

June 19th to 26th Is Price Control Week

Is Result of Efforts Of the Price Stab. Comm. of Local 301

By a joint proclamation of Mayor Mills TenEyck and Chairman Kaitoux Board of Supervisors of Schenectady County, this week, June 19th to 26th was set aside as special Price Control Week.

This is part of the program of UE locals throughout the country to bring about an economic stabilization and has been made possible through the co-operation of Geo. Mitchell, chairman of the Price Control Panel of OPA.

Many Events Scheduled

Among the features of the program are 8 radio programs consisting of talks by union personnel, a motor caravan through the city with police escort to attract interest in observance of the week and booths situated throughout the city at advantageous points for the purpose of distributing literature and information in regards to the price control program.

Those appearing on the radio programs are Irene Patterson, Peter Sorenson, chairman of the Economic Stabilization Committee, Mrs. Cora Rogers, John Boyle, Fred Pacelli of Local 301 and Mr. Merrill of the Transport Workers Union.

The purpose of the program is to educate the people of the city as well as our members as to the part they can play in supporting price control which so seriously affects their pocketbook. Following this week the program will be continued as part of the union's educational program and our community responsibility.

Experience during World War I and this war during which prices have risen approximately 49 per cent in spite of price control regulation is ample proof that every effort must be made by the people at home to fight to keep prices at a minimum.

We not only owe it to our welfare but to the boys in the service who, when they come home, will be effected by what we do today.

IMPORTANT

Clerical Workers Meeting

Wed., June 28th
7:30 P. M.
C. I. O. HALL

THE NEWLY ELECTED TEMPORARY OFFICERS OF THIS GROUP WILL CONDUCT THE MEETING

COME YOURSELF—BRING A FELLOW WORKER

Letter Rec'd From Anthony DeCervo At S. Pacific Island

The following are excerpts from a letter received by a friend from Anthony "Mac" DeCervo, popular former employee in building 11. Dated June 5th from "somewhere in the So. Pacific" it read as follows:

"... First of all I am OK and in good shape. A lot of things have happened since I last wrote which I cannot explain... We have moved around quite a bit... I have been promoted to Coxswain, that's third class petty officer, the same as Sergeant in the Army. I have met quite a few boys from the Capital District out here... We were recently at a new island. It was really beautiful. No white men were ever on it before except for a Missionary. Boy they certainly teach these natives a lot. We had the opportunity to stroll all over the island for three days, through the jungles and up the mountains. It took a couple of hours to climb one mountain and right on top of it was a native village. The most beautiful sight I ever saw. Flowers, palms, queer trees and tropical birds of all colors singing. The Missionaries have taught the natives to play soccer which they play on a beautiful lawn... Believe it or not, they had a lawn mower, that's one for Ripley. The natives were former man-eating cannibals and now they are a lot of gentle and peace loving natives. At least that's the way they are to the Yanks who treat them so good. Just mention Japs to them and they show you their large hole knives and demonstrate how they would cut a Jap up from head to foot... I taught the kids how to sing "It's a long way to Tiparary" and soon had 30 or 40 following me around... I'll bet you've wondered whether or not I was scared of the natives, weird jungle noises and such. The answer is no. WE ARE NOT SCARED OF ANYTHING—ANYMORE... You get hard and rugged out here. I mean physically and hater toward the enemy. But I still have the same feeling for the folks back home... Don't forget we are still in the War... One of these days you might walk in a place and see me. I HOPE IT'S SOON.

Your Pal,
NICK

Your editors find grateful for the opportunity to read this inspiring letter and pass much of its contents along to you. Even if you might have no one close to you in the service, don't you feel that the reminder from this sailor that we are still in the war and his expressed wish to see his pals again "I hope it's soon" is more than sufficient to make you want to buy that extra bond and donate that pint of blood so that his wishes will come true. He's doing his part. Are you?

FDR Thanks Murray For C. I. O. Pledge

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Nothing could be more heartening than the pledge of faith and loyalty which you make to the Commander in Chief and to all of our fighting forces all over the world, to work and to sacrifice, "to speed the day of the total defeat of the Axis enemies of mankind."

Very sincerely yours,
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

BUY EXTRA BONDS

5 WAR LOAN

Cases Pending Before Management

By LEO JANDREAU

The following is a list of cases pending before management at the present time. As a service to the membership, the Electrical Union News in co-operation with the Business Agent's Office will publish in each issue the list of cases pending. When a case no longer appears in this list, it may be assumed that settlement has been made.

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4095	10	Joel Dale LaRue	Agius	5/10/44
4092	10	Earl McConchie	Cain	5/14/44
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		E. Zickler		
		E. Windner		
4110	73	Group Complaint	Savage	4/27/44
4135	77	Group Complaint	Savage	4/11/44
4092	23	Group Complaint	Wassell	5/27/44
4081	7	Group Complaint	Savage	5/8/44
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EDITORIAL

Mr. Willkie Endorses the New Deal

Mr. Willkie's articles on the issues for the campaign, which were recently published in many daily papers, are a clear endorsement of all the purposes of the New Deal and the changes which it has made our political and economic set up. He criticizes only details of administration.

The New Deal has greatly strengthened the power of the federal government. This is because only the federal government has the power needed to overcome serious unemployment, to establish effective labor legislation, or to regulate huge corporations which operate in many states.

In regard to labor legislation. If some states where organized labor is well lag behind in passing decent minimum wage laws or other forms of progressive labor legislation, they give their manufacturers an important competitive advantage over the employers in states where the labor laws are more effective and favorable from the workers point of view. That in turn delays and blocks labor legislation in the more progressive states. Here too, therefore, the federal government must do the job if it is to be done effectively.

Some corporations now are so huge and have plants located in so many states that they actually have bigger incomes than do some states. No state can effectively regulate them, so the federal government must do the job or leave it undone. Mr. Willkie sees that this is a sound and necessary trend, and he had the courage to say so.

The New Deal has made a good beginning in providing Social Security against unemployment and old age. Mr. Willkie says that is a good thing and gives some praise to the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Bill, all of whose authors are New Dealers. This bill has been endorsed by organized labor. It would improve the benefits, increase the number of beneficiaries, and broaden the scope of Social Security by providing both medical services and cash benefits for people who are sick.

Mr. Roosevelt has tried to give Negroes a better break in employment opportunities by his Executive Order forbidding discrimination on the ground of race, creed, or color in the employment policies of war industries and by his creation of the Fair Employment Practices Committee, on which the A. F. L. and the C. I. O. are represented. Mr. Willkie endorses proposals, such as the Federal Anti-Lynching Bill and the bill to abolish the poll tax as a requirement for voting, to provide interracial justice, although he did not mention the F. E. P. C., probably because of understandable partisanship.

The New Deal for the first time guaranteed to labor the right to organize and bargain collectively by effective legislation, and has substituted elections for strikes to determine the right of a union to represent the workers. These purposes Mr. Willkie endorsed. He even took a crack at those Republicans, which was nearly all of them in Congress, and the Tory Democrats from the poll tax states who voted for the Smith-Connally Bill which President Roosevelt tried to veto.

When a Republican endorses the progressive measures and purposes for which the Roosevelt Administration has been responsible workers can be sure that these measures are good and that the Administration responsible for them is worth supporting by their votes.

"Avery Proven Liar"

This heading appeared on a Federated Press report from Washington June 8th of the Montgomery Ward hearing. There has been some division of opinion among the people of the country regarding the action of the United States government in this case. This bit of undeniable fact is just one small example of many reasons which justified the severe measures taken against MW's head Sewell L. Avery whose initials and last name form the word SLAVERY.

Documented proof that Sewell Avery lied to the Ramspeck Comm. was given in the report. Avery had testified he asked a new election because check-off payments showed him there were only 15-20 percent union men, whereas Avery's check stub for \$2,048 showed 50 percent. This Avery statement was prejury. Here is proof from S. L. Avery's own checkbook that his whole case against the union and the United States government is a frameup, that he always knew there was a union majority, that his defiance of the government was based on a deliberate falsehood, and that he prepared himself.

Man Around Town - GOP Poll-Tax Plank A Phoney



WE'LL LEARN

A certain subtle local columnist, whose daily effort appears on the page with Boots and her Buddies, and flanking the cross-word puzzle, hints that Man About Town is about as tactful as Irish confetti. It seems that our literary style needs a little polishing. We are amateurs, of course and not highly skilled in the art of gentle slander at which our privileged colleague excels. We are learning fast, however, and may pop out any day with a little piece revealing that a "certain" so-and-so visited a "well-known" local housewife asking her to sponsor a Schenectady-wide program of home canning. We might also develop to the point where we could get the idea across, without saying that said program was a subversive attempt to undermine the canning industry. You know a lot of working people make a living putting things in cans? Get it, huh?

ODDS AND ENDS

Primary day is coming pretty fast now and its certainly going to be a hot campaign. There is a story that has circulated the city during the past seven or eight years and has already reached our ears. It is so persistent we often wonder if there might not be something to it. The alleged condition which it refers to is that election times always means extra "expense" for certain workers who are under influences of a political big-wig who pressures them to "kick-in" for the dear old party. If that is so, it's about time to have the job put on a civil service basis the way they have done in New York City. It would be a real step forward towards true political freedom not only for the workers and their families but for the community-at-large.

What's to the other rumor which claims that certain people are saying that the revolt in the Texas Democratic party was due to influences outside the Lone Star State. Further gossip claims that a politician from our great-big-beautiful town was in a way responsible for the clash between the FDR and the Anti-New Deal group and that it would appear that he and his friends are trying to subvert the Electoral College system for the benefit of T. D. Things would be a little better in our state if this guy and a few of his friends would stay home and put their own house in order. Checked on the story and found out that sure enough. Mr.

The Republican Convention has adopted as part of the platform on which they hope to elect their national ticket, a plank regarding the Poll-Tax which prevents millions of Americans from voting. The plank is that they recognize the injustice of the Poll-Tax, and they admit all people should have a right to cast a ballot in a national election—also that they propose to accomplish this by means of a Constitutional amendment. It is nice sounding stuff but there is a fly in the ointment which the reactionaries must have thought the people would overlook.

It takes years for a constitutional amendment to become law and in one case, that of the child labor amendment, it has been up to the states for many years but never became law, many of THE STATES THAT OPPOSE THE CHILD LABOR AMENDMENT, OPPOSE ANY ANTI-POLL TAX LAW. It is necessary for a three-fourths of the states to ratify an amendment before it becomes law and this would never be any more than they have ratified the child labor law.

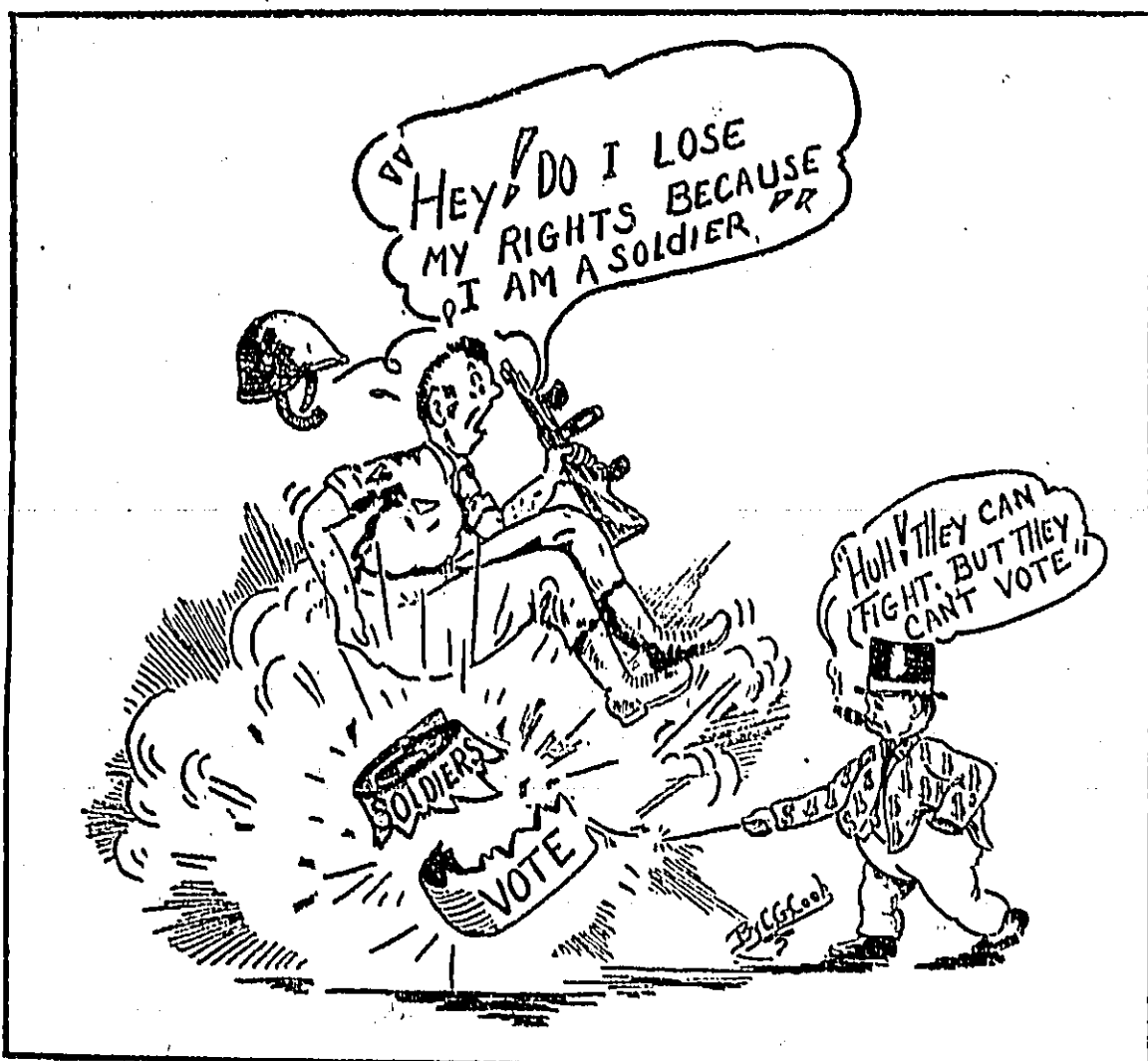
Dewey Opposed Measure

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey refused to come out openly for the anti poll-tax bill, HR 7, which has been before the Senate and he opposed the cloture vote which would have prevented filibustering by southern Democrats and made possible passage of the bill, thereby outlawing this undemocratic policy by democratic and constitutional means. It would have made it possible for millions of soldiers who are fighting today for their country to vote. It was the combine of the southern Democrats and reactionary Republicans of Dewey's crowd that voted the Anti-Poll tax down only a few weeks ago. Now all of a sudden they find it expedient to shout their heads off about freedom and democracy.

So and So was on his vacation at that time. Hum!

OUR TOWN

Would be swell to have a real playground located in the downtown section. Pleasant Valley Park would be a good spot. Not belittling Central Park or any of the other play spots in the area but we got the idea things would be a lot better for the kids in the 5th and 18th Wards if they didn't have to travel so far through heavy traffic for a safe place to play. How about it 5th and 18th Ward residents. Do you feel the same way? If so, why not drop a line down here to the Scribe (Yep, there's more than one in town) at the CIO Hall. Hats off to the workers and the people of our town! Despite all the build-up and a real high-powered publicity campaign for Tom Dewey, conversation with the people in the shops and around can see through it all and they still realize that their welfare rests with FDR who has given them their first break and not with the Hoover, Taft, Claire Luce group who are advancing Tommy as a nice white haired boy. Their records still stick by them.



PAC's Vivid Radio Portrayal Of Need to Vote, Smash Hit

In appealing to people to register, labor says that the kind of government it elects will depend on how the people vote—and how many of them vote. You would be surprised how much drama can be packed into that thought.

The CIO Political Action Committee built an entire drama—the registration theme for the "Labor for Victory" program over the NBC network May 21, and from all reports it was a smash hit.

We can't give you the music, but here are the highlights of the dramatization. If you'd like to have the entire script, write to the Radio Section, Political Action Committee, 205 East 42d street, New York 17, N. Y.

NARRATOR: If you don't register, you throw away the right to vote. Votes are weapons of democracy. Unless you register you are useless as a soldier without a gun. You've got to ring doorbells. You've got to help your block organize into political organizations.

JOE: Now wait a minute, bub. I don't know from nothin' 'bout politics. NARRATOR: Don't let that word politics fool you. You know plenty

301 Officer Speaks At PNA Bond Rally

S. Friedlander, treasurer of Local 301, was one of several speakers at a very successful Bond Rally at the Polish Hall, Saturday evening, July 1, 1944. \$23,500.00 in bonds was bought at the conclusion of the meeting.

Other speakers were Geo. Mitchell for OPA, Moorehead Wright for the Blood Donor Center, W. W. Trench for the War Finance Committee and C. S. Ogonowski for the Polish organizations.

Brother Friedlander said in part: "We union workers feel that you in the Polish organizations are our brothers and sisters just as much as if you held a union card and attended our meetings because the things you want are the same as the things we want, the defeat of the Nazi and Fascist destroyers of the four great freedoms."

BUILDING 10A

Rose Carbone
A few more inspectors at 10A are: Josephine Cappola, Mary Fink, Ruth Ketchum, and Clara Worczak.

Among our servicemen's news this week, we find Don Carr S-1-C who is stationed at Philadelphia would like to hear from the gang. Don wants to thank us for the Service Men's Club money he received. Also, Fred W. Tanner A-S who says he is fine and wishes to be remembered to the gang. He will complete his boot training this week, and he says he can't wait till he goes out to sea.

Don't forget our Fifth War Loan! Let's not be asked to Buy More Bonds! Let's co-operate and make it 100 percent.

If you haven't visited the Blood Donors, do it now.

PETITION TO GIVE ALL SERVICEMEN THE VOTE

HON. THOMAS E. DEWEY
Governor, State of New York
Albany, N. Y.

Dear Governor Dewey:
I urge you accept the simple Federal War Ballot to guarantee all New York Servicemen and Women an opportunity to vote in the 1944 elections.

I urge you convene as rapidly as possible a special session of the State Legislature to eliminate the application requirement and other obstacles in the "Soldier Vote Law" and extend use of the war ballot to members of the Merchant Marine, Red Cross and USO serving overseas.

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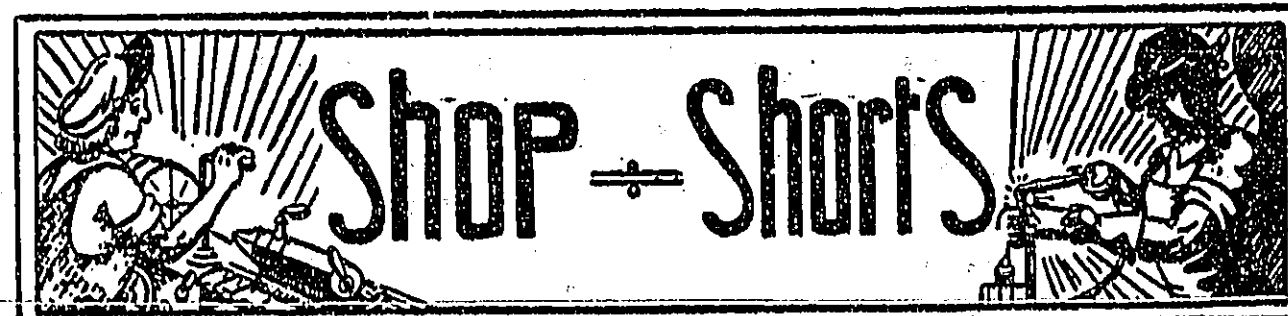
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100 Percent Union Shop Leads All Others in 5th War Loan Drive



Building 7 employees, 67 of them and 100% Local 301 members, showed the way to the rest of the Schenectady GE plant by filling their 5th War Loan quota the first day and going above 200% of it up to the time this paper went to press. Among those largely responsible for the success were Dan O'Malley, chairman of the drive, who is shown kneeling in the picture and committeeman Walt Mowers, right.



BUILDING 52

Bill Geier

With Local 301 putting up a big fight against black market profiteering, all Union men and women should follow along and assist the effort. There is a case of a store very near the subway entrance which was charging you and me 10 cents apiece for oranges. That's \$1.20 a dozen. You might think that insignificant, but all those extra pennies we have been spending for small items are the very causes for the high cost of living. The profiteer in question has no alibi for overcharging because of the fact that he had been previously warned by the OPA of his violations. As Union men and women and good Americans interested in our civic and national welfare, we should refuse to patronize any merchant who attempts to take advantage of the war and make a fortune at the expense of the working people.

Laugh of the week! A certain GE employee who doesn't work on a machine or bench, but at a desk, called up the GE to tell them his wife was sick and he wouldn't be in. Later the same day, his wife quered everything by calling up the GE and asking to speak to him. Hummm, how embarrassing.

Joe Farrell and Tony Campriello made their fifth donation at the Red Cross Blood Donor center last week while Frank Schpoeter and your scribe became members of the gallon club.

With all blood donors in Building 52 whose name is not on the honor roll please notify Bill Geier so that the roll can be made complete.

FORT EDWARD

Harold Boynton

The following is the list of union committeemen and the respective foremen whose employees they represent. Members are urged for the sake of efficiency, to always contact their own committeemen first on any grievance they may have.

First Shift

Committeeman—Harold Boynton.
Foremen—Tibbets, Cameron, Kennedy, Dator.

Committeeman—Kurt Brammer.
Foremen—Cooper, Dineen, U. Hall.

Committeeman—Jack Cole. Foreman—Waterhouse.

Committeeman—Raymond D. Danton. Foreman—Powers, Morrell.

Committeeman—R. Ray Hayes. Foreman—Bradway, Humphries.

Committeeman—Donald Lockhart. Foreman—Varmet, Simpson.

Second Shift

Committeeman—W. A. Bove. Foremen—LaFarr, Etnu, Thomas, Geenan, W. Hall.

Committeeman—Betty Irish. Foremen—Punchak, Van Steele.

Committeeman—Anna Novitsky. Foremen—Bainbridge, Blood.

Committeeman—Frank Pinecheon. Foremen—E. Abbott.

Third Shift

Committeeman—Kenneth Mooso. Foremen—All including Fish and Hamel.

TROY SNIPES

The world is talking and thinking about the kind of a place they would like to see after the war and a way to prevent such a thing from happening again.

No one knows who has the right solution, so may I pass to you a thought on the subject "One Ruling Power."

If all the world were as one land With just one ruling power, Would this be a place of peace, Or just a mad house scowl? Would we love each other more In life and hideous shame, Hating everyone we know For his color, race or name! Can there be enough of unity Existing in every land, To dominate the minds of those Born in other lands. Would that prevent the wars that come

Every score or so, Or would that bring the fighting Directly to our door? Could other lands appreciate this democracy.

And cherish it whole heartily, Just like you and me. Could we enjoy some other customs, Or convert the other lands.

Would we or they reject the act. A man is but a man.

Am I a fool to sit and think If just one ruling power And take the time to write this verse, Or is it a wasted hour?

ORIGINAL TORN