



## SHORT CIRCUITS

(With apologies to L. F.)

### DUCKY LEO

Here's the tale of Leo the Duck,  
As a union leader, a miserable cluck.  
Sold out the workers for the Party line,  
And now it's getting close to his time.

The workers are fed up,  
They don't want him back.  
This baggy eyed duck,  
This poor party hack.

Tell Matles the story,  
With excuses so droll.  
He'll ruffle his feathers,  
And head for his hole.

Just for the hell of it,  
Give truth where it's due.  
Ducky knows that after GM  
The Commies were thru.

### AIN'T NO JUSTICE:

Down in the Erie GE plant the reds are really on the run. And in the process of getting out from under a forward marching CIO union, they take some pretty rough verbal beatings. The case in point involves a UE "appointed" shop steward who, never giving up the ship, tried to reconvert a solid IUE department. He met his match a couple weeks back when, in the course of one of his lectures, an IUE man made with a telephone-like noise. His companion, lifting an imaginary receiver, said: "This is the PARTY line!" The line has been dead ever since.

### WHO'S RIGHT?

An IUE newspaper editor out in the mid-west incurred the rancor of a stalwart rank-and-filer for rightly labeling UE an Independent union. The union member pointed out to the wide-eyed journalist, that the UE was just as DEPENDENT as ever on the Communist Party for its line.

## Ann Leach

We would like to have you meet Ann Leach, an IUE-CIO Local 301 shop steward.

Ann has worked at the GE plant for the last eight years. She is presently working as a hand taper on small stator coils in the Motor and Generator Division.

Ann was a union member in good



standing only two weeks after she started her job. She was a typical rank-and-filer, who never held office, but attended many union meetings.

In speaking of UE, Ann said: "I have seen good union members denied the right to speak at meetings. Some of those who were allowed the floor were booed, shouted at, and called foul names by the left-wingers. This to me was not a true, democratic trade union."

"This was mob rule and a denial of the right of free speech."

"The UE has never even attempted to do a job for the workers in the Motor and Generator section. On behalf of myself and all the people I know, we are 100 percent for a fighting, democratic trade union, IUE-CIO."

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## ... And the Red Rat Ran

Vic Pasche, paid and professional Communist mouthpiece, defied IUE-CIO to prove his Party connections before a meeting of the City Council last week. But when the show-down session came the next day, Pasche put his tail between his legs and ran for cover.

The saga of the Pasche 50-yard dash, evolved from a meeting of the City Council last Monday, where Frank Kriss, IUE-CIO Local 301 Business Agent, cited the CP records of Pasche-Jandreau and Company.

Pasche, in a moment of ill-advised temper, denied the charges and challenged IUE-CIO to prove the accusations.

One of the City's Councilmen, Dr. Smith, in an effort to be fair to both sides, invited Kriss and Pasche to meet with him the next day.

The question to be settled was this:

If Kriss could not prove his accusations, then he was libeling Pasche, and committing purgery before the Council.

If, on the other hand, Pasche were really a Commie, as IUE contends (and, by the way, can prove) then he should have no voice before a free, American City Government.

Pasche agreed to this meeting, on the condition that he might bring a "few guys"—we guess they were supposed to be "character witnesses."

At 2:00 P.M. Monday both sides appeared in the City Council Chambers. Pasche, with his three "witnesses"; Kriss, with his supporters.

Dr. Smith, started to open the meeting, but Pasche interrupted to demand that he be allowed to make a "statement."

The Councilman informed him that he could make any statement he chose, after the business at hand was cleared up.

Pasche flew into a well rehearsed rage,

and, being trapped, started to do a smear job.

He said it was "all a frame-up"; the Councilman "had no authority". The only thing he didn't do (IUE was surprised) was stand on the 1st and 5th amendments to the Constitution.

To make a long story short: Pasche was pulling a typical Commie trick to squirm out of a tight spot.

The ironic part is that no IUE representative had ever met Dr. Smith before Monday night's meeting, and the Tuesday meeting was strictly voluntary between the two parties involved. Some frame-up!

Anyway Pasche took his boys by the hand and stormed out.

This tricky, and obviously well planned powder, relieved Pasche of the impossible task of breaking down the IUE evidence.

If a man was ever convicted by default, it was little Victor the Pasche.

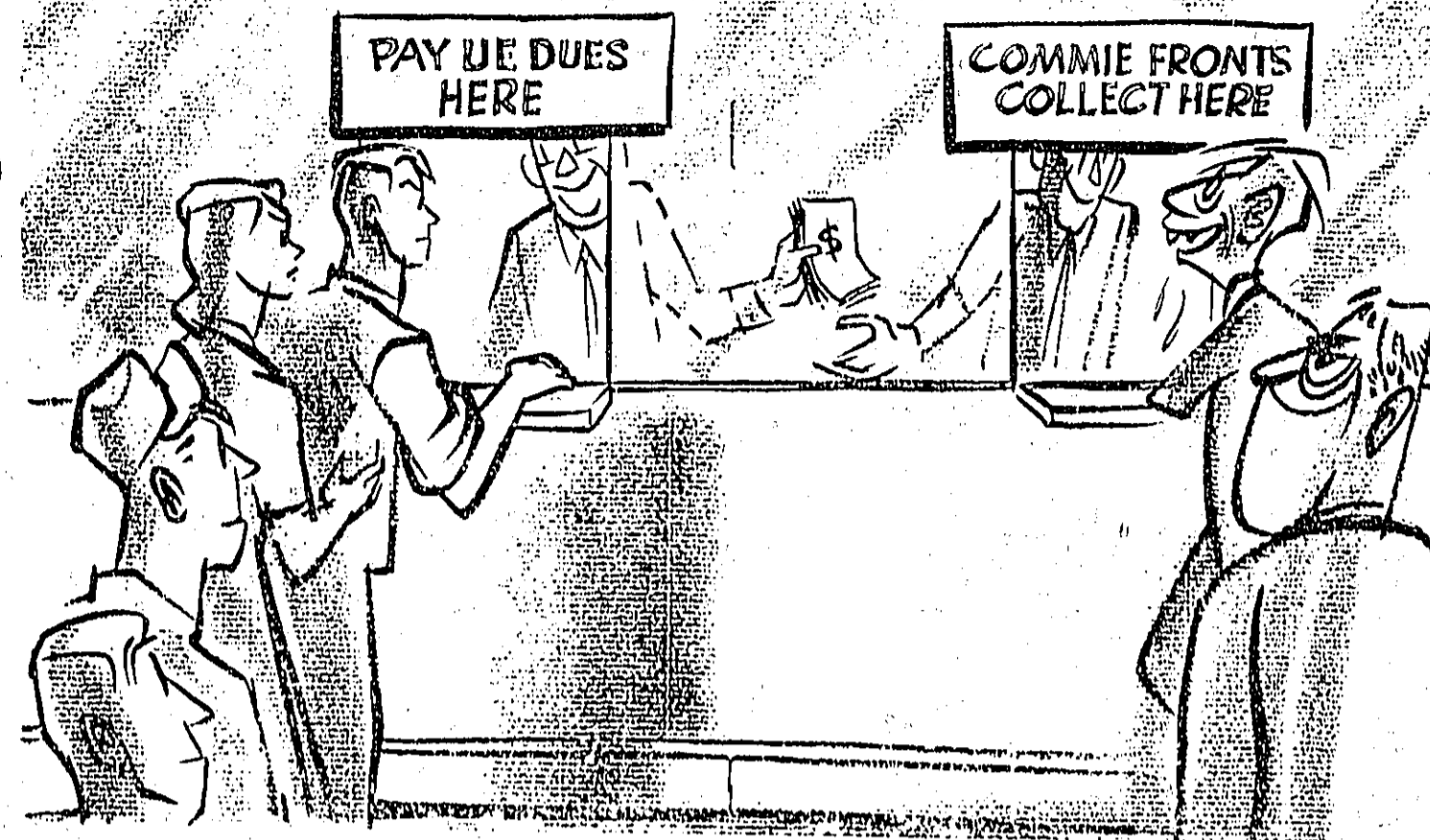
You should have been there! It was lots of fun watching the red rat run!

### You Too, Brutus?

In the course of Vic Pasche's rant and rave session before City Councilmen, someone mentioned the "three friends" he brought along.

The "three friends" jumped to their own defense, by asserting they were also "friends" of Frank Kriss and Frank Fiorillo.

None of them, however, would come out flat footedly and admit he was a "friend" of Pasche. It's no wonder the red-boy ran; even his own "friends" won't admit it in public.



## MORE 'FRONT' MONEY

What do you know? The joy boys are at it again—dues collecting that is.

That's right, UE stewards are pan-handling the workers to accept dues books, with or without the long green. This, of course, all adds up to a new twist on the old UE-GE check-off card fraud of last January.

The UE'ers are telling the workers that they really don't have to pay dues, it's just a matter of taking a book and signing your name.

Under less strenuous circumstances we might guess that the reds were taking a survey of literacy in the shop—who can, or cannot write his name.

But being a little more evil-minded, we suspect that these signatures will be used later on to bludgeon the workers into coughing up the bucks.

We hate to remind people of this again, but UE dollars (as the cartoon ably illustrates) go directly to some C.P. front.

Now that UE is hard pressed for cash, we're not too sure that the fronts are still riding the gravy train. But give a few

bucks and the leaches will be right back sucking.

We have only one noun to describe the poor soul who succumbs to the UE's dues demands—"sucker".

*Our Solution:* Resist this move with all your strength. Keep your money for the things you need.

Tell the UE collectors that you are waiting to invest in good, honest trade unionism, where you can get a return in wages and other benefits.

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IUE delegates to last week's District 3 meeting in Schenectady heard reports from each local union, and drew up plans for better coordinating district activities after the NLRB elections. Delegates pointed out that under UE the District set-up was used as a propaganda sounding board for communist agencies. Re-organization plans will be submitted at the next conference in Elmira, N. Y.

## 'Clean Sweep' Forecast by IUE State Leaders

IUE-CIO leaders from all over New York State gathered in Schenectady last week to report on the "state of the union."

When the results were tallied-up it looked like IUE would make a clean sweep of District 3, when NLRB elections are held.

The New York district meeting was one of many similar state-wide conferences to come out with a report that IUE-CIO is on a victory march.

Frank Fiorillo, IUE District 3 Director, was chairman of the Schenectady session.

Local by local the picture looks something like this:

**LOCAL 303:** Rudolph Wurlitzer Corp., North Tonawanda, N. Y. UE, after pulling stalling tactics all during recent NLRB hearings, has now filed un-

fair labor practice charges to further delay elections. Despite the fact that UE is trying everything in its power to prevent a vote, the workers are solidly behind IUE.

**LOCAL 310:** General Electric Company, Elmira, N. Y. The shop is already operating under IUE leadership and steward system. The workers are patiently waiting for election date. R. J. Thomas, and other CIO leaders, are scheduled to speak to local in the near future.

**LOCAL 310:** (Amalgamated) Hilliard Clutch Corp., Corning, N. Y. The workers voted 44 to 1 to affiliate with IUE-CIO in a secret ballot election two weeks ago.

**LOCAL 313:** Ingersoll-Rand, Painted Post, N. Y. The IUE Local called a protest strike last month after 5 local leaders were suspended for leaving their jobs on union business. (UE President and other

officers scabbed.) Part of the strike settlement was guarantee by company that it would go along with a consent election. UE is trying to prevent vote in hearings that are now in progress by demanding that the plant be split into two units: foundry and production.

**LOCAL 315:** Westinghouse Repair. The shop is practically 100 percent IUE.

**LOCAL 320:** General Electric, Syracuse, N. Y. Out of 130 shop stewards, 128 are IUE. The IUE is processing grievances at the foremen level, with better results than UE had under the contract. In the last month local leaders have got 87 job rates up-graded. The UE is trying to cause disruption among new people, who do not know the issues. UE, badly beaten in the plant, is quietly encouraging a "no-union" vote in the NLRB elections.

**LOCAL 321:** Easy Washer, Syracuse, N. Y. An election date should be set

within the next ten days for this shop. The local is already paying its per capita to IUE-CIO. The election will be a walk-away for IUE.

This is just a small sample of what the state leaders meant when they said "IUE will take every major plant in the New York State district."

The conference also passed resolutions asking the NLRB to do everything in its power to bring about an early election in the Westinghouse and General Electric chains.

Other resolutions adopted:

1. Condemned UE for its betrayal of the Remington-Rand workers during their strike. (See story, page 8.)
2. Praised the workers in General Motors plants on their overwhelming vote for IUE-CIO.

# UE Desperate in Dying Hours

By MILTON DANKO, PRESIDENT, IUE LOCAL 301

UE, staggering and shaken from 19 consecutive defeats at the hands of American union members, has its back against the wall. UE, like any desperate and defeated group, is clutching at every straw—trying every last trick, and underhanded method to salvage the remains of its thinning ranks.

UE is a weak and dying organization. It is contorted with a death paralysis; with a craze and fear that will drive it to any extremes.

Yes, UE is bankrupt, and defeated it is through as a power in the American labor movement. But in these last few days of its existence it will try to spread chaos, disruption and disorganization through the ranks of labor.

Here in Schenectady the UE will no longer be able to hide behind the weak and inoperative contract it holds with GE. That contract expires on April 1 and with its expiration UE will be left naked; stripped of its legal immunities. UE will be seen for what it is—an organization that represents only a tiny fraction of the workers in the GE plant.

In the past few months UE has failed miserably in its obligation to police the contract. It has failed to process grievances, to adjust unhealthy working conditions.

UE has let the grievances pile up, has let unrest and dissatisfaction grow and spread. UE has done this deliberately. It has provoked and agitated the workers, it has blamed its own failing and short sightedness on the IUE-CIO and on the company.

The UE has been protected with a contract in the last months. It has had the EXCLUSIVE right to process grievances. It could have operated under the present conditions as it always operated, because GE

would NOT recognize any but UE stewards.

But UE has fallen down on the job. UE has not serviced or policed the contract. It has deliberately let unrest and dissatisfaction mount to fever pitch.

There is a reason for UE's deliberate betrayal of trade union functions, and the reason is quite simple. UE intends to use these unsettled grievances, this unrest and dissatisfaction to provoke shut-downs, quicky strikes and other work stoppages.

Yes, it might go as far as to try to pull a strike when the contract expires—despite the fact that GE is forced by national legislation to maintain all the provisions and benefits of the existing contract.

Make no mistake about it—There will be trouble—trouble incited and agitated by the communist bosses of UE.

But we of IUE-CIO are confident that GE workers will no longer follow this misleadership, will not longer heed the cries of these communist trouble makers.

We of the IUE-CIO are sure that the workers will rally behind a real American trade union and reject this corrupt and crumbling citadel of foreign ideology.

We know that the workers in General Electric are as sick and disgusted with UE's underhanded methods, as were the workers in the other plants that have voted overwhelmingly for IUE-CIO.



# IUE Dance "Roaring Success"



A capacity crowd of over 350 IUE members and friends danced, watched a spontaneous floor show, and generally had a good time at the IUE party at Hans Grell's Grove. The shindig was sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary of Local 301. The gals report this is just the first of many more parties to come.

