Negotiations . . .

With this economic set-up the U.E. will face the General Electric Company and many other large employers to demand an increase in wages for our members. The members should be aware of the opposition that will be organized against the demand for a wage increase. While G.E. has always been reluctant to grant a raise, they will solicit the press, radio and Government agencies to help them in their refusal to grant a substantial raise. The Union-busting groups like the IUE-CIO will do what they can to oppose us, in the hope that negative results will help their program of raiding and disorganizing. Soliciting the aid of Government agencies, we can expect the Un-American Activities Committee or another Kersten Committee investigation to be brought in to play. Under the guise of patriotism the job of those government agencies will be to destroy the unity of our Union so that we will be weakened in our wage negotiations.

What To Do . .

With the outlook of a hard fight before us, we can win if we unite and fight.

We can assure ourselves of a few simple facts:

The Company can afford a wage increase.

The members, particularly day workers, need a wage increase with the cost of living rising every day.

There are higher taxes in store for us during 1951.

We are putting more effort in our jobs every day through speed-up and change of methods, and all G.E. workers should be compensated for their efforts.

We are pledged to support and defend our country and we expect it will require some sacrifice, but we think the sacrifice should be shared equally by industry as well as labor.

U. E. R. W. of A. — LOCAL 301 — EXECUTIVE BOARD

We, the undersigned, pledge to support the U.E.R.M.W. of A. wage increase demands on March 15, 1951.

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O Wages Frozen - Prices at Highest Level

Turbine Membership Protests Speed-up

There have been a number of complaints throughout the Turbine Division, from the employees, about Methods Men and Foremen speeding up machines, in order to cut prices.

The price cut is not all, but the speeds and feeds tried in a couple of cases tore the work from a planer and a boring mill.

Safety is taking a back seat in many of the proposed set-ups today, and Turbine members don't like it. The shop stewards held an emergency meeting at lunch time last week, and elected a committee to see the Turbine Department Manager, Mr. Warren. Elected on the committee were:

William J. Kelly, Joseph Alois, William Stewart, Roy Lash, R. C. Hutton, William H. Christiansen, John V. Marinucci, Michael R. De Celli, George S. Crandall, Edward Duglin, Frederick T. Sheehan, Joseph Sickinger, Edward A. Mordawski, William McCall, Jr., Vito Schiavo.

The committee will report back to the shop stewards of the Turbine Division.

Workmen's Compensation Legislation

Two bills introduced in the New York State Legislature, are designed only to assist New York City employees. Both bills could very well apply to the State of New York, if the need for such legislation was considered important by the Legislators. One bill, S-60, would grant compensation to employees for lost time, while attending hearings in compensation proceedings. The others, S-62, would permit the claimant to receive the difference between the amount of his Workmen's Compensation award, and his wages.

Those of you who have had Compensation claims, know how important and helpful the above bills could be. Why not call your Assemblyman, Oswald Heck, and urge him to have these bills extended so that they would cover Schenectady, too.

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Statement of Income and Expenses

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1950

This information about Local 301 finances during 1950, previously given to the membership, is published in the E.U. News in compliance with the Taft-Hartley Law.

RECEIPTS

Miscellaneous

..\$166,683.10

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Total		(*);	\$169,078.61
	DISBUR	SEMENTS	
Per Capita	l Tax		\$ 68,989.25
Salaries a	nd Allowa	ances	40,230.56
Time Lost	Reimbur	sed to	7
members	š		61,995.21
Taxes	n.		4,111.00
Administra	itive Exp	ense	19,940.42
Organizati	onal Exp	ense	56,353.65
Contribution			
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Total Assets at end of fiscal year

Copies of the Local 301 U.E. Statement of Income and Expenses for the year ending Dec. 31, 1950 are available at the Union Hall, 301 Liberty St., Schenectady, for all members.

The extraordinary expenses incurred for 1950 due to N.L.R.B. Election and attacks by IUE-CIO cost Local 301 approximately \$85,000.

Pensioners Meeting Schedule

The Pensioners Organization of Local 301 will meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 2:00 p.m.

The Economic Stabilization Board Froze wages as of Thursday, January 25, 12 o'clock midnight. The Price Freeze fixed a ceiling level based on the highest prices charged by manufacturers, wholesalers or retailers, in the period between December 19, 1950 and January 25, 1951.

According to Wage Stabilization Director Cyrus Ching, the application of the wage freeze as it affects individuals, will be announced later. Prices are at an all-time high. Certain food prices are permitted to rise still higher if price levels are "sub-standard". Nothing is done to stop speed-up, or cuts in earnings due to transfers.

UE Local 301 Stewards are circulating petitions to support—the wage demands which the Union will present to the Company on March 15th.

At the time of going to press the local management notified the Union that all changes upwards in job rates including those rates on progressions would be held up pending clarification from Washington. However, they agreed to continue negotiations on any case, and changes that could be agreed upon would be held up pending interpretation of the wage freeze, if it affected wages.

In discussing this matter with the national office of the U.E. they inform us that, while there has been a wage freeze order issued, the application of the order has not been released as yet. We are presently awaiting instructions from our N. Y. office. There is nothing in the order that prevents the Company from agreeing that changes should be made. Therefore, we shall process cases as usual up to that point. Shop stewards are notified to continue to process any case that has merit through the grievance procedure.

We are still looking for the freeze on speed-up and piece work price cutting and transfers to lower rated jobs. As usual it is missing.

COMBINED
MEMBERSHIP - STEWARD
MEETING

MONDAY FEBRUARY 5, 1951
1st and 3rd Shift — 7:30 P.M.
2nd shift 1:30 P.M.—afternoon

Plant to Close Lincoln's Birthday

The management notifed the Union that G.E. will close down Monday, February 12th, for Lincoln's Birthday.

This holiday is not included among the seven paid holidays in the U.E. contract. It will mean a 20% cut in take-out pay for many thousands of families that week. No so long ago G.E. workers faced this same situation many times during the year when the Company did not pay for any holidays. In some states G.E. workers still are affected by the plants closing on a number of holidays for which they are not paid. In New York State GE workers will have one more holiday to add to their contract before they eliminate plant shutdowns on holidays without pay.

U.E. Calls Conference On Wages

The National Union is calling a conference of representatives of U.E. locals throughout the country which will take place in New York City on Sunday, Feb. ruary 11, at 10:00 a.m.

The purpose of the conference will be to develop and adopt a program that will help our Union meet the problems of our members in the coming collective bargaining campaigns. Local 301 will send the three delegates who were elected to the G.E. Conference Board for 1951 — William J. Kelly, Fred Pacelli and Leo Jandreau.

The G.E. Conference Board will convene the same day to discuss specifically our approach on the wage question.

President Fitzgerald to Speak to UE 301

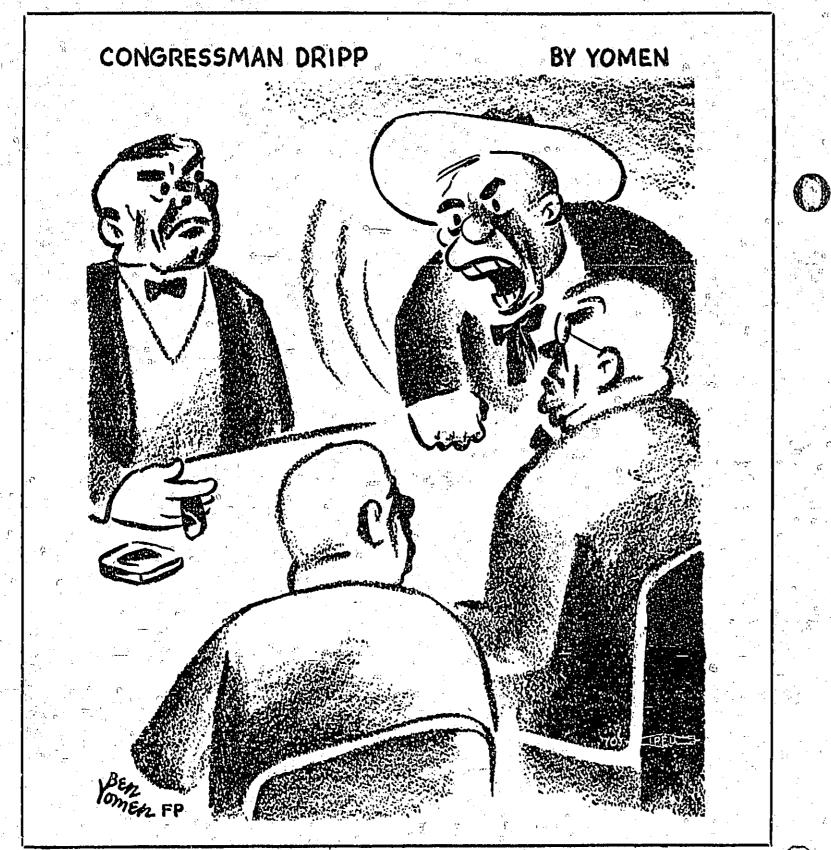
International President Albert J. Fitzgerald will speak at the February Membership meeting. The meeting will take place at Union Headquarters on Monday, February 5, at 7:30 P.M. This will be a joint stewards and membership meeting.

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"The time has come to sacrifice! So let's start by sacrificing wages."

Three Acquitted On Indictments

Honolulu - Three defendants, leaders of the Intl. Longshoremen's and Warehoursemen's Union, who have been indicted for refusal to answer questions before the House un-American Committee, have been acquitted of charges of contempt of Congress.

The action was taken by Federal Judge Delbert E. Metzger in light of a recent unanimous U.S. Supreme Court decision that the defendants were justified in their refusal to answer questions put to them by the committee on grounds of possible self-incrimination.

There have been 39 Hawaiian unionists indicted under the charge of contempt. of Congress. It is indicated that cases against other indicted Hawaiian union-"ists may also be dismissed."

The U.S. Supreme Court has upheld the right of people to "remain silent" under the protection of Constitutional guarantees against self-incrimination in a number of important decisions recently.

Children's Home Thanks Local 301

The Children's Home, at 1216 State St., sent a note of appreciation for the donation of candies, nuts, and toys that were left over from the Local 301 Children's Christmas Party. The message from the Secretary of the Home, Mary Woodin, read: "The Children of the Children's Home, join the Board of Managers, in thanking you very much for the kind donation of candies and nuts, which added so much to the party atmosphere of the Christmas season, and especially for the toys, with which they can continue to play and have as a reminder of your generosity."

The first such case involved Mrs. Patricia Blau of Denver about a month ago and was re-emphasized in another decision involving her husband, Irving Blau. More recently, decisions were handed down extending protection against self-incrimination to witnesses before administrative —as well as judicial—agencies of the Government,

Shop Stewards Sworn In

The following shop stewards have been sworn into office for 1951, according to the Union records. It is a membership ruling that all stewards and officers must take the oath of office or they will be removed from the roles as a representative. All stewards who have not been sworn in should be present at the next Stewards-Membership meeting which will take place on Monday, February 5, 1951, at Union Headquarters.

Steward

- 10 Martin E. Behr, M. Drooby, Celia R. Moskos, Joseph E. O'Rourke, Sophie Strenka, Charles J. Zukan-
- 24 Robert Shearer, Evelyn Verlotte.
- 28 Margaret English, Ethel Fürman, Martin Hagl, Harold D. Simpson. 10C Philip Doherty.
- 37 Albert C. Baxter, Lillian Kendall. K-1 Michael P. Petro.

-Airport Frank Morrison.

- 12 Angelo Durante, George Quick, Antoinette Restina, B. Ten Have.
- 14 Joseph Kelly.
- 16 Robert B. Eaton, Graham Herwerth, Samuel Jones, Victor Rucinski, Zygfryd J. Sawicki, L. G. Wilkins, Edward C. Peek.
- Arthur W. De Braccio, Samuel Giannone, Robert G. Rannie.
- Floyd H. Borst.
- 17 Edmund Calleo, Sidney Friedlander, Angelo Pace.
- Joseph J. Koral, Peter O'Neil.
- Charles T. Bank, James Cantore. William Christman, Jerry C. Favata, Norbert J. Prusko.
- George Bullis, Benjamin Gabriele, Medric Guyette, Frank Kania, Joseph Kernaghan, Edith Martin, Clement J. Maten, Thomas J. Morrissey, Henry M. Otten, Cleon C. Powell, Blanche Wincheski.
- 46 Robert E. Lee, S. Pita, S. A. Campbell.
- 48 Amancia Blanco.
- 42 P. F. Candela, Morton L. Milkins, Stephen E. Van Allen.
- Dante DeCesare, Anthony Gallo, Berness R. Lackey, Nick Maiorelle, Reginald Smith, Joseph W. Tellier, Victor Woolf.
- "Mario Bagnato, Bernard Blesser, Anthony Batkiewicz, James Cognetta, Ralph Pipe, William Burdick, Victor St. John.
- 60 Earl R. Martin, Paul Rosa, Roy V. Schaffer. 3
- 64 Arthur Diehsner, Raymond L. Snyder.

- 66 Roy Cannice.
- 53 Ida Mae Caprio, Luther Close, Frank J. D'Amico, Carmen Di Donato.
- Charles Holmes.

Fire Patrol

- 69 Alice Crowingshield, Dominick Pitucci, Vincent Di Lorenzo, David Fiore, Charles Hannay, Helen Kasitch, Mary Laudozzi, Joseph Macherone, Joseph Whitbeck, John Wiesenger.
- Carl Fuchs, William Garrison, William Mastriani, Julius Rispoli, George Walker.
- 77 Michael Riggi.
- Victor Bikowitz, Ernest L. Cos. tanzo, Edward Di Nicola, Patsy Ferri.
- Melvin R. Hatley, Joseph Little, Lila E. Skowronski, Dominici: Sparano, Will L. Stevens.
- 72 George Bernhard.
- 76 Henry-Kaminski, Maynard Porter
- 84 Bob Jacobsen, Vernon Wood
- Joseph Kmonk,
- Sadie Iovinella, John Poltrack, Helen Quirini.
- Dewey Brashear, Sunday D. Lupi, John Parisi, Josephine Riggi,
- 95 Henry Deskiewicz.
- 98A Mike Bielecki.
- 101 Rudy Ellis, Fred Pacelli,
- 105 Steven J. Borovicka, Alvin Kremzier, William J. Swint?
- 107 Robert F. Brown, Louis Christopher Lawrence Dorman, Raymond Jeannott, Edmund Pawlaczyk, A. J. Spears.
- 85 David J. Adinolfi, Rembrandt J. Coleman, Hugh P. McMullen,

3rd Shift Schedule for Holiday

Third shift workers, who are on a

six-day schedule and have been working Sunday nights, will start their week the night of the holiday which will be Monday, February 12th. They will not work on Sunday night which will give them a longer weekend. The same premium overtime will be applied on Monday that is applicable for Sunday. This schedule for the third shift is the same as the one that has been used in the past when holidays have fallen on Mondays.

Bldg. Steward

- Everett Matthews, Miles G. Moon. Walter H. Balbarsus, E. J. La-Bombard.
- 109 Damas LaFountain.
- Edward R. Ausfeldt, Fay R. Hildreth, Peter Pompilio.
- Joseph P. Fava, Manuel Fernandez, Virginia Murphy, Betty Urbański, Frank Weksyner.
- James Antonelli, Adrian Baetens, Raymond G. Blesser, Marcel A. Charbonneau, Bruce Cole, Frank Cornicelli, Dominick R. De Vito, Roger Eaton, Walter Ferenz, Larry Gebe, Thomas Golden, Joseph Oswald, Joseph F. Shagalski, Jr., Steven J. Taszycki, George T. Trembly, Fred Van Hoesen, Joseph H. Alois, Anthony Bosha, John Fisler, John J. Gregor, Ralph F. Jeffers, Edward Killmeier, R. Rudolph Rissland, Dana C. Smith, William McCall, Jr., Joseph Redmond, Frederick Widmer, John Wilkie, C. Coons, Milton Daring, James Davidson, Michael R. De Celli, Nick De Lucia, George Furness, Paul F. Hacko, Jesse Hall, John Holubek, Kurt N. Huening, R. C. Hutton, Joseph W. Kazmar. Edward H. Koch, Alexander Kotarski, Roy E. Lash, William Linka, Robert C. McNeal, Vito Schiavo, Frank B. Shaeffer, Frederick T. Shechan, William Stewart, Russell Williams, Warren A. Winslow, James Deuel, Arthur G. Feuz, Donald L. Gauvreau, James Goldsberry, Joseph R. Koch, Clarence F. Perry, Ralph Vitallo, Jack Kil-
- Leon J. Chiachiaretta, Paul J. Landolfo, Owen B. Phillips, Joe Morin, Max Raps, Pauline Scott, Sam Scott, Dan Wojcuk, A. B. Wright.
- James De Masseo, Roy Hoffman.
- 11 William J. Snyder, Jr.

Test Maint.

- 13 Matthew C. Dockal, Harold Murtagh. '
- 61 P. H. Schaffer, James F. Conroy, Leo F. Cummings.
- 258A J. Harold Smith.
- Raymond R. Williams.
- CAP Salvatore F. Cremo, Frank Csontos. Fred S. Hudson, John L. Pettinger, J. J. Rakvica, Floyd Thomas, Alton L. Wright.

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