



# IUE-CIO Breaks Through in South: Plant-wide Seniority in Louisville

IUE-CIO has broken through the geographical Iron Curtain GE is trying to erect between the North and the South. In doing so it has assured that if GE still tries to move jobs away from Unionized plants, it is going to have to pay Southern workers the same wages and provide the same conditions.

This significant victory for the Labor movement was won on the 14th of May in Louisville, Kentucky. On that date IUE-CIO Local 761 brought the General Electric Company around to signing IUE-CIO's demands for a Local Supplement.

Local 761 is the fighting local at GE's new giant Appliance Park, which will be the home of all appliance production for GE. Now representing 3,000 production and maintenance employees, GE has scheduled the "park" to have a work force of 16,000 next year.

IUE-CIO's victory on winning plant-wide seniority is one of a series of important victories in the South—an area that UE has not been able to organize.

IUE-CIO won bargaining rights at Louisville last August 12 when it de-

feated UE in an NLRB election by the overwhelming vote of . . .

IUE-CIO..... 1,089  
UE..... 147

The Louisville victory wasn't the first GE run-away plant to be organized by IUE-CIO.

Prior to that IUE-CIO organized GE plants in Linton, Ind. and Anniston, Ala. UE was repudiated in both locations.

Other run-away shops won by IUE-CIO are in Selma, Ala., Shawnee, Okla., Paducah, Ky., Memphis, Tenn., Dallas, Texas, Anderson, S. C., and other cities.

UE has been so repudiated that today

### Philly Local Ends UE Tie

On Wednesday another Local quit UE and joined IUE-CIO.

At a membership meeting in Philadelphia, employees of Wiedmann Machine Company, voted overwhelmingly to disaffiliate from UE and join IUE-CIO. They formerly belonged to UE Local 155. Now they are chartered as IUE-CIO Local 123.

it doesn't represent a single plant in the entire South. Its last local—in Huntington, W. Va. — joined IUE-CIO on May 5.

In the nine months that IUE-CIO has been in Louisville, it has not only won plant-wide seniority. On top of that IUE-CIO has succeeded in raising piece-work prices on 500 jobs by an average of 15%.

As a result, today GE workers on many piece-work jobs in Louisville receive the same earnings as GE workers in Erie, where UE has represented the people for more than 14 years!

Day rates have been raised, too. Such as on locomotive engineer classification the rate has been raised from \$1.73 to \$1.93½ and the Union is continuing to fight for \$2.00½ as the rate for that job.

That is the way to stop the run-away shops.

By seeing to it that the company will have to pay the same rates in one area as in another will make the company stay where it already is located.

UE has proved too weak to organize run-away plants. Only IUE-CIO has been able to do the job!

# LOCAL 301 NEWS

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# UE 'Artist' Here Is Cartoonist For Official Communist Party Paper!



The person who has been in Schenectady doing the slanderous and malicious cartoons against our Local 301 leaders is none other than Fred Wright. As you can see from the cartoons above, he is cartoonist for the Daily Worker, official Communist-Party newspaper-in New-York. Yet while

Wright does this Communist dirty work, HE IS PAID BY THE DUES MONEY OF UE MEMBERS! For more Fred Wright "cartoons" as they appeared in the Daily Worker, see the back page. And for the story of how the UE News has been politically corrupted, see inside.

## Unity of 100,000 GE Workers Means Higher Wages and More Job Security

The Following 56 GE Locals Are United in IUE-CIO

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|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Alameda, Calif.    | Everett, Mass.          | Milwaukee, Wis.              | Schenectady, N. Y.            |
| Anniston, Alabama  | Fitchburg, Mass.        | Minneapolis, Minn.           | (Main Plant)                  |
| Auburn, New York   | Fort Wayne, Ind.        | Montreal, Que. (2 Locals)    | Schenectady, N. Y. (Knolls 2) |
| Bridgeport, Conn.  | Holyoke, Mass.          | New Kensington, Pa.          | Schenectady, N. Y. (Maqua)    |
| (2 Locals)         | Huntingburg, Ind.       | Newark, N. J.                | Seattle, Wash.                |
| Bridgeville, Pa.   | Irvington, N. J.        | New York, N. Y.              | Springfield, N. J.            |
| Bucyrus, Ohio      | Johnstown, Pa.          | Oakland, Calif.              | Syracuse, N. Y.               |
| Cambridge, Mass.   | Lachine, Quebec         | Oakville, Ontario            | Tell City, Ind.               |
| Charleston, W. Va. | Linton, Ind.            | Peterborough, Ontario        | Toronto, Ontario              |
| Cleveland, Ohio    | Long Beach, Calif.      | Philadelphia, Pa. (2 Locals) | Trenton, N. J.                |
| Clifton, N. J.     | Long Island City, N. Y. | Pittsburgh, Pa.              | Wabash, Ind.                  |
| Coburg, Ontario    | Los Angeles, Calif.     | Pittsfield, Mass. (2 Locals) | Warren, Ohio                  |
| DeKalb, Lillinois  | Louisville, Ky.         | Providence, R. I.            | Waterford, N. Y.              |
| Euclid, Ohio       | Lynn, Mass.             | Quebec City, Quebec          | Youngstown, Ohio              |

Here's the UE NEWS . . .

# A Cesspool of Communist-line "Political" Baloney

**Supreme Court Hears Empsak Case**  
WASHINGTON - The United States Supreme Court heard arguments today for the reversal of the conviction of John Empsak, 112 Congress Street, Boston.

**Delegates Visit Third of Congress**  
WASHINGTON - Delegates from the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers' Union visited the third day of the 83rd Congress today.

**Butler Depression Bill**  
WASHINGTON - The House today passed the Butler Depression Bill, H.R. 100, which provides for a new system of government-owned enterprises.

**UE Launches Dollar Campaign to Anti-Labor Politicians in '54**  
WASHINGTON - The United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers' Union today launched a campaign to collect one dollar from each member to be used in the election of 1954.

**Union Checks NLRB Threat**  
WASHINGTON - The United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers' Union today checked the threat of a new National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) ruling.

**New Jersey Members Visit Congressman on '53 Laws**  
NEW JERSEY - Members of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers' Union today visited their congressman to discuss the proposed laws for 1953.

**Pardons for Two Congressmen**  
WASHINGTON - The House today passed a bill to grant pardons to two congressmen.

**Court of Appeals Split On Quinn, Empsak Cases**  
WASHINGTON - The United States Court of Appeals today split on the Quinn and Empsak cases.

**Chicago UE Opens Political Action Program with Visits to Congressmen**  
CHICAGO - The Chicago branch of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers' Union today opened its political action program with visits to congressmen.

**Dayton Worker Gets 5 Yrs. In T-H Affidavit Frame-Up**  
DAYTON - A worker in Dayton today received a five-year sentence in a frame-up based on a T-H affidavit.

**813 Backs Eberhard Candidacy**  
DAYTON - Eight hundred and thirteen workers today backed the candidacy of Eberhard.

**"Salt of the Earth, Exciting New Movie"**  
A new movie, "Salt of the Earth," is being shown in theaters.

**Court Upholds Mrs. Sentner Against Immigration Order**  
A court today upheld Mrs. Sentner against an immigration order.

**Set Political Action Parley for February 28**  
A political action parley is set for February 28.

**ACROSS THE ROAD**  
A road sign with the text "ACROSS THE ROAD" and an arrow pointing right.

**TO PROTECT OUR JOBS KEEP OUR UNIONS FREE**  
A sign with the text "TO PROTECT OUR JOBS KEEP OUR UNIONS FREE".

**PETITION LAUNCHED BY UE**  
A petition was launched by the UE.

**"Is our nation, in the name of defending its children, actually ravaging their security, defacing their character, and imperiling their lives?"**  
A quote by Albert E. Kahn.

**TO 100, 11 East 31st Street, New York 22, N.Y.**  
Address information for the UE.

**NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_**  
Form for a petition or subscription.

Here are sample pages of the UE News showing how the official paper of UE has been corrupted by politicians whose interest is not in the members, but in a political ideology foreign to our

basic ideas, and in fact dangerous to our American democracy. Pick up any issue of the UE News - 80% of the space is devoted to political hogwash, and 20% (sometimes not that much)

to issues directly on wage increases and improved conditions. Of course, with almost no members left, UE couldn't fill up 12 pages with talk about wage increases, or organization of unorganized

# UE 'Artist' In All His Glory --- Promoting The "Daily Worker"!



Here is UE's treacherous Fred Wright in all his glory spreading his Communist baloney in the Daily Worker. It isn't just a

coincidence. This guy has been exposed many times as a Communist leech living off the dues money of UE members. But the UE

National Officers will never fire him. No! Instead they embrace him and hail him as a "hero of the working class."

**IUE-CIO LOCAL 301 NEWS**  
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## IUE-CIO LOCALS IN GE

- Schenectady, New York (Main Plant)
- Bloomfield, New Jersey
- Newark, New Jersey
- Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Louisville, Kentucky
- Linton, Indiana
- Anniston, Alabama
- Cleveland, Ohio
- Fort Wayne, Indiana
- Warren, Ohio
- Huntingburg, Indiana
- Bucyrus, Ohio
- Euclid, Ohio
- Ellettsville, Indiana
- Wabash, Indiana
- Youngstown, Ohio
- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (2 Locals)
- Lynn, Massachusetts
- Bridgeport, Connecticut (2 Locals)
- Cambridge, Massachusetts
- Pittsfield, Massachusetts (2 Locals)
- Everett, Massachusetts
- Holyoke, Massachusetts
- Fitchburg, Massachusetts
- Providence, Rhode Island
- Schenectady, New York (Atomic Energy Works)
- Syracuse, New York
- Waterford, New York
- Trenton, New Jersey
- New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- Charleston, West Virginia
- Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- Auburn, New York
- New York City, New York
- Bridgville, Pennsylvania
- Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- Seattle, Washington
- Johnstown, Pennsylvania
- Schenectady, New York (Magna Plant)
- Clifton, New Jersey
- Springfield, New Jersey
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- New York City
- Los Angeles, California
- Long Beach, California
- Alameda, California
- Oakland, California
- Cobourg, Ontario, Canada
- Oakville, Ontario, Canada
- Toronto, Ontario, Canada
- Peterborough, Ontario, Canada
- Montreal, Quebec, Canada (Solox GE Lumps)
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Only through unity can GE workers win the wages, conditions and job security they deserve. That is why Local 301 has united with IUE-CIO, to make 100,000 GE workers unified against the company in negotiations.

## TURBINE HASN'T CHANGED BUT ALL HAS!

The Turbine workers have a good record of fighting for a strong clean Union. In this we take back seat to nobody!

IN 1950 --- It was Turbine that led the drive to kick out Vic Paschi because we knew his politics were Communist.

IN 1951 --- It was Turbine that led the drive to make sure that the \$5-for-the "Defense Fund" didn't go to New York to defend the National and any Comies who might be in trouble at the time.

IN 1952 --- Turbine again led the drive to make sure that the additional 25¢ in Pay-Grade that the National was asking for didn't go to defend Communists.

Now --- IN 1954 --- Turbine was again in the lead to put our own house in order and all that we weren't legislated out of existence. We set the pace in the drive to unite 100,000 GE workers in IUE-CIO.

But now, in comes Al Kotarski... Al was one of the first guys to praise the move to unite 100,000 GE workers in IUE-CIO. In fact, he was one of the leaders in selling the proposition on the idea that "We've got to get rid of those Communists."

Kotarski was all for our moves in the past. People are wondering now, Al--- WHY THE SUDDEN CHANGE?? WHAT'S THE DEAL? WHAT KIND OF PROMISES HAVE THE RED-DAILY BOYS BEEN MAKING?

Turbine hasn't changed. We're still in the lead for a clean, strong, militant Union. And we always will be--- even after the light of heart have fallen by the wayside!!!

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