

# LOCAL 301 NEWS

## IUE - AFL - CIO

### \$50,000 to Steelworkers..

District #3 IUE-AFL-CIO, representing (52) Local Unions and 50,000 members in New York State, took the following action at the quarterly meeting held on October 30th, 31st, in Rochester, New York—Jack Saurez, presided.

It endorsed the Steelworkers' stand against the Steel Industry and voted \$1,000.00 per month contribution to the Steelworkers; contributions to continue until there is a settlement. The Local Unions reported contributions up to this date, totaling \$50,000.00.

The District supported all the proposed New York State Constitutional Amendments, except Propositions 5 and 8, which were opposed unanimously.

In the political arena, and as a result of an extensive program to encourage Local Union members and officers to run for public office, some (25) union member candidates were endorsed.

Guest speakers were: Al Hartnett, International Secretary-Treasurer of IUE-AFL-CIO and New York State Labor Commissioner Ed Ray.

### Kaiser Steel Signs Separate Pact

The first break in the steel strike came recently as the Kaiser Steel Corporation agreed to a separate agreement which was mutually satisfactory to labor and the corporation.

Jubilant David McDonald, President of the Steelworkers' Union, ordered the 8,500 Kaiser workers back to their jobs at Fontana, California, immediately. He called on the rest of the steel industry to follow suit and accept the same package, which they refused, calling it inflationary.

The estimated package settlement comes to about 21½ cents for the 2 years of the contract.

IN A RECENT APPEARANCE on "Meet the Press," Mr. Kaiser said that he regarded the new contract as non-inflationary and saw no reason why the rest of the industry couldn't agree to the same thing.

In the meantime, 500,000 steelworkers have been forced to go back to work against their will under the Taft-Hartley injunction.

### Listen For Your Name On WSNY; 6:40 A.M. — You May Be a Winner!

Every morning at 6:40 A.M. on WSNY Radio (1240 on your dial) the names of four or five "Men in the Shop" (and women) and their building numbers will be announced. The first one whose name is called, or any members of his family, who phones in to WSNY, EXpress 3-1771, will win 1200 blue stamps. So get a pad and pencil and keep that phone number handy. Names, Bldg. numbers and personal news can be sent to Art Christopher at the Union Office.

LAST WEEK'S WINNERS were: Art Vieno, #85; Mario Bagnette, #52; Elmer Collis, #285.

### SHAMBO STATES UNION POSITION

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ples and I am sure it is a great reward which all of us should strive to attain . . . and it CAN BE DONE!"

Steve Fitz, WSNY, was the master of ceremonies and Rev. Edwin McLane handled the presentation.

John Shambo and Leo Jandreau, of our Local, were among the principal speakers. Other speakers included: James Reynolds, Vice President of Alco; Lew Harris, Chairman of GUTS; John Arntuz, State Deputy Commissioner of Commerce; and Tox Riedinger, Riedinger Advertising Agency.

### \$225 WAGE INCREASE WON

A recent rate case filed in the Foundry Dept. by Steward Holbrook under Board Member Mastriani resulted in a clear-cut victory for the Union.

This case filed in the middle of November requested a one step increase for a union member classified as a Weighmaster Checker. The Union gave as their reasons for this wage rate increase request the extra skills and responsibilities recently added to the job. The foreman gave the usual unsatisfactory answer to the grievance, and at this point the grievance was processed for a second step meeting. At this meeting the Company upon hearing arguments from Messrs. Mastriani, Kaminski and DeLorenzo decided that the Union's argument was correct. They, therefore, agreed to give this man an immediate one step increase retroactive to the date of the case. This resulted in an approximate raise of \$225.00 per year for this man.

### \$4,868.65 Check To Steelworkers

The members of Local 301 have done a commendable job in contributing to the Steelworkers and their families. To date, the amount turned in is \$4,868.65.

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### MEMBERSHIP VOTES FOR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS KIDDIE PARTY

#### ON THE STEEL FRONT

The Taft-Hartley injunction has forced the Steelworkers back into the mills against their will...This is a good example of "forced slave labor"...Workers being forced to work for 80 days "without" a contract...

Meanwhile, management's solid front in the industry-forced shutdown has been cracked by strike settlements with three smaller firms in the industry: Kaiser, Detroit and Granite City, and public opinion has swung to the Union's position that if little steel can accept such terms, then so can "Big Steel."

Even President Eisenhower, at his press conference, declared that the union's settlement negotiated with the Kaiser Steel Corp. should be the signal for an agreement to end the stalemate everywhere.

Kaiser stated on "Meet the Press" that he broke with the 11 other major steel companies which had been negotiating with the union only after failing in "the most thorough attempts" to win industry approval of the settlement to allow the Steelworkers to return to the mills "without being forced"...because of a possible T/H injunction.

In an indirect slap at the industry's attitude Kaiser said that continuance of the steel situation posed a threat to his company's philosophy that management "always should deal fairly and responsibly" with its employees.

It was widely agreed that the Kaiser settlement placed the rest of the steel industry in an embarrassing position. The Washington Post quoted one steel official as saying: "We're at a tactical disadvantage. It's that much harder for us, especially the bigger companies, to argue that we can't give what Kaiser gave."

The effect this breach in the solid front will have on the other companies is likely to be considerable. For one thing, the Steelworkers will not be at all inclined to accept terms from the other companies less than Kaiser offered. For another, there is public opinion to be considered and the public will want to know why a settlement acceptable to Kaiser isn't acceptable to the rest.

"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL...." and that's just what it's going to be for thousands of kids this Christmas at the IUE Union Auditorium as the membership of Local 301 voted unanimously for the usual Kiddie Party this year...Approval of funds up to \$3,000 (if needed) was approved in addition to the money being raised by the Activities Committee.

Tickets will be sold for 25¢ in order to raise funds for toys, candy, etc. for the gigantic Christmas Party. Five separate \$100 certificates will be given to holders of the lucky tickets as an added Yuletide Gift at the December membership meeting.

The Activities Committee has been hard at work getting tickets printed, shopping for possible toy outlets, and preparing for the great annual event. The Central Markets have agreed to underwrite the printing of the tickets.

Children up to and including 12 years of age will be invited and a real good time is guaranteed for all.

Those on the Activities Committee who deserve credit for the many hours of work they'll be putting in between now and Christmas are: Joe Drozdowski, Roy Schaffer, Allen Townsend, Bill Christman, Charles Scott Pat Donato, John Saccocio, Henry Kaminski; Bill Mastriani, James Carey, Elmer Collis, Tom McCabe, Phil Cognetta, Joe Catino, Dick Jendreski, Dom Lecce, John De Graff, Ralph Vitallo, Mario Bagnato and Frank Masterson.

#### WINNERS ON WSNY

The lucky winners of 1200 blue stamps each on our morning Guys and Gals in the Shop Program for last week are listed as follows:

Dick Jendreski, Bldg. #16; Charles Nestor, #40; Toni Smith, #12; Ed Kaminski, #37; and Mary Dell Townsend, #23.

Those whose names were called and failed to answer were: Vic St. John, Marion Simmons, Eugene Civitello, E. Bednarowski, J. De Georgia, T. McElroy, E. Przeciak, G. MacIntyre, Wanda Jackiewski, Don Hotaling, Jesse Martell, Margaret Peck, John Mossey, Paul Ferris, Jim White, Pat Terry, Andy Kast and George Sarrella.

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