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EXTRA CAREY STOOGES PRY INTO 301 RECORDS UNDER COURT ORDER; HOPE TO LIMIT MEMBERS' RIGHTS FURTHER

Accountants and payrollers of the "Imitation UE" are prying into Local 301's books this week under an order from Supreme Court Justice John Alexander permitting them to do so. They are trying to find something to support their charge that 301 has violated an injunction forbidding the union to spend more than \$3,500 a week. The fact is that 301 has complied fully with the injunction.

For a number of weeks while GE was holding up our check-off the local borrowed \$3,500 a week from the National UE to pay current bills.

Financial statements have always been submitted to the membership for approval each month; likewise, the books have always been open to all members at any time.

The outsiders, permitted by court order to search our books, have only one desire and that is to cripple the union by tying up all funds and to misrepresent the facts in their propaganda.

The court order allows one person from Local 301 to watch the records and property. Under the pretense that they are stenographers, a number of IUE agents, among them John Duffy and Raymond Greiner, have been brought in with the accountants to pry into the 301 records. Duffy was expelled by UE Local 613 in Pittsburgh in November, 1948. The trial report stated that he used \$1,200 of Local 613's money for outside activities without an accounting. Earlier he had tried to break up a UE conference by violent means, with the help of the personnel manager of the Allis-Chalmers plant in Pittsburgh. Greiner is supposedly on lay-off from GE, but is on the IUE payroll.

In addition to this contempt proceeding which Judge Alexander now has before him, he also considered two motions made by the UE to throw out the IUE's injunction and to dismiss their case altogether. Judge Alexander denied these motions of the UE without giving an opinion. The union is appealing Judge Alexander's ruling on these motions.

For the purposes of the contempt action, 301 has retained Samuel Levi, prominent local lawyer.

For the protection of our members and in order that there will be no question on the financial affairs of our union, affecting the injunction or otherwise, we have retained the services of two accounting firms.

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LOCAL 301 - UE



MORE than 7,500 members of UE Local 610 show the way towards new benefits for all UE members with the following gains:—

- 1 Minimum \$125 a month pension, going as high as \$200 a month.**
- 2 If a member is laid off or leaves his job, he still gets his pension.**
- 3 Complete hospitalization and surgical benefits for UE members and their families (paid for in full by the company).**
- 4 Life insurance of \$3,000 to \$5,000 (paid for in full by the company).**
- 5 A \$1,000 paid-up life insurance policy on retirement (paid for in full by the company).**

These are just the major points of this outstanding settlement which leads the way for increased security for all workers.

UE wins job security and increased economic benefits for our members because UE believes in fighting for its members.

UE will continue to win increased benefits and security for our members!

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