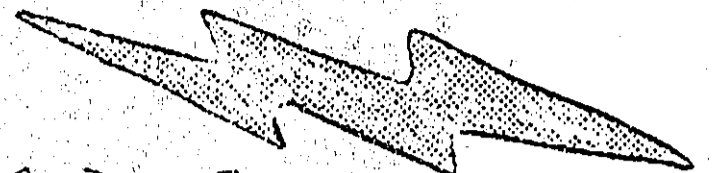


# LOCAL-301 NEWS



## IUE - AFL - CIO

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### U. E. A T I T A G A I N

U.E. continues its anti-labor policy by sending letters to some IUE Local 301 members, claiming the AFL-CIO is in the state of degeneration and calls upon IUE members to complain, disrupt and do everything that will make Local 301 less effective.

After creating serious damage, Fitzgerald of the U.E. will show you how you can be rescued by having you start from scratch and build your Union over again.

We can unite the Labor Movement and make you strong, says UE's president, Fitzgerald, but first we must make you weak by breaking up your unity with the AFL-CIO. That is why we continue to send you letters and put out a bulletin occasionally.

Fitzgerald and his organizers have a lot of time on their hands, not to be used to organize the unorganized workers....oh, no,....they are dedicated to serve the anti-labor forces in our country by disrupting the already organized workers.

U.E. talks about splits in the AFL-CIO. We admit they are an authority on splits, because the U.E. was split so many times that today it represents one of the smallest fragments of organized labor in our country.

Fitzgerald offers the organized G.E. and Westinghouse workers unity and strength in U.E. The obvious questions an interested worker would ask the U.E. are the following:

1. What have you accomplished since 1949 in getting the G.E. workers to return to U.E.?

The answer - Practically none have returned.

2. What have you accomplished in organizing new G.E. shops?

The answer - Nothing.

3. What have you accomplished in the field of Collective Bargaining in G.E.?

The answer - We got what the IUE-AFL-CIO negotiated.

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### EMPLOYMENT ON INCREASE

As of July 7th, the General Electric Company reported an increase of 76 employees in the Bargaining Unit represented by Local 301.

This makes a total increase in employment within the Bargaining Unit since March 6th, of 141 employees called back who were formerly laid off for lack of work.

The IUE Local 301 Bargaining Unit is presently 8319.

Most of the reengagements are in the Common Labor classification where openings are caused by employees being called back to jobs of higher classification which they formerly held.

As of Wednesday, July 12th, the service date for reengagements was late 1950.

Those employees who were laid off prior to October 24, 1960, and who are reengaged, will be eligible for termination benefits for which they were not entitled at the time of layoff.

### N O T I C E

#### MEMBERSHIP-STEWARDS MEETING

Monday, July 17, 1961

2nd shift.....1:30 p.m.  
1st & 3rd.....7:30 p.m.

Regular Order of Business  
Reports of Committees

## FORMER #301 PRESIDENT TO RETIRE

A Testimonial Dinner will be held on July 22nd, for Andy Peterson a former president of Local 301 and a charter member of our Union.

Andy works in the Motor Generator Department. He has accumulated over 42 years of service with G.E.

He has served with distinction for several years as president, member of the Executive Board and shop steward.

Andy was a member of the Relief and Loan Board representing shop employees. He has established an enviable record with regard to the service and help he has rendered his fellow employees.

The committee extends an invitation to all employees in the plant to participate in this Testimonial Dinner in honor of Andy Peterson. Contact your shop steward for tickets. Let's make this occasion a memorable one for Andy.

The committee on arrangements is composed of the following members of Local 301's Executive Board: James Cогnetta, Chairman; Pat Donato and Bill Mastriani.

## LSTG WELDER RECEIVES PAY ADJUSTMENT

A day work Welder in Large Steam Turbine will receive a pay adjustment as result of a grievance filed with the Company.

Since the first of the year, supervision has been changing the working hours of the Welder; however he was not being paid the proper premium pay for which he was entitled. The shop steward called this matter to the attention of supervision. After repeated discussions, there still seemed to be some misunderstanding.

At this stage, the Union representative filed a grievance asking for proper payment. The answer to the docket was that the Company wanted to enter into further discussions. At this point, Union representatives contacted Turbine Labor Relations officials and the facts concerning the case were disclosed. G.E., after checking out data given them agreed that the man had not received proper payment and that restitution would be made. He will receive retroactive payment from January of this year, in the approximate amount of \$250.00.

Board Member Alois, Stewards Robak and Thomas are to be congratulated for the manner in which this case was settled.

## U.E. AT IT AGAIN (Cont'd)

4. What do you have left that you represent in G.E.?

The answer - Approximately 8,000

5. On what do you spend the money that you collect as Per Capita Tax?

The answer - Raiding other organized shops and distributing propaganda for the purpose of disrupting organized workers.

## SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATION AT MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The report of the Scholarship Committee was approved at the regular meeting of Local 301's Executive Board which was held on Monday, July 10th.

Membership approval will be sought at the next regular meeting to be held on Monday, July 17, 1961.

Chairman Frank Masterson reported that all applications have been reviewed. Participating in the evaluation of the scholastic standings were: Robert Murray, Supt. of the Schenectady School System, and Horace Hager, Asst. Supt. of the Amsterdam School System.

Subsequent to the educators' review and rating of the applicants, the Scholarship Committee met and studied the findings of the educators also taking into consideration the financial need of each applicant.

After due deliberation, a student was selected. The parents of the student recommended were interviewed by Chairman Masterson to ascertain authenticity of certain information relative to the awarding of the scholarship.

The presentation of the scholarship award will be made Monday evening, July 17th, subject to the approval of the membership.

The Scholarship Committee recommended and received approval from the membership that this year a departure from the usual awarding of the \$1,000 be instituted.

Local 301 purchased a \$1,000 Debenture Certificate from the American College Fund, Inc., a non-profit organization. This certificate will be awarded to the winner. By possessing it, the student is provided the opportunity of a loan guarantee up to \$6250.00 during his or her college years.

Besides Chairman Masterson, other members of the Committee are: Vince DiLorenzo, John DeGraff and Joseph Korszun.