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*The Facts in the Coming
NLRB Election*

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NLRB Orders GE Vote Within 30 Days

UE Defeats CIO In Chicago Votes

UE overwhelmingly defeated the United Auto Workers, CIO, at the International Harvester Tractor Works at Chicago Apr. 20 in a National Labor Relations Board election. The vote was 2,459 for UE, 1,496 for UAW, and 146 for neither.

The tractor works is one of the biggest plants in the International Harvester chain. UAW used exact copies of IUE propaganda in its campaign.

UE scored another NLRB victory over UAW in Chicago the same day, in a run-off election at the Ingersoll Steel Division of Borg-Warner Corporation. The vote was 531 for UE and 521 for UAW.

More than 60 of Walter Reuther's paid organizers were assigned for several months to these two Chicago UAW raids on UE. The raids are estimated as costing \$200,000 of UAW dues-payers' money. Much of this slush-fund apparently comes from the \$12 UAW assessment levied supposedly for the Chrysler strike.

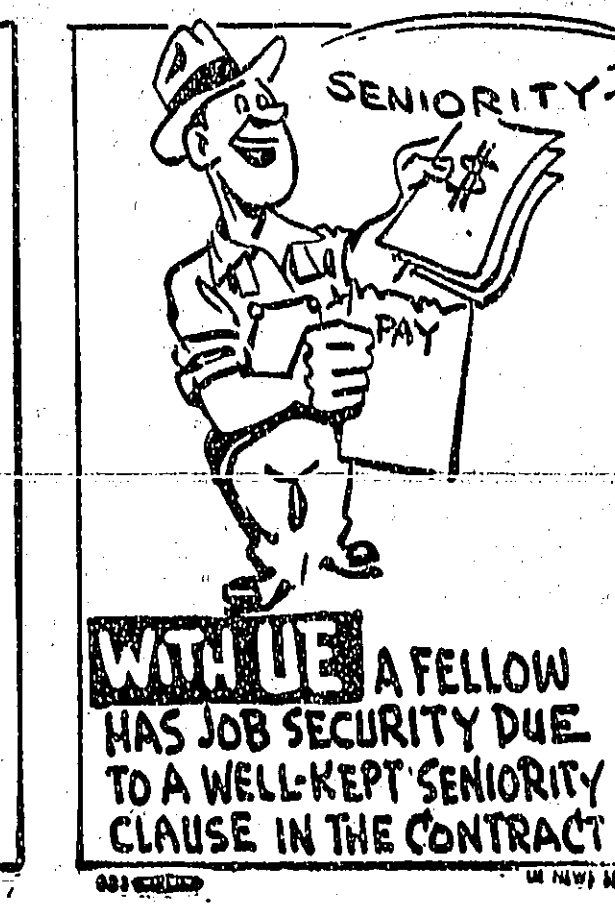
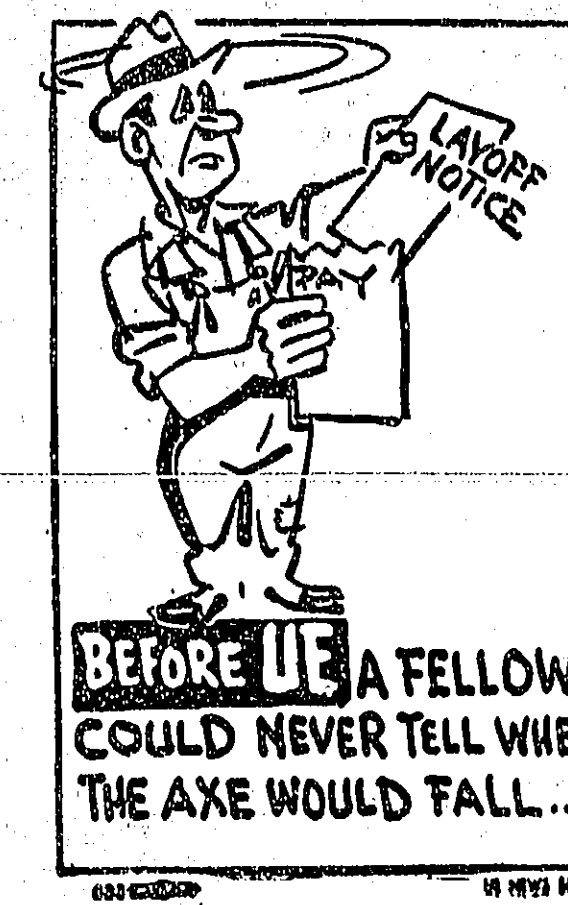
See page 4 for the list to date of NLRB elections in which UE has beaten CIO or AFL unions.

UE represents workers in 1,500 plants. In 1,200 of these UE plants there is no disruption by IUE, Steelworkers, Auto Workers, IBEW, IAM, or other outfits. None of them has even dared file an election petition to challenge UE at these 1,200 plants, employing more than half the workers covered by UE contracts.

The disruptive efforts of the companies, the IUE, and other unions are confined to the other 300 plants. Taft-Hartley NLRB elections have taken place so far where these company-sponsored outfits thought they were sure to take a plant away from UE.

Stewards to Meet

UE-301 shop stewards will meet Tuesday, May 2, at the union hall. Second shift stewards will meet at 1 p.m. and first and third shift stewards at 7:30 p.m.



UE Beats IAM At Jamestown

UE Local 805 trounced the International Association of Machinists by more than two to one in a NLRB election Tuesday at Blackstone Corporation at Jamestown, N. Y. The vote was 319 for UE; 149 for IAM and 5 for neither. IAM tried to raid the UE plant.

UE-301 on Air

Be sure to tune in on the UE-301 broadcast at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, on WPTR (1540 on your dial). It will be the second of a series of weekly half-hour radio programs of the union in preparation for the National Labor Relations Board election.

Big Pay Gains Won By UE at Iowa Plant

Substantial wage increases are provided in the two-year agreement UE has negotiated with the La Plante-Choate Manufacturing Company at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. There is a 20 cents an hour pay increase of which 15 cents goes into effect immediately and 5 cents on Apr. 15, 1951.

The new minimum plant rate for janitors and laborers will be \$1.33 an hour for the first year and \$1.38 an hour the second year of the agreement.

Dues Payments Climb to 7,500

Collection of April UE-301 dues reached the 7,500 mark this week. Shop stewards expect that today's pay checks will yield a last-of-the-month crop of dues payments from many additional members who have received their membership books and have pledged to pay.

Four more shop stewards made the honor roll for 100 per cent dues payments in their groups. They are Stanley Aldous, Building 269; Oscar Stolz, Bldg. 235; Anthony Esposito, Bldg. 53, and Dominic Gabriele, Bldg. 53.

Dance Tomorrow At UE-301 Hall

In addition to the grand prize, a television set, there will be door prizes tomorrow (Saturday) at the UE Woman's Club dance at 301 hall. Anyone who buys one of the 50 cent tickets is eligible for the television set. The smaller prizes will go only to people attending.

Fat Formichelli's orchestra will play for the dancing, from 9 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are still available at the union hall or may be obtained from shop stewards. You can also get them at the door.

Long Stall By Board Ends at Last

The NLRB finally came out with the order of election at GE plants yesterday morning (Thursday). Thus ended its long stall of the election, planned to give the IUE time to spread confusion.

The order calls for an election within 30 days. Other details were not available when this issue of the paper was hurriedly made over.

Physical arrangements for the vote have been made. The election could be held within a few days, but it is to be expected that the board will schedule the date as late as possible, to give the IUE the most time possible. This means that the most probable date would be within the three days from Tuesday, May 23 to Thursday, May 25.

Public pressure, largely organized by UE locals in GE cities, made it difficult for the NLRB to stall longer.

The Westinghouse election was held yesterday, although the hearing closed only a few days before the GE hearing.

With the help of the NLRB, the IUE has been picking its spots for probable victories. The NLRB has turned handsprings giving the IUE speedy elections where it wanted them. It ordered an election promptly at General Motors even though the GM contract did not expire until a month after the GE contract, and the GE election involves the welfare of five times as many workers as GM.

Now the Imitation union is coming up against sure defeat. The GE election was delayed to the last because the IUE knows that its disruption has made very little headway in GE plants.

The membership had better get set for the wildest campaign of pressure and confusion that this city has ever seen, and an invasion by hordes of CIO payrollers, who never saw Schenectady before and will leave it after the vote.

UE Raises Labor Standards in Canada By New GE Contract; Cuts Work Week

An accurate account of the new contract signed by the UE with Canadian GE was given in the EU News. Now the Imitation UE has printed a completely false version of that contract.

The Canadian GE contract was a remarkable victory and pioneered toward a shorter work week. While Steel has a work week of 44 and 48 hours at straight time in Canada, the new GE contract cut the 44-hour week by two hours with a pay raise to maintain the same take-home pay.

In winning the contract, UE first had to defeat a raid by the IUE. The IUE used such gross fraud that the Ontario labor board, despite its anti-UE bias, had to throw out the IUE claim. Then UE had to fight both GE and the recommendations of the Ontario conciliation service. The final result was much better than the conciliation report. And UE had to fight all the bad examples set by the Steelworkers in Canada.

The contract seniority clause was much improved, giving unlimited bumping rights first in the department and then plant-wide, with none of the "ability and physical fitness" stuff of CIO contracts. The contract has eight holidays, compared with none for Steel. Minimum hiring rates were raised. It is entirely true that Canadian wage rates are much lower than in the U. S. But UE rates in Canada are higher than both Steel and Auto rates in Canada.

The contract also provides for a joint union and company committee to work out a pension and insurance program.

That Free Press!

The Schenectady Gazette last week refused to run a paid advertisement from UE-301 stating the union's position on the City Council's attack on UE.

But the Gazette's job-printing shop prints the leaflets of the local IUE.

John Hume, managing editor of the Gazette, is the son of a retired GE vice-president.

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Exposing Falsehoods Published by IUE

On this page are printed two stories exposing gross falsehoods published by the Imitation UE. The editorial committee believes it is necessary to do this because these untrue statements involved shop conditions.

Just about every item in the IUE's leaflets could be shown up the same way. To do so every time would get us off the main track. By now the IUE has been caught red-handed in its falsehoods so often that GE workers can take it for granted that nothing in the IUE leaflets should be believed.

Negro Workers Back UE Election Campaign

Plans for the widest possible participation of Negro members in the UE-301 election campaign and in the activities of the union were discussed Tuesday night at a meeting called by Negro members of the union at 301 hall. President William Kelly spoke.

The group condemned efforts of the IUE to create a division between Negro and white workers.

The meeting was the outgrowth of a meeting Apr. 11, called by the Executive Board at the request of some Negro members of the union. On recommendation of that meeting, the Board has voted to ask the next UE-301 membership meeting to set up a standing committee on discrimination and FEPC.

Pensioners' Meetings

The UE-301 Pension Organization now has weekly meetings at the union hall. The sessions are at 2 p. m. Thursdays.



SWEARING IN SHOP STEWARDS at UE-301 Hall. Floyd Warner, guide, at extreme left, administering the oath of office to the following (not in left to right order): Alfred R. Reichert, John J. Maietta and Henry P. Plourde, all of Building 273; Earl Wilkinson, Bldg. 11; Girard McGrath and William E. Colvin, both of Patrol; Constance Flanagan, 53; Nicholas Falvo, 17; Adolf Korkosz and Jesse J. Graham, both of 52; L. G. Wilkins, 16, and Al Myers, 269.

IUE Supports GE On Shop Grievances

The Imitation UE showed its true company union colors in the attack which its leaflet of last Friday made upon rank and file actions of shop workers.

To cover up its support of the company, the IUE resorted as usual to brazen falsehoods about the cases involved.

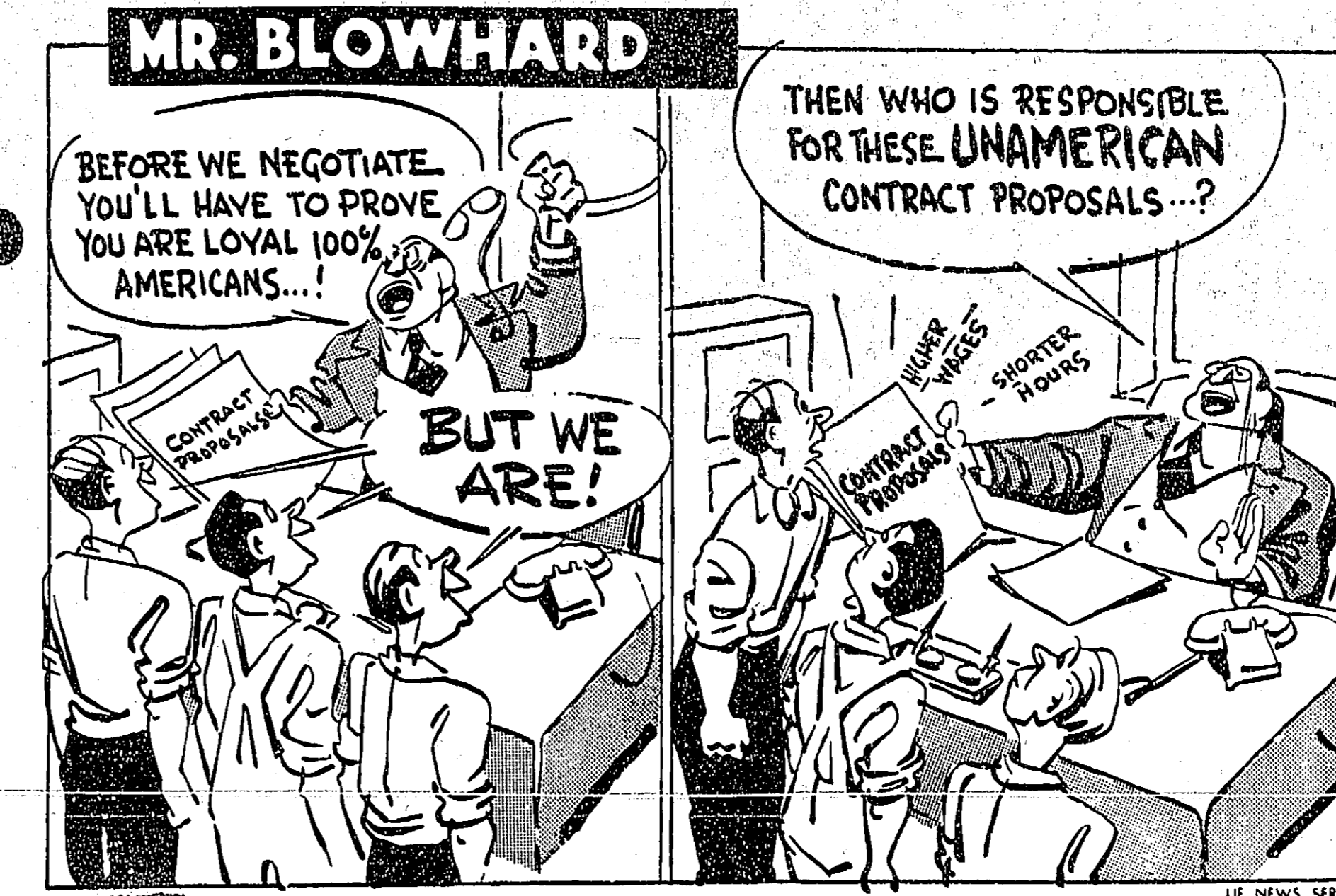
No workers want unnecessary stoppages. But the few stoppages since the contract expired were in every case made necessary by dangerous company attacks on piece work standards. In both cases mentioned in the IUE leaflet, the stoppage won the grievance, despite IUE scabbing.

In the case in Building 273, a methods man was operating a lathe. The workers' action stopped this. A man calling himself an IUE steward tried to interfere, but got nowhere. He just exposed his IUE character to the group.

In the case in Building 17, a standard price was cut by two-thirds. The 18-minute stoppage settled that. Frank Fiorillo's father and an IUE die-setter remained at work. The IUE statement there was no price cut shows merely that the IUE has no desire to fight company price cuts.

Since the stoppages and the IUE's action to support the company, the groups involved are more solid than ever behind their UE stewards.

There have been other IUE attacks on workers' grievance actions. After all, an imitation union just can't act like a real union.



131,000 Fewer Jobs in Average Week In '49 in New York State Than in '48

There were 131,000 fewer people employed in New York state industry in the average week during 1949 than there were in 1948. The weekly average for 1949 was 5,502,800 jobs, according to a recent report of Industrial Commissioner Edward Corsi.

Corsi claimed that "the \$125 million tax credits made available to employers contributed to the strengthening of the state's economy."

(The \$125 million is the "merit-rating" rebate which the General Electric company and other big corporations get. It simply goes to swell their huge profits, instead of being used to increase unemployment insurance benefits or extend their coverage.)

"Increasingly, throughout the year, older workers, especially men, were displaced by younger workers with the result that many of them were unable to get jobs," the report stated.

"In December 1949, male claimants over 45 years of age constituted 48.5 percent of the total, whereas men in this age group make up only 36 percent of the whole insured male labor force."

By the end of the year it became "increasingly difficult for men over 35 to get work."

Through Mar. 24, 1950, a total of 168,699 men and women had exhausted their benefit rights. This is nearly twice as many as by the same date in 1948.

Vote UE

GE Must Pay Worker For Effect of Fumes

The General Electric Company has been ordered to pay a workmen's compensation award to Enoch Wassell, former Building 77 paint-maker, for illness caused by fumes from the paint and varnish shop.

The referee's decision gives him \$434 lost time and about the same amount for expenses and medical costs. The claim was filed for him in July, 1943, and handled through the UE-301 attorney, Mar-hall Perlin. GE opposed the claim.

The union in January, 1948, started a grievance case over the matter. The only action the company would take at that time was to install a blower.

Pittsburgh Vet Learns Truth About UE Pension

A young Pittsburgh veteran decided to check for himself on the provisions of the Westinghouse Airbrake pension plan, after temporarily swallowing IUE falsehoods about it.

"The UE 610 Pension and Insurance Plan is truly the best kind of a plan of its kind in the entire country," he stated in writing, as the result of his independent investigation.

The veteran is Hugh F. Bridge whose picture appeared recently in the paper put out nationally by the IUE. He was quoted in the "Imitation UE" paper as condemning the Westinghouse Airbrake pension plan,—on the basis of the distorted story told him by IUE.

Now Brother Bridge has given the UE a signed statement which says:

"I was hurriedly tricked into believing these lies . . .

"I have since been able to read and examine the Local 610 Pension and Insurance Agreement, checked it with the Veterans' Administration and I have found what the IUE-CIO told me was false."

A lot of other people are finding out, along with Brother Bridge, that you can't expect anything but distortions and falsehoods in IUE literature.

Worker Upgraded

Upgrading of a tool room machine operator in Building 46 from Class B to Class A was negotiated last week by Shop Steward Serafim Pita with Foreman Charles Ernest.

UE Wins Pay Raise From GE Subsidiary

In Los Angeles, Calif., UE Local 1421 and the General Electric Supply Corporation, a subsidiary of GE, have signed an agreement. It provides for an across-the-board increase of 7½ cents an hour for rates of \$1.40 and above, and 5 cents an hour for rates below \$1.40, plus inequity increases of from 10 cents to 15 cents an hour. The contract and rates come up for renegotiation next September.

Bldg. 46 Workers Press To Get Equal Overtime

Toolmakers and machine operators in the Building 46 tool room, through Shop Steward Serafim Pita, are pushing for equal distribution of overtime. The company has agreed to get this done.

The distribution of overtime has been bad since the end of the war, but the previous two shop stewards did not push the complaint to Bldg. 41. Their action is typical of what to expect of the IUE. Both the former stewards are now campaigning for IUE.

One of the two former stewards who went IUE piled up 271.9 hours of overtime from Oct. 2, when the foreman started keeping a record, up to Apr. 9. That was the most overtime given any Class A. toolmaker in the room.

Attend Your Union Meetings.

Pittsfield UE Meeting

More than 2,000 workers at the General Electric plant at Pittsfield, Mass., members of UE Local 255, attended four shop gate meetings Apr. 6 at which they were addressed by Joseph Turkowski, UE international representative. The subject of the meetings was procedures for protecting UE contract conditions.

Have You Paid Your April Dues?

UE Victories in Elections

Here is a record of UE's victories in representation contests with CIO and AFL unions since November.

IN CANADA

At the largest Canadian General Electric plant, the Peterboro, Ontario plant, the IUE petition for certification was thrown out by the Ontario Labor Relations Board on grounds of fraud and misrepresentation and UE was certified.

TAFT-HARTLEY NLRB REPRESENTATION ELECTIONS WON BY UE

	For UE	For Other Unions CIO or AFL	For No Union
International Harvester Tractor Works, Chicago, Ill.	2,459	1,496	146
Ingersoll Steel Division of Borg-Warner Corporation, Chicago, Ill.	531	521	
Blackstone Corporation, Jamestown, N. Y.	319	149	5
Sunbeam Electric, Chicago, Ill.	1,488	1,016	262
Globe Forge & Foundry, Syracuse, N. Y.	58	48	
International Harvester, Louisville, Ky.	1,908	1,049	8
Stupakoff Ceramic, Latrobe, Pa.	147	14	4
Miller Metal Products, Baltimore, Md.	62		11
Greenfield Tap & Die, Greenfield, Mass.	396	332	
J. Sitar Co., Woodside, N. Y.	155	29	
Remington Rand, Benton Harbor, Mich.	240		27
Ward Leonard Co., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.	233	218	
AAA Slide Fastener, New York, N. Y.	49		
International Harvester, Pullman Wks. Chicago	1,244	1,078	58
Levene Motor Co., Phila., Pa.	12	5	
Concrete Pipe Co., Erie, Pa.	3		
Eagle Signal Co., Moline, Ill.	96	68	6
Formica Corp., Newark, N. J.	4		
Skully-Jones Co., Chicago, Ill.	65	9	
Danly Machine Co., Chicago, Ill.	427	279	2
Hanson Scale, Chicago, Ill.	62		
Ward Prods. (Office, Cafeteria), Ashtabula, O.	22		2
Clifford Mfg. Co., Waltham, Mass.	355		60
Clifford Mfg. Co., Waltham, Mass. (Salary)	12		5
Keystone Watchcase, Riverside, N. J.	144	48	
Twin City Steel Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	20		30
Butler Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	95		
GHR Foundry, Dayton, O.	453	413	
Merrow Machine Co., Hartford, Conn.	198	67	13
Crown Iron Works, Minneapolis, Miss.	114		2
C. W. Olson Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	54		6
Cowin & Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	30		8
Allis Chalmers, Boston, Mass.	320		6

Court-Held Referendum (not NLRB)

Minneapolis-Moline Power Implement, Minneapolis, Minn.	1,546	465
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TAFT-HARTLEY UNION-SHOP ELECTIONS

For UE Union Shop	Against
Aerovent Fan Co., Piqua, O.	38
Alliance Mfg. Co., Alliance, O.	5
Anchor Wire Corp., Long Island City, N. Y.	34
Transplastic Co., New York, N. Y.	25
Krischer Metal Prods., Brooklyn, N. Y.	47
American Safety Razor Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.	749
Ward Products, Ashtabula, O.	263
De Bourgh Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	14
Champion Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	60
Leggers Hydraulic Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	47
Star Machine & Tool Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	8
Sossner Tap & Tool Co., Long Island City, N. Y.	18
Square D Co., Detroit, Mich.	837
Green Bay Drop Forge, Green Bay, Wis.	220
Miehle Press Co., Chicago, Ill.	690
Howard Electric, Detroit, Mich.	
Ninmo Electric, Detroit, Mich.	
Stecker Electric, Detroit, Mich.	89
Spaulding Electric, Detroit, Mich.	
Seneca Electric, Detroit, Mich.	
Miller Seldon Electric, Detroit, Mich.	

Demand That the NLRB Stop Stalling the GE Election

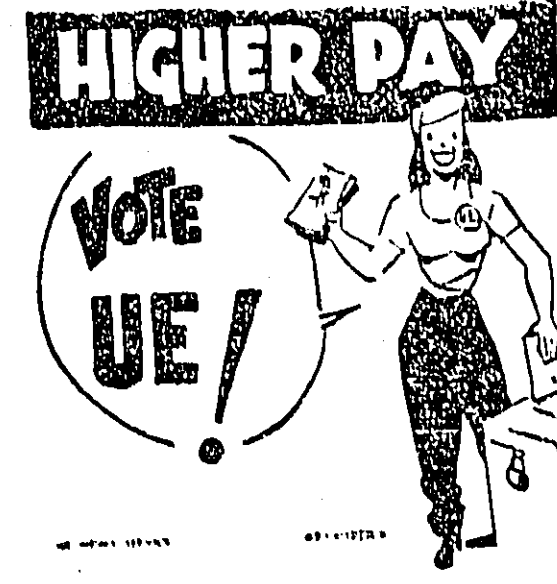
Not Even Paper IUE At 28 GE Locations

When the NLRB hearings closed on the GE election, there were still 28 GE locations where the IUE could not even set up paper locals. Here's the list:

York, Pa., where the workers belong to UE Local 115; Allentown, Pa., UE 128; Taunton, Mass., UE 204; East Boston, Mass., UE 224; Pitchburg, Mass., UE 286; Buffalo, UE 326; Fort Edward, UE 332; Mt. Vernon, UE 419; Bloomfield, N. J., UE 422; Newark, N. J., UE 429; Erie, Pa., UE 618; Charleston, W. Va., UE 620; Bellevue, Ohio, UE 713; Conneaut, Ohio, UE 731; Youngstown, Ohio, UE 734; Cincinnati, Ohio, UE 766; Kansas City, Mo., UE 803; St. Louis, Mo., UE 819; Wabash, Ind., UE 923; Decatur, Ind., UE 924; Detroit, Mich., UE 937; Ontario, Calif., UE 1012; DeKalb, Ill., UE 1122; Danville, Ill., UE 1123; Chicago, Ill., UE 1151; Long Island City, UE 1227; San Francisco, Calif., UE 1412, and Los Angeles, Calif., UE 1421.

Service for Jobless

The UE-301 committee on unemployment this week started a new plan of having a member of the committee at the union hall from 4 p. m. to 9 p. m. every Monday to assist jobless members of the union with their problems. The committee also plans to canvass the list of unemployed members to find how many are still jobless and how many have found work.



Job of Craneman Saved in Bldg. 16

Solid support of other cranimen saved the job of Joe Mastro in Building 16. It also warned GE that cranimen are ready to fight any GE effort to take men off their jobs arbitrarily in violation of the seniority provisions and grievance procedure of the UE contract.

GE has been giving physical examinations to cranimen and has announced it will take anyone off his job who doesn't come up to the company's physical standards. The company notified Mastro several weeks ago that his physical examination showed he shouldn't be running a crane and that he would have to go off his job May 7. Building 41 informed UE-301 it wouldn't accept the statement of Mastro's own physician that he is physically fit. Mastro, 56, has 38 years' service of which 27 has been in the crane department.

Cranemen had a special meeting recently at the union hall to protest the treatment of Mastro and the threat to all cranimen. Later Shop Steward William Milner, William Holub, a crane-man, William Templeton, assistant to the business agent, and Executive Board Member Joseph Kelly took up the case in Bldg. 41.

Last week management notified the union office that a new physical examination was satisfactory and that Mastro will stay on the job.

New UE Plants

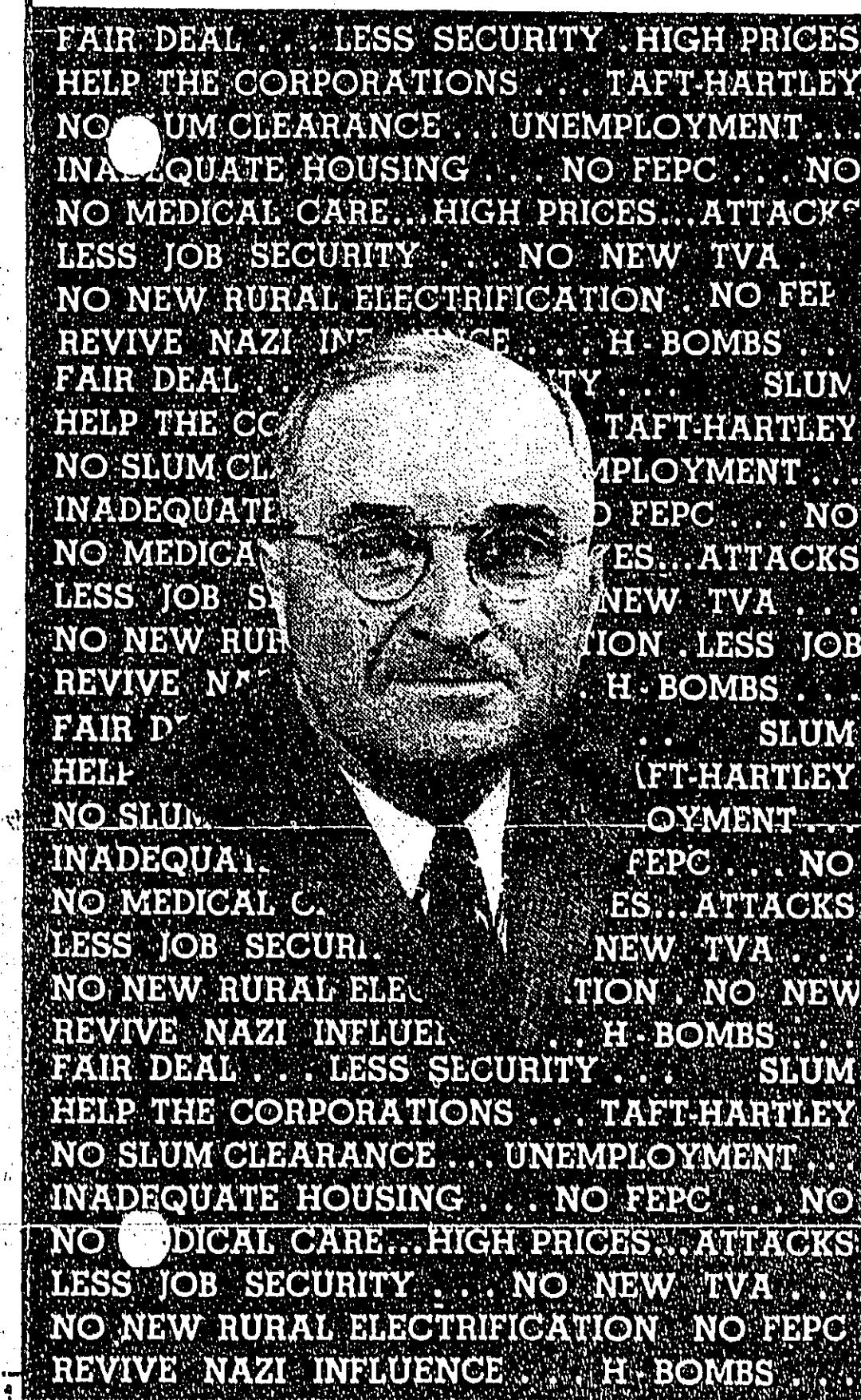
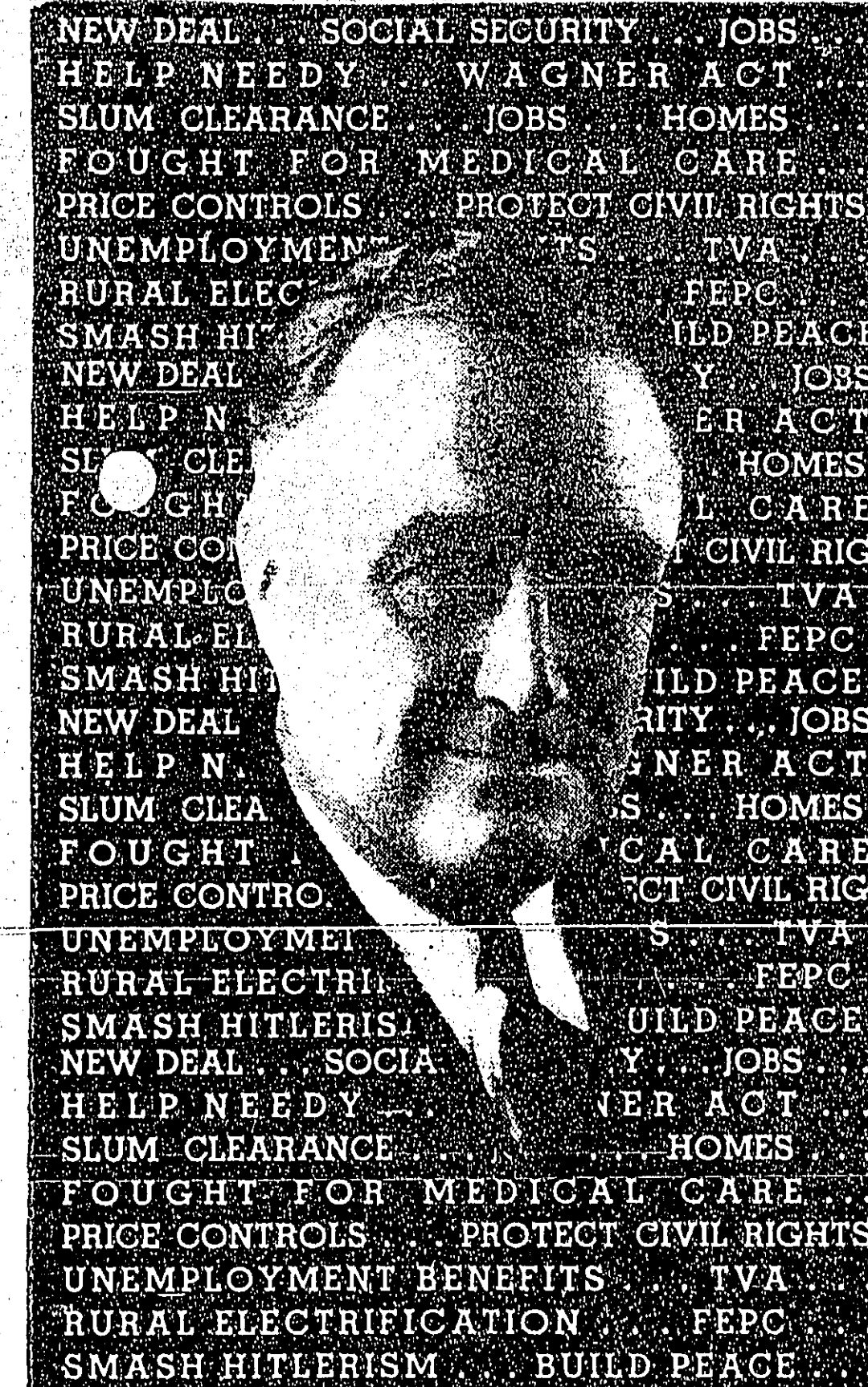
UE organized the following plants since 1950 and secured recognition at them as bargaining agent for the first time:

Advance Metal Products, Chicago, Ill.; Kalon Radio, New York, N. Y.; Aaron, K. N., Newark, N. J.; Holsum Bakery Equipment, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Industrial Plastics & Textile, Caldwell, N. J.; Subet Plastics, Philadelphia, Pa.; Arbuck, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Did You Know?

More than 20,000 unorganized workers in the electrical and machine industry have joined UE since November.

Perfection Machinery, Minneapolis, Minn.	42	
J. H. Day Co., Cincinnati, O.	220	10
Hugh Heby, Philadelphia, Pa.	204	1
Pioneer Pump Co., Detroit, Mich.	7	1
Wiedemann Machine Co., Philadelphia, Pa.	77	7
Nicholson File Co., Philadelphia, Pa.	202	39
Taylor Lock, Philadelphia, Pa.	81	



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DURING THE ROOSEVELT ADMINISTRATION, the Government fought the corporations in behalf of the people.

Today, politicians in Washington are fighting the people in behalf of the corporations.

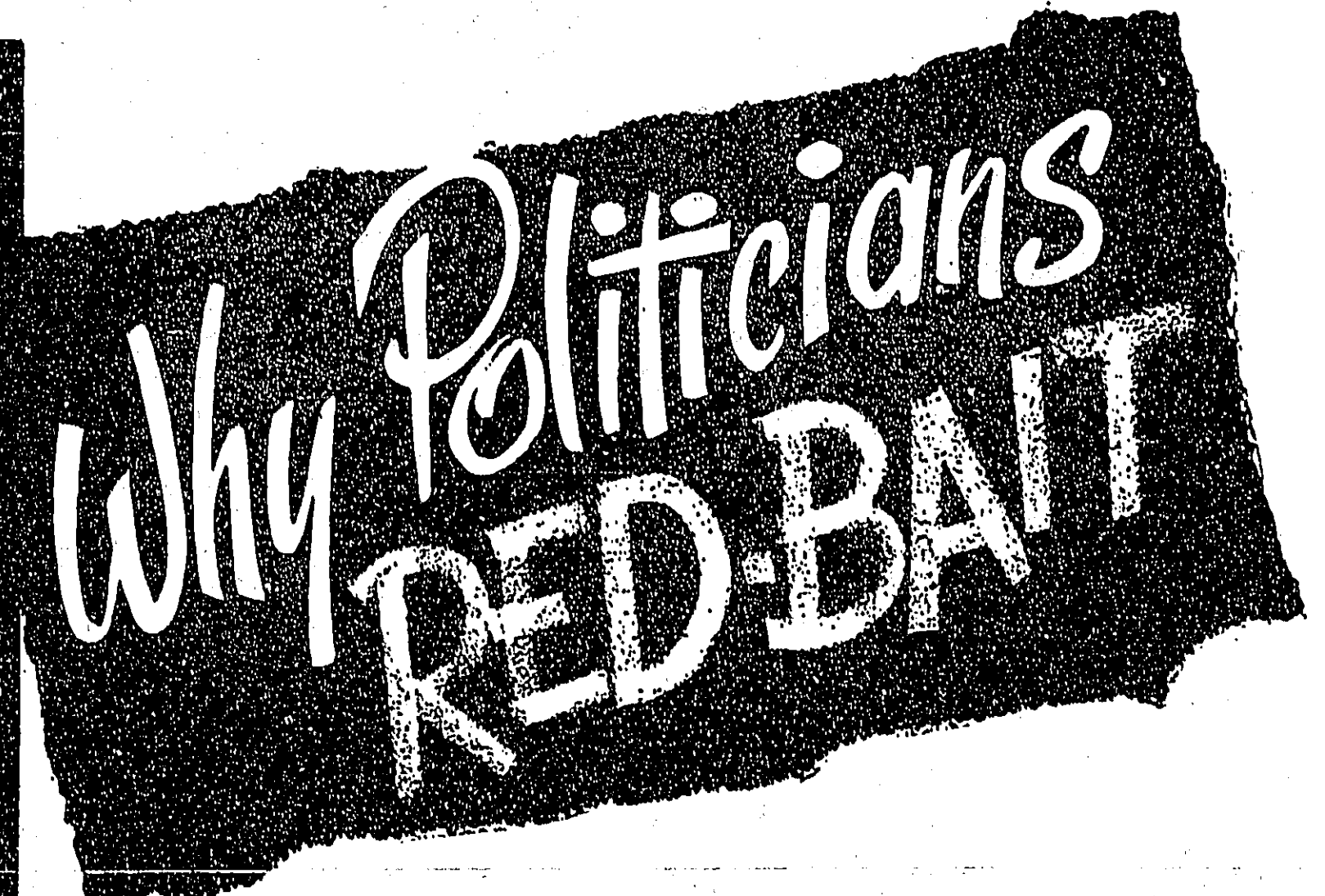
UE was a union singled out for outstanding praise during the period of the New Deal.

Our Union won praise not only for raising the living standards of its 600,000 workers—but also for its contributions to the welfare of the nation as a whole.

Suddenly—today—UE becomes the target for attack by politicians in high places.

What has happened? Why the change in attitude towards one of America's most democratic and effective unions?

UE was born in 1936. It was a period of struggle by



working people against the big corporations for the right to work... for the right to feed their children... for the right to join unions...

UE joined that fight. UE supported FDR's New Deal program because it was on the side of the people.

At that time—as now—the corporations were scream-

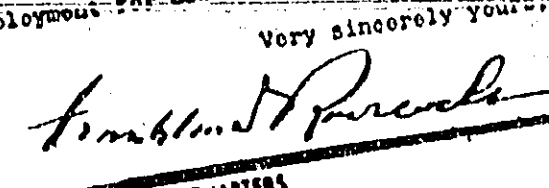
THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON September 19, 1944

My dear Mr. Fitzgerald:

I am delighted to send my greetings to the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, meeting in convention in New York.

You have reason to be proud of the achievement of your 700,000 men and women in war production. I know the country can count on all of you to maintain the same high level of endeavor until this war is finally won on all fronts.

As we work to victory, we must remember that victory can be a day of elation only so it is a continuation of an advancing American era of full production and full employment for all our people.

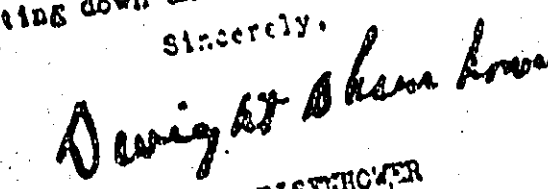
Very sincerely yours,


ALFRED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 Office of the Commander-in-Chief
 25 March, 1945.

Dear Mr. Sentinel:

The greetings sent to me and the Allied Forces in North Africa by the members of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, reached here only today. It is one of the most encouraging and heart-warming messages I have had from any group. It reflects a determined fighting spirit and, also, it was written at a time when our units in central Tunisia were having very heavy fighting. It shows, also, that your members are not to be discouraged by hard fighting. This is the true soldier spirit, and I am going to see that your message receives the widest possible circulation among our troops.

With everybody - whether worker or soldier - doing his best day in and day out, we will shorten the time required for beating down and utterly destroying Hitlerism.

Sincerely,


DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER
 General, U. S. Army
 Commander-in-Chief

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 UNITED ELECTRICAL RADIO & MACHINE WORKERS

THE MORE DEDIED MEMBERS OF YOUR ORGANIZATION IN PLANTS MANUFACTURING ATOMIC BOMB COMPONENTS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT PART IN SPEEDING OUR VICTORY OVER JAPAN THEY HAVE EARNED THE THANKS OF THE NATION FOR THEIR EFFORTS

ROBERT P PATTERSON UNDER SECRETARY OF WAR
 WASHINGTON DC

Letters above are testimony to UE's role in war and, at right, UE Sec. Treas. Julius Emspak (right) with Green (AFL) and Murray (CIO) on FDR's Labor Victory Committee.

THE NEW DEAL

ing "communist" at all unions fighting to help the people. But the Roosevelt Administration—also fighting for the people—did NOT engage in red-baiting. *On the contrary, the New Deal, its leading supporters and FDR himself were all red-baited by big business.*

The Roosevelt program called for social security, unemployment benefits, a Wagner Labor Relations Act giving workers the right to join unions, taxes on the greedy—not the needy, new homes, fair employment practices without discrimination, protection of the democratic rights of the people.

UE was NOT red-baited by the Administration when the Administration was fighting the Liberty League, the Manufacturers Association and the "economic royalists," as FDR called them.

UE was NOT red-baited when it threw its support behind the Roosevelt Administration in its fight against Hitlerism. UE members joined that fight as part of the American people—not because our country was fighting alongside of Russia but because it was a fight in the interests of working people and our very democracy itself.

PRAISE FOR UE

And again UE was NOT red-baited by the Administration as it made important contributions for victory, both on the production line and battle line. As a matter of record, UE was highly praised for its "loyalty," "patriotism" and "fighting spirit" by President Roosevelt, Admiral Nimitz, General Eisenhower, Under Secretary of War Patterson and others.

And after the victory, UE was NOT red-baited when its members threw their support behind FDR's "Economic Bill of Rights" and the idea of lasting peace through the United Nations. UE took its stand—by democratic convention vote—because economic security and peace is in the interests of the people.

The policies of the New Deal were fought for by President Roosevelt and supported by the common people including the UE. *There was no need to engage in red-baiting because the Administration had nothing to hide from the common people. It was fighting on their side against greedy interests at home and abroad.*

THE FAIR DEAL

It may be LEGAL, but is it LOYAL?

When All Over America—Plants are Closed As Workers "Hit the Bricks"

When Chrysler workers struck, bosses called them "disloyal" and Moscow's "Fifth Column" to cover up huge company profits and their attacks on union. (Adv. Feb., 1950)

The Detroit Board of Commerce

U. S. STEEL INCOME SETS 20-YEAR TOP

\$49,929.67
 Quarter 1
 3 Mon
 DIVIDEND

G.M. PROFIT FOR '49 SETS U. S. RECORD WITH \$656,434,232.

Increase Over Previous Year 1948, Results From

Westinghouse Income Soars To New Peak

Yearly increase in profits

General Electric HAS BEST YEAR: NETS \$4.36 A SHARE

General Electric manufacturing, had in the fifty years of \$125.00 on each 30 on each of \$2,845,027 common shares and \$122,835,717

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And help build a SOVIET AMERICA

Red-baiting to cover-up profits and anti-labor acts was the same during the days of FDR when bosses called CIO "red" (see exhibit left) except FDR fought the bosses while today Truman joins with them.

But today this has all been changed. Politicians of the Truman Administration have turned their backs on the Roosevelt policies and program. Wall Street bankers and industrialists are in the White House directing policy.* No wonder red-baiting all those who fight for the people—always a big business policy—is now a policy of the Administration itself!

UNEMPLOYMENT SKYROCKETING

Today Taft-Hartley has replaced the Wagner Act. Taxes are on the needy—and the corporations pile up vast profits. Billions (over \$2,000 per each American family) have been poured into a "cold war" program which lines the pockets of industrialists while millions are going jobless both at home and overseas. Unemployment is skyrocketing in all but four of the twenty nations receiving the bulk of USA funds. While in our own nation, unemployment has reached the major proportions of over 6,000,000 jobless.

While billions are spent overseas for military purposes, little or no money in our own nation goes for housing, health, education, to fight high prices or to fight discrimination against minority peoples.

UE refuses to give blind support to politicians whose policies are not in the interests of the people. UE does not support politicians who are loyal to big business rather than the people.

It is for this reason that UE is red-baited.

UE would NOT be red-baited as it is today by corporations and politicians if UE gave up the fight to improve workers' conditions and accepted Taft-Hartley policies both here and abroad.

POLITICIANS AID CORPORATIONS

Just as they have always done, the corporations scream "communist" at every person or organization which speaks out for the people. Today they are aided by the politicians

*Of 125 appointments made by President Truman in two years there could be identified 49 financiers and industrialists, 17 corporation lawyers and 31 Generals, Admirals and other military brass. In addition, hundreds of industrialists, financiers, and corporation lawyers serve on the advisory committees of various government boards and agencies.

ILO NEWS

March 7, 1950

The International Labor Office announced today that unemployment has increased over the last 12 months period in all but four of twenty nations in Europe, North America and Oceania for which the ILO has recent statistics . . .

U.S. News & World Report

Five years from now, unless business activity rises steadily from the present high level, there may be 12 million unemployed in this country. If business should fail to hold as high as it is now, the number of unemployed will go above the 12-million mark.

An Interview With Truman

Five down to millions unemployed. A certain amount of unemployment, say from three to five millions, is supportable. It is a good thing that job-seeking should go on at all times; this is healthy for the economic body. But the main thing is to keep...

The New York Times

The way to solve problems is not red-baiting to cover up a record of failure and greed but the putting into operation of FDR's "Economic Bill of Rights" (below).

The right to a job

The right to a decent wage

The right to a decent home

The right to medical care

The right to adequate care in sickness and old age

The right to a good education

who have abandoned the fight for the welfare of the people.

By red-baiting, they hope to cover-up their miserable record of greed, failure and deceit.

This is the real reason why UE is attacked by the politicians today. Though UE officers signed so-called "non-communist affidavits," still the red-baiting continues. It is the only "argument" the bosses have now—or had during the days of the New Deal.

The difference between 1933 and 1950 is that FDR waged war on the greed of the corporations. Today corporations are in the saddle and their politicians wage war on the people.

HYSTERIA WILL NOT FOOL THE PEOPLE

But the American people—including UE members—demand policies which are in the interests of the people and all the red-baiting and appeals to hysteria will not deceive them.

UE members continue to fight for a return to the policies of FDR and his "Economic Bill of Rights."

Our members are proud of the unequal record of accomplishment made by UE men and women—and look forward to even greater accomplishments ahead.

The unity and determination of our members will withstand the red-baiting and lead us towards greater security, peace and a decent life for ourselves, our families and all people who work.

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6:30 WEDNESDAY (TONIGHT)

W P T R 1540 ON DIAL

Note: Because of a misunderstanding between Station WPTR and the union office, last week's broadcast was announced for the wrong time.

The UE broadcast will be at 6:30 every Wednesday night up to the election.

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