cities to protest newly-announced Kuomintang (government party) thought control measures. Students are also demanding an end to the civil war and to U. S. intervention in China. They are particularly incensed at the advice recently offered Kuomintang leaders by "unofficial" American emissary William C. Bullitt. He proposed that the government conscript into its civil war army all students who oppose civil war.

Peru

LIMA — (ALN) — A drastic anti-labor decree issued by the Peruvian government orders civil and police authorities to "arrest and prosecute agitators who attempt to stir up illegal labor conflicts leading to work stoppages." Criminal penalties are provided for strikers. Arbitration is made compulsory. "Anyone publishing incorrect information tending to produce economic disorders" has also been made liable to arrest.

Japan

TOKYO — (ALN) — Resolutions calling for public ownership of electric power and a pay scale that will guarantee workers' ability to buy 2,400 calories of food daily with no more than 60% of their pay were adopted at the annual convention of the Japanese Congress of Industrial Organizations.

Australia

SYDNEY — (ALN) — Mill, metal, electrical and stoveworkers workers in Australia's industrial state of New South Wales have started a strike movement for higher wages. Builders are planning to join the stoppages. Though wage increases were won early in 1947, they have been eaten up by what labor charges is an artificial price-rigging system.

Madden Battling for Wage Minimum

WASHINGTON — (FP) — While Republican members play footsie with the corporate interests hoping to wreck the federal wage-hour act, a lone Democratic congressman is battling for workers protection in the House labor subcommittee headed by Rep. Samuel K. McConnell (R., Pa.).

Standing almost alone save for occasional appearance by Rep. Arthur C. Klein (D., N. Y.), is a great northern Indiana liberal, Ray J. Madden. And Madden is sorely concerned about the situation.

Referring to the Republican majority and its colleague, Rep. O. C. Fisher (D., Tex.), Madden said "they are using the same tactics they did to wreck OPA and price control. They are employing the same strategy they did with the Taft-Hartley bill . . . presenting some isolated, aggravated cases and using them as a foundation to build a case for wrecking a good act."

With Rep. Thomas Owens (R., Ill.) and Wint Smith (R., Kas.) carrying the ball most of the time for McConnell, the situation looks bad even with friends of the wage hour law on the stand.

The net result of the hearings so far has been to confirm Madden's belief that a deliberate plan is afoot to wreck the law before the voters can get in their licks in 1948.

Switchman Knocked From Moving Car

Knocked off a dump car in the narrow passage under the blast furnace high line, Brother Duncan Spittal was painfully injured about the face and head Tuesday, December 2.

The third man to be injured in less than three months, Brother Spittal's accident emphasizes the hazardous conditions of work in the Transportation Department. Switchmen, whose job is rated near the top of hazardous occupations, are particularly in need of a rigidly enforced safety program.

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Honest Reporter Goes A Long Way (for Him) To Right Great Wrong

By FRANCIS MALLOY

Exciting word has just reached us that our pseudo-simple journalistic endeavors in this paper at last have been rewarded with the social recognition they no doubt deserve: we have been cordially invited to drop in at the Cafe Barbour around tea time some afternoon soon for a lively chat, and perhaps—or so we have been warned by worried friends—a quick, ladylike poke in the beezers.

However, anyone who thinks we plan to accept the invitation and thereby run the risk of sloughing off that bloom of youth on our homely but honest profile is nuts!

It should be explained, perhaps, that all of this is the result of gentle repercussions lately at the Barbour establishment, an unpretentious soup and suds salon where those who trudge wearily in and out of a local steel mill may pause to be refreshed. As we get it, the uninhibited wording we used recently to describe the adventures of one of our grey-beard paper "boys" there gave the hired help an aesthetic pain in the bustle.

Seems the idea got around—some way or other—that we had pictured Barbour's as one of those arty places for silhouette study, where the tired customer—chin in beer—sits in fascinated contemplation of lovely waitresses and, coincidentally, of the curved line from hip to hem. What we really wrote, of course, was that it is NOT that kind of place, as a more careful perusal of the piece will immediately reveal.

We understand the gals were in high dudgeon, too, over some smart Aleck reference to "hippy females." There again, as the original article clearly shows, we were speaking of some purely hypothetical wimmin, certainly NOT those who work at Mme. Barbour's counter!

As far as that goes, just what is wrong with being a hippy fe-

male? We have always been led to believe there is a certain amount of intangible come-hither in a little, properly proportioned extra-blubber. Not only that, doesn't it come in handy for that "new look"? Or have we been misinformed?

Don't answer!

De Profundis

AFTER hearing ad nauseam that one never-varying, alleged joke of ribald and rather obvious character concerning the marriage of Princess Elizabeth and Lieut. Mountbatten, we found it altogether refreshing to encounter a much less crude approach to the subject of those noble nuptials.

We have in mind, of course, a brief exchange with our now non-spirituous friend and advisor, Mr. Hughie (H-3) Watters, riding high and dry in the state of grace these many weeks a-top a certain famous old sprinkler. It probably couldn't happen again in another century, the way we ran across Mister Watters at work on that blissful morn of the big broadcast, Sad to say though, he looked spiritually spent, strained of all emotion.

"Hmph," says we, "from your looks y' musta got up a-fore breakfast to listen in on London and the wedding."

"Aye," says he, "I haired ut. And it brought the tearrrrs t' my eyes!"

"Oh, well now," we consoled him, "no one would expect you to be that much affected."

"Affected is it?" cries he in pain. "Why doch dammit man, they've just made a Grrreek the juke of Edinburry!"

We trust this will not provide an incident between Athens and Indiana Harbor.

BUT at our house that felicitous morning of enchantment and what, there was a difference.

It was during a particularly breath-taking description of how

the prin-cess moved her foot and one of the train bearers deftly disengaged her trailing gown from the candelabra. Into the hectic hush that followed such an awe-inspiring development, the woman hollered hoarsely from the kitchen:

"Hey! Somebody better announce the time and get America off to work to pay for this thing!"

Being the best and only wife we ever had we must indulge her these sudden peculiarities.

On Obeying the Law

ANYONE interested—and who isn't?—can get some idea of how well the Taft-Hartley law works by taking a casual glance at Chicago. There the Typographical union, a great conservative organization doing business since 1852 with an unusual record of virtually no labor trouble, is on strike against the leading dailies who, with typewriters and engraved plates, are struggling at printing the news.

Those "chummy" Chicago publishers demand a contract; the printers don't want one under the Taft-Hartley Act. They are fighting for the life of their union. The bosses say it's the law, it should be obeyed, forgetting that some laws ought never have been put on the statute books.

Should a law be obeyed simply because congress passed it, or because a majority of the people endorse it? Would you obey fifty-percent of the people if they voted to make the other forty-percent slaves?

Like hell you would!

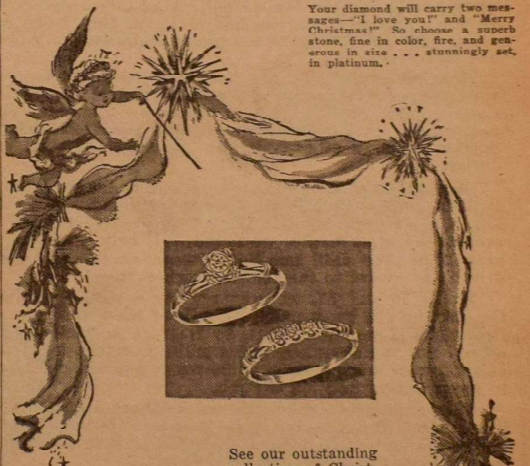
Total assets of 12 of the nation's biggest insurance companies rose from \$20,829,864,000 in 1938 to \$35,056,794,897 in 1946.

In the first half of 1947, food products companies had a return of \$21 on every \$100 invested.

Dividends paid by U. S. Steel, barometer of big business, hit a 16-year high in 1947.

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stage a mass walkout pre-
ceding the firing from being car-
ried out.

Rest periods at all are pro-
hibited during the entire eight-
hour shift; meals, if any, are
eaten on the run, as the girls
hurry about serving the que-
uing customers.

As usual with employers who
insist on this kind of conditions on
their workers, Miner of the firm of
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as he fears them.

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Now Is the Time to Stand and Be Counted

Segregation of Negro students in some activities at Washington High School and callous disregard of their rights by faculty heads is a proper matter of concern to Local Union 1010.

That most of the students involved are sons and daughters of our membership, and are, themselves, prospective members of our union, is reason enough for LU 1010 to refrain from conveniently looking the other way.

Grievance Committeeman, Executive Board members, and other rank and file leaders who have declared in on this fight for equality in East Chicago's public schools would, some of our members may believe, be much better occupied with solving the complexities of the wage inequity program and like matters which mean cash on the line to those whom they represent.

But there would be no machinery enabling Sargent and Lutz and the rest of our elected fighters to battle Inland Steel for back pay or anything else if the CIO's pioneers had not founded our organization on the sound principle of obtaining and defending the rights of Negroes and other minority groups of steel workers.

Veterans of 1919 will readily recall from their own experience that their strike was broken chiefly because company agents and the limited outlook of labor leaders of that day prevented Negroes and Mexicans from being recruited into the Amalgamated Iron, Sheet, and Tin Workers, AFL.

Inevitable result of that failure was that the companies used one powerful section of the working class against the other groups. Steelworkers, in consequence, sweated out another 17 years of company imposed conditions before another upsurge of organization engulfed the steel industry.

In the light of 1919's experience, and under the lash of Hoover's hungry thirties, we learned that hunger, like bullets, doesn't discriminate. When Negroes are forced to accept starvation wages, we found, it is only a matter of very little time until non-Negro wage earners are also driven downward to the colored workers' level.

So, in '36 and '37, we prepared our onslaught against the steel barons by opening the rolls of the Steelworkers' Organizing Committee, CIO, to Negroes as well as all other hourly paid workers in the mills. In return for equal effort toward our common ends, we committed ourselves to equal opportunity on the job.

The result, as every one knows, has been a heightened living standard for steelworkers' families and the capability of working men to demand their just rights rather than fawn upon petty bosses for preferment.

But Inland Steel and the rest of the Calumet region's corporate owners aren't contented to let us keep our gains; much less are they willing to permit new inroads upon their profit taking.

Stalling of grievances and settlement of wage inequities; and passage of the Taft-Hartley Act are only two of a hundred portents of a union smashing drive which is gathering strength.

Wage raises for which we fought and won on the picket lines have been immediately wiped out and more by unchecked profiteering. The drab slums of Block and Penn avenues remain to undermine the health and hazard the lives of a considerable number of us as city and state administrations come and go with nothing more than campaign promises to recognize existence of these community blights.

Clearly, labor unions must expand their activities beyond grievance procedure and the struggle for wages—as vital as these things are—to cope with these conditions.

It is equally clear that we must carry our policy of no discrimination on job into our vital concerns outside the company gates.

For ace card in the corporation's deck; the thing that keeps us from uniting to demand price control; and slum clearance, and an overhead pass across the tracks at No. 2 gate, is antagonism and distrust among the racial, national, and religious groups in our community.

While a Negro parent sees his children snubbed and humiliated daily by official representatives of the community, expecting him to unite wholeheartedly with those who condone such practices in any undertaking is asking too much of any mortal being.

It is therefore, the plain duty of local 1010's membership, its officers, and International representatives in sub-district No. 2, to exert the full powers of office and personal capabilities to obtain justice for Negro students in Washington High School.

It Seems to Me

By JOHN SARGENT

Dear Mr. Gillies:

What mail we're getting these days from you. In the "old days" it took a major crisis of some sort, such as a strike or an impending strike, to get a letter from the Inland. But since you have become a mail clerk for the National Association of Manufacturers, we get mail, it seems, each week.

The timing of your propaganda campaign appears a bit off. Do you honestly think you can make the average workingman believe that large stockholders and corporations aren't making any money? These are the best years the Inland has ever had. You know it and we know it. Isn't it a bit foolish to try to make up believe otherwise?

There are plenty of "Andy's" in the mill who own a few of Inland's stock. They know they're not getting rich from them, but you know and we know that some impersonal banks own large blocks of stocks, as well as individuals like Ryerson and yes—Gillies, in Chicago. You're not trying to kid us into believing these people have to eat "neckbones"?

Maybe we can't blame you too much for what these pamphlets say. After all, you're only passing on the N.A.M. line. We know a little about the N.A.M. They're the outfit that got Congress to take off all controls on the things we need. They and Congress are responsible for prices, that are so high that we are now preparing to ask your company for another raise.

More important is your letter to all of us on the Taft-Hartley Act. We are glad to hear that you will not use the act to try to break up our union—immediately, that is. But the Taft-Hartley Act gives you an opportunity to do just this, if and when you want to. And that's the rub.

You say the Taft-Hartley Act will lead to better labor relations. Well, I guess things run pretty smoothly in jail, but surrounding labor with a legal concentration camp isn't good labor relations, exactly.

The act was written with the help of corporation lawyers to give the Companies an advantage over the Unions. It's obvious why you should like it, but you don't really expect the members of our Union to like it, too?

I'm glad you're letting us "in" on the Company's policies and plans regarding the Union. Perhaps it would be wise to tell us a few things that your boss, Mr. C. B. Randall, vice-president, is saying these days. He made a speech in Chicago a short time ago, in which he said it was about time industry said "No" to the things unions ask for. According to your favorite newspaper, the Tribune, he didn't even qualify that "No"; just simply shook his head. Is this a new wrinkle in good labor relations?

"Your boss and mine," as you put it, Mr. Randall, makes other startling statements. He's against arbitrating wages. He says it's nobody's business but the Company's how much wages should be paid.

Well now, for many years our contract with the Inland called for arbitration in case of a dispute over wages. It seems the sensible thing to do instead of strike, especially since a great number of grievances are about wages.

Your boss goes further. He says, "To take away from management the right to say what wages shall be is to go collectivist." Ain't that some'n? A "collectivist" is a fancy way of calling a guy a socialist or a communist, or just a plain red, I believe. It follows then that anyone asking for a wage increase, and anyone suggesting this matter go to arbitration when no agreement is reached, is a red.

Well, that's what comes when you let some people believe they have a monopoly on Americanism. The N.A.M., and persons identified with it, have become so convinced that they are the sole judge

OPEN LETTER TO F. M. GILLIES

Dear Sir—

We take note of the fact that you have issued to the entire personnel of Inland Steel Company a copy of your letter of November 7, 1947 addressed to the President of Local Union 1010 USA-CIO. We find ourselves in disagreement with the contentions you make in this letter.

You say that good relationships between us will be maintained and improved because of the Taft-Hartley Act. This is an insult to the intelligence of our membership. The Taft-Hartley Act, as you well know, was designed and enacted by the political enemies of labor for the sole purpose of crippling and smashing labor unions. Many of the precious gains which were won by many years of struggle were wiped out by this infamous act. It is from improving industrial relations, its passage will only to aid and encourage labor's enemies to deny the demands of organized labor.

We cannot accept as true your statement that Inland has always respected and accepted the decision of the majority of its workers in their choice of a union. Have you forgotten how, in 1937, an investigation conducted by the National Labor Relations Board declared our union to be in the majority?

Did Inland respect that decision? The facts are that Inland stubbornly refused to recognize the will of the majority and, instead, carried on a long drawn out battle for five years in flagrant violation of Federal Law. These facts contradict everything you say about management's respect about the will of the majority of Inland Steel's workers.

Unfortunately, we must take your claims of decent industrial peace with a grain of salt. Our members can easily forget the events of last May. During that period all major steel producers had accepted the basic steel contract now in existence without any strikes or work stoppages being necessary.

But what did Inland do? Its top management stood alone and refused to sign these agreements. Thanks to these stupid tactics on the parts of Inland Steel Company leaders, the workers were forced into a seven (7) day strike while all other major corporations settled over a bargaining table. Such scandalous conduct on the part of your management makes it impossible for our members to take your present claims seriously.

Our union has never resorted to strike action without just cause. Strikes come only when stubborn management seeks to deprive working men of the right to live decent and honorably. They will not be prevented by passing legislation such as the Taft-Hartley Act. You think it's a good act. For you and Inland Steel Company, and the rest of those who have fought against unionism for many years, it is indeed, a good act. For the workers, people it is the worst law that has ever been enacted. We have, and we shall continue to fight to the bitter end, to wipe it off the books.

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of what constitute Americanism, that anyone who dares disagree with them is just a little bit subversive.

The N.A.M. policies have led to runaway prices. This is leading to another depression. Mr. Sykes, of Inland, and others, have repeatedly said they expect another depression. Isn't it possible to say there shouldn't be high prices, depressions or labor strife, without being tinted pink?

Finally, Mr. Randall gave a big hand to the Taft-Hartley Act, and chastises those companies who don't believe it is necessary to have a repressive act of Congress to have good labor relations.

As you know, the Steel Union has not complied with the restrictive measures of the Taft-Hartley Act, and this is perfectly lawful. Does this mean that your boss is going to try to compel us to use the Act?

It's all getting very confusing, Mr. Gillies. And in my humble opinion your mail to us is not making it any clearer.

Can't we just say, a good Company, good common-sense labor relations will go a long ways to give us what we all want; secure jobs, good wages, decent working conditions, and let it go at that?

Sincerely,

John Sargent
P.S. While writing this, I have received still another letter from you. Aren't you rushing our correspondence a bit? Like the recalcitrant young lady in the old story, your enthusiasm grows apace. More later.

P.P.S. How about writing to us sometime about the next point of the National Association of Manufacturers' program: abolishing the wage-hour law, and doing away with time-and-a-half for time worked over 40 hours a week?

BACK PAY BAIT FOR UNWARY UNION MEMBERS

AN EDITORIAL

A total of \$1,896,036 was paid out in retroactive pay to Inland workers in two days.

Inland's net income for the month is \$2,421,387.

For a sum \$525,351 less one month's labor profit, the company has bought the means of destroying all checks upon the bridled profiteering for a portion to come.

By throwing a little more than half of one month's take to employees, as a series of checks thrown to a pack of union men against each other.

If the suspicion and thus created by company's Wage Inequity Program be further inflamed into antagonism of some departments and individuals, the 1010 will be a soft target for anti-union offensive in the spring.

One griever summed up the company's aims when he said this is going to be a department affair. I'm going to see the department gets taken care of first."

He couldn't be doing a job of disruption if he was an agent of Inland Steel's management.

\$1,896,036 is a good investment for the company.

C. Council—

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cancelled indefinitely was over the signature of Princeton.

Although a mass truancy of students was expected as a reaction to the suspended social affairs, at Taft-Hartley has been normal. Recent members of white high school pupils, was directed against Negro stu-

more than thirty residents of Chicago met Friday, November 21, to band themselves in Citizens' Action Group. A program, embracing the following was drawn up:

- Non-segregation of both regular and extra curricular sponsored activities;
- Hiring of teachers on the basis of qualification without regard to race or religion;
- Retaining of student council especially trained for that purpose;
- A program of teachers' training in inter-racial and inter-cultural subjects;
- Provision of text books giving Negro people's history and achievements fair representation.

resolution asking the Common Council to support the program also written and approved by Citizens' Action Group.

The Common Council, apprized of the resolution, was to be presented at the regular meeting, November 24, failed to achieve a quorum. Only Councilmen (7) appeared at the City Hall. Saviano, Hill, Kotzan, and

confronted with a mass delegation Tuesday night, November 24, the Board of Education regrettably agreed to call a special meeting at an unspecified time for considering the revisions of policy which the Citizens' Action Group had requested.

Stanley Kwiat, Trustee of the Board and member of local 1010, denied that discrimination against Negro students exists in Washington High School or elsewhere in East Chicago's school system.

In defense of a School Board decision passed in 1925 to prohibit social activities and some other, Kwiat introduced a document which he represented as a Supreme Court decision handed down in 1887.

The alleged decision proved to be the opinion of one judge in a federal action instituted one year after the close of the Civil War.

Principal Cash told the Sentinel Wednesday, November 26, he was administering the policy of the policy making body in East Chicago.

He denied as to his personal position segregation of colored students, the Washington faculty's authorized the following statement:

"I believe that it is the duty of the faculty of Washington High School to refrain from expressing personal convictions at this time. I believe that the moment a faculty member does express a view on this subject, he has antagonized a certain element in the community. This is difficult enough without antagonisms being aroused."

The Lake County Industrial Council, The East Chicago Industrial Action Committee, Local USA-CIO, Locals 210 and are among those groups represented as participating in the Citizens' Action Group. Representatives of Anti-Discrimination committees of local 1010 and are also part of the CAG.

In the first half of 1947, corporate profits before taxes were at an annual rate three times as high as in the boom year 1929.

Net profits of 22 groups of corporations which reported to the Federal Trade Commission rose from 5.1% to 19.5%. Many of the most profitable corporations are to report.

Parole for Pelley Urged by Capehart

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Shed a tear, friends, for William Dudley Pelley, the loud and vulgar leader of the Silver Shirts and candidate for president on the Christian party ticket in 1936.

The U. S. Supreme Court Nov. 24 turned down Pelley's plea to be let out of the federal can, where he is doing time for sedition.

Picturing himself as a martyr to the cause of anti-communism, as "the nation's No. 1 political prisoner," and as "the American Dreyfus—in reverse," Pelley sent his well-heeled lawyers twice to the nation's highest court and each time they returned without success. Each time Pelley sought a review of his conviction . . . and lost.

Among the friends of Pelley listed by Atty. T. Emmet McKenzie of Washington as having urged his release on parole are Sens. Guy Cordon (R., Ore.), Homer Capehart (R., Ind.), Joseph McCarthy (R., Wis.), Champan Revercomb (R., W. Va.), Arthur Capper (R., Kas.), and Albert Hawkes (R., N. J.) along with—yep—Rep. John E. Rankin (D., Miss.).

Police recently hooked a microphone on a park bench opposite the White House—to catch a sex maniac, they said. Are they getting so lazy they expect the criminals to send out police calls themselves? Or was something else up the law's sleeve?

Missouri Vets of W W 1 Due for Bonus

Missouri State Bonus—Attention of World War I veterans who were residents of the state for one year just prior to April 6, 1917 (or who were serving under a commission or enlistment on April 6, 1917, and at beginning of such enlistment or commission were residents of state and did not establish legal residence elsewhere), are eligible for the state bonus of \$10.00 a month paid for each month of service after April 6, 1917 (maximum \$250.00). The expiration date for filing is December 31, 1947. Application should be made to the Soldiers' Bonus Commission, Jefferson City. Application may be made at the East Chicago Chapter of the American Red Cross at 911 West Chicago avenue for assistance in filing this claim.

PAY AND INSURANCE FOR HOSPITALIZED MEN ARRANGED

Brother Carl Stanley reports that many of 1010's sick and injured members are not aware that he can pick up their insurance and pay checks for them.

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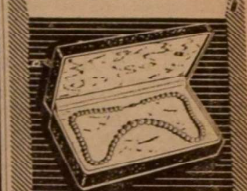
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WALLACE—

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or the activities of American Communists. If we are to avoid communism, let us get democratic action on fundamental problems."

"If we are truly interested in national defense," he said, "let us pay greater attention to the first line of defense—the health of our people. Let us tackle the problems of the Negro baby born today who, because of economic handicaps, has a life expectancy 10 years less than the average white child. Of course, there are many places right here in Kentucky where the life expectancy of a white child is not very good."

Wallace asserted that "forces of black reaction have carried the U. S. perilously close to the Germany of 1932" and added: "They have succeeded in passing the Taft-Hartley bill to weaken our trade unions."

Before Wallace spoke, Louisville labor leaders were among large contributors to a \$1,300 fund collected among the audience by sponsors of the rally, the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. A plea for racial equality was made by Fletcher Martin, city editor of the Louisville Defender, Negro newspaper.

Wallace told a press conference earlier that he is not a candidate for president "at the present time." Asked about a third party, he declared: "If the Democratic party turns out to be a war party the peace-loving people will have to set up some mechanism to express their views."

No Labor Exhibits On Freedom Train Despite Protest

WASHINGTON — (FP) — The Freedom Train with its priceless cargo of documents outlining the development of American liberties was on exhibit in the nation's capital Nov. 27 and 28, but the promised papers relating to American labor freedom were still missing.

The Freedom Train project was originally the idea of Atty. Gen. Tom Clark but was taken up by the American Heritage Foundation for actual operation. When Rep. Adolph Sabath (D. Ill.) late in August suggested to Clark that it was strange that documents referring to labor freedom had been omitted from the display, he was assured that the matter was being taken up with top AFL and CIO leaders and they would be included.

On the road 2½ months, having been shown in most of the northeastern states, the Freedom Train documents still have a gap between the 1919 constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote and the papers relating to World War II. Among the suggestions for inclusion have been the Wagner act, the wage-hour law, Pres. Roosevelt's wartime FEPC order, the Sherman and Clayton antitrust laws and the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction act.

A high Justice Dept. spokesman, asked to comment on the lack of labor papers, said the American Heritage Foundation "is still working on that," but explained "they probably haven't had time to do anything on it."

Active T.B. Cases Menace Public of Lake County

Among today's mail were three reports of chest x-ray examinations made at the sanatorium. All three people are in the middle age group, are married and have had children. Two of these cases of tuberculosis were found to be "far advanced" and the other one "moderately advanced" which means that these cases of tuberculosis have been allowed to progress to the stage of the disease where they have become dangerous to all persons with whom they live or may come in contact and, too frequently, beyond the stage of a possible cure.

All three cases are in people who live in the rural districts and not in crowded city areas. All this is unnecessary in a place like Lake County, Indiana, where every known means of preventing and treating of tuberculosis is afforded to every citizen even to the bringing of the mobile x-ray unit near every home.

Why this neglect? It can and would be prevented if people would only learn to be as considerate about their own bodies

as they are about their automobiles. "Oh, yes! I have my automobile checked and serviced at regular intervals, that's why it runs so well," is a remark heard nearly every day. Why, then, do people neglect the care of the human body which is more complicated and more important than all machinery? That body which has been entrusted to your care and which houses your immortal soul for both of which you will be held accountable!

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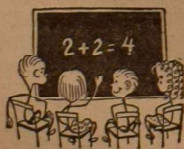
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added by later agreement. Therefore, payment of 42% is substantially the same as the percentage received by U.S. Steel's employees.

addition to raises in job there are other factors which widen the difference in pay.

The plan provides for raises in pay rates, a feature which is not in the Inland agreement. It is that no jobs under the Inland agreement are paid under U. S. and other plans, working on jobs which come under the line receive no wage increase until the next man to promote is hired in on that particular job at a lowered rate.

When raises in rates, management contends, will increase the cost to the company of an employee hour. They contend this interpretation of the agreement, have to be subtracted from the portion of the cost accumulated for payment of the fund accumulated at the rate of 6.1c an hour from July 1, 1947, however, the percentage will still be approximately the same.

As to those departments whose representatives were not until the past month with adjustments to check out-of-line adjustments will have been made. There are still some elements that are short of adjustments for every job there must be borne in mind by the committee that the figure of for back pay has not been by the local union's negotiating committee.

At an all day meeting, Friday, December 28, the committee fine and the agreement for booby contrived therein by Inland large staff of high priced.

Plans of counteracting company's plays were also drawn by the committee at Friday's meeting.

The plan for standardizing pay like jobs, both throughout plant and elsewhere in industry, was tightened up improved. It is tentatively that grievors who have occurred under their jurisdiction exist in other departments will submit the classifications to the negotiating committee for decision studies.

Heheske reports that classifications from U. S. Steel, and from YS&T are now at hand awaiting by the committee.

The system will be applied to section as well as mechanical maintenance jobs.

Simple Hat Vetoes Cotton Belt Jimcrow

NEW YORK—(FP)—Jimcrow on the shape of a man's

what the Rev. Jesse W. Shee, Negro minister of Jamaica, found out on a recent trip to the deep south, where he gained to the most rigidly segregated places through the use of a purple turban and a "slight-ly" accent.

Shee, who recently went to Ala., to keep an engagement to sing and play the piano in a Negro church, was his rented turban before a Jimcrow train in Washington. With no difficulty he sat in the section reserved for white only, ate in the dining car as in restaurants in Montgomery, Ala., from where Negroes are banned.

Wearing of a purple hat at the time he received the treatment he received when he was in Mobile in "insulted and around," he said.

Pre-Views of Labor Relations (T-H Fashion)

Steel Union Defies Legalized Strike Breaking in Tenn.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (FP) — Seventeen hundred United Steelworkers (CIO) members are on strike against Consolidated Vultee Co. here in a dispute that may decide whether workers have the right under the Taft-Hartley law to be represented by the union of their choice.

The dispute dates back to Aug. 20, two days before the Taft-Hartley act went into effect, when the Vultee workers voted 903 to 464 for the steel union to reject the Intl. Assn. of Machinists (unaffiliated) in an NLRB election.

The steelworkers were not certified by the NLRB, however, because of the union's refusal to comply with the non-Communist affidavit requirement of the act. Management took advantage of this to sign a new contract with the IAM.

After trying for three months to get management to honor the election results and meet their demands, including a bid for a 30% pay increase, the workers walked out of the plant.

The company quickly retaliated. After the first day of the strike, when only a handful of the company's 2,000 employees entered the plant, the company obtained an injunction limiting pickets. County police and a score of Tennessee state highway patrolmen, the latter armed with sub-machine guns, riot guns and tear gas, took over and escorted some scabs through the gates.

The second and third day of the strike several pickets were

arrested on charges of vagrancy. Phonograph records played on the strikers' sound truck were confiscated by the highway patrolmen.

Vultee then filed charges of unfair labor practices against the union with the NLRB, which obligingly assigned two investigators to study the charges.

Use of the Taft-Hartley act against their democratic choice has only strengthened the solidarity of the workers. They're holding firm—and the plant itself stands in silent tribute, its production lines at a complete standstill since the strike began.

3 Jailed in Slave Law Protest

CHICAGO—(FP)—Three of the more than 170 CIO members arrested during a Taft-Hartley protest demonstration here were sentenced to 90-day jail terms Nov. 25.

The three, officers of Local 1150, United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers, were charged with contempt of court for violating an injunction limiting picketing at the struck Cory Corp. to four persons.

The local, which is on strike at Cory, has been hit with everything in the Taft-Hartley book. The arrests took place when 2,000 CIO unionists massed before the plant to protest the smash-labor tactics.

Those sentenced were Pat Amato, Irving Crane and Lee Lundgren. Trial for the others was postponed to Dec. 9.

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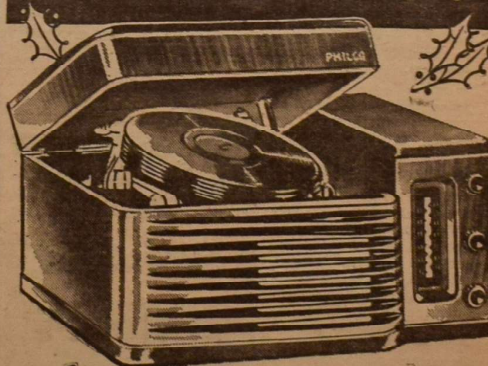
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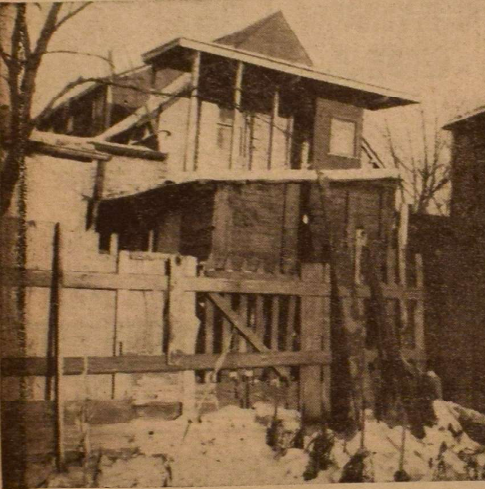
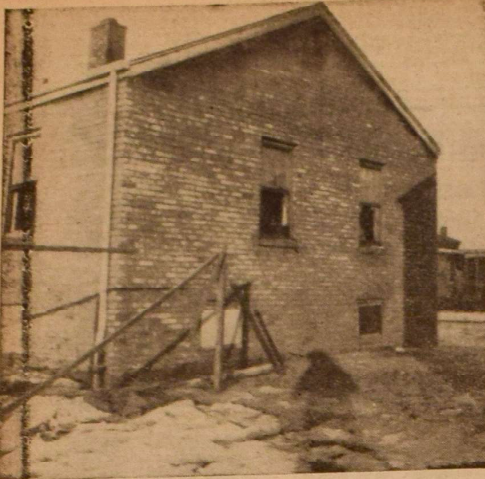
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While both Mr. and Mrs. Luther White were at work Friday night, November 28, fire gutted their cottage, 2352 Monroe St., Gary. Firemen found the huddled bodies of their five children where they had been sleeping in a basement room.

The lower picture is typical of the habitations into which steel workers and their families are jammed, many of them six in a room, on Block avenue, Indiana Harbor. Tindery frame buildings, for the most part, they await only a carelessly thrown match or an overheated stove to thrust Indiana Harbor into headlines as one of the year's worst disasters.

The only effective fire prevention that can be done here is complete razing and rebuilding of the entire area.

Amateur Boxing to Begin Here in Jan.

Following the excellent example set by the Prophet Mohammed, who went to the mountain, Red McGregor, boxing entrepreneur-promoter to youse guys—is bringing Twin City Athletic Club shows from Hammond's Civic Center to East Chicago and Harbor fans in their home territory.

Despite an unusually sparkling show, the TCAC's card fought before a half-filled house on November 18. Chief reason for that unfortunate development was, of course, that services of Tony Zale and a supporting card of other top bracket professionals had been obtained and advertised for the Center four days after the event of November 18.

There is, according to McGregor and other enthusiasts who go about diagnosing incipient champions, a wealth of potential boxing material going to waste hereabouts because of no local enterprise in that field. In order to give Indiana Harbor boys a chance to develop, local 1010 headquarters, the Auditorium Building, will be turned over to amateur boxing once every week or two, beginning in January.

Details of plans for training, show dates and other developments of the TCAC's budding venture will be carried in forthcoming issues of this paper.

Negroes Not Barred From IAA Basket Ball League

Following a conference between Brother Eddie Nichols, manager of Inland Athletic Association's basket ball league, and officials of the IAA, Negro members from the galvanize have been permitted to take part in the IAA tournament this year.

Brother Gardiner, who heads the galvanize aggregation, had been informed by Nichols at the start of the season that the IAA might not welcome colored players. This was not Nichols' personal views; he merely mentioned the possibility in order to avoid embarrassment of every one concerned.

In our elementary school physics we were told that everything that goes up must come down.

Big business profits for the past two years seem to be raising hell with that theory.

Contract Reopening Rumbling in Dist. 7

PHILADELPHIA — (FP) — Pledges of a renewed campaign for wage increases unless skyrocketing living costs are controlled were made to the annual convention of Dist. 7, United Steelworkers (CIO) here.

Intl. Vice Pres. James G. Thimmes, told the 500 delegates that the union's wage and policy committee "will establish a policy to take care of the steelworkers" at its meeting early in 1948 unless Congress rolls back prices.

Dist. Dir. Michael Harris warned that if Congress fails to act, contracts will be reopened and the "union will demand sufficient wage increases to overcome the upward spiral in the cost of living."

Resolutions adopted called for abolition of the House unAmerican

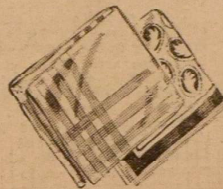
Chicago Dailies Withdraw Wage Offer

CHICAGO — (FP) — As a result of 1,600 AFL printers rounding out its first week Nov. 30, publishers of six Chicago daily newspapers withdrew an offer to make a wage agreement retroactive to Oct. 21.

Local 10, Typographical Union, called the strike Nov. 24, and the publishers ignored a union demand for a wage increase. Publishers refused to discuss a contract, which is counter to the national ITU policy under the Taft-Hartley law.

Despite the solid walkout of the printers, the papers have continued to come out, using a photoengraving reproducing process.

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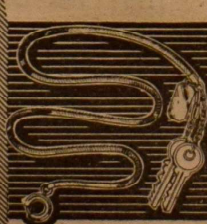


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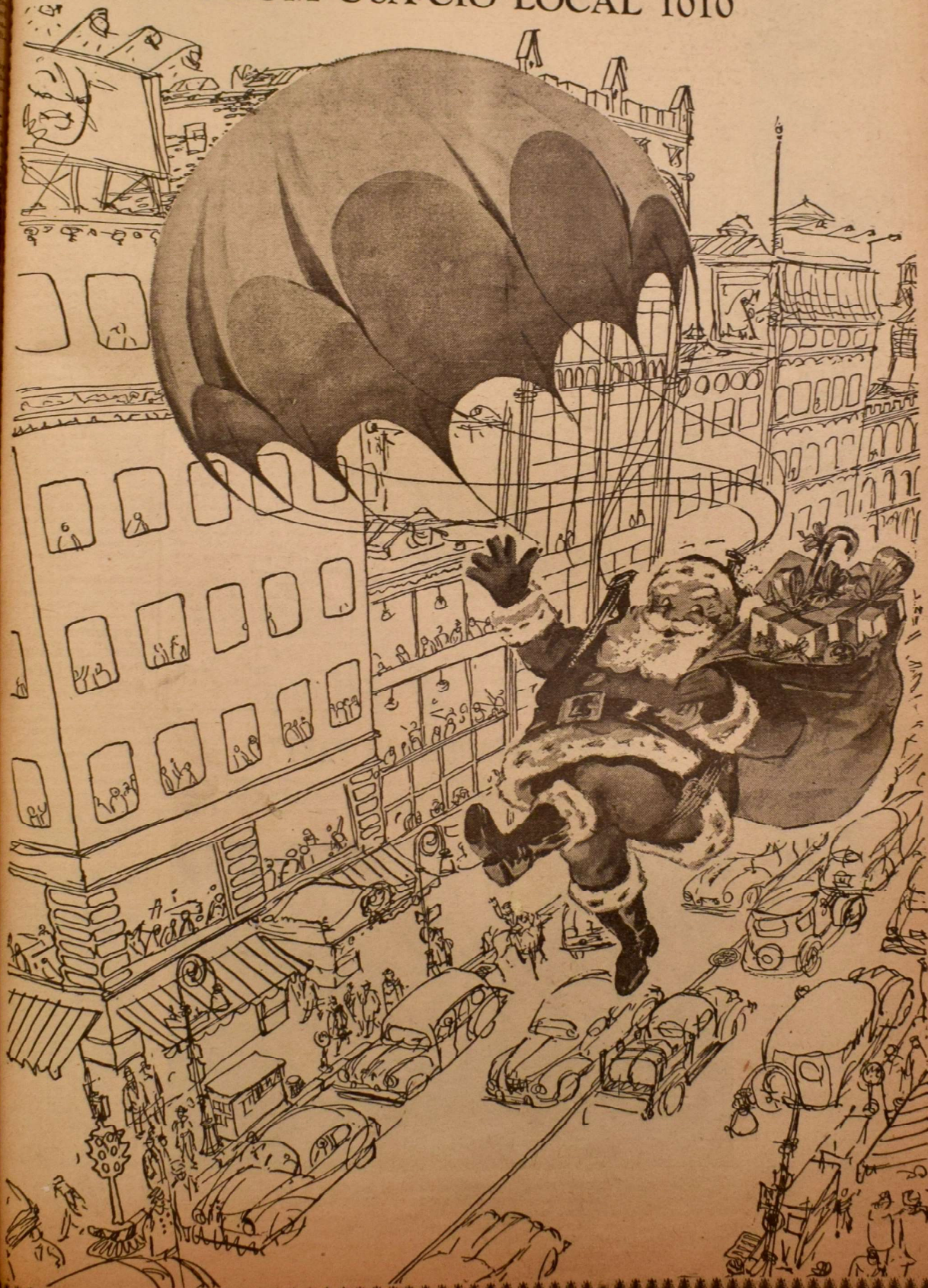
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A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL FROM USA-CIO LOCAL 1010



Hammond Times Is Hot: LU 1010 Urges Boycott

The young lady with the warm parka and smile to match is only one of several reasons why any circulation which the struck Hammond Times still has is too much. She's one of the striking



typesetters taking a chilly turn on the bricks along with less decorative members of the Hammond Times Chapel (local), Chicago Typographical Union No. 16, AFL.

Weasel worded explanations prominent in the commercial press to the contrary, an all out attempt by the Chicago Newspaper Publishers' Association to break CTU No. 16 under provisions of the Taft-Hartley act is actually what forced the typesetters to strike November 25.

Discussion of wages and other conditions of employment were arbitrarily refused by the publishers unless the various Chapels signed formal contracts with their respective employers. Under the Taft-Hartley act, a signed contract prohibits a closed shop and the strong bargaining position which the types have maintained for more than half a century would thus have been destroyed.

Alternative offered by the union is agreement on wages and working conditions to be posted in each shop. This set-up would enable work to proceed normally without a formal contract so long as the conditions were not violated.

It is plain, therefore, that Chicago Typographical Union No. 16 has been selected for the first large scale attempt to break an established labor organization in this area under the Taft-Hartley act.

Success with which this union busting is carried out against Chicago and Hammond types will determine how quickly and successfully the same tactics will be applied to all other unions including Local Union 1010, USA-CIO.

That the Chicago Newspaper publishers are able to maintain limping publication of the struck papers is due to another vicious provision of the Taft-Hartley act. Photo engravers and the twenty-one other crafts of the printing trade are prohibited under certainty of heavy fines and jailing of leaders to refuse work in support of the typesetters' strike.

Local Union 1010, in line with expressed positions of all other labor organizations in the area, regardless of their affiliation with CIO, AFL, or RRB, went on record Thursday, December 4, in full support of the typesetters' strike.

All members of 1010 are urged to cancel their subscriptions, if any, to the Hammond Times, and to refrain from buying it on the news stands.

A nightly broadcast by the CTU strike committee began Monday, December 15, over station WCFL.

PEACE, IT'S WONDERFUL

DETROIT (FP) — Henry Ford II, president of the Ford Motor Co., dropped in at United Auto Workers (CIO) headquarters Dec. 5 and after the call was over UAW Pres. Walter P. Reuther said:

"Mr. Ford is a very decent citizen. There is no reason why we should not have good labor relations."

AFL Surrender to T-H Too Much to Stomach, Miners on Own Again

WASHINGTON—(FP)—A singularly court message was delivered Dec. 12 from Pres. John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers to AFL Pres. William Green:

"Green, A.F.L.: We disaffiliate. Lewis. 12-12-47"

Written in a blue penciled scrawl on a bob-tailed piece of white scrap paper, the message was hand-delivered to AFL headquarters, notifying Green that for the third time since 1937, Lewis' 600,000 coal diggers would assume an unaffiliated status.

There was no explanation of the action in the name of the UMW 34-man executive board other than it was unanimously approved, but a spokesman for the miners put it this way:

"There is no reason why the UMW should sacrifice itself to go along with an umbrella of a labor movement that merely protects political acquiescence of those who are too afraid to fight."

The reference, of course, was to the AFL's acceptance of the non-communist and financial statement requirements of the Taft-Hartley act, which Lewis and the NMW flatly refused to sign.

The move is regarded here as certain to stimulate the organizing activities of the NMW's District 50 throughout the nation, and the miner's spokesman said that Labor's Non-Partisan League "will remain intact."

This reference to the political arm set up by Lewis was followed by the observation that the spokesman believed the Taft-Hartley act's passage would surprise its sponsors by vastly increasing the labor movement's political activity.

"Whenever you try to stymie something, you always create resistance," he said. "Referring to the slave labor law's sponsors, the UMW spokesman said: 'They created political enthusiasm and political force where it was dormant. They did for labor what it couldn't do for itself.'"

Lewis led in the formation of the Committee for Industrial Organization within the AFL in 1935 and soon afterwards these unions were ousted by the AFL and formed the Congress of Industrial Organizations.

In 1940, after supporting the late Wendell L. Willkie for the Presidency on the Republican ticket, Lewis carried out his vow to resign as CIO president if Willkie were defeated. The United Mine Workers remained in an unaffiliated status until January, 1946, when they were welcomed

back into "the house of labor" by AFL Pres. Green.

Lewis, who fought the Taft-Hartley act tooth and nail, was the only one of the 13 AFL vice-presidents to refuse to sign the non-communist affidavits. At the AFL convention last October in San Francisco, Lewis was defeated in his opposition to the affidavit requirement, and though he maintained his position, the convention abolished the vice-presidencies in order to qualify AFL federal labor unions for the services of the NLRB. Lewis thereupon declined to run for a position on the executive council.

The NMW spokesman said there was no possibility now of any joint action with the AFL's Educational and Political League or the CIO's Political Action Committee.

Union Busting by Due Process of Law Hits Closer to 1010

A \$75,000 damage suit was filed against the United Steelworkers (CIO) in Chicago by the Globe Company which also asked \$30,000 for each week a strike in its plant continued. The workers went on strike when the company, after months of negotiations, refused to go beyond 7 1/2 cents to meet the national 15 cent pattern.

Steel workers at the Consolidated Vultee plant in Nashville, Tenn., went on strike this month to win union recognition denied them by the Taft-Hartley Act. The Steelworkers won an election by a two to one majority just before the Taft-Hartley law went into effect. Relying on the Taft-Hartley Act, the company ignored the majority vote and signed a contract with the IAM. The workers had no means of enforcing their right to recognition except to strike.

The Steelworkers are not submitting to Taft-Hartley. — Reprinted from US News.

GARBAGE CANS, NOT FLOWER POTS, DECORATE BLOCK AVE. FRONT YARDS



Although collection of garbage is little more than a token service in Indiana Harbor generally, only on Block and Penn avenues does kitchen refuse pile up at the residents' front doors and along the curbs.

The reason is simple: there's no other place to put it.

Squeezed in between two railroad rights of way, Block and Penn avenues have no alleys. Moreover, low incomes and segregation compel five times as many people to live in one block of this congested area than occupy similar space in that more fortunate part of the community on the other side of the Pennsylvania's tracks.

Those circumstances combine to place chronically overflowing refuse cans where their offensiveness is most inescapable.

Notice

Members who have ordered canned food through the local union will be notified either by post card or leaflet distribution of the time to pick their orders up. It will be available shortly after Christmas probably December 26 and 27, at 3811 Michigan avenue.

Confusion arising from the rush of holiday business upon both warehouses and transportation companies is responsible for the delay in arranging the delivery to 1010.

Canned food is also being handled by 1010's committee for the Universal-Atlas local of the USA-CIO.

Uncollected garbage ranks with worn out dwellings and rusted, choked plumbing among the factors which make Block and Penn avenues the number one slum breeders of East Chicago.

At present, one city truck strives to cover the territory every third day.

Sanitation Commissioner T. Rumas assured a group of citizens November 19, that five new trucks have been ordered by the city and that their delivery will improve garbage removal to some extent.

The group of citizens, who are taking initiative towards cleaning up that part of Indiana Harbor, are unwilling, however, to rely merely on more frequent collection to solve the problem.

Headed by Speedy Martin, a local committee member, the group has drawn up a plan which they will present to city authorities some time before the Council next meets, December 19.

The plan calls for cooperation by householders as well as increased effort by responsible officials. If each family will present itself with a refuse can large enough for its own needs, the group feels that the biggest obstacle to garbage disposal will be overcome.

Success of the plan, nevertheless, rests mainly with Commissioners Rumas and Kaminski. Seeing to it that scheduled pickups are made daily or nightly.

Neighborhood PAC Meetings Launched By Local Union 1010

Gathering in the home of Duster Logan, 3901 Deal St., a small group of residents of the 31st precinct spent Wednesday evening, December 3, talking about community problems and means of solving them.

Sponsored by local union 1010 PAC, a series of these informal affairs are planned to promote acquaintanceship and awareness of their common interests among people living in the same block of this industrial community.

Although leading members of the local attended, no lectures or other traditional proceedings, political meetings were intended to formalize the event.

Held in abeyance by approach of the Christmas holidays, the other neighborhood meetings will be held with the coming of the new year.

AVC Urges Defense Sec. to End Jim Crow In Armed Forces

WASHINGTON (FP) — Discrimination and segregation in the armed forces should be ended at once in line with the recommendation of the President's advisory committee on civil rights, the American Veterans Committee wrote Defense Sec. James Forrestal December 15.

The AVC petition recalled the experience of the U. S. with integrated forces during the war proved their worth, and discrimination is "immoral, unmoded, and useless" and is based upon theories of racial superiority which are no longer internationally respectable.

TO ENTERTAIN XMAS PARTY

The toddlers and shriekers probably will like their candy canes better, but older members of 1010's coming generation, who are being entertained by the local at Washington High Auditorium Saturday Evening, December 20, have an extra treat in store for them.



The Monarch Conservatories' Accordion Band is sending a representative group from the 87 piece combination pictured above to cap the Christmas party's evening of entertainment. Blue ribbon winners at the Illinois State Fair, the Monarch Conservatories Band has been chosen to represent the accordion in every major convention or festival that has been held in the Midwest for the past three years.

Movies, a midget show, gifts, and a profusion of all the traditional pleasantries of Christmas are being arranged by the recreation committee to heighten enjoyment of the holiday by 1010's children.

The Lieberum Story

Youngstown Protests Arbitrary Firing by Thimmes; No Hearing

By FRANCIS MALLOY

More than four fretful months have passed since that fateful day in mid-August when Herb Lieberum received a letter from James Thimmes, USA international vice-president, and read that his services in the CIO's vineyard away from there in Colorado no longer were required. Since then—amid a flurry of letters, petitions, and resolutions of protest—discontinued mutterings emanating from the Youngstown side of the canal have increased in volume till this week they reached what the daily papers no doubt would call an enormous rumble.

What's it all about? Lieberum, a former sub-district director here who later served with distinction on the War Labor Board, is an outstanding member of Local 1011, which feels that he has been made a victim of some other dynastic domination on the part of the International. When Lieberum was fired on August 15, his home local reacted promptly, and by September 5 had filed a grievance. To date no hearing has been granted. It all raises a rather pretty question. This:

Should the International extend to its staff members—it employees—the same rights and privileges it demands for union members who work for industry? Or, should the Steelworkers' command practice what it preaches? Or is that expecting too much?

Backed by Local
A petition, gathering hundreds of names as it goes the rounds at Youngstown, states it this way:

We firmly feel that all members of Local 1011 are entitled to the provisions of our working agreement whether they are employed by the International Union or the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company, and therefore,

We, the undersigned, protest the unwarranted delay on the part of the International Union (United Steelworkers of America) of granting a proper and expeditious hearing in the case of Herbert Lieberum, a member of Local 1011, discharged by the International Union.

As might be expected, the movement for Lieberum already has entered into politics, with talk this week of a coalition of right and left wingers supporting him for district director against Joe Ger-

mano. What Mr. Lieberum might think of such a move, this reporter has been unable to ascertain. It might be said in this connection, however, that it is doubtful if there is any too much acute agonizing among the brethren of the left from lacerated feelings over what happened to Mr. Lieberum personally. From our limited viewpoint on the sidelines, he has appeared to be a man heading straight down the center with little discernible leaning in either direction.

Confer in Pittsburgh

Two weeks ago a committee of four from Local 1011 accompanied Lieberum to Pittsburgh to seek a hearing of his case. Heading the group was Elroy Campbell, grievance chairman. He was flanked by William McChristy, president of the local, and members Mike Walsh and James Combs. But Pres. Phil Murray of the USA was not available.

The gentlemen from the Midwest, however, were granted a "discussion" with Mr. Thimmes. They argued with him for several hours. What they wanted was assurance of Mr. Lieberum's reinstatement with retroactive pay, and reimbursement for extra expense in line of duty.

They didn't get it. Thimmes, they reported, attested to his high regard for Lieberum as an organizer, a negotiator, an executive, etc., but was firm that the summary dismissal he had handed out would stand. But he did offer Lieberum another job. He reiterated, they said, what he had previously contended—that there is no grievance procedure for staff men, that their status is such they can be fired forthwith, and why is not necessarily any of their business.

Supported by Murray

Christy, according to Campbell, has a letter from Phil Murray supporting this stand.

Such theory would seem to indicate that a staff man holds his job at the sole discretion of the International, in this case represented by Mr. Thimmes. Somewhat in the manner of a corporation, at any time it suits his purpose and for any reason which seems to him sufficient, he can endeavor to induce some hapless member of the staff to resign; or, failing that, politely invite him to "beat it."

Now leaders in Local 1011 hold this to be rather dangerous stuff. They claim it virtually commits mayhem on one of the very fundamentals of trade unionism, strikes deep at something peddled to the membership as holy—a man's security in his job—and thereby debases the rank and file's judgment of what constitutes a good reason for workers to hand together; that finally it serves to make of staff men—particularly as delegates to a convention—mere stooges of the International.

Leading Question

And what was Mr. Lieberum fired for in the first place?

Well, as we understand it, that's what his defense committee is trying unsuccessfully to get out of the International. Mr. Lieberum's version, as relayed to this reporter by one of his staunchest backers, is rather long and involved and barks a multitude of shins. After hearing it one gets the rather strange impression steelworkers might well be on the threshold of an era of psycho-analytic unionism.

Briefly, and just barely hitting some of the high spots, the Lieberum story runneth thus:

Before leaving here to take an International post in California—and after he had sold his home—Mr. Lieberum was asked to stop off in Denver, Colo., and use his special talents to clear up a critical union situation there. So he did stop off, and there followed

(Continued on page 11)

Townsend Loses Faith In Major Parties

SAN FRANCISCO (FP)—Dr. Francis E. Townsend, founder of the Townsend plan, has announced his support of the newly formed Independent Progressive party here, which also has the backing of many California unions.

Democracy will itself make a new blessed world of us, bye and bye.—Carlyle.

Hand Not Enough: Oath Demanded Too

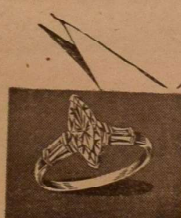
WASHINGTON (FP)—The Veterans of Foreign Wars announced with pride Dec. 10 that conferences with VFW leaders had persuaded Walter E. Davis, a federal employee who had lost a hand in his country's service, to reverse his previously announced decision not to sign a Truman loyalty oath in order to keep his job.

Use of Negroes on the Atlanta police force has finally been authorized, but they will not be allowed to arrest a white person for any crime.

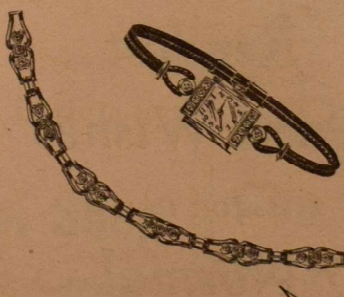
Even murderers, arsonists, rapists, burglars, etc., presumably will be allowed to scamper away from the scene of their crimes unmolested if they're smart enough to stage them in Negro sections of the city.

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Standing (left to right) are Charles Popa, Herman Amalong, Captain Ernest Spade, and Arthur Eckman. Sitting are Mike Smoglecki and Archie Breen.

UAW-CIO BOWLERS IGNORED BY GOV. OF MICHIGAN

DETROIT—(FP)—No word has been received from Gov. Kim Siglar on the protest filed with him against letting the American Bowling Congress (male whites only) use the state fair grounds in Detroit for its annual tournament in March.

Mayor Hubert Humphrey of Minneapolis, chairman of the Natl. Committee for Fair Play in Bowling, signed the protest, asking Siglar to bar the ABC from the fair grounds "until such time as the ABC abolishes its discriminatory regulations and allows equal participation by all bowlers."

The UAW-CIO wide-open Detroit bowling tournament drew 70 team entries and will award prizes when it winds up Dec. 20. Among the teams is one of AFL cooks and waiters, four Catholic Youth teams, an all-star postoffice team, a team of coal and ice contractors,

a crack Negro team from Chicago headed by Jack Marshall and Billy Hampton, six Canadian teams and the rest from UAW and United Steelworkers locals in and around Detroit.

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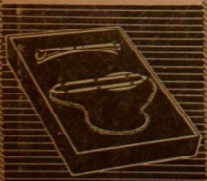
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Labor Around the World

ITALY

ROME (ALN)—A general strike in Italy's capital started 11 when the government ordered down labor's demands for payment of police officials who shot a worker in Primavalle, appropriation of 10 billion lire for works to ease unemployment, and a Christmas bonus for unemployed. The government stepped the demands by saying it would "investigate" the possibility of shooting and the possibility of a Christmas bonus. It announced an appropriation for public works, but union officials pointed out the amount was padded with old appropriations that would meet new needs.

FRANCE

PARIS (ALN)—The general strike to work of French strikers who were ordered back by the General Confederation of Labor (CGT) when the government conceded some wage demands, was delayed in the northern mining regions, where work refused to resume their jobs and troops were removed from the area. In other spots, workers insisted on the release of arrested strikers charged with "sabotage." Some of the charges are framed, unions claimed, pointing out the rail lines where the sabotage allegedly took place were guarded constantly by pro-fascist police and French police. In one case a line was derailed just as a load of strikers were approaching for a strike meeting.

GERMANY

MUNICH (ALN)—Hitler did not impose fascist control on German industry. He was used as a tool by top industrialists who paved the way through a rearmament program that started years after the World War I armistice. These charges are being made and documented by American prosecutors at the war crime trial of big German industrialists here. The big businessmen planned the aggression, then Hitler as a front for their aims, the charges state.

AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY (ALN)—New South Wales housing minister Clive Faint, brother of Australia's foreign minister, has called for an end to anti-Soviet propaganda. The improvement in the Russian people's working conditions," he said, "has been spectacular. . . . The Australian labor movement continually fights to improve the working conditions of our people. The movement rejoices, therefore, when workers of other lands obtain improved standards. The Australian people refuse to be seduced into a feeling of hatred against the people of Russia. . . . Australians will never fight Russia."

MEXICO

MEXICO CITY (ALN)—Under proposed new pension law, unpaid government workers will receive increased pensions, home loans on easy terms and other benefits. The law calls for construction of hospitals, a modern clinic and a children's center for government employees and their families. While government workers' unions back the bill, they are continuing to press for a 50 per cent wage increase. They are now receiving the same amount as before the war—an average of 180 pesos (about \$37) per month.

SWEDEN

STOCKHOLM (ALN)—Domestic air traffic in Sweden is at a complete standstill over a wage dispute. (Continued on Page 7)

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Blast Furnace

Although the flow of reprimands has slowed to a trickle in the blast furnace lately, there's talk around among the boys to buy Calvin McCure a ball point pen to lighten the burden of his administrative duties. All in the spirit of approaching Christmas, of course.

Frank Meeks has been promoted to junior blower. Frank's many well wishers are glad to see him get up there, although we'll miss him around headquarters. Good luck, Frank.

Frank Fazekas, blast furnace machinist, has been appointed assistant foreman. The department extends best wishes and good luck to Brother Fazekas on his new job.

Art Eckerman has been piling up some good averages in the 1010's bowling league. Keep it up, Art—we're all plugging for you.

Group No. 1 meets, as usual, on the second Tuesday of each month. Your officers of the Group, which is composed of the blast furnace, coke plant, fabricating plant, and sintering plants, extend the season's greeting to all members.

bers. They also suggest that you take out your little black book (Continued on Page 7)



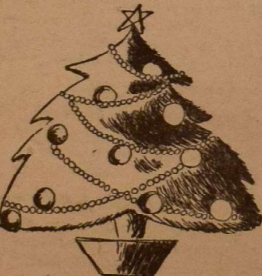
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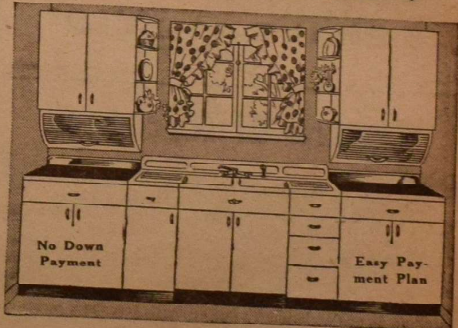
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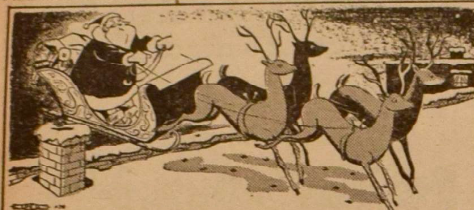
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Contra El Racismo

A Lalucha

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El Congreso de la República de México dirigió hace algún tiempo a todos los parlamentos del mundo el siguiente mensaje:

"El Congreso de la Unión se inclina reverentemente ante los millones de víctimas que ofendieron su vida en la lucha contra el nazifascismo y sus aliados, en aras de la democracia y de la libertad humana. Jámás en la Historia, la independencia del mundo estuvo más amenazada que en la guerra que acaba de terminar; jamás en la Historia, la decisión de los pueblos para evitar una nueva contienda ha sido más firme.

"La Segunda Guerra Mundial fué provocada en nombre de la supuesta superioridad racial, en nombre del racismo; fué el racismo el que dió la política de despoilación y exterminio en los países ocupados; fué el racismo el que asesinó a seis millones de judíos; fué el racismo el que esclavizó toda la Europa ocupada por los ejércitos nazis; fué el racismo el que señaló las metas nazis para dominar el mundo.

"En estos tiempos de angustia y de esperanza, en los cuales los pueblos confían en sus líderes pongan todas sus energías al servicio de la paz, el Congreso Mexicano reafirma la actitud histórica de su Patria, que siempre ha combatido la discriminación racial. La política internacional de México se ha basado fundamentalmente en la igualdad de todos los hombres y de todas las razas. Nunca ha admitido y nunca admitirá la desigualdad entre los hombres por su color y su ascendencia. La verdadera democracia mundial, anhelo de todos los pueblos y la mejor garantía contra una nueva guerra, no reconoce ni puede reconocer diferencia entre europeos, indoamericanos, asiáticos negros o judíos. Sólo en la completa igualdad de todos los hombres y razas radica el desarrollo pacífico de la humanidad, de la cultura y de la civilización.

"Por este motivo, el Congreso de la Unión se dirige a todos los Parlamentos del mundo en un fervoroso llamado para acabar de una vez para siempre con toda discriminación racial en cualquier forma que pueda existir. En breve, se reunirá la asamblea de la Organización de las Naciones Unidas. Es nuestra firme esperanza que los representantes de los pueblos pacíficos en cuyas manos se ha puesto en defensa de la paz, representarán a países donde la discriminación racial ha sido exterminada; donde todos los hombres de cualquier raza o color gocen del mismo tratamiento ante la Ley y de las mismas oportunidades en la vida. La historia juzgará a nuestra generación según la capacidad que demuestre para evitar una nueva guerra mundial; la primera y más importante base para lograrlo será la de establecer la igualdad entre todas las razas. Disfrutando de esta igualdad, los pueblos amantes de la paz serán defensores aun más heroicos de la paz. Si se niega la igualdad a algunos pueblos la discriminación racial sembrará la simiente de una nueva guerra, tal como el racismo nazi provocó la tragedia que acaba de ensombrecer al mundo con lágrimas, miseria y luto."

Compartimos los nobles sentimientos expresados en este mensaje pues, sin la democracia racial, nunca habrá democracia completa.

Satisfactory For Whom?

An Editorial

We note that our contemporary, The Calumet News, characterizes the twenty-two-year-old policy which Jimcrows Negro students in East Chicago's tax supported schools as one which has resulted in "generally satisfactory relationships."

The Nazi Party and its adherents also found policies which enabled them to humiliate and enslave Jews, and Czechs, and Poles, and other "inferior" peoples "generally satisfactory." The Jews, and Czechs, and Poles, were, however, far from being completely satisfied with that social and economic arrangement, despite that it had operated for nearly a decade.

And they, together with several more of the world's millions who know that democracy is indivisible and that it must be served to be enjoyed, took drastic measures to obliterate the source of their injustices.

We recommend to the Editor of the News that he make a few random queries of Negro students upon their satisfaction with the phase of streamlined slavery current in Washington High School.

In the vein of "satisfactory relationships," it might be illuminating for the News to also question a few citizens of Mexican origin upon their satisfaction with policies, also established for more than two decades, which bars them from residence in the more sanitary and desirable portions of East Chicago.

E. C. Council on Record Against Discrimination

Approving a resolution which requests the Board of Education to end the twenty-two year old practice of segregating activities in East Chicago's public schools, the Common Council pointed the way Monday night, December 8, for improvement of human relationships in this community.

The resolution, drawn up and submitted to the Common Council by the Citizens' Action Committee, was presented by motion of Councilman James Dent, and seconded by Councilman Fred Saviano. Councilmen Kotzan, Bielski, Saviano and Dent supported the resolution; Councilman Gustaitis abstained from voting.

Councilman Saviano stated that he objected to having the resolution brought before a meeting of the Common Council, especially called a week ago for an unrelated purpose. He declared himself in favor of the resolution itself, however; a position which he substantiated by seconding the motion to bring it before that body in the regular meeting of December 8.

Although Councilman Gustaitis alleged that he deplored discrimination in the public schools, he considered that the issue was one for the Board of Education to decide.

Whether or not the Board of Education will react favorably to the example set by the city's elected leadership will be disclosed at a future hearing on discrimination to which the Board agreed at their regular meeting, Tuesday, November 25. Michael Havran, Chairman of the Board, has not yet set a date for the hearing.

A program calculated to heighten inter-racial understanding and harmony of both faculty and students has been submitted to the Board of Education for their consideration by the Citizens' Action Committee. Organizations endorsing the program are:

The Ministers' Alliance; Political Action Committee, USA-CIO; Lake County Industrial Union Council; Local Unions 1011, 1133, and 1010, USA-CIO; Local Unions 210 and 513, Oil Workers International Union-CIO; East Chicago NAACP; Association of College Women; United Office and Professional Workers of America-CIO; and East Chicago Association of Beauticians.

School Sup't Asks For Calm Solution Of Discrimination

The East Chicago community recently is becoming increasingly aware of a local, as well as nation-wide, problem in human relations, the magnitude of which is not lessened by the number of sure-fire solutions nor by the zealotism with which the proponents of each solution advocate its adoption. There are some in the community who naively believe that the authorities can decree the solution; that is, say, by legislation or regulation that this is the way an issue shall be settled, and that forthwith it is settled. That is not the American way, and previous attempts and efforts at controlling habits and attitudes that way have not been too successful.

Some there are who would resort to intimidation and force to accomplish an end. It may be observed that the opposition may thus be strengthened and consolidated, the solution deferred, and the cause retarded.

May I emphasize and recommend orderly procedures without the inciting of antagonisms; a studious refraining from personalities, name-calling, and individual allegations; and the avoidance of rancor, bitterness, and emotionalism. The East Chicago community needs rather to think calmly, exercise its intelligence fully, and cooperatively act for the common welfare. There is reassurance in that our citizens generally are dispassionately conducting themselves as they deliberately, not too hastily, work toward a solution beneficial and acceptable to all.

A. C. SENOUR.

School Executives, Citizens' Group To Meet Thursday

Seeking mutually acceptable means of ending discrimination against Negro students in Washington High School, school authorities will meet with the Executive Board of the Citizens' Action Committee Thursday afternoon, December 18.

Michael Havran, president of the Board of Education, expressed confidence Monday, December 15, that the issue would be settled satisfactorily both to school authorities and to colored students. For the past week, he elaborated, representatives of several church, labor, political, and civic groups have conferred with him upon the pressing community problem.

Mindful that proofs of prejudice against Negro students have been fruitlessly brought to the attention of school authorities several times in the past, the Citizens' Action Committee, however, overly disposed to settle the current issue on its merits alone.

Although Negro students have been denied equal treatment in East Chicago's schools for more than two decades, officials ignored that situation until a sizeable section of the community demonstrated its concern. Crowding the Common Council chamber three times, and a meeting of the School Board once, within the past month, colored citizens and representatives of both Negro and white organizations resolutely, though in orderly fashion, demanded consideration of their grievance by responsible officials.

Clark List Leads to Fascism, Accused Say

NEW YORK—(FP)—The publication by Atty. Gen. Tom Clark of a list of allegedly subversive organizations drew sharp charges from some of those accused that the government's action is a violation of civil liberties leading to "1-man dictatorship."

Those commenting on the action hit particularly at their designation without the opportunity to answer the charges in public hearings. Comments included:

Civil Rights Congress: "The purpose of this entire move is to shut the mouths and minds of Americans to a discussion of the vital public issues involving peace or war, inflation and the solution of economic and social problems..."

United Negro & Allied Veterans: "... a cynical and callous attempt on the part of our country's highest law enforcement officials to intimidate Negro veterans in their fight for justice, freedom and security. Our organization... is an incorporated body affiliated with no political party."

Washington Cooperative Bookshop: "If championing the cause of the disfranchised, the houseless and unfed is the attorney general's yardstick of subversion, we promise him grimly we shall cease to be subversive."

Intl. Workers Order, announcing it will take legal action against Clark's "character assassination": "The 188,000 members of the IWO, Negro and white, of 15 different nationality groups, are outraged by this attack upon a legally constituted fraternal insurance organization to which they and their families have entrusted their insurance protection and their fraternal and cultural welfare."

Workers party: "In a star-chamber proceeding the defendant is at least allowed to be present before being condemned. Mr. Clark's procedure differs from a star chamber only in that it is more monstrous. It justifies the recent comment by Harold Ickes that Clark is always ready to speak on civil liberties before Rotarians and others but is never available to preserve civil liberties."

Communist party: "To justify this police state decree, the government is basing itself on the made-in-Germany falsehood that communism is a criminal, anti-democratic movement, that it takes orders from a foreign power. On the contrary, the Communist party is a democratic American organization. It bases itself solely on the needs of the people and the nation, and operates against all conspiracies which are aiming at subverting or weakening the Constitution of the Bill of Rights."

American Youth for Democracy: "War-time pledges... of a better life... have been forgotten and betrayed. The only future left offered American youth now is that of militarization, depression, dictatorship and war... AYD is resolutely striving for peace, democracy, security, education, equality of opportunity and freedom from fear of the future."

Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade: "We lost 1,800 fighting fascism in Spain because it threatened American peace. We have continued and will continue to fight fascism wherever it appears."

MASTER OF USA-CIO T-H TRIED PENNSYLVANIA

PITTSBURGH — (FP) — The Steelworkers (CIO) will attempt to halt a decertification directed against the union by a group of employees at the Westinghouse Electric Co. in New York.

A scheduled hearing was canceled when the union and the company consented to the election called for Dec. 16. Because the union is now bargaining, it will appear on the ballot.

The refusal of the company to accept the election was the subject of a hearing before the NLRB under the Hartley act.

However, if the USW wins, the company cannot certify it as bargaining agent unless the affidavits signed by the NLRB Regional Director are explained. Murray Shore explained. Murray Shore, the steel union's executive, has stood firmly against the company's position during recent meetings. He has not indicated any change of policy.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

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got down the dates of the meetings.

One hundred of the blast furnace people got together Saturday, December 13, to honor Brother Andy Tenkey, our blacksmith. Because he has reached the age of 65, Brother Tenkey is among those being let out on their necks this

beautiful wrist watch was given to Brother Tenkey by the group. The watch is a high regard in which they hold him.

Charles Barath, stove tender at the furnace, has been off sick a number of weeks. Brother Barath is reported to be doing well on the comeback trail and is to be on the job the first of the year.

2 Open Hearths

that the tonnage paid employees of both open hearths, locally the entire force, want to get scales.

that they've been getting is a variation.

A grievance filed December 31, states that "All men paid on tonnage basis in No. 2 open hearth request that the 40" scales be put into operation and their calculations from the true tonnage rather than the estimated tonnage, as at present."

Superintendent Berner answered the grievance favorably on January 5, 1944.

Specifications for a 40" mill were drawn and the scale will be installed when operations permit his disposition of it read.

F. Gillies coppered that proposition, however. On the same date form he wrote:

"While there is some contemplation of this installation, we cannot answer this request negatively at present. Even if it was

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Around the World

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ate between employees and owners of the Swedish Air Transport Co.

CANADA

OTTAWA (ALN) — The Canadian Congress of Labor (CIO) has called the special session of Parliament that nothing less than "action" on prices will prevent widespread strikes early in 1945.

"Practically all the wage increases Canadian workers have received since the spring of 1946 have been wiped out," the Congress said. The CCL called for a "back of bread and dairy products, pointing out that if the profits taxes were reimposed the amount collected would be the cost of government subsidies many times over."

SOVIET UNION

MOSCOW (ALN) — The rapid rebuilding of the war-torn industry is well advanced and the resulting in-

Wallace Boom Begins

PORTLAND, Ore. (FP) — A petition campaign to place Henry A. Wallace on Oregon's preferential primary ballot as Democratic Presidential candidate for 1948 was started here following organization of Oregon Democrats for Henry A. Wallace. The organization plans to get 10,000 signatures, although only 1,000 names representing 10 per cent of the precincts in each of seven counties are required. Already pledged to Wallace are over 100 Democratic precinct committeemen and women in eight counties.

COLUMBUS, O. (FP) — An

Ohio campaign to urge the candidacy and election of Henry A. Wallace as President in 1948 was launched by representatives of labor, farm, religious, professional and nationality groups. Delegations from 12 Ohio cities gathered to form the Wallace for President organization and lay plans for a state-wide conference here January 11.

Win With Wallace

CHICAGO — (FP) — Calling on Henry A. Wallace to run for president in 1948 on a third party ticket, the Chicago Progressive party launched a drive for 100,000 signatures backing Wallace's candidacy. The party won a legal place on the ballot as a third party as the result of recent judicial elections in which it polled 313,000 votes.

crease in available supplies will permit the end of rationing in the Soviet Union before Jan. 1, government officials announced here. Under Soviet regulations, prices are lowered every time there is a substantial increase in the supply of any product.

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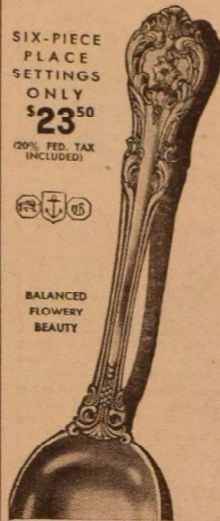


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Full concurrence with the program of the Citizens' Action Committee in their fight against discrimination in East Chicago's schools was voted unanimously by the E.C. Political Action Committee December 7. Letters urging support and adoption of the program will be sent to the Chairman of the Common Council and the Board of Education.

Emphasizing that only six months remained until the May primaries, Nellie Riddle, VP of the State IUC and member of the PAC, urged local leadership to lose no time in organizing block workers. If the PAC was organized on a block basis now, Sister Riddle pointed out, such immediate community campaigns as the current one against discrimination could be waged much more effectively.

All incumbent officers of the East Chicago PAC were re-elected by acclamation for another year. Those remaining in office are:

John O'Malley, LU 1011, USA-CIO, Chairman; Lawrence Meskimen, LU 210, OWIU-CIO, Vice-Chairman; Frank Gordon, LU 1010—USA-CIO, Secretary; and Charles McCoy, LU 1133—USA-CIO.

Each of the 29 affiliated local unions have been requested by the PAC in letter form to send in their recommendations for a program of community improvements. A sub-committee, designated by Chairman O'Malley, will screen the recommendations as an aid to formulating a definite program for furtherance by the Political Action Committee.

NAM PLOTS TO END 40 HR. WEEK: DENHAM APPROVES

NEW YORK — (FP) — Union members in 1948 will face tougher application of the Taft-Hartley law, a drive against the 40-hour week, rejection of their wage bids and demands that they "work harder."

This pattern of management plans emerged from the 3-day annual session of the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers, attended by 3,000 top industry leaders at the Waldorf-Astoria Dec. 3-5.

Their drive of last year for a union busting law rewarded by passage of the Taft-Hartley act, the industrialists heard guest speaker Robert N. Denham, NLRB general counsel, and the NAM's top lawyer, Raymond Smethurst, warn against passing up any opportunity to use the new law in its full strength.

Given a rousing welcome by the NAM members, Denham stepped out of his neutral government role to denounce a strike by AFL printers in Chicago and praise the publishers for "valiantly" upholding the Taft-Hartley act.

Interlaced through a majority of the 50-odd speeches dinned into the industrialists' ears were frequent demands that labor forget about a third round of wage increases and accept industry's speedup plans as a solution for inflation.

Industry's current drive against the wage-hour law was summed up at the closing dinner by Pres. Charles E. Wilson of General Motors. Turning the 40-hour week "a heritage of days of planned scarcity, of plowing under cotton and killing pigs to raise prices," Wilson demanded a "repudiation of these reactionary and inflationary policies."

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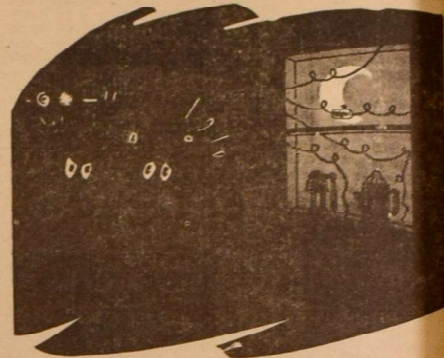
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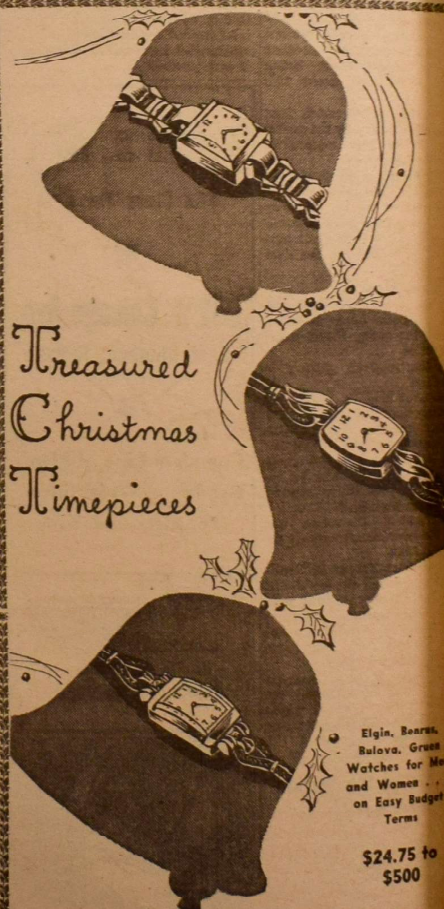
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GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

Meeting of Tuesday, December 9

No. 1. Inequity Procedure.
The company agreed that the procedure to follow in the inequity disputes was first presented in writing covering points of dispute. A meeting between the union representative and any officials of the company they deem necessary to present.

At this point the company refused to allow any employees the right to be present and express individual feeling regarding classification or evaluation. The union feels that the company has no right to isolate any individual employee in attempting to settle disputes.

It was in this discussion that the company took the stand that the description now being submitted with the classification does not stand subject to review. At the International Representative was sent for and he took the position of the company to this extent: Any changes in the company made from original to the one now being submitted were not authorized and would read the same as the original. Any changes in the content of the original description would change the evaluation of job.

No. 2. Bus Service
The company agreed to use the bus to help overcome the spot in service in the AM of terms.

No. 3. Miner & Dunn
The union has not been informed as promised. A lot of confusion has been wasted by both sides on the subject of intra-feeding. The union feels the company should do everything in their power to organize for industrial feeding. The union now feels that the company acquiesced also.

No. 4. Seniority
The union submitted their position to the company on seniority. The union said that he would reject and either agree or reject. May be best if we go to arbitration and get it over with.

No. 5. Overtime Table
The company finally submitted an overtime table which they had revised some sixty days past. The union will review it and meet with the company on any differences of opinion. When a final decision of both parties has been reached, an employee will be able to determine whether he is working straight time or overtime.

No. 6. Answers On Mech. Meetings
The company will have answers to the meetings held the week of December 15, 1947.

No. 7. Discrimination
The union protested the fact of discrimination was becoming evident. Employees are not being allowed the proper promotional privileges. The company stated that in many cases of like nature, they would immediately straighten these out if grievances were filed.

No. 8. Clinic Ratings.
The company agreed to submit to the union a copy of their clinic ratings.

No. 9. Violation of Article 1, No. 1 Open Hearth.
The union accused the company of dealing with the employee instead of the union. In the case of McCulloch, acquiring seniority, the company contends it was not intentional on their part.

The union also accused the company of bargaining with individual employees on rates in the mechanical department. Company stated that they did not agree to this practice.

No. 10. Foremen Working

Mr. Luellan agreed that this was a violation of contract and did not condone this practice of any foremen. Specific cases were brought to his attention in the open Hearth and 14" mills

which he said would be stopped.

General discussion.

Don Lutes presented a case where an employee, Cecil Clayton, lost two days' time through clinical handling. Mr. Luellan agreed that, if the case was so as stated, the employee should be paid for time lost.

The gases the cranes in the 76" and 44" slab yards, and the 46" bloomer were contending with in their work operations had reached the point where something has to be done about it. The cranes were finding it impossible to stay in the cranes under these conditions. Don Lutes and Calocacci contend the company will have to let the furnaces cool in order to remove the excess slag which is causing this condition.

Ingot Scales in No. 1 and No. 2 Open Hearths.

The company still refuses to install scales in order to provide proper and honest weights to employees in both open hearths. Mr. Luellan agreed to a committee checking the estimated weights any time deem fit. The question of the employees not having been paid for butts was presented and Mr. Luellan agreed that the employees should be paid for these.

Sincerely

Don Lutes, Chairman
Sam Krupsaw, Vice Chairman
E. L. Dittmars, Secretary

Rep. John McDowell of the House un-American activities committee, who announced recently that he would conduct an open inquiry into fascism, has now decided there aren't any fascists in U.S. worth investigating.

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Greek Gov't Tops Taft; Strikers Hung

ATHENS (ALN)—An absolute ban on strikes, carrying the death penalty for violators, has been approved by the Greek Parliament.

The law was rushed through at a special session called purposely to head off a threatened walkout of public utilities workers Dec. 8. The workers are seeking higher wages to enable them to afford basic necessities. Semi-starvation is now common in Greece, where prices have soared almost beyond imagination.

Though there are no spokesmen for opposition parties in the Greek Parliament, the drastic law aroused some criticism even from the staunch supporters of the royalist regime.

Premier Themistocles Sophoulis defended the law by saying: "The fight in the mountains is enough. We cannot afford to fight the Communists on two fronts."

Members of Parliament pointed out, however, that the labor movement had already been purged of Communists by earlier government moves. These included the removal and arrest of all elected leaders, the appointment of pro-government union officials and the deportation of several thousand militant unionists.

Government spokesmen argued in reply that even these measures have failed to stop strikes and protest actions by the workers, and that stronger steps are required to keep labor in check.

Meanwhile American officials revealed here that \$60 million worth of military supplies had been delivered to the Greek government up to Nov. 28 to assist its civil war against opposition groups.

Grievers Protest Barring Of Negroes From Some Dep'ts

Alleging that existence of "lily-white" departments was a surprise to him, Superintendent Luellen contended that discrimination in assignment of newly hired Negro and Mexican workers only to certain, specified divisions in the plant was purely unintentional.

By recommendation of 1010's Anti-Discrimination Committee, the matter of failing to employ Negroes and, to lesser extent, Mexicans in the machine shop, transportation, hot and cold strip mills, and other preferred departments at Inland was taken up at the regular monthly grievance meeting, Tuesday, December 9.

Buster Logan, grievor for the coke plant, pointed out that, although these minority group workers were employed in the coke ovens, they were restricted to the batteries and the labor gang. Better paying jobs in the by-products, benzol plant, and maintenance and electrical departments, are reserved for white workers.

Only one Negro, Don Lutes told Luellen, was employed in his department. In turn, Sargent, Migas and Young also brought piece after piece of unquestioned proof before the Superintendent that Inland does not deal with its employees on an unprejudiced basis.

Confronted with the facts, Luellen stated that he would look into the matter and take steps to correct any existing inequalities. In terms of company commitments, as seasoned grievers know them, this means that protest against discrimination will be pigeon holed and forgotten about.

Unless, of course, those who believe that the CIO Constitution means what it says about equality of job opportunity keep pounding away to achieve it.

What The Labor Press Is Saying

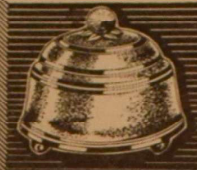
Microscopic Wages: The U. S. Chamber of Commerce has asked Congress to repeal all overtime pay requirements, throw time-and-a-half out the window. Despite the highest profits in history, American industry wants to squeeze every last ounce of blood out of the workingman.—Hosiery Worker, CIO.

A Third Round of Wage Increases? Unless workers get another round of wage increases, profits will continue to siphon off a disproportionate amount of national income. If this trend is not halted, the undermining of purchasing power must lead, as it did in 1920 and 1929, to another bust.—New Haven, Conn., Union Times, AFL.

Farewell, Freedom Train! Children and grown-ups in Memphis will never forget that they were prevented from seeing the historic documents on the Freedom Train because of an assinine stand of the present city administration, which raised the issue of segregation and bloodshed. There would have been no more possibility of friction than there was when white and Negro citizens inspected new modern trains in Memphis railroad stations at the same time.—Memphis Labor Review, AFL.



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MALLOY

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has been described as 14 miles in the "Siberia of Dist. 12" isolated 1200 or so miles from the district office. Worst of all, you can't get into it—you won't be sure of a housing shortage. As for the wife and children, two daughters were forced to live about in tourist courts, as much as \$200 a month.

Expense Cash Promised

Lieberum kicked about it. He was reassured. He would be reimbursed for the extra expense. But when, after waiting an appreciable length of time, as it would to your reporter, it graduated on him that he might be getting the run-around. Aside from that, he claims to have evidence that he was shadowed and upon, that there was plot to counter-plot to get rid of him.

During all this time there grew an interesting exchange of correspondence with Mr. Timmes. To the end of the drama, one of the vice-president's epistles suggested that Mr. Lieberum was being a pet persecution complex, that it wasn't doing his work as good as a valued employee, that if he didn't particularly like the way things were going, he would be best all around to get himself a nice job somewhere else.

Well, Mr. L. got out his sharp and dug in, dashing off to T. Sprightly piece to the effect that the way he figured it, as psycho-analyst Mr. T. was a fine pipefitter.

That did it. Right back came Mr. T. in real heavy high class, starting offissimo, but winding up for-emo; praising Mr. L. to start with, and ending up, "your services are no longer required." It was all somewhat like the song, "old yuh that I love yuh, now out!"

Willing to Help

Just, as we hear it, over in Pittsburgh at that "discussion" these exchanges were smoothed so to speak. And although he did not reverse himself, Mr. Timmes, in expansive mood, offered Lieberum a staff job up in Minnesota Iron mine country, that he'd do what he could do to him what was coming to him the way of extra expenses incurred in Colorado. The bill is \$18.

About the job, Mr. Lieberum said he'd think it over.

And now, with soft music, comes the fade-out: Mr. Lieberum, with hands clasped behind his back, gazing pensively into the early December twilight through the window at the home of Chicago natives—thinking it over.

If by any chance, you imagine you hear the cackle of villainous laughter somewhere in the background, it is no doubt some half-stooge of the National Association of Manufacturers who thinks he sees in all of this something very funny.

Maybe he does.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

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decided to make such an installation, the time would be quite a ways off."

The matter has been placed all up on succeeding grievance committee-management meeting agendas ever since. The war, during various other indictments, was blamed for blocking ingot sales at Inland Steel for a couple of years. Then post-war material shortage offered a convenient excuse.

But now management is running out of alibis, so it's getting tough.

All employees of No. 2 open with were extended an invitation to meet with Superintendent Burton on the morning of November 26. An alleged declaration by H. Powell, grievor for the department, that the men involved would organize to fight any stalling on this matter by any means, sparked management's calling of the rank and file conference.

The ninety who attended were

lectured upon the essential sinfulness of taking job action, but were given no commitment upon the installation of an ingot scale. The fifty listened attentively until the supervisors had finished and then returned to their jobs. They still want an ingot scale.

Metallurgical

Frank Kretz, Assistant Griever for group No. 12 (chemists, inspectors, and metallurgists) succeeded to Grievance Committee-man when Mark Schick resigned that post the first week in December. Brother Schick was compelled to abandon his union activity temporarily for personal reasons.

Principle order of business at Group No. 12's meeting, Monday, December 29, 8:00 P.M., will be nomination and election of another Assistant Grievance Committee-man.

Cold Strip

New crane hookers in the cold strip are usually given to Al Toth, who's forgotten more than any one else in the department knows about slapping on the grabs, for breaking in right.

A red card was also given Brother Toth when he returned Tuesday, December 9, following a five

weeks' illness.

Assistant Superintendent McLeod, in charge of inflicting cold strip employees, revoked the discipline, however, upon counsel of Sam Aurelius of the Personnel Office. Red carding CIO members without good and sufficient reason, Mr. Aurelius is reputed to have enlightened Asst. Supt. McLeod, is like putting on a scarlet sash and going out to pet the bull.

Tin Mill

Another rate case oldie, incubat-

ing for the past two years among unsettled grievances, hatched favorably a couple of weeks ago for nine slitter crew men in the tin mill. Although the adjustment was made on a basis of tonnage, it amounts to approximately 45c an hour increase over the old rate.

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Sittin' Pretty on the Picket Line

If this keeps up, conscientious objectors to picket duty may weasel out of their turns on the bricks on grounds that it's too effeminate. Anyway, these two Miner and Dunn counter girls are letting 1010's membership know by leaflet, last Friday afternoon, what's with the complete walkout on M&D canteens. Result: the canteens were deadlier than an unwound clock until M&D signed a contract recognizing the girls' right to bargain their grievances.

L. to r., Miss Benny, cold strip canteen; Miss Henson, 75-in. mill canteen.—Sentinel Photo.

Girls Stop Selling, 1010ers Stop Buying M&D Food: Contract

Following forty hours in which Miner and Dunn executives were left to check weigh their own beans and hamburgers, all 27 girls employed by that firm in Inland's plant returned to their jobs Saturday, December 13, with a signed agreement recognizing their collective bargaining rights.

Choosing Pete Calacci, VP of 1010, and Sam Krupaw, chairman of the local's lunch committee, to represent them, the girls signed up in the USA-CIO. Although their exact status is a trifle vague at this point it is generally established that they are an affiliated group of local union 1010.

Resentment pyramiding against petty persecutions and denial of the most rudimentary job conditions imposed by M&D upon their employees erupted into total strike action Thursday afternoon, December 11, over the firing of Lee Freeman, 44" mill canteen.

Accused of an irregularity in one of her inventories, Miss Freeman, who has served Miner Dunn for more than a year, was fired, actually, to intimidate other Miner & Dunn employees from joining the union. On Monday, December 15, a hearing on her discharge will be held between Miner and Dunn, Pete Calacci and Joe Jenesse.

Headed by Mrs. Doris Ross, a

rank and file committee of counter girls climbed the stairs to 1010's headquarters two weeks ago to request help and guidance in forcing recognition from their employer. They got it. In less than a week, all counter girls in the plant had signed application cards. They were on the point of asking for recognition by the company when Miss Freeman's firing uncorked the mass walkout.

Exhibiting a determination and willingness to fight their own battle, unequalled at Inland since the days of '37, the girls hit the picket lines at both gates during the cold hours of midnight and morning shift changes. Response of the workers in the mills, few of whom cherish any abiding affection for the firm of M&D, anyway, was immediate and enthusiastic.

Men ordered to work overtime, went home rather than eat lunches handled by scab canteen workers. Those few whose urge for hot coffee overcame their sense of solidarity, were persuaded to forget it by overwhelming support of the strike among Inland paid workers.

Setting up their own organization Friday afternoon, the counter

U. S. Meddling Not Justified By Aid To Europe—Murray

U. S. MUST AID EUROPE
WITHOUT STRINGS—MURRAY

By Federated Press
NEW YORK — (FP)—American labor supports U. S. aid to Europe, but without political or economic strings, CIO Pres. Philip Murray told Russia and other European countries in a special transcribed message beamed over the Voice of America system.

In response to questions of an interviewer, Murray declared he did not believe the air program originated in Wall Street but from the American people and emphasized that "we in the American labor unions have no intent to turn the European Aid Program over by default to the Wall Street financial groups."

"I have made clear to the President that we in the CIO do not want the foreign aid program administered with the 'narrowness of view' which unfortunately some individuals in our business organizations seem unable to get rid of," he said.

Murray said aid should be given all nations that need it to help them become self-supporting and all the countries of Europe should get together to help themselves co-operatively.

"It would be most unfortunate if any attempt were made to utilize this aid program to create an exclusive bloc of 16 nations," he said.

American workers are contributing to the aid program by pressing for price controls, rationing and other economic steps to prevent U. S. inflation, Murray said.

girls selected the following people to represent them:

Margret J. Matthews—chairman; Doris Ross—rec. secretary; canteen stewards: No. 1, Alice Funkhauser; No. 2, Carolyn Smokvina; No. 3, Ida Nelson; No. 4 Margaret Phillips; No. 5, Lucille Heine.

A committee selected by the girls will go in with Pete Calacci and Joe Jenesse Monday, December 15, to work out a permanent contract with M&D, embodying detailed working condition, to succeed the temporary agreement now in force.

G. Colwell, LU 1066, New President of Lake County Council

George Colwell, local union 1066 (Gary), USA-CIO, was elected President of the Lake County Industrial Union Council, Tuesday night, December 9. Other officers elected for the coming year are:

Vice President—Lionel Pepin.
Financial Sec.—Russell S. Graves.

Recording Sec.—Fred Matasar.
Treasurer—Nellie Riddle.

Sergeant-at-Arms—William McClendon.

Trustee—Joseph Elias.

Teller—Harry Heath.

PAC Delegate—Charles "Red" McGregor.

Two delegates will be elected at the next meeting to attend the FEPC meeting to be held in Washington, February 2 and 3.

Letters to all Indiana Senators and Congressmen will be written asking them to support abolishment of the House Un-American Committee. Indiana members of the Senate and Congress will also be requested by the LCUI to oppose any weakening of the Wage and Hour Law, and to extend it to apply to occupations which it does not yet cover.

Sixty-three delegates were present and voting at the meeting of December 9.

City Hall Bo

Contending that those run to Inland Steel for even routed to Youngstown Steel Tube, Councilman Bickel, the Common Council, Monday, December 8, to communicate a test to A. C. Johnson, President Transit Co.

Following discussion, a motion of Councilman Bickel, Johnson be summoned before the Council to explain the matter adopted.

A motion, made by Councilman Laidella, November 19, to run the Pennsylvania Railroad's Road, was filed upon advice City Attorney Cohen. Because permit for the crossing was for 60 days after the war was ended, the City Attorney explained, revocation of the permit could be successfully resisted by the railroad company.

Third reading of an ordinance dealing with distribution of was deferred to December 10.

Pointing out that children delayed from crossing the sections of Lincoln and McKinley and Guthrie, that they frequently had to take their lunches, Councilman asked that immediate action be taken to install traffic lights those corners.

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