

**THE STEELWORKERS' STRIKE---
---IS EVERYBODY'S STRIKE!**

The Steelworkers' strike is everybody's strike. Every union man and woman has a stake in the outcome. Industry must be put on notice that the old tactics of starving workers into submission will not work. No matter how long this strike may last, we must make it clear that we will not permit any steelworker to suffer hunger or undue privation.

This is a strike against Houlwarism which holds as a primary principal the philosophy that high wages are bad and that adequate living standards are not for the likes of working people.

It is a strike to halt the return of speedup to the plants, something that the steel industry is attempting to restore under the guise of ending alleged feather-bedding.

The steel industry has embraced Houlwarism and all that it stands for: shot-gun negotiations by the industry and a take it or leave it approach to negotiations. Steel is the testing place, we in IUE could very well be next.

We doubt, sincerely, that IUE would have been successful in our long strike against Westinghouse if it were not for the generous contribution made by the USW-AFL-CIO to the IUE strikers and its display of solidarity, certainly, helped maintain the morale of the W strikers at a high level.

It is requested that all IUE locals, immediately, set up committees to collect voluntary contributions from every union member in the shop; the sum of, one hour's pay per month for the duration of the steel strike. Should the President of the United States play a strike-breaking role, by invoking the Taft-Hartley injunction provisions, the dispute would be considered as still in existence and the contributions would continue during that period.

It is also, of vital importance that we visit the struck steel plants and walk the picket lines with our brother and sister Steelworkers and display to the steel companies, industry in general, and the community IUE's support of the Steelworkers.

**SUPPORT THE STEELWORKERS...
DON'T GIVE UNTIL IT HURTS...
GIVE UNTIL IT "FEELS GOOD"...**

STEWARDS-MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Monday, October 19, 1959
2nd Shift - 1:00 p.m. - 1st & 3rd - 7:30 p.m.
at the Union Auditorium

Rep. Samuel S. Stratton will be the principal speaker at the evening meeting.

**16 MILLION MEMBERS CAN'T BE WRONG
JOIN THE UNION...SAY, "I BELONG"**

LONG SERVICE EMPLOYEE GETS RAISE

Not every case settled satisfactorily has to go to the second level. This was especially so in a docket recently filed in behalf of Bro. A. Asch, a charter member of our Union with some 36 years of service.

This docket requested an increase for Bro. Asch due to the fact that he was doing duties beyond his classification of Specialist on Varnish and Compound. At the first step, the Company gave usual unsatisfactory answer. At this point the usual procedure is to set up a second step meeting. Before this could be done by the Union Hall, Board Member Wager called the assistant business agent and requested more time to talk this case at the first step because he felt the grievance could be resolved there.

A few days later Mr. Wager called and informed the assistant business agent that he had settled the case satisfactorily by negotiating a one step increase from R-20 to R-21. This amounts to \$220.00 more per year for Mr. Asch excluding overtime which we understand is substantially high on this job.

"SHOP TALK"

WSNY (1240) EVERY MORNING WITH DON WEEKS AND BILL DUFFY 6-7 AM - featuring GE Shop Personal News, Bowling Scores, News, Sports, Music, and Local 301 News and Interviews.

Please send all news items to Art Christophers at our Union Office.

SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY CHEST

Local 301 urges your active support in the current Community Chest Drive.

Leo Jandreau, Business Agent of Local 301, released the following statement asking that we all do our share in making this Drive a success:

"We, in the IUE, are constantly striving to help fulfill the needs of our fellow citizens in the Community and to help make Schenectady a better place in which to live.

"The Community Chest represents some of the most deserving organizations in our County. We strongly urge that everyone give their full enthusiastic support to this campaign by giving their 'fair share' for a stronger, healthier Schenectady."

**** EYE TEST ****

An elderly lady was having her eyes examined. The optician placed some cards at a distance with the letters XZPTVCH and asked her if she could see them clearly.

"I can see them clearly", she said, "but I can't read Russian."

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MEMBERSHIP VOTES 13 TO 1 FOR DUES INCREASE

CONGRESSMAN STRATTON ADDRESSES MEETING

CONGRESSMAN SAMUEL S. STRATTON accepted an invitation by our Officers and Executive Board and appeared before the membership at our October meeting.

Representative Stratton mentioned the support our people gave him in the last election and thanked them for it. While Local 301 never endorses a candidate for public office, much of his support came from members of Local 301.

John Shambo, in introducing our guest expressed the feeling of Local 301's desire to get at the crooks and racketeers who sometimes filter into the labor movement. Management, on the other hand, and other anti-labor forces have continually used the McClellan Committee's findings to create mass hysteria in order to get punitive legislation passed to hamper the activities of honest, legitimate labor unions.

WE EXPRESSED OUR FEAR that this new Labor Bill was going to hinder our organizing efforts in such regions as the South which will encourage plants to move into those areas. Stratton agreed that there was a possibility of this happening and that measures should be taken to eliminate this danger.

Stratton stated that he voted for the recent Labor Bill because he felt that some kind of labor legislation was needed at this time. He expressed his fear that if it had been put off until next year, more punitive laws might be sought by proponents of the Landrum-Griffin Bill. He pointed out that Senator Goldwater hinted that this new law was only the first step toward more rigid control of labor unions. Rep. Stratton stated further that he "was opposed to any punitive measures taken against legitimate labor organizations".

REP. STRATTON PRAISED LOCAL 301 and the International IUE as being ONE OF THE MOST DEMOCRATIC UNIONS in the Country. He also presented publications from our IUE and the AFL-CIO showing that he supported labor's stand by voting against the Landrum-Griffin Bill on the first vote.

Stratton also commented on his invitation to the MC Carthy Committee on

In a show of solidarity, the Membership of Local 301 voted overwhelmingly by a 13 to 1 margin to support the Officers' and Executive Board request for an increase in the monthly dues.

In a secret closed-ballot vote, the members upheld the provisions of their Constitution which calls for an automatic increase in their dues whenever they receive an automatic increase in pay. The increase in dues amounts to 14¢ per month increasing the monthly dues from \$4.00 to \$4.14 per month. The new schedule is retroactive to October 1, 1959. This amounts to only one-half-cent a day or \$1.68 per year. This provision for a dues increase was waived for the past 2 years... but because of the rising unemployment due to layoffs and the increased services called for because of this, it was necessary to implement the provisions of Article XXIII, Section B of the Constitution.

The secret ballot was taken as a safeguard under the provisions of the new Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959. The vote was 562 for and 44 against the dues increase.

LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD...

Last Monday, Oct. 19th, the membership voted unanimously that the names of the Councilmen and how they voted on our "8 Point Program" last year be published in our Union Paper. The program was presented to the Council by John Shambo, representing Local 301. The vote was as follows:

FOR	AGAINST
Stratton	Boehm
Isabella	Vacca
Narra	Makofski
	Sheldon

STEEL STRIKE COLLECTION

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: \$2300.00.

unemployment to visit Schenectady and commended the Officers of Local 301 for also inviting them to come in for hearings on the unemployment situation in this City.

The membership thanked him for attending their meeting and voted that it be reported in our weekly newspaper.