

**MAC/SAC SECTION NITE AT IUE HALL
TONIGHT-7 PM - SPECIAL RESERVATIONS
MADE FOR SECOND SHIFT**

The members of the MAC/SAC Departments will hold their Section Nite this evening at 7:00 p.m., at the IUE Auditorium.

Principal speakers will be Leo Jandreau and John Shambo who will discuss the latest contract proposals and developments in negotiations with GE to date.

Officers and Executive Board Members will also be on hand to answer any questions you may have which you would like to have cleared up.

Refreshments will be reserved for those on the 2nd shift who are expected to arrive later in the evening. Hot dogs, soda, beer, pizza and clam chowder will be served.

Ticket sales have been very good, and a big turnout is expected. Tickets can be obtained from your Shop Steward or Board Member.

A good time is guaranteed for all! So be sure to come along tonight and bring a friend.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS
DEADLINE TODAY-JUNE 24TH**

Time is running out...today is the DEADLINE to get your application in for consideration. Therefore, if you intend to submit an application for your son or daughter and haven't as yet done so, be sure to send it in to the Union Office today!

**"THINGS TO THINK ABOUT"
by Frank Masterson**

Did you know ---

G.E. Vice-President F.J. Borch, sold 2600 shares of G.E. stock leaving a balance of his holdings at 10,719. Under the Stock Option (reserved for "top brass") he could have bought this stock for as little as \$23.75 per share, so let's figure this out just for fun. June 16th closing stock market found G.E. stock at \$93. per share. \$23.75 from that figure is \$69.25 times 2,600 which gives Mr. Borch a total of \$180,050.

The average worker making \$5,000 per year would have to work 36 years or practically a lifetime in order to earn that same amount of money!

**OVER 200 ATTEND FATHERS' DAY RALLY
FOR MEDICAL AID FOR THE AGED**

Despite the fact that it was Sunday, Fathers' Day and a beautiful day for picnics, over 200 Senior Citizens turned out to support the rally for medical aid for retired pensioners.

Jack Suarez, President of Dist. #3, IUE, and a Vice-President of the N.Y. State AFL-CIO, chaired the meeting. The theme was: "Best Gift for Dad-Medical Security with Dignity". The time: 3 PM; the place: at the IUE Hall on Erie Blvd.

Principal speakers were: Paul Benjamin, State Director of Senior Citizens of America, State Senator Begley, George Palmer (representing Sam Stratton), Jack Suarez, Leo Jandreau and Mrs. Leona Newton, Dept. of Welfare.

Bennie Geersen and Jack Lindsay representing the pensioners and retired workers, read telegrams from Gov. Rockefeller, Sen Keating, Assemblyman Egan, W. Clyde Wright and Mayor Ellis.

Leo Jandreau, in addressing the Fathers' Day Rally, said that the persons fighting legislation now to provide medical care for the aged are the same as those who fought social security, minimum wage and eight-hour-a-day bills.

Business Agent Jandreau said that "these people predicted all kinds of disaster" when the above bills were passed. "Instead, the country has prospered," he stated. "It took a depression to knock some sense into the heads of those people," he asserted.

Besides aid for senior citizens, Jandreau said the country should strive for full employment, better education and better housing.

"Three and one-half billion dollars for foreign aid...I think we need it, but I also think we need another three and one-half billion for domestic aid," he added.

A resolution was adopted unanimously by the Rally, which stated, in part:

"We resolve, on behalf of the 16 million Senior Citizens in the U.S., that our representatives in Congress shall be put on notice that we will not let up in our fight to obtain that which we believe to be morally right and economically necessary...the right to adequate Health Insurance under our Social Security System for pensioners when they are forced to live on a 'fixed income'..."

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LOCAL 301 NEWS
IUE AFL-CIO

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Local Group Receives \$36,000 Back Pay



TOO MANY COOKS spoil the chowder? It wasn't the case here as the above crew did an excellent job getting the refreshments ready for the MAC/SAC Night last Friday evening at the IUE Hall.

An Arbitrator's Award which was won by Local 301, IUE, last week, will mean that all Continued Service Process Operators in the Schenectady GE Plant will receive a total of 36,000 dollars in back payments.

Approximately 115 Local 301 IUE employees will receive 22 months pay retroactive to May, 23, 1957 which will average about \$300 per person.

LEO JANDREAU, Business Agent for Local 301 IUE, AFL-CIO, was the sole representative of Local 301 at the hearings which took place in New York and testified for an hour and 45 minutes. The grievance was in reference to payment of overtime due to shift changes for the Continuous Service Process Operators in Schenectady.

Covers All GE Chain

The Arbitrator's decision will not only benefit the members of Local 301 but it will also benefit all Continuous Service Process Operators in the entire GE Chain.

Local 301 members involved in the settlement work in Bldgs: 259, 261, 265, and the Research Lab

Here is another example of the value of belonging to a strong union such as the IUE and Local 301.

Over 300 Brave Tornado To Attend MAC/SAC Section Nite

In spite of heavy thunderstorms, lightning and a Tornado which swept through Rotterdam, Niskayuna and Schenectady, over 300 union members showed up to celebrate their Section Night at the IUE Hall last Friday evening.

The principal speaker, Leo Jandreau, arrived late on the scene having to sidetrack fallen trees, power-lines, etc. Leo Jandreau and John Shambo spoke on the current progress of contract negotiations with the GE Company.

Despite the inclement weather outside, members and their families from the Mac and Sac Departments had a very enjoyable evening, with plenty of refreshments on hand which included

soda, beer, pizza, clam chowder, and hot dogs.

A crowd of over 80 members from the second shift arrived after 12 PM and joined in the celebration.

Officers and Executive Board members were also on hand to answer many questions which the members had to ask.

All in all, a good time was had by all.

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Editorial:

The Senate Will Decide

THE HOUSE HAS PASSED and sent to the Senate an omnibus social security bill containing a number of excellent provisions for improving the program. But the bill contains a "pauper's oath" approach to health care for the aged that contradicts all of the basic principles of a sound social insurance program. Hokum has been substituted for legislation.

The membership of the House has no choice. The bill containing the improvements and the "compromise" on health care went to the floor under a closed rule preventing amendments of any kind. The House did not have the opportunity to vote on the Forand bill principle of using the time-tested social security system.

The fight to enact legislation to help retired persons meet the crushing costs of health care through the social security system has shifted to the Senate where the first round will be fought in the Senate Finance Committee.

A favorable committee report will ease the way for a vote on the Senate floor for a Forand-type bill. But in any case the Senate can be expected to vote on the issue, an issue that has aroused the American people as no other in recent years and an issue that will loom importantly in the election campaign.

The Senate can help decide whether health care for the aged will become a reality this year or merely a campaign debaters' point.

Labor wants a law—not an election issue; because the only real issue is still: Can you afford to be 65? Can you afford to have 65-year-old parents?

Early Riser Club Winners—WSNY

The following is a list of the winners on the Early Riser Club last week:

John Wyatt, David Jansen, Wm. Chruscienski, George Sorcella, Mrs. Joseph Mazzone, Ralph Battaglia, Arthur Weinstock, Fe-

lix, Sendzick, Julia Lee Whitman, Russell V. Conklin, Elmor Witbeck, Mrs. D. Kurban, Donald West, Mrs. Jane Niemiec, Kathy Irish.

Jack-pot winner was Ralph Battaglia.

Facts On Unemployment Insurance

By Allen Townsend

One of the most common mistakes made by union members going out on lack of work is that many of them do not immediately go to the Unemployment Office to sign up.

There seems to be a very serious misunderstanding of the Unemployment Insurance Law in this respect. In most cases the people on lack of work have heard from some one not qualified to know that they cannot qualify for Unemployment Insurance until their vacation period for which they have been paid when they go on lack of work is exhausted. This is not so as the vacation pay is an already earned bonus for work performed. To make matters worse, some departments will add to the lack of work slip a note saying paid thru a certain date, this date being to the end of the vacation period layoff. This confuses the issue no end.

My advice to anyone on lack of work is to go to the Unemployment Insurance Office immediately and process a claim. The unemployment insurance administrators are qualified to see that all valid claims are processed.



MAKE IT A DATE!

Attend Your
Union Meeting



Officers In "Round-the-Clock" Talks

Contract Proposals, Unity Discussed

Last week several officers of Local 301 travelled around the plant on a 24-hour schedule to conduct meetings in all the shops. Local 301 travelled around the plant on a 24-hour schedule to conduct meetings in all the shops.

The chief topic of the discussions was the contract proposals which were submitted to the Company by the IUE Negotiating Committee on June 13th.

The speakers included John Shambo, Bill Kelly, Joe Mangino, Ralph Vitallo, and Bill Mastriani.

A brief rundown of the proposals which were discussed in detail included a substantial wage increase, cost of living plan, improved vacations, and holidays, displacement caused by automation, equal pay for equal work, SUB, termination pay, employment security, union security, improved pensions and insurance, and others.

"Be prepared" was the theme of the talks as the members were called upon to unite in an effort to bring about an adequate settlement before October 1st of this year.

Vaccine Found For Measles

DENVER, June 28 (AP)—A vaccine to prevent measles has been developed by research teams at the University of Colorado medical center and elsewhere.

Dr. C. Henry Kempe, head of the pediatrics department, said today the vaccine will not be ready for use nationally, however, for at least two years. He said measles kill more children than does polio.

Unemployment Insurance — Maximum rate raised to \$50 a week beginning July 4 with coverage extended to single employee firms.

Minimum Wage — A new \$1 statewide minimum wage becomes effective Oct. 1. The former law was repealed and a new industrial wage board system started.

"Things to Think About"

By Frank Masterson

General Electric Vice President William Ginn spoke recently at a Schenectady General Electric Engineers' Association meeting at the Edison Club. Mr. Ginn stated that foreign competition makes it imperative that the company reduce its costs. He said a strong effort must be made to increase productivity and therefore be more competitive. There is never anything said about less profits to make prices more competitive. Instead gross profits made by big companies are being invested in Europe and making it possible for Europeans to build and tool up factories that are causing so much competition.

General Electric, itself, has a large investment in a Japanese firm with whom we have to compete with, on some of the same products produced in America.

GREATEST SINGLE SOURCE OF SOCIAL PROGRESS

"If we look back over the history of the labor unions it is undeniable that they have done more to eliminate poverty in our country, to raise the standard of living, to defend the dignity of man and awaken the social conscience of our people than any other single institution. The labor unions have always been the greatest single source of social progress. Now is the moment for our labor unions to prove to the American people that the best public relations can be achieved by public service. . . . The labor unions are the mainstay of any endeavor to achieve human progress in our country and to establish our great democratic ideal of liberty and justice for All Americans and for all mankind."

LOOK, MA, ANOTHER CAVITY!

Dr. Henry Welch has resigned as director of the antibiotics division of the Food and Drug Administration after the Kefauver Committee heard testimony that he received \$287,000 for doing business with firms his office is supposed to police.

Dr. Welch is the 12th member of the "Clean-As-a-Hound's-Tooth Club" who has resigned for misdeeds since the Eisenhower-Nixon Administration came into office.