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ACT AT ONCE

There is no time to be lost in having special called meetings of your Locals if we are to stop this latest march towards Fascism.

The Erwin-Travia bills, bi-partisan in sponsorship, are a death blow to the rights and freedoms of the little man in his fight to support and elect fair and sympathetic legislators.

The bills as numbered and shown below with analysis are:

Senate Int. 2478 by Erwin - Republican
Assembly Int. 3225 by Travia - Democrat.

This bill provides that no organizations except one organized for political purposes only shall directly or indirectly contribute or offer, consent, or agree to contribute any money or property to any political party. It also provides that any officer, trustee, attorney or agent who violates any of the provisions of this article, or who participates in, aids, abets or advises or consents to any violation of the article, and any person who solicits or knowingly receives any money or property shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punishable by imprisonment in a penitentiary for not more than one year and a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars.

Senate Int. 2447 by Erwin - Republican
Assembly Int. 3083 by Travia - Democrat.

This bill amends the penal law with regard to political assessments and states that any person who is a director, trustee, officer, agent or employee of a corporation, joint stock association or unincorporated association, except those maintained for political purposes only, who directly or indirectly uses his authority or influence to compel, induce or solicit members to pay or promise to pay any money to be used in connection with the election of a candidate to any political office, or the nomination of any such candidate whether for primary election, political convention or otherwise, or for aid of any political party, committee or organization shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Senate Int. 2479 by Erwin - Republican
Assembly Int. 2950 by Travia - Democrat.

This bill also amends the penal law and the election law in relation to the regulation for political expenditures and assessments, and states that it shall be unlawful for any trustee, officer, agent or employee to expend

the funds of such association, either directly or indirectly on behalf of or in opposition to any political party, committee or organization, or any candidate for election to public or political office or for any candidate, political party, committee or organization or other person to knowingly accept, receive or utilize the proceeds of such an expenditure unless it has been approved by the members of such association at a meeting called not more than thirty days before the proposal of the expenditure or the imposition of the collection of such dues, assessments, levies or other charges shall be made, and that notice shall be served either personally or by mail to each member.

It also provides that whenever dues, assessments, levies or other charges are imposed to meet approved expenditures, notice shall be given by such association to its members that any member may be exempted from contribution to this fund by the submission of a statement in writing that he elects not to contribute to such fund and that a member so exempted shall not be excluded from any benefit of such association.

It also provides a number of other qualifications relative to campaign receipts and expenditures and provides that anyone violating this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

It is important to note also that the reference to a majority of members in the above bill does not mean a simple majority - it means a majority of the entire membership of the Union. Rarely does the Union have a majority of all of its members present - any more than a city would have a majority of its citizens vote who are eligible to vote. There probably is not a single Senator or Assemblyman who is elected by a majority of all of the eligible voters in his district. To insist upon a majority of all the members of a Union casting an affirmative vote is to presuppose a condition which is nearly impossible.

Should a Union go through this virtually impossible procedure and finally secure an absolute majority of all its members the Union then discovers that the decision is binding on no one, because the Union must then notify each member that he is excused from paying the assessment by merely certifying the fact in writing.

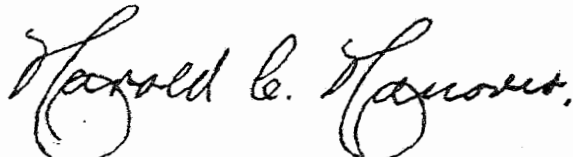
These bills are designed as "class legislation" and are highly discriminatory on both economic and political lines, intended to do one thing - weaken the voice and action by lower income groups and to tighten machine rule in two political parties.

Your answer must be quick and decisive if you are to succeed - All organizations should call special called meetings immediately as the Legislature is on its way to adjournment within the next two weeks - this bill may be moved at once - All members should write short individual letters to their own State Senators and Assemblymen advising them that they vote in his district and that they oppose passage of these bills.

Under legislative procedure in this State no time is given to study this type of legislation and the leaders can and no doubt will hustle these bills through both houses.

IMMEDIATE ACTION IS NECESSARY


President.


Secretary.

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RELEASE AFTERNOON PAPERS

March 1, 1952 (Saturday)

The Executive Council of the New York State Federation of Labor meeting in Albany, N. Y., this week condemned the Erwin-Travia Bills as being "Class Legislation of the rankest order" it was announced by Secretary-Treasurer Harold C. Hanover.

The Federation had on Monday called upon Democratic Chairman Paul Fitzpatrick to give expression to the Democratic Party's position on the measures due to Democratic Assemblyman Travia's sponsorship. On Wednesday morning the Federation's officers were advised by Mr. Fitzpatrick that "The Democratic State Committee is opposed to the Erwin-Travia Bill. This measure is contrary to the beliefs of the Democratic Party."

Federation officers then requested a statement from Majority Leader Arthur Wicks as to the position of the Republican Party on the bills. Mr. Wicks stated most emphatically that he was for the measures and would work for their passage.

In its vote of condemnation the Federation's Executive Council said:

1. The effect of the Erwin-Travia bills would be that only the wealthy individuals and circumventors would be able to make campaign contributions without restrictions. The so-called impartiality of the act is likened to a law that prevents both the rich and the poor from sleeping in the parks.

People of sizeable incomes are enabled to make contributions from their pockets and they do. Lower income groups have always had to depend on the meagre collective funds they were able to raise through their organizations of common defense, namely their trade unions.

2. These bills will strengthen the hand of the underworld whose habitues have heavy donations available for political contributions.

3. Decent citizens organized for various purposes of human betterment can hardly match this underworld money - as individuals.

To paralyze these decent organizations in the use of political funds while underworld characters toss hundreds of thousands of dollars into political kitties is to aid the gangster element who have become a blot on the nation.

The first two bills cover flat prohibitions against unions raising or spending funds for political purposes. The third bill, however, gives the appearance of permitting assessments. The "conditions" are equivalent to prohibition as the bill calls for the voting of a MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS. This means a majority of all members of the union. Hardly ever at any called meeting of a union do the MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE UNION come to a meeting and, if they did, many unions would have to hire special halls and spend thousands of dollars for postage and mailing alone. This in itself makes for an impossible condition.

Some unions have more members than inhabitants of hundreds of our towns and villages in this State. Suppose no tax could be levied UNLESS A MAJORITY OF ALL CITIZENS of voting age approved. Such a clause would totally paralyze local government.

In a union, as in the Senate and Assembly, there is a system of REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT. The Erwin-Travia bill is an attack upon the whole concept of Representative Democracy. Actually, this is an attack upon trade unions and all ASSOCIATIONS OF LOWER INCOME GROUPS.

The Federation of Labor of the State of New York firmly believes that these bills are discriminatory legislation on both economic and political lines, to weaken the political voices of lower income groups and to tighten

INTERNATIONAL HOD CARRIERS' BUILDING AND COMMON LABORERS' UNION OF AMERICA



LOCAL NO. 333

Title

Syracuse, New York

City

DATE October 14, 1952

State

~~SECRETARY~~/ Sam Agati-Bus. Rep.

ADDRESS 309 S. Franklin St.


Robert Brown
Bus. Rep. Local #157
105 Clinton St.
Schenectady, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Brown:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of check for \$20.00 for payment of expenses incurred in drawing up Heavy Construction Agreement.

Thanking you, I remain

Fraternally yours,



Sam Agati
Bus. Rep. Local #333

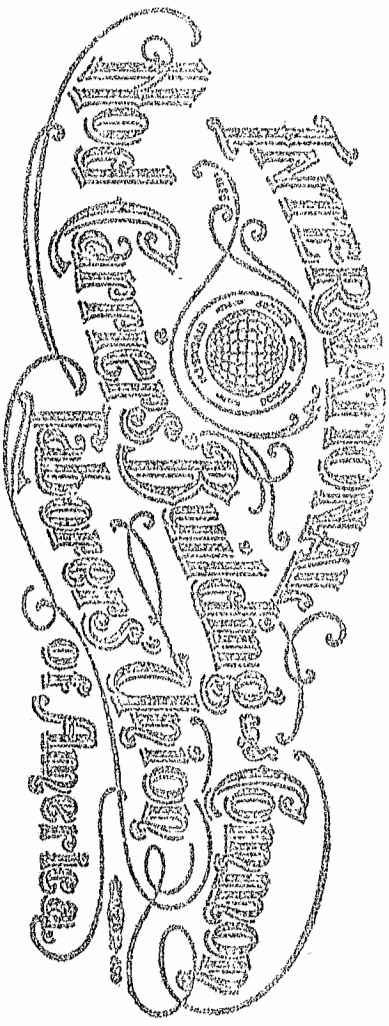
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NEW YORK CITY IS, N. Y. September 26, 1952
TO ALL OUR NEW YORK STATE DISTRICT COUNCILS AND LOCAL UNIONS:

Re: Continued Public Hearing on Proposed Industrial Code Rule No. 40
Relating to Explosive Powered Tools.

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

We have been advised that a Continued Public Hearing to consider Draft No. 2, which embodies a number of changes from Draft No. 1 in relation to Industrial Code Rule No. 40 will be held by the Board of Standards & Appeals on FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1952, at 11:00 A.M., in ROOM 728 of the EMPIRE STATE BUILDING, located at 350 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

It is important that your Organization be represented at this hearing, in order that it may present its views with respect to the above.


We suggest that the Representatives of your Council or Local Union in attendance at said hearing confer with Representatives of sister Councils and Locals present, in order that by doing so, they may present a united front.

If you are desirous of obtaining copies of Drafts Nos. 1 and 2 of the Proposed Industrial Code Rule No. 40, relating to Explosive Powered Tools, the same can be obtained by writing to the Board of Standards and Appeals, #11 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York.

We strongly recommend that your Organization be present at this hearing.

With kind personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours,


Charles V. Sullivan
Vice-President

GEN. PRES. _____ JOS. V. MORESCHI

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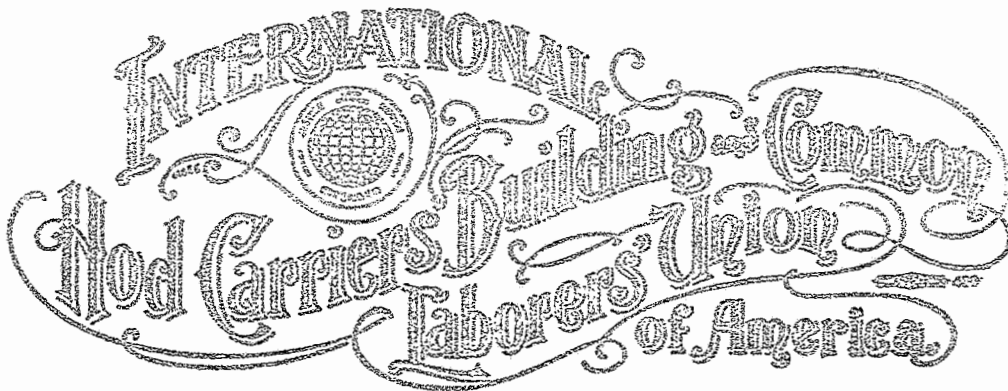
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NEW YORK CITY 18, N. Y. September 26, 1952

TO ALL OUR NEW YORK STATE DISTRICT COUNCILS AND
LOCAL UNIONS:

Re: Continued Public Hearings on Proposed Amendments to Code Rule
No. 23 Relating to Protection of Persons employed in the
Erection, Repair and Demolition of Buildings or Structures.

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

We have been informed that Continued Public Hearings to consider
Draft No. 2, which contains a number of changes from Draft No. 1 relating
to the above matter, will be held by the Board of Standards and Appeals,
as follows:

2:00 P.M. Thursday, October 9, 1952
Room 728 - 350 Fifth Avenue
Empire State Building
New York, New York;

1:00 P.M. Friday, October 10, 1952
Room 1802 - 11 North Pearl Street
Home Savings Bank Building
Albany, New York;

1:00 P.M. Thursday, October 23, 1952
155 West Main Street
Rochester, New York.

If your Organization is interested in the above, kindly send a Repre-
sentative to said hearings, in order that your position may be made known
to the members of the Board of Standards and Appeals.

If you desire to secure copies of Drafts Nos. 1 and 2, relative to this
matter, same may be obtained by writing to the Board of Standards and Appeals
at #11 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York.

With kind personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

Charles J. Sullivan

Vice-President

GENERAL PRESIDENT

JOS. V. MORESCHI

GENERAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

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Affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, Building and Construction Trades and Metal Trades Departments

WASHINGTON 5, D. C. February 23, 1950

Local Union 157
TO THE SECRETARY OF THE LOCAL UNION

Dear Sir and Brother:

The American Federation of Labor has taken the liberty of renewing the bond covering the following offices in your local union:

Fin. Secretary for the amount of \$1,000

Business agent for the amount of 1,000

Treasurer for the amount of 1,000

The premium of \$22.50 is due this office, and you should forward this amount at an early date. Enclosed find envelope for this purpose. It is your privilege to increase the amount of the bond if you wish, but please be sure the premium is remitted accordingly. The local unions are the ones that shall pay the premium for the bonds, therefore see that this is attended to officially at your end.

The effective date of this bond is March 14, 1950

~~The certificate corresponding to the offices bonded is now at this office, and will be forwarded to your local union as soon as the premium is received.~~

Article 5 and Article 6 of the Constitution of local unions requires that officers handling money of the local union shall give a bond for the faithful performance of their duties. Please comply with such requirement. The application enclosed shall be filled and returned with premium.

Please attend to this important matter as soon as possible.

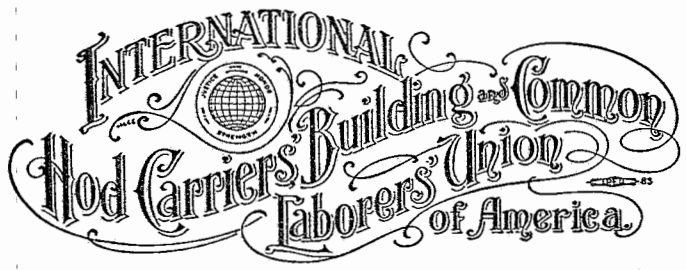
With kind regards, I remain

Fraternally yours,

A. Persion
General Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosure

- CHARLES E. CLARK
1ST VICE PRESIDENT
- PATRICK WALDRON
2ND VICE PRESIDENT
- EDGAR F. SMITH
3RD VICE PRESIDENT
- CHARLES J. SULLIVAN
4TH VICE PRESIDENT
- ROBERT B. SHEETS
5TH VICE PRESIDENT
- LEE LALOR
6TH VICE PRESIDENT
- JOHN W. GARVEY
ASSISTANT TO GENERAL PRESIDENT



AFFILIATED WITH A. F. OF L., B. & C. T. & M. TRADES DEPTS.

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WASHINGTON 5, D. C.

July 24, 1952.

TO ALL AFFILIATED LOCAL UNIONS AND DISTRICT COUNCILS AND MEMBERS THEREOF

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

Enclosed herewith you will find copy of a communication received from President Richard J. Gray of the Building and Construction Trades Department, dated July 18, 1952, and a copy of the Declaration of Policy referred to in President Gray's letter.

This Policy was unanimously adopted by all of the General Presidents of the Department and approved and endorsed by the Executive Council of the Department.

You will notice that the Policy declares and establishes that no picket lines shall be set over jurisdictional disputes. The Policy further calls upon and requires all international unions to take disciplinary action in the event that any of their affiliates do not comply with the said Policy. Compliance with this Policy is of extreme importance at the present time and particularly during this critical period of national defense.

All Local Unions are hereby officially advised of this matter and are ordered to comply therewith.

Fraternally yours,

JOS. V. MORESCHI,
General President.

PETER FOSCO,
General Secretary-Treasurer.

Enclosure.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
Building and Construction Trades Department
American Federation of Labor

(Signed) RICHARD J. GRAY,

President.

(Signed) L. P. LINDELOF,

First Vice President.

(Signed) WM. J. MCSORLEY,

Second Vice President.

(Signed) DANIEL J. TOBIN,
Per: FRED A. TOBIN,

Third Vice President.

(Signed) ROBT. BYRON,

Fourth Vice President.

(Signed) WM. E. MALONEY,

Fifth Vice President.

(Signed) MARTIN P. DURKIN,

Sixth Vice President.

(Signed) M. A. HUTCHESON,

Seventh Vice President.

(Signed) PETER FOSCO,

Eighth Vice President.

(Signed) JOSEPH D. KEENAN,

Secretary-Treasurer.

GENERAL PRESIDENTS

(Signed) JOS. A. MULLANEY,

*Int'l Ass'n of Heat and Frost Insulators
and Asbestos Workers.*

CHAS. J. MACGOWAN,
By: MAYWOOD BOGGS,

*Int'l Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron
Ship Builders and Helpers.*

(Signed) HARRY C. BATES,

*Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers'
International Union.*

(Signed) M. A. HUTCHESON,

*United Brotherhood of Carpenters and
Joiners of America.*

(Signed) D. W. TRACY,

*International Brotherhood of Electrical
Workers.*

(Signed) JOHN PROCTOR,

*International Union of Elevator
Constructors.*

(Signed) WM. E. MALONEY,

*International Union of Operating
Engineers.*

(Signed) COSTANZO PAGNANO,

Granite Cutters' International Assoc.

(Signed) J. H. LYONS,

*Inter. Assoc. of Bridge, Structural and
Ornamental Iron Workers.*

(Signed) JOS. V. MORESCHI,

*International Hod Carriers', Building
and Common Laborers' Union.*

(Signed) WM. J. MCSORLEY,

*Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers
International Union.*

(Signed) WILLIAM MCCARTHY,

*Int'l Assoc. of Marble, Stone & Slate
Polishers, Rubbers and Sawyers, Tile
& Marble Setters Helpers, and Terrazzo
Helpers.*

(Signed) L. P. LINDELOF,

*Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators
and Paperhangers of America.*

(Signed) JOHN E. ROONEY,

*Operative Plasterers and Cement
Masons International Association.*

(Signed) MARTIN P. DURKIN,

*United Association of Journeymen and
Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe
Fitting Industry.*

(Signed) CHARLES D. AQUADRO,

*United Slate, Tile and Composition Roof-
ers, Damp and Waterproof Workers
Association.*

(Signed) ROBT. BYRON,

*Sheet Metal Workers International
Association.*

(Signed) PAUL A. GIVENS,

*Journeymen Stone Cutters Association
of North America.*

(Signed) DANIEL J. TOBIN,

Per: FRED A. TOBIN,
Subj. to Gen. Exec. Board Approval.

*International Brotherhood of Teamsters,
Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers.*

DECLARATION OF POLICY

RE PICKETING BY BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES UNIONS FOR JURISDICTIONAL PURPOSES

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the establishment of picket lines for purposes of objecting to the assignment of work in the building and construction trades results in jurisdictional strikes, and

WHEREAS, such picketing and resultant strikes are in violation of the Constitution of the Building and Construction Trades Department, and

WHEREAS, it is herewith the unanimous desire of the General Presidents, the Executive Council of the Department, and the officers of the Department to put a stop to all such illegal picketing, we do on this 15th day of July, 1952, herewith declare our policy to be as follows:

1. That no Local Union of an affiliated International Union whose International Unions President's signature appears below shall institute or post picket lines for jurisdictional purposes. To do so will result in immediate disciplinary action by the International President of such Local Union.
2. That no Local Building and Construction Trades Council shall authorize or lend support to any picketing for jurisdictional purposes. To do so will result in immediate steps by the Department officers to revoke the charter of such local Building and Construction Trades Council.
3. That in event pickets are posted by any union for jurisdictional purposes it is our declared policy that all unions are to ignore such picket line pending appropriate disciplinary action by the International President of the Local Union posting such picket line.
4. Each International President is to forward a copy of this Declaration of Policy to all his affiliated Local Unions and District Councils.

The Department Officers shall forward a copy of this Declaration of Policy to each local and state Building and Construction Trades Council.

BUILDING and CONSTRUCTION TRADES DEPARTMENT

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July 18, 1952

General Presidents,
National and International Unions
Affiliated with the Building and
Construction Trades Department

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

In conformity with action taken at a meeting of
the General Presidents of the Building and Construction
Trades Department held on July 15, 1952, I am enclosing
copy of Declaration of Policy which was adopted.

With best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,

Richard J. Gray,
President.

RJG:
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Encl.

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HERBERT RIVERS, Secretary-Treasurer

April 21, 1947.

PRESIDENTS,
NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL UNIONS,
SECRETARIES,
LOCAL AND STATE BUILDING AND
CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCILS
AFFILIATED WITH THE BUILDING AND
CONSTRUCTION TRADES DEPARTMENT, A.F.L.

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

At the regular quarterly meeting of the Executive Council of the Building and Construction Trades Department held in the City of Washington, April 16, 1947, at the A. F. of L. Headquarters, the Council gave consideration to the matter of jurisdictional disputes, and directed that the President of the Department, beginning April 18th, again render decisions when requested, in conformity with Sections 37 and 38 of the Constitution of the Department.

During the interim from February 27th to April 18th, a number of requests were received for decisions on which no action was taken due to the previous action of the Executive Council to the effect that the President refrain from making any more decisions until further notice.

It was the opinion of the Council that many of these disputes on which decisions had been requested in the interim period stated above, have been adjusted locally or jobs may be completed. Therefore, any requests for decisions received during the above interim period will be disregarded. If there is any necessity at this time to request the President of the Department for a decision, a new request must be submitted.

In addition to the above, the Council reconsidered its action at the special meeting of February 27th, and it was the unanimous vote of the members of the Council present at this meeting, that Vice President Hutcheson continue to act as referee, with the understanding that he would not preside as referee in any cases where his organization was interested. In the event of his organization being interested, it was the further action of the Council, that the President of the Department select from the members of the Council, a Vice President to act as referee, in such cases in which the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners are interested parties.

In addition to the above, the President was directed to appoint from time to time, from the Vice Presidents on the Council, two Vice Presidents to sit as advisers with the referee on all cases to be heard.

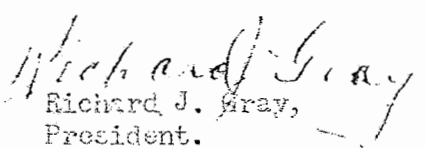
It was further the desire of the Council that a docket be immediately compiled with pending requests for reference to the referee, and that the earliest possible time be set for hearings so that a final determination on these cases can be made.

This information is being sent to all affiliated International Unions and all Local Building and Construction Trades Councils, with the advice that the above machinery for the settlement of jurisdictional disputes will continue as stated above until such time as it may be changed by convention order.

If the above plan functions in a proper manner, and there is a sincerity of purpose and an honest desire to have all affiliated International Unions accorded their equitable rights and justice on these disputes, this method of procedure should carry us over this present dangerous period, and no doubt will be the means of saving many of our affiliated National and International Unions and their local and subordinate unions from being exposed to the danger of court action, if and when the drastic labor bills now pending in Congress are enacted.

It is the desire of the Executive Council that the Department have the cooperation of all affiliated International Unions, Local Building and Construction Trades Councils and affiliated local unions in this matter.

Fraternally yours,


Richard J. Gray,
President.

BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

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GENERAL PRESIDENT

JOS. V. MORESCHI

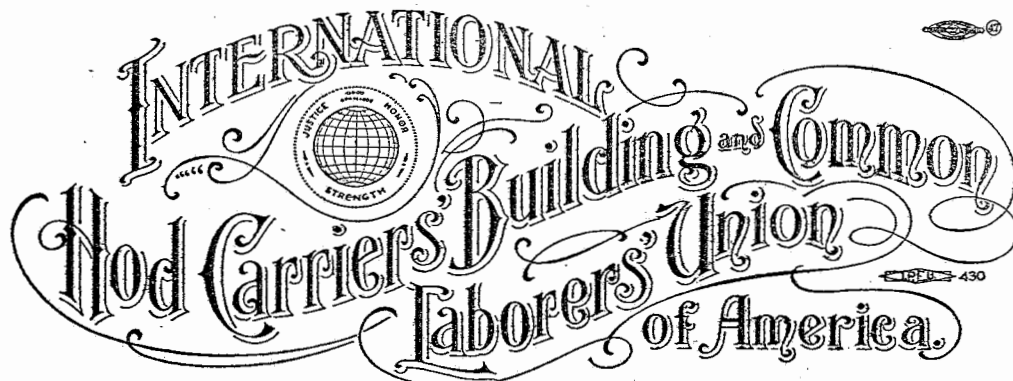
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WASHINGTON 5, D. C.,

April 24, 1947.

TO ALL LOCAL UNIONS, DISTRICT COUNCILS,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

Enclosed herewith you will find copy of a communication received from the Building and Construction Trades Department, dated April 21, 1947, which is self-explanatory and for your information.

Fraternally yours,

JOS. V. MORESCHI
General President

Enc.

GENERAL PRESIDENT

JOS. V. MORESCHI

GENERAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

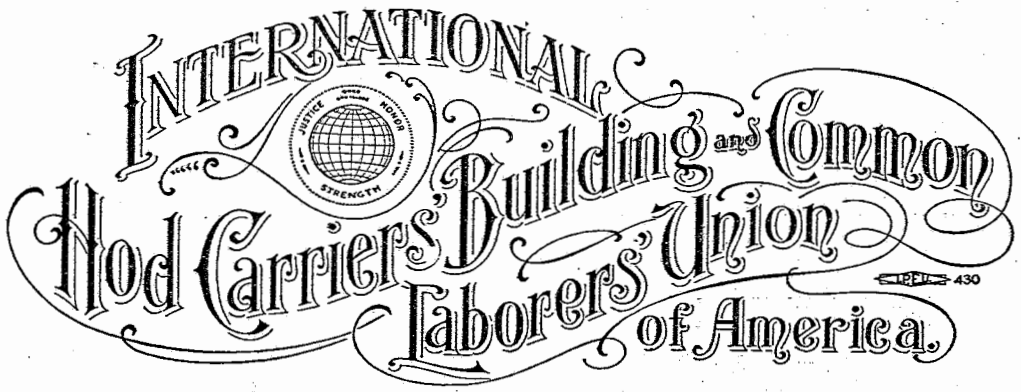
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WASHINGTON 5, D. C.

June, 1, 1949

TO ALL OFFICERS, BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES
AND MEMBERS OF AFFILIATED BODIES

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

We herewith announce and enclose herewith a copy of a memorandum of clarification entered into between the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada, and the International Hod Carriers', Building and Common Laborers' Union of America, which was consummated in Cleveland, Ohio, during the recent meetings of the Executive Councils of the American Federation of Labor and the Building and Construction Trades Department.

This memorandum clarifies that portion of the agreement between the two said Organizations dated January 23, 1941, which deals with "transportation lines". It will be noticed that practically all of the work in connection with pipe lines is specifically outlined and clearly states which portion of the work belongs to the Plumbers and Fitters and which portion belongs to the Laborers' organization. All of our affiliated organizations and their members should comply with the provisions of this memorandum.

Fraternally yours,

JOS. V. MORESCHI,
General President

This letter and the enclosure should be read at the next regular meeting of the local.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF SCHENECTADY AND VICINITY

AFFILIATED WITH AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR



Schenectady, N. Y., March 1st, 1950.

TO ALL UNIONS AFFILIATED WITH THE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION
TRADES COUNCIL OF SCHENECTADY AND VICINITY:

At a special meeting of Schenectady Building and Construction Trades Council, held February 28th, 1950, it was decided to start a Picket Line on the Serafini Road Job on March 6, 1950, said picket line to remain on said job until the Council decides otherwise.

It is optional with each Local whether they furnish men as pickets from their own Local or pay their pro-rata share.

CHARLES SMITH, Secretary
Building and Construction
Trades Council of
Schenectady and Vicinity.

MEMORANDUM OF CLARIFICATION between the UNITED ASSOCIATION OF JOURNEYMEN AND APPRENTICES OF THE PLUMBING AND PIPE FITTING INDUSTRY OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, and the INTERNATIONAL HOD CARRIERS', BUILDING AND COMMON LABORERS' UNION OF AMERICA

This memorandum is an addendum to the agreement entered into between the two said International Unions on January 23, 1941 and is made for the purpose of clarifying and explaining more fully that portion of the agreement of January 23, 1941 dealing with "transportation lines" only, as found in the first paragraph after the heading of the said agreement of January 23, 1941.

Transportation pipe lines coming under this clarification are defined as follows:

The construction, installation, treating and reconditioning of a pipe line transporting coal, gas, oil or other similar materials, vapors or liquids, including portions of such pipe lines within private property boundaries up to the first branch or connection, except such Pipe Line construction, installation, treating or reconditioning as may be combined with/or an integral part of other work more particularly defined as Engineering or Building Construction. This does not include any work covering pumping stations, tank farms or distribution systems in connection therewith.

It is further understood that this clarification between the two International Unions above named, is intended as clarification between the two said International Unions and does not affect the claims of any other interested national or international union. This clarification in no way alters or modifies or annuls the agreement of January 23, 1941 except as to clarify "transportation lines".

A. CLEARANCE OF RIGHT OF WAY

All work in connection with the clearance of the right of way preparatory to the installation of the pipe line shall be the work of the Laborers. The foreman shall be a Laborer.

B. DITCHING

All work in connection with the digging and trimming of trenches and ditches shall be the work of the Laborers. The foreman shall be a Laborer.

C. BENDING CREW

All mechanical work in connection with the bending of pipe shall be the work of the Journeyman of the United Association. The foreman shall be a Journeyman of the United Association.

D. PIPE AND SKID DISTRIBUTION

All work in connection with the distribution of pipe and skids shall be the work of the Laborers. The Laborer shall place and set the skids and pipe over the trench. In this connection, the cleaning, scaling, etc. of the pipe shall be the work of the Laborer. The foreman shall be a Laborer.

E. LINEUP CREW

After the pipe has been placed on the skids and cleaned, the Spacer shall see that the correct spacing is made for proper welding of each joint of pipe going into the line; the Stabber shall see that the correct line is held as he sends the pipe into the spacer; the Clampman is to send the mechanical clamp into position as each joint is lined up and shall engage the clamp to hold the pipe in position.

Spacer, Stabber and Clampman shall be Journeymen of the United Association. The foreman of the lineup crew shall be a Journeyman of the United Association.

F. WELDING

All welding shall be done by a Journeyman of the United Association with the assistance of the apprentice, apprentices to be members of the United Association.

The apprentices are the "learners" furnished to the Journeyman doing welding. The apprentices assist the Journeymen welding by cleaning welds of slag, handling oxygen and acetylene tanks, welding rod, moving weldings, etc. They are also being instructed to the pipe fitting trade by the Journeymen they assist.

G. CLEANING, WRAPPING AND DOPING

After the lineup crew have finished and the weld of the joint has been made, the cleaning, wrapping and doping of the pipe before lowering, shall be done by Laborers. The foreman over this operation to be a Laborer.

H. LOWERING AND TIE-IN CREW

The work in connection with the lowering of the pipe and the removal of the skids shall be the work of the Laborer. When the pipe has been lowered in place, the tie-in or welding of the lowered section into the section already laid, shall be the work of the Journeymen of the United Association. The foreman of this crew shall be a Journeyman of the United Association.

I. BACK-FILLING

All work in connection with the back-filling of the trenches after the pipe has been laid shall be work of the Laborers. The foreman shall be a Laborer.

J. CLEAN-UP GANG

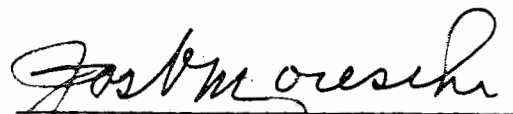
All work in connection with clean-up after the pipe has been laid and the trench back-filled, shall be the work of the Laborers. The foreman shall be a Laborer.

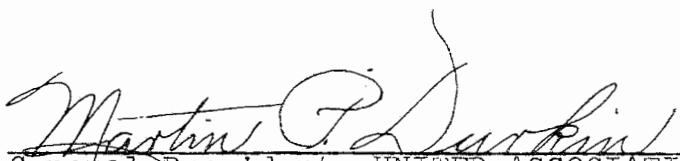
K. MISCELLANEOUS GANG

All other miscellaneous and general work, except as provided above for Journeymen and apprentices of the United Association, shall be work of the Laborers.

It is understood by and between the parties to this Memorandum, that in connection with the work above described, some of the work is done by and belongs to the Teamsters' Union or the Engineers' Union. When the term "all work" is used above, it is not intended to exclude the work that rightfully belongs either to the Teamsters or the Engineers.

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