

A. F. L. Leads Convention Issues; N. Y. Referendum For Affiliation

Delegation Is Instructed By 543-232

Opinion in Other Guilds Varies on A. F. of L. Question

The New York Guild city referendum on American Newspaper Guild affiliation with the American Federation of Labor as a national or international union resulted in a seven to three vote in favor of the move. The count, made on May 22, showed 543 votes in favor of the move and 232 against affiliation.

New York delegates are thus automatically instructed to work for affiliation at the Cleveland convention and for the holding of a national referendum. The New York delegation will also recommend that a favorable vote on the national referendum "shall authorize the National Executive Committee to apply to the A. F. of L. for a charter."

Including three blank ballots, 778 votes were cast out of a total of 1,714 ballots mailed to members. Confined theoretically to members in good standing, at least 300 members not in good standing were, under a provision of the Guild's by-laws, permitted to vote upon certification by unit executive committees. Sixty-five ballots bore no identification.

The referendum follows a 120 to 12 vote in favor of affiliation in principle taken at a general membership meeting Sunday, May 5th, and a previous Representative Assembly vote of 29 to 3, three abstaining.

Three Tests Show Sentiment
The three successive tests of sentiment of the New York membership, all corroborating overwhelming local support in favor of affiliation, will serve to make New York delegates staunch affiliationists at the convention.

Several weeks before the ballots were mailed the full membership of the Guild was furnished with copies of reports prepared by two committees, outlining the purported reasons for and against affiliation.

The Executive Committee of the New York Guild has set Tuesday, June 18th, for a general membership meeting to receive reports of its delegates to the convention and discuss future plans in the light of action taken by the convention.

Newark Favors A. F. of L. By 4 to 1, Poll Shows

NEWARK, N. J.—The Newark Guild, in a poll taken for the instruction of its delegates to the Cleveland convention, has just gone on record in favor of affiliation with the American Federation of Labor as an international union, by a vote of more than four to one.

The final tally of the postcard poll ordered by the Board of Governors was 47 to 11. Less than half the membership voted. The official tally is subject to correction because some of the votes may be disqualified on the ground that the members casting them were not in good standing.

Cleveland Ready to Play Host, Offering Parties, Club Rooms

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—With a committee of 25 Cleveland newspaper men and women meeting nightly, the Cleveland Newspaper Guild is completing arrangements for entertaining the Second Annual Convention of the American Newspaper Guild which convenes here June 2.

The committee has planned a schedule of extra-curricular activities which will be climaxed by the Newark banquet and ball in the ball room of the Hotel Hollenden Wednesday evening, June 5.

Plans, however, are being built on the theory that the main business of the convention shall be the convention.

Special preparations are being made for the entertainment of the

wives of delegates and other women attendants in Cleveland.

A sub-committee of women, headed by Beatrice Lorraine, is in charge of special arrangements for the women, who, it appears from reservations being made, will make up a numerically minor but important group of the visitors at Cleveland. Many Guild members are reserving hotel accommodations for their wives.

The Newark banquet and ball is the only event at which attendance of the delegates en masse is expected.

The Cleveland Guild is arranging in addition a series of theatre parties, informal golf matches, teas, and tours of the city for those who are free from convention duties.

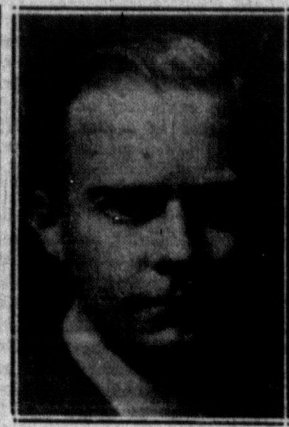
All the activities of the convention will be held in the Hotel Hollenden.

Clubrooms for visitors
The committee will maintain two club rooms at the Hollenden to which visitors may go between sessions of the convention. There will be a men's club room for delegates which will be available at all times.

A women's tea room and club, in charge of hostesses provided by the Cleveland Newspaper Guild, representing members of local staffs and wives of Guild members, will be open all week.

On the general arrangements committee are: Garland Ashcraft, chairman; Jack Clowser, co-chairman; Windsor French, Jack Newman, Norman Siegel, Jack Kenen, I. L. Kenen, Ray Turk, Harland Fend, Webster Seely, E. O. Fehlhaber, John Dunn, Zolton Gombos, Willis Thorton, George Green, Beatrice Laurence, Dorothy Harman, Herbert Tannenbaum, Helen Driscoll, Eleanor Farina, Irene Dettelbach, Anthony C. DeCola, Max B. Cook, Jim Chandler, Lloyd White.

Reservations for the convention have been coming in tardily, although various Guilds have indicated to the committee that almost 100 delegates have been arranged for.



Jonathan Eddy

Newark Ledger Taken Over by New Publisher

S. I. Newhouse Leaves Way Clear for Talks With Guild

NEWARK, N. J.—Tension is increasing in the Newark Ledger editorial rooms following the discharge of the trustees of the Ledger Company by Vice-Chancellor M. L. Berry, passage of control of the paper to S. I. Newhouse, New York publisher, and the hiring by the Ledger management of Jerry Arlington, who was dismissed as a strikebreaker when the Guild members went back to work on the Ledger on March 28.

On Monday, May 20, Vice-Chancellor Berry discharged the trustees on the basis of the L. T. Russell-Newhouse agreement giving Newhouse control of the paper and providing for repayment by Newhouse of the Russell family's debt to the paper.

Newhouse took actual control on Thursday, May 23. One day earlier Paul Smith, managing editor, rehired Arlington. The agreement between the trustees and the Guild barred the rehiring of strikebreakers. The agreement

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Guild Faces Problems of Organization

Entire Labor Movement to Watch Cleveland Pro- ceedings, Eddy Says

By JONATHAN EDDY
Executive Secretary

Elected delegates of the newspapermen and women of the United States will gather throughout next week in Cleveland to consider its year and a half of existence to date, and how it may be improved.

The actions of this second annual convention of the American Newspaper Guild will draw the attention of not only the organized and unorganized members of the profession, but the entire labor movement, here and abroad. Its decisions will be of tremendous import in the newspaper industry, and may be expected to influence to some extent the course of state and national legislation.

Matters confronting the convention divide themselves broadly into three categories:

1. Internal structure, including the amount and disposition of finances.
2. Labor relations, which include our attitude towards unorganized editorial workers, unorganized newspaper workers in general, the existing unions in the industry, the labor movement as represented by the American Federation of Labor, and newspaper workers abroad organized in the Federation Internationale des Journalistes.
3. Relations with employers, which will include not only standards and agreements on working conditions, but our relations with the U. S. Government, through the Newspaper Industrial Board, the National Industrial Recovery Act, the Wagner-Lewis Bill, and other legislation undertaking to regiment relations between employees and employers, or to deprive employee organizations of established rights.

Decisions in all these fields will take direction from the organization's experience during the year since the last convention. Reports on internal structure, finances, labor relations, and dealings with employers and the government will come to a focus against the background of our major battle of the year, the strike on the Newark Ledger. Delegates from Newark and many other Guilds that have responsibly carried out the collective bargaining program agreed upon at the last convention will describe how they have maintained and improved the working standards of journalism in their respective communities during a period of universal distress and depressed economic levels.

I. INTERNAL STRUCTURE
Under the heading of internal structure will be considered machinery whereby Guild programs may be brought to bear throughout the entire organization, spreading the discipline and unity that have been effective in the more progressive locals to the entire national organization, and strengthening

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Majority of Instructed Convention Delegates In Favor of AFL Affiliation, Voting Shows

Guilds in many parts of the country have indicated their views on the question of affiliation with the American Federation of Labor in anticipation of the vote at the Cleveland convention, according to stories received by the Guild Reporter.

Of the fifteen whose views are known, ten favor affiliation and five are against it. Those taking definite stands in favor of include the Lehigh Valley Guild, which reports 90 per cent of its membership favoring; Northern California, 69 for to 31 against; Southern Minnesota, which has voted favorably without sending the total; the Twin Cities Guild, 77 to 35; and New York City, 543 to 232.

The sentiment has been indicated without formal vote of the membership by Washington, D. C.; Boston and the Guild of Westchester County, N. Y. In Cleve-

land a general membership meeting tabled the question, leaving delegates uninstructed, but the executive committee has voted 7 to 4 in favor of affiliation.

In Newark the recent election campaign was waged on the issue of affiliation and resulted in a clear-cut victory in favor of the vote for president being 59 for Nathan L. Goldberg, pro-affiliation candidate, to 22 for Emmet Crozier, then president. (A direct referendum has since endorsed affiliation.)

Guilds which have voted against affiliation, so far as the Reporter has been notified, include Akron, which has just gone on record, 14 to 8; Lansing, Mich., 14 to 2; the Philadelphia-Camden Guild, where unit chairmen reported the sentiment recently, indicating that about 80 per cent of the membership of 400 opposes affiliation; St. Louis, 104 to 56; and Winston-

Salem, N. C., whose membership of 15 has voted without sending the results.

Six of the Guilds favoring affiliation have had struggles in the past year:—Cleveland, which won a contract after prolonged negotiation; Newark, scene of the Guild's first strike; New York, which has had several small brushes with publishers, and has met difficulty in promoting its economic program; San Francisco, which suffered discharges and waged a campaign against an aggressive publisher; Westchester, which is finding the going slow; and Boston, which has suffered discharges, discrimination and refusal of collective bargaining.

Formal reversal of opinion has taken place in the cases of the San Francisco and Lehigh Valley Guilds, which prior to the last convention opposed affiliation.

Cleveland Convention Delegates Take a Bow in Thumbnail Sketches

Thumbnail sketches of some of the delegates to the Cleveland Convention—all those that reached headquarters on time—are printed below.

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Boston
David M. Frederick, of Boston office, Associated Press; president of Newspaper Guild of Boston; formerly on Boston Traveler staff; principal witness in two Guild hearings before the Newspaper Industrial Board against Herald-Traveler Corp.

Ed Allen, of Boston Herald staff; regional vice-president for New England; proxy of International Typographical Union on the Newspaper Industrial Board at Boston Herald-Traveler hearing; former editor, Richmond Hill (N. J.) Record, Long Island News; former member Sunday staff, Providence (R. I.) Journal; former night city editor, Worcester (Mass.) Telegram.

Barbara Schofield, first woman member Boston Guild; in private life, Mrs. Ed Allen; covers a 24-hour district beat for Evening Traveler and Morning Herald while caring for a 13-month-old baby.

REGION II

New York
Carl Bandman, president of New York Guild; new rewrite man of World-Telegram; did notable job on Seabury investigation and covered the peace conference for the U. P. One of the pioneers of New York Guild and spokesman on most negotiations in the city. Native of Iowa. Was First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Ambulance Service in France. 42 years of age.

Paul Frederickson, New York Times; re-write Sunday department; second vice-president of the New York Guild; chairman Legislative Committee. Started his newspaper career in Clinton, Iowa, in 1915. At last convention shared honors with Bob Buck on the Resolutions Committee, chairman of New York delegation.

Milton Kaufman, New York Executive Secretary; chairman Membership Committee. In addition to serving as general back-stop, is chairman of Organization Committee, charged with rejuvenation of units. Has sat in on most collective bargaining negotiations. Formerly a reporter on Fairchild Publications. In 29 years of age.

Mugg Holahan, 36 years old, Irish, born in Dublin, Ireland; Irish Republican Army veteran; 15 years newspaper work U. S. and Europe; organized (with Jack Alexander, now on Daily News) City News Unit of the N. Y. Guild, the first unit in N. Y. City; drafted first national constitution; member N. Y. Executive Committee; Chairman N. Y. Emergency Committee. Organized collection system for the Newark strike.

Carolyn Marx, World-Telegram; writes a daily column of book news; chairman of Shop Paper Committee. Has regularized publication of unit papers, and helped to establish a number of them.

Dick Armstrong, Herald Tribune; copy desk; founder of second unit paper in the New York Guild. An editor who has never missed his weekly publication date. Is a member of Guild shop paper committee, and on the executive committee of the Herald Tribune Unit.

David Davidson, New York Post; reporter; shop paper editor; member of newly-formed Schools of Journalism Committee. A Pulitzer scholarship winner and reporter on the World at the time of its sale.

Gerald Duncan, New York Evening Journal; re-write; until recently chairman of Journal Unit.

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Nat Elners, Brooklyn Daily Eagle; police reporter; in an important reason for one of best units in New York Guild. A member of unit executive committee.

Nathan L. Goldberg, general reporter for Newark Star-Eagle; age 32; five years with the Associated Press; city editor of several local papers. Called first meeting of group which organized Newark Guild. First secretary of Newark Guild. Member of strike committee. Elected president of Newark Guild April 28.

Victor Pasche, secretary-treasurer of Newark Guild, and a member of late Ledger strike board; fiscal agent of strike fund; staff correspondent of New York Times in Newark for five years. Previously with Hudson Dispatch, Union City, N. J. Took part in organization of Newark Guild. Born in Switzerland. 31 years old, 12 years in U. S. Graduate of Yale.

Robert C. Ring, assistant to Newark Sunday Call city editor, and writes daily column on editorial page; age 30; in editorial department 15 years. Charter member of Newark Guild; first treasurer; serving second term as first vice-president. During Ledger strike, was on directing board and head of labor relations committee which lined up trade union support; chairman of the Newark Guild's negotiations committee; was delegate to St. Paul convention.

Westchester County, N. Y.
Dorothy K. Loch, Yonkers Unit; re-write and assignments on virtually all main stories in Yonkers Herald Statesman; president and leader in organizing Westchester County Guild; on first board of Yonkers unit, first in county; chairman of county committee now engaged in vigorous negotiations with publisher of seven dailies for contract.

Erwin H. Savelson, Mount Vernon Unit; political reporter, lead assignments on Mount Vernon Argus; leader in formation of unit and first president; executive committee member in county Guild; developed crusade against gambling in Mount Vernon in 1934 and against sewer construction scandal in Southbridge, Mass., in 1937.

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William C. Patrick, Salt Lake Tribune unit, reporter. President of Salt Lake Guild since organization, delegate to St. Paul convention.

A. D. Manning, Wisconsin News, head of copy desk, 45 years old. Ten years on Chicago American; 25 years in newspaper game; worked on papers in about 50 cities until he settled down 15 years ago. Vacationed every summer down among watermelon fields of Talladega, Ga., where his father is a judge.

Ruben Levin, Milwaukee Sentinel, reporter, 32 years old. Ten

Editor of Hudson Dispatch.
Howard Lamb, former acting president of Hudson County Guild; reporter on Jersey Observer in Hoboken.

REGION III
Harrisburg, Pa.
Frederick U. Ross, for past six years on The Patriot, Harrisburg; previously two years on The Patriot, two years on the Lancaster (Pa.) News Era, several months on Ellameth (N. J.) Daily Journal; graduate, Gettysburg College.

Wilmington
Walter E. Smith, Federal court reporter for the Wilmington Morning News; secretary of Wilmington Guild and member of executive committee.

Philadelphia-Camden
Thomas J. Finney, secretary of Newspaper Guild of Philadelphia and Camden and potent factor in its affairs. Was a delegate at St. Paul. One of little group who nursed Philadelphia Guild from germ stage into actuality, a charter member and member of the governing board since the beginning. Good-natured Irish half-breed with a brain. Veteran copy-reporter and knows all the cops and judges. Bachelor.

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Girard Chaput, head of copy-desk at Evening Ledger. Has been chairman of Evening Ledger Unit since resignation of Roger Butterfield in August, 1934. Active in Guild since organization and from the first was a member of old Executive Assembly. At present chairman of Guild Executive Council.

Guilds Voting On Question of Affiliation

San Francisco Favors Joining A. F. of L.; Akron Against

SAN FRANCISCO.—Northern California Newspaper Guild's recent balloting indicates, according to a slightly incomplete and unofficial tally, that Don Stevens will be the NCG's No. 1 delegate to the Cleveland convention, with instructions from the membership here to vote for affiliation with the American Federation of Labor.

Nearly complete votes on delegates with three to be chosen, give Stevens, telegraph editor of the San Francisco Examiner, 79; Redfern Mason, NCG president, 67; Eddie Johnson, San Francisco Examiner rewrite man, 45; Howard Hill, Oakland Post-Inquirer labor editor, 40; Dean S. Jennings, of the Jennings case celebre, who was not nominated from the floor with the others, but by a special petition later, 29; B. W. Horns, San Francisco News political editor, 16; and Samuel Freedman, copy desk of the San Francisco Call-Bulletin, 14.

The vote on affiliation with the A. F. of L. so far is 68 for affiliation and 31 against.

On instructing delegates whether to vote for incumbent national officers if they are re-nominated, the vote was 80 for Heywood Brown, 15 against; 73 for Jonathan Eddy, 21 against.

Henry Robinson, attorney in the Jennings and Burgess cases, may attend the Cleveland convention at his own expense.

Youngstown Withholds Opinion
YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Without going on record for or against affiliation with the American Federation of Labor, the Youngstown Guild at a meeting May 14 voted to instruct its delegates to the national convention to vote for a referendum on the issue when, and if, it is presented. The delegates were left uninstructed on all other matters likely to arise.

Two delegates were chosen and a third will be selected at a later caucus if possible. Several members indicated their intention of attending some of the open meetings at Cleveland, which is only 70 miles away.

A general pledge by all delegates to pay up their dues and put the local Guild on a firm footing by the end of the month and an added pledge to wipe out delinquencies before the end of June were the Guild's top priorities.

It was organized May 18, 1934.

Akron Opposes Affiliation
AKRON.—The Akron Newspaper Guild has voted to instruct its delegates to the Cleveland national convention to oppose affiliation with the American Federation of Labor.

The vote was taken after a committee, named about two months before the meeting at which the vote was taken, had reported favorably on affiliation. One member of the committee submitted a minority report. The majority report proposed that the Guild apply for a charter and find out what happens.

The Akron delegates to the Cleveland convention are to be Don Strouse, regional vice-president, Walter J. Coyne, city editor of the Times-Press, and Harold J. Taylor, police reporter of the Beacon Journal and president of the Akron Guild. Strouse is editorial writer on the Times-Press.

Philadelphia Against Affiliation
PHILADELPHIA.—The Philadelphia-Camden Guild at a vote about 80 per cent against affiliation with the American Federation of Labor, according to a tabulation of votes taken in each of the units.

Report of the vote was given

Ask Guild Officers to Mail Conventions Plans

Pointing out that fewer than half of the Guild chapters have notified Cleveland of their plans, the arrangements committee has issued the following appeal for information:

"The committee is attempting to locate delegations by regions in blocks of rooms in the Hotel Hollenden, but will be unable to do this unless Guild chapters, which have received convention bulletins, 'snap out of it' and communicate their plans and wants to the convention committee."

"We urge that Guild officers who have been receiving full information on convention plans cease carrying out bulletins around in their pockets and get the dope in by mail to convention headquarters 264, Hotel Hollenden at once."

The Executive Council by unit chairmen and a resolution was approved "informing" the delegates to the Cleveland convention of the sentiment in the Guild.

Twin Cities Guild for A. F. of L.
ST. PAUL, Minn.—The Twin Cities Newspaper Guild instructed its delegates to the national convention in June to vote for affiliation with the American Federation of Labor at its May meeting.

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No Reason for Delay

These columns of the Guild Reporter have remained, despite an enthusiasm for which the editors might perhaps be pardoned, from expressing an opinion on whether the Guild should affiliate with the A. F. of L., bearing in mind that the Reporter is the organ of the whole Guild. And yet, in all candor and fairness, we believe it must be agreed that the time has come for a decision on this issue. The last convention laid it aside because it did not believe the ideas of the membership had crystallized sufficiently to make a considered decision possible. That is not the situation this year. The Guild by now has a clear idea of its purposes, objectives and problems. Through experience in some parts of the country we have come to know just what affiliation would mean, its advantages, disadvantages, or perhaps, necessity. It has been widely and extensively discussed and thought about by the membership.

We cannot see any good reason for further delay. Its affiliation would strengthen us, it would be a step and a dangerous step, but it would be a step. It would be a step and a dangerous step, but it would be a step. It would be a step and a dangerous step, but it would be a step.

In any case, we believe a majority of the Guild clearly desires a referendum on affiliation and the convention should provide for a national vote. We are sure about that point. We are also sure that the Guild will not be destroyed however that vote goes.

Keep News Sources Free

Commitment to jail of Martin Mooney, a reporter for the New York American, for refusal to disclose his sources of information to a New York Grand Jury focuses attention on the urgent need for legislation to protect newspapermen in a privilege which we regard as indispensable to a free press. The Mooney arrest was followed closely by that of Charles Wilson, of the Rockland Journal-News, Nyack, N. Y., for a like "crime."

Without going into the merits of the particular cases, we believe, nevertheless, that the necessity for legal recognition of the confidential relationship between the newspaperman and the person who gives him information is incontestable.

The usefulness of the newspaper and the newspaperman would be seriously impaired if they could not be depended upon to honor the confidences reposed in them by news sources. A vast amount of information would automatically be shut off from the press. Corruption in public office, in particular, would be much more difficult, if not all but impossible, to discover.

Loyalty Seen as Topping A. F. L. Question

(From The Bulletin, City News Unit of the N. Y. Guild.)

At its second annual convention next month in Cleveland, the American Newspaper Guild will probably reach a decision on whether it will seek a charter as an international or federal union in the American Federation of Labor. Polls have been conducted in New York and elsewhere on the question and it may be that a national poll will be taken before a decision is reached.

No matter what the decision, for

The use made of such information is, of course, up to the individual reporter or newspaper. Persons or institutions unjustly injured by its publication have adequate redress under the libel laws. We do not believe newspapermen, except in rare cases, have attempted to use the privilege of protecting their news sources to obstruct justice. Yet unless that privilege is protected by law the newspaperman is at the mercy of any public official who chooses to pass the buck for his own inability to obtain evidence or seeks to retaliate for the publication of damaging information.

Several states already have laws according such protection. A bill for this purpose sponsored by the New York Guild, was unaccountably defeated in the New York Legislature this year. We think the Guild should press for protective legislation in every state, endeavoring to enlist the support of organized labor and publishers.

The M. E. Was Right

We believe it was unfortunate that the membership of the Madison Newspaper Guild could not see eye to eye with Daniel D. Mich, managing editor of the Wisconsin State Journal, who was reported to have objected strenuously to being re-elected president of the Madison Guild.

This is not the only feature of the Madison situation that smacks of company unionism. Under the contract between the Guild and the two Madison publishers, signed last year, a forty-eight-hour week is in effect, although the Newspaper Code fixes a maximum forty-four-hour week in cities of Madison's size.

We hope the Madison Guild members will come to see that the sooner they relieve their managing editor of the difficult task of representing both his employer and his employees, the sooner they can get rid of such anomalous conditions as a contract provision that gives them longer working hours than the publishers wrote into the Newspaper Code.

The best service Mr. Mich could perform we sincerely believe, would be to become more adamant in his protestations.

The "Mercury" Situation

The "American Mercury," seven of whose employees are striking because the publisher fired two after they asked for wage increases for the staff, has had a change of managing editors. Lombard C. Jones, who resigned because he was "not in sympathy" with the publisher's attitude toward the strikers, has been replaced by Gordon Carroll, of the New York Sun.

Mr. Carroll, rushing with enthusiasm to his new job, sent a telegram much in the style of the arrogant public statements the Mercury publisher and editor, Lawrence E. Spivak and Paul Palmer, have been issuing:

"Please inform the strikers that I am coming to work for you at 9 o'clock Monday morning. I am in full agreement with the principle you are fighting for—that an employer has the right to hire and fire his personnel as he chooses."

Mr. Carroll's views on this principle, which could not happen to be the one at issue, as he well knows, are interesting. Most interesting and gratifying to Guildsmen, however, is the information that he is not a Guild member.

The New York Newspaper Guild, at a general meeting, voted not to read the American Mercury until it had recognized the right of its employees to organize. Other times, other manners. When "The Front Page" was produced, the reporter was represented as having a copy of the Mercury in one pocket and a whiskey flask in the other. But that was before the depression and before the Guild. Today the self-respecting newspaperman has grown out of the stage of doting on the cheap Mencklenian vice crack, and he finds it more than ever contemptible when used against workers who have the temerity to ask for a decent salary. Guildsmen will have none of such a sheet.

And how come Philadelphia gets so many breaks? A contract with a labor union publishing unit that must have been in the bag, and affected only a handful of people anyway, gets page 1? And her dragonet bringing in four new Guilds? If we had checked we could have discovered that there had been an unusual and prolonged amount of opinion down there. Were we trying to placate her by a little puff? Or grooming her for the convention? Ouch!

By itself its charter. Loyalty is the prime requisite of the Guild, no matter whether you're for or against its policies. If policies you don't approve of are adopted, try to win other members around to your way of thinking.

But don't be a spoilsport and quit. As the old slogan had it: Throw away your hammer and get a horn. And just to remind you, pay your dues promptly.

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Quotes From Unit Papers

AFFILIATION WON'T AFFECT HANDLING OF NEWS

(From The Eagle Unit Reporter, Brooklyn Daily Eagle Unit of the N. Y. Guild.)

To the Editor:

A recent letter to the Unit Reporter expressed fear that the proposed enrollment of the American Newspaper Guild in the American Federation of Labor may lead newspapermen to partially obstruct justice. The writer implied affiliation would destroy the priceless heritage of a free and independent American press.

One answer might well suggest that the heritage is of exceedingly doubtful paternity, that it ranks in reality with George Washington's cherry tree or Hollywood reporters.

Newspapermen yield to no artisans in pride of work. What they have come to see is that all pride and low pay gives Jack a standard of living less than that of a union printer. They have come to see, further, that affiliation with the labor movement is the best means of raising an industry wage level and obtaining the freedom of economic security.

They understand that the free press debate waged so furiously these last years by the American Newspaper Publishers Association has in fact been only a monologue directed at an opponent more of shadow than substance. I may be wrong, but I cannot remember any American fought for the principle of an enslaved press. Quite simply, the editorial "battles" for newspapers free of governmental coercion were phony. What mattered was not freedom of the press.

What will be changed, however, is the old belief that the reporter is in a class apart from labor and industry, secure in the thought that his is the noble protection of impartiality and freedom of speech though his pants be patched. When affiliation is voted, the newspaperman will have exercised the greatest freedom now vouchsafed him and the one most important to him—the freedom to choose his side.

N. K. E.

The Editor's Uneasy Chair

It seems that the Guild Reporter has set some eyebrows to raising by an assortment of aims. According to one group of pro-bono publicans we have been partial to affiliation with the A. F. of L. Philadelphia even produced a resolution demanding that we run more anti pieces. The fact that we invited everybody to say his say, and issued no special invitations to anyone except the regional vice presidents, most of whose views we did not know, was overlooked; so was the opportunity of those anti-affiliationists to see the arguments in print by writing them themselves.

Now we have a dead cat from the other direction. The Newark section we hear, was the big news of the last issue, three members of the strike strategy committee swept into office in a contest over entrance into the A. F. of L. and where was the story? At the end of another story instead of at the top of page 1! Are we hostile to affiliation? Are we willing under the anti-criticism and not baring our chest staunchly against it?

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Why Akron Unit Opposes A. F. L.

Akron, Ohio.

Editor, The Guild Reporter:

Elsewhere in this issue there should be a news story about the Akron Newspaper Guild voting to instruct its delegates to the Cleveland convention to vote against American Federation of Labor affiliation.

As an individual I'd like to express some of the reasons why that vote came about.

It was taken a short time after the famous settlement in Washington of the threatened Akron rubber strike. The A. F. of L. unions in the three of the biggest rubber companies in the world had voted to strike. The labor leaders and the manufacturers' representatives were called to Washington by Secretary Francis Perkins. They signed the agreement in her office, and the strike was averted.

What happened in Washington was not a settlement. It was murder. Plain, unadorned murder of the organized labor movement in the rubber industry. And the big shots of the A. F. of L. were a party to that murder.

For considerably over a year the newspapermen of Akron have been living with the increasing threat of a strike in the rubber industry which is the major industry of the city.

Open Shop Town. They have watched the efforts of the A. F. of L. to get a foothold in a city which was a notorious open shop town. And after the famous settlement they have become completely disgusted with the type of leadership which the A. F. of L. offers. In voting to instruct their delegates to oppose A. F. of L. affiliation the Guild voted its conviction that it wants no part in any labor movement under such domination.

Let me say to my certain knowledge that during the more than a year of preparation the A. F. of L. took to get ready for its big moment in Akron there was not a single constructive move made to sell organized labor to the great mass of Akron rubber workers.

Any one who wants a swell summing up of the Akron rubber strike settlement should read "The Nation" for April 14. Read also the comment in "Today" for May 11 on "Labor's Choice." These two will tell you enough about the A. F. of L. leadership.

All the Guilds in cities where labor difficulties have not come to a showdown between the A. F. of L. and the industrialists should take a tip from the boys who have seen the labor leaders in operation.

Sadder, Wiser Men. My own opinion is that the A. F. of L. big shots in Washington do not want the real labor movement to get anywhere. They have good jobs, expense accounts and salaries, the prestige that goes with their offices and as long as the dues roll in from a million or so members, why bother about the dumb suckers out in the sticks? I'm ready to vote for the Guild joining a labor movement when I see shown that the men directing that movement are smart, alert and have some guts. Until then I'm opposed to lining up with the dying A. F. of L.

I'm convinced that in two years at the most the A. F. of L. is as now organized will be dead. There is going to be a complete new alignment of labor in this country or there won't be any at all. And for those who say "Let the Guild join the A. F. of L. and help reorganize it" I only want to say there are a number of sadder and wiser men in Akron today who thought they could do that in the rubber unions and what the A. F. of L. did to them was plenty.

RAY C. SUTLIFF. (Ray C. Sutliff is political writer on the Akron Times-Press and is secretary of the Akron Newspaper Guild.)

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A. F. L. No Danger to Free Press

New York.

Editor, The Guild Reporter:

Some very earnest Guild members who believe in "cooperating with labor" are alarmed at the idea of joining the American Federation of Labor because in so doing, they feel, newspapermen may lose the objective point of view they should maintain in order to do justice to themselves, the public and publishers.

They also profess to see the danger that once the Guild stops paddling in shallow water and takes the plunge the rest of the labor movement will no longer be satisfied with objective reporting; that it will demand propaganda rather than "facts," and that bitter internal dissension will follow the certain denial of this demand.

Still another argument is that labor, being unfamiliar with the mechanics of journalism, will not understand what can happen to a reporter's source and publication. Proponents of this view argue, with some justice, that even under ideal conditions the "facts" a reporter gathers (when he himself does not write them), may assume a different hue when the re-write man has done his job, and that this chameleon-like process may continue through the different stages of the story's progress to the composing room.

One curious fact about all three of these arguments is that they are usually advanced by the same men. Taken separately they have an air of thoughtful consideration; yet examination shows them to be flatly contradictory. The first

Enlighten the Public. Without being snug it is safe to assert that newspapermen are as honest a body of men as may be found in any sphere of activity. And here is where the real danger lies: Allied with the great

HUGH HOLAHAN, City News Unit, member Executive Committee, N. Y. Guild.

usement could be disguised as a piece of news, the effect was potent and it raised no disturbance. Barnum recognized that.

Advertising Pressure. Came upon the "Mr. Advertising Manager—your must-put-press-upon-your-editor" stage. We have lived in that high pressure period long enough to see the New Economic Era virus and a number of other poisons injected into America's civic life stream. A train of woes has resulted. Decent writers and honest editors become nauseated when they face power dictators. Definite financial pressure have double-crossed principle for the sake of purse. Many of the larger newspapers—themselves an industry—have tried to serve the public and mammon.

Among the Weeklies. This enormous wordage has inspired a number of flourishing weekly news summary magazines, such as The Literary Digest, News-Week, and Time. These publications, however, ally the business and editorial offices. A few monthly magazines, like the Readers Digest, are broader in scope, more literary and also eschew advertisements. But because they offer a digest of contents of advertising-wedded periodicals, they fall under the shadow, even if once removed.

One intelligent person may therefore today ask another, why should they not make a bid for popular favor for that reason; why they should not, delete the "sacred cows" (blasted news spots) from dispatches of certain press associations; and why they should not sell for enough per copy to pay costs of paper, printing, editing and distribution.

Divorcement of gain from principle must be made in enlightening the public, or chaos, now being foretold, may naturally be expected to follow. He is dull indeed who sees no connection between maladjusted management of the press in the United States and our present moral, political and social debacle.

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The Regional Plan Upheld

Philadelphia.

Editor, The Guild Reporter:

John Eddy, in the last issue of the Reporter, declared our present regional organization system was too cumbersome to be effective. While I agree in some points with Eddy, I am convinced that our experience in the Third Region has demonstrated that a Regional Board can function effectively and can be used as a means of organizing the activities of the region.

Shortly after the St. Paul convention, I called a meeting of Guild Presidents in my region and proposed the reorganization of a Regional Board composed of representatives of each Guild in the region.

The Board was formed and has functioned regularly since then. Under our set-up, each Guild is entitled to one delegate for each 75 members or major fraction, which gives the smaller units one member and the Philadelphia-Camden Guild five.

Organization, collective bargaining, legislative programs and other matters of mutual interest have been considered at the monthly meetings of the Board and a broader base established for general cooperation between Guilds with natural interests.

Without any intent to criticize our own region, I think that such organization is logical and effective if the national vice president and local officers are willing to devote sufficient time to make the plan operative.

Basically, it all depends on the human element and not on the system itself. I object to Eddy's proposal to establish a large number of districts on the grounds that it will tend to set-up a series of small administrative units which will merely create a general de-centralization of organization when it seems to me that our imperative need is closer unity.

Eddy's point regarding the NEC is well taken. For nearly a year I have urged that the NEC be convened to discuss the policies of the Guild and chart our course for the future. Because of finances it has seemed impossible to hold such a meeting.

Lack of meetings of the NEC should be overcome by a constitutional amendment making it mandatory for the Committee to meet quarterly at some mid-western point. Definite financial arrangements for such meetings should be included in the national budget. PAUL COMLY FRENCH, (ANG Vice President, Region Three.)

Forget Post Mortem On A. F. L.—Limpus

New York City. Editor, The Guild Reporter: May I appeal to the opponents of A. F. L. affiliation, who "took it on the chin" with me in the New York referendum to accept our defeat in the proper spirit, close ranks and continue to work for a bigger and better Guild?

The only hope for a successful Guild lies in harmonious cooperation all along the line. In or out of the A. F. L., a great deal of work remains to be done. Let's not permit our defeat to rankle but rather pitch in and do our share of that remaining work.

We may still reserve our right to oppose affiliation in a national referendum if it is authorized by the Cleveland convention. It may well be that the country at large will support the stand we took. If so, we will expect our present victorious opponents to abide by that decision.

Since that is so, we can do no less now than what we will expect of them then. We got licked. All right. Let's take it with a smile. (And maybe we'll have better luck next time.) LOWELL M. LIMPU.

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Brewery Worker Commends Guild's Efforts for Employees

Union Publication Finds That Newspapermen Are Ready to Graduate Into Labor World

Praises of the American Newspaper Guild for its efforts to better working conditions of editorial employees is contained in an article in the current issue of *The Brewery Worker*, publication of the International Union of United Brewery, Flour, Cereal and Soft Drink Workers of America.

The story of the Guild is characterized as "an exciting one, full of the deepest social and political import and of lively interest to every working man."

After referring to the action of the Washington, D. C. Guild in placing itself on record for A. F. of L. affiliation as a happening of "more than local" import, the article goes on to analyze "what has been going on in the hands of newspapermen and is now finding expression in such ways as the Washington vote."

"Reporters are popularly aligned as wise guys and know-it-alls," the writer comments. "But they have been freshmen in the school of union organization in the past year."

"They found they had a lot to learn, but they have been learning it quickly. They are now getting ready to graduate into the labor world, with a new knowledge and confidence and with a unique contribution to make to the American labor movement."

"In the early days of the Guild there were many callow 20-40 year old reporters who thought they were too professional and brainy to associate with 300-600 a week printers in labor union organizations."

"There aren't so many now by a long shot, for those that have brains have been learning through Guild experience to use them in their own interests as well as in those of the publishers. They have learned through many cases of discrimination for Guild activity, through the tactics used by the publishers when they seek to better pay and conditions, and through strikes into which the Guild has been forced, that the Guild is going to be fought except by like any other labor union when it acts in their interest."

Westchester Units Get 40-Hour Week

Newspaper Code Effective on Three Dailies

YONKERS, N. Y.—At the instance of the Westchester Newspaper Guild, J. Noel Macy, publisher of seven Westchester County, N. Y., dailies, has put the 40-hour week into "immediate effect" in accordance with provisions of the Newspaper Code.

The action followed a conference on May 20 between Macy and the Guild Negotiating Committee and brought a definite decrease in working hours for Guildsmen in Yonkers, Mount Vernon and Rochelle—the only three cities in the Macy chain eligible under the short-lived code's population set-up.

Spurred by this minor concession, the Guild will continue its drive for a uniform five-day, 40-hour week for all member units, minimum wages and a security program.

Westchester newspapermen feel this slight change in hours is encouraging, despite lack of provision for a five-day week, exclusion of certain member units, no provision for cash overtime or time-off, and expiration of the code on June 16.

Guildsman Mourned

Funeral Held for Late St. Paul Pioneer

Funeral services for Gustav B. Wollan, late St. Paul Pioneer, were held at St. Paul, Minn., May 28.

Mr. Wollan, who died May 21 at his home in St. Paul, was a member of the St. Paul Guild.

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NRA Protection for Newsmen Is Threatened in California

Publisher Stirs Assembly With Oration on Reporters' Love of Work

SAN FRANCISCO.—As Northern California Guilders batted on selection of Guild convention delegates and their instructions, the California Legislature last week took a sidewise at newspaper workers.

It was in the form of an amendment to the California NRA bill—a "baby NRA" for intimate protection—passed on the floor of the Assembly. The amendment excluded the newspaper industry from the fair trades and labor provisions of the bill.

Assemblyman Ford Chatters of Lindsay, Calif., who proposed the amendment denying to newspaper employees the NRA protection provided for workers in nearly every other industry, is, by profession, a publisher.

Publisher-Legislator Chatters, from the floor of the Assembly, pointing at the men in the press box, said:

"Look at those men. You see them working early in the morning. You see them working late at night. They love their work. They get a kick out of it. Why should we pass laws that would confine them to working only eight hours a day?"

So stirred was the Assembly that the amendment and bill were passed, in spite of the questions from Assemblyman William Moore-Jones:

"Why deny to newspaper workers the rights guaranteed to all other workers? Why exclude them from the right to collective bargaining through representatives of their own choosing?"

The Guild wrote letters of protest to all Senators and Governor Merriam. Senator Walter McGowan from San Francisco, president of the judiciary committee before which the bill was slated next to appear, was contacted and promised to oppose the Chatters amendment.

All sources of help were tapped. Redfern Mason, president of the Northern California Newspaper Guild, went to Sacramento and spoke before the judiciary committee.

That body, by a vote of eight to six, refused to pass any and all of the California NRA bill on to the Senate. Mr. Hearst was against it.

But proponents of the bill, responding to labor's demand for a bill, declare an effort will be made to introduce it in the Senate from the floor. If they do, the Guild will redouble its efforts to kill the Chatters amendment of discrimination against newspapermen.

Surviving him are his widow, five sons, Curtis B., Gordon, Herbert F., Laura A. and Vernon H. Wollan, all of St. Paul; three brothers, Oscar C. of Tacoma, Arnold C. of Glenwood and Casper I. Wollan of La Crosse, Wis., and four sisters, Mrs. A. M. Rovelstad of Grand Forks, N. D.; Mrs. O. W. Wollan of Decatur, Iowa, and the Misses Pernille of Minneapolis and Winifred Wollan of Tacoma.

Funeral services were held May 28 in Christ Lutheran Church, St. Paul.

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The Egomaniac
The egomaniac, having reached what he regards as respectability—having known why—is not going to sully himself by even the remotest contact with anything that looks like a union. He believes in an aristocracy of employment. He thinks that his service to society is prouder than that of a plumber, a printer, or a baker. There's a hiatus in his thinking equipment, and it never occurs to him that he's a wage slave (getting less than his despised plumber). There's a word, "chisely," which isn't in the dictionary. I apply it to this type. The boyhood just isn't going to do anything that his beloved boss wouldn't consider noble.

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Pittsburgh Unit News First in ANG'S Contest

New York Post Chapter Makes Second Place With Guildsmen

The Pittsburgh Guild News, official publication of the Pittsburgh Guild, won the ANG contest for local unit publications in the first of such contests conducted by the Guild Reporter. The Pittsburgh entry was hard-pressed for first honors by The Post Guildsmen of the New York Post unit. Third place went to The Pacific Reporter, official organ of the San Francisco Bay Area Guild.

All papers, in accordance with the rules laid down for the contest, were of the mimeographed or multigraphed type. This rule was made so that units which could not afford more ambitious publications might submit their entries in a fair competition. Judgment was based on the paper as a whole, content as well as format.

The entries showed many variations in excellent make-up and novel typography. The Pittsburgh Guild News, printed on light blue bond paper, comprised four pages of reading matter. Page One exhibited neat art work in conjunction with the standard mast-head, showing two life-like reporters at work in front of their typewriters. The news of the various Pittsburgh units was presented in a clear, concise style in a two-column format with the two-line upper case heads. The judges had no trouble reading the sheet due to the large multigraphed type.

The judges were Dorothy K. Lee, of the staff of The Yonkers Herald-Statesman, president of the Westchester County Guild; Virginia Lee of The Newark Star-Eagle and member of the Board of Governors of the Newark Guild; and Warren Hall, chairman of the New York Daily News unit.

The Post Guildsmen, one of the nearest mimeographed publications submitted in the contest was printed on both sides of a page. The editors used numerous novel twists to brighten up Page One, but the distinguishing mark was the paper's simplicity and cleanliness. The double-column format was broken in the center of each page by a narrow line of white space which served to emphasize the clearness of the reading matter. Two column streamers were used for the lead story when it was deemed important enough.

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Jersey City, N. J.—A resolution pledging its membership to refrain from reading the American Mercury during the present strike of the magazine's office force was adopted unanimously at a meeting of the Hudson County Newspaper Guild of New Jersey at a meeting May 18.

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PHILADELPHIA.—The establishment of a group medical plan of insurance against sickness and hospitalization for local Guild members and their dependents is provided for in a contract entered into by the Newspaper Guild of Philadelphia and Camden and the C. Dudley Saul Medical Clinic in this city. The contract was approved on May 19 by the Guild executive committee.

Subscription to the plan is limited to Guild members in good standing. The contract provides for a monthly fee of \$2 for Guild members and special low rates for their dependents. Payment is on a month-to-month basis. Subscribers are free to withdraw from the arrangement whenever they desire.

In the event of less than 100 members enrolling under the plan, the clinic has a right to cancel the contract.

Clinic to Pay Specialists
The doctor-patient relationship is in no way disturbed by the group plan. Patients will be referred to specialists through the clinic on the same basis as they are now referred by family physicians. Specialists' fees will be paid by the clinic. There will thus be no additional charge against the subscriber or the dependent.

For the \$2 monthly fee subscribers will receive:
All necessary medical and surgical treatments for diseases and ailments, disabilities, injuries of every type as long and as often as may be necessary.
All medical examinations, medical advice, written prescriptions for medicines and their uses, medical laboratory tests and vaccinations, as long and as often as may be necessary.
All necessary hospital care and treatment, meals, laboratory services, X-ray examinations, operating room, medical and surgical supplies in the ordinary use of hospital procedure, routine nursing service, as long and as often as may be necessary, for a total of up to three months for one patient in a year of subscription membership.

Special provisions are contained in the contract for the treatment of obstetrical cases and cases of contagious and social diseases. Present Guild members are entitled to all benefits under the group plan without a preliminary examination. Unemployed members whose dues have been waived in accordance with the Guild constitution are considered members in good standing.

Philadelphia Broun Case Closed by Resolution
PHILADELPHIA.—The Philadelphia Broun "incident" was closed by the Executive Council May 12 when the following resolution, introduced by Roger Gibson, Bulletin unit chairman, and seconded by President French, was adopted by a vote of 11 2-3 to 5 1/2.

"The Executive Council, in meeting this date, resolves to point out that its Broun resolution of April 14th was an expression of opinion with regard to only one point in a speech made by Mr. Broun and was an expression of its disapproval of the expediency of that speech. The adoption of that resolution must not be construed as a lack of confidence in the national administration of the American Newspaper Guild. This body is fully cognizant of the need of cohesive action and expresses its support of the national organization."

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AKRON, Ohio.—Salary increases and a minimum scale for editorial employees of the Akron Beacon Journal have just been placed in effect under a verbal agreement with John S. Knight, publisher.

The increases amount to 10 per cent for all editorial employees receiving \$40 a week or less and five per cent for all those receiving more than \$40 a week.

Minimums established under the agreement made with the Beacon Journal unit of the Akron Newspaper Guild include: \$30, \$35 and \$40 for the first, second and third years for journeymen; \$20, \$22.50 and \$25 for the first, second and third years for society department employees with \$27.50 as a minimum for journeymen in that department; \$15 for office boys; \$17.50 for librarians' assistants and \$22 for librarians.

A 40-hour week is extended under the agreement to all except a limited number of key men to be designated by the publisher. The agreement also provides a rate of six cents a mile for the use of automobiles of employees on assignments. The previous rate was four cents a mile.

No contract was signed, although Mr. Knight indicated his willingness to sign one. A verbal agreement was decided upon after members of the Times-Press unit of the Akron Guild and national officers of the Guild had argued that certain omissions from a proposed contract would weaken the Guild case on the national front even though acceptable to the Beacon Journal employees.

The Akron Guild is preparing to negotiate for an agreement with the Akron Times-Press as soon as terms of a contract with the Times-Press' sister paper, the Cleveland Press, have been agreed upon.

French Will Ask Attorney General to Arrange Pope Conference
PHILADELPHIA.—The Executive Council of the Philadelphia Newspaper Guild recently instructed local officers to make an immediate survey of all units to check any violations of the \$25 weekly minimum established in the Newspaper Code amendment and authorized Paul Comby, French, Guild president, to ask Charles J. Margiotti, Attorney General of Pennsylvania, to act as mediator in arranging a conference between the Guild and Generoso Pope, publisher of L'Oplione.

Guild officials were instructed to report all violations of the code, recently approved by President Roosevelt, to the local NRA compliance director.

The publisher of L'Oplione has consistently refused to meet with the Guild's committee.

French's letter to Margiotti, requesting his services as a mediator, follows in part:

Met With New York Guild
"Mr. Pope has consistently refused to meet the Guild as representatives of his editorial employees for the purpose of collective bargaining. Last February he sent his secretary, Mrs. Teresa Anastasi, in response to a request for a meeting, but she informed the Guild's Committee she had no authority to act for Mr. Pope. Since February we have been unable to arrange conferences with either Pope or his authorized representatives."

"Mr. Pope has met with the New York Guild, acting as representatives of his editorial employees on El Progresso and Corriere d'America and granted the employees of both papers wage increases and adjustment of working hours."

"The Guild is loath to direct action on L'Oplione and feels that your influence as mediator would compel Mr. Pope to meet with the Guild Committee."

"Reporters on L'Oplione average 65 to 70 hours a week with salaries ranging from \$18 to \$35 a week."

"We would appreciate your acceptance of our request at your earliest convenience and would be glad to arrange a conference with you to discuss a meeting with Mr. Pope."

stockholders. Russell held almost all the common stock.

The court declared that under the trusteeship action, the preferred stockholders were entitled simply to efficient management.

He said they would get this under the Newhouse arrangement. He said the preferred stockholders were free, either to sell their stock at whatever terms they agreed upon with Newhouse, or to retain their stock as an investment.

Berry rejected two cash offers to buy the Ledger assets on the basis of guaranteeing preferred stockholders 80 and 85 cents on the dollar respectively. He declared these offers would have given nothing to the common

Press Association Problems Outlined

Watson Says Service Men Need Direct Convention Representation

By MORRIS WATSON
Chairman, National Press Association Committee

Press Association members of the American Newspaper Guild may ask the National Convention for a change in the constitution to give them more direct representation in the convention itself. They probably will ask also for a truly representative National Press Association Committee.

While Press Association members are already represented at the national convention through their local guilds, most of them feel that their collective problem is a special one, and they are of the opinion that a small contingent of delegates representing them directly at the convention can find little objection.

Division Talk Weather
Talk of separate press association divisions, divorced from the local guilds, has died down. Danger of division are readily apparent. Among these is the possibility that a separate division of employees of one press association could be readily converted into a company union by management pressure or propaganda.

Separation from the local guilds, many seem to feel, would be to desert the everlasting struggle for better local standards—and this is more highly important to press association employees than appears on the surface. It has already been demonstrated that press as-



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sociations will not go above the local wage averages, or below the local hour averages, in their bargain.

Drive Should Be Staged
The work of the next press association committee will be more effective when and if national headquarters keeps an indexed file of these members of the Guild. In the past it has been impossible for the committee to locate the press association members in order to learn their desires or inform them of what was being done. Requests to local secretaries resulted in information too sketchy for use.

When this information is provided, an organization drive in-

Company Union Danger Ends Discussion of Separate Guilds

press associations should begin at once. The Guild can be sold to all but a few press association members when it convinces them that it is their only hope to save the five day week when they now have it, and to obtain it where they now do not have it, or to advance economically. It cannot do any of these things, of course, unless it gets more than apathetic support from the press association employees.

Failures Analyzed
Beyond a long distance well-wishing—which manifests itself in the faithful payment of dues by many press association employees—there has been comparatively little interest in the Guild shown in press association offices. This has its exception, but it is not being made to say that press association members have generally failed to support the Guild on the picket line and in its councils.

A good part of this failure, I believe, stems from fear. Other elements are personal ambition, egomania, boyceutism, and plain laziness.

The "Ambitions" Danger
There is no need to go into detail about the scared man. He means well, but he is beaten. More dangerous to the cause of the Guild, which is the cause of everyone who works for a wage in an editorial department, is the man of acute personal ambition.

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South Holds First Guild Convention

Winston-Salem Meeting Hailed a Success; Features AFL Discussion

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.—The first Guild convention ever held in the South was so successful that Guildsmen are already talking about a more elaborate meeting for next year. Forty-two delegates and visitors registered for the First Annual Piedmont District Guild here Sunday, May 19th, discussed AFL affiliation, endorsed the Wagner Labor Bill and NRA extension, ate barbecue luncheon, and heard reports of increasing Guild sentiment in this section.

At the business session presided over by Mike Bradshaw of the Durham Herald Telegraph, Piedmont District chairman, it was evident that opinion on affiliation was divided. After discussion, a motion by Leo Disher, reporter on the Winston-Salem Journal, to poll the delegates on the question was tabled when it was pointed out that the units were instructing delegates, and the district as a group had no representation at the Cleveland convention.

Units Report

Reports from three North Carolina units were made. B. S. Dekle, Durham Herald city editor, told of gains made through preliminary negotiations with Durham publishers, including salary increases and more satisfactory vacation schedules. Ted Thompson, Greensboro News reporter, reported on first negotiations within his city, which are to be continued. Hop Wilson, Winston-Salem Journal reporter, outlined the first year's work of the local guild, including the work of the negotiating committee. All three units have gained in membership since organization.

Guild Sentiment Growing

Other reports indicated Guild sentiment is fermenting in North Carolina cities. Expressions of sympathy and encouragement were received from newsmen in many unorganized towns.

Unanimous vote for the Wagner and NRA resolutions followed explanations of the measures by Bradshaw, who called upon publishers pleading for freedom of the press to do something about integrity of the press.

Following an informal discussion of AFL affiliation, the convention adjourned for barbecue luncheon, afterward returning to the convention to settle the affiliation matter. A motion by Wilson to table the Disher vote prevailed.

Later in the afternoon, Guild officers and visitors were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sharpe at a cocktail party.

At the barbecue were newspapermen and women from Winston-Salem, Durham, Greensboro, High Point, Charlotte and Mount Airy. The committee arranging the local meeting was composed of Mamie Hegwood, of the Sentinel society department; Harvey Dinkins, Sentinel reporter; Art King, Journal reporter, and Gowan Caldwell also a reporter on the Journal.

The Piedmont District Guild executive committee, all of whom attended, is composed of Bradshaw, chairman; and B. S. Dekle, of Durham; Ted Thompson and J. P. Huskins, Greensboro; and Mamie Hegwood and Nady M. Cates Jr., Winston-Salem.

Home News Playwright Extends Credit to Guild

Phil Kanter, member of the Bronx Home News unit, whose comedy "Them's the Reporters," was to be presented by the Fourth Estate Productions, Inc., beginning May 29 at the Ethel Barrymore Theatre, New York, credits the Guild with making the com-

Officers of Newly Formed Milwaukee Guild



Left to right: Edward Harrigan, Sentinel, member of the board; Leland Benfer, Sentinel, first vice-president; Gunnar Mickelson, Journal, second vice-president, and Herbert Israel, News, president. Other officers are: Mary Van Buren, Journal, secretary; Larry Frohaska, News, treasurer, and Herbert Jacobs, Journal; Ruben Levin, Sentinel, and Leslie Ernst, News, members of the board.

New Guild in Milwaukee Adopts Its Constitution

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Block-owned, and the Wisconsin News, Hearst-owned. All three are represented in the Guild, with the News unit having the largest membership.

Organizational problems were confronting the temporary executive committee, when Bill Davy, national organizer, arrived and smoothed the path here. Dean J. L. O'Sullivan and Professor Brown of the Marquette University School of Journalism both spoke before the Milwaukee Guild and expressed their full sympathy with its purpose.

At the May 12 meeting, Ruben Levin, temporary president, said, "This meeting establishes a milestone in the history of Milwaukee newspaperdom. The Milwaukee Guild today becomes a permanent organization, devoted to giving some dignity, security and integrity to the newspaper craft. It is a significant and a heartening occasion."

The permanent officers elected were: Herbert Israel, Wisconsin News deskman, president; Leland Benfer, Sentinel head photographer, first vice-president; Gunnar Mickelson, Journal reporter, secretary, and Larry Frohaska, Wisconsin News sports writer, treasurer. Other members of the board chosen were: Ruben Levin, Herbert Jacobs of the Journal, Edward A. Harrigan, Sentinel financial editor, and Leslie Ernst, News assistant city editor.

Big Six Run-off Election Will Be Held This Week

A run-off election for the presidency of Typographical Union No. 6 in New York City, will be held this week, the race to be between Leon H. Rouse, incumbent, and Elmer Brown of the New York World-Telegram chapel.

The final unofficial count taken May 22 gave Rouse 2,384 votes, Brown 1,727, Austin Hewson, Daily News chapel, 1,595, and Dan A. Dooley, chairman, Brooklyn Times Union, 1,083.

Rouse has been president of Big Six for 18 years. Brown, head of the insurgent Amalgamation Party in the union, has spoken at several Guild and Guild unit meetings.

pletion of his play possible.

Kanter explains that until his unit obtained the five-day week, he was unable to make any rapid progress on the play, which concerns the adventures of a district police reporter.

The cast, directed by Addison Pitt, includes Helen Kingsley, Dave Burns, Cledge Roberts, Nat Burns, Howard Negley, Frederick Sherman and John O'Neill.

Hunter Is New Chairman Of Unit in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA.—Edward Hunter, make-up man for the Philadelphia Record, was elected chairman of the Record unit of the Philadelphia and Camden Newspaper Guild at a special election.

Hunter received 76 votes and his opponent, Irving Fagin, editor of the Record's Sunday screen and radio magazine section, 52 votes. One vote was cast for Seth Maxwell, financial editor, who was not a candidate.

Election of a chairman was necessitated when Maxwell resigned as chairman three weeks ago. Hunter and Fagin were the only candidates nominated.

Hunter already was a member of the executive council and since the chairman is entitled to a seat in council, that left a post on that body vacant for the Record unit. This was filled by Robert Reiss, special assignment man, who was elected as an alternate when the Record's delegates to the executive council were chosen.

Cartoonist Gets Annuity

WILMINGTON, Del.—George T. Maxwell, staff cartoonist for the Journal-Evening and the Morning News, does not have to worry about depressions for the next ten years, at least.

Under the terms of the will of the late Alfred I. du Pont, who died April 29 at his estate, "Epping Forest," near Jacksonville, Fla., Maxwell receives a ten-year annuity of \$1,440. He was cartoonist for the Delaware Ledger, at Newark, when that weekly was owned by du Pont. Maxwell is a member of the Journal-Evening unit of the Guild.

"Chance Remark" of Reporter Without Card Wins Black Eye

CLEVELAND, O.—David I. Rimmel, 22-year-old Plain Dealer reporter, was nursing a discolored eye and other minor injuries recently as the result of a "chance remark" he dropped about strike duty and picket lines around the plant of the Industrial Rayon Corporation. The "chance remark" is Rimmel's explanation but the nature of the remark was not recorded.

Not long before the attack, the Plain Dealer states, Rimmel was questioned by a labor union leader. Rimmel was asked if he was a member of the Cleveland Guild. When he said he wasn't, Rimmel was told: "Well you'd better get yourself a card. Don't come around here trying to make friends with us if you don't belong."

Two other Plain Dealer reporters also found the going rough be-

Hearst Fires Holliday Of Jennings Case Fame

(Special to The Guild Reporter) SAN FRANCISCO.—Robert P. Holliday, publisher of the San Francisco Call Bulletin, who forced Dean Jennings out of his job for Guild activity, has himself been fired.

"Mr. Hearst and I had a slight difference of opinion and he let me out," was Holliday's statement.

As a colonel in the National Guard, Holliday was active in helping to break the recent San Francisco general strike.

Frederick Wagner of the Paul Block newspaper chain will replace Holliday on the Call Bulletin.

Mooney on Bail In Contempt Case

Wilson of Rockland Paper Took Same Stand

Martin Mooney, reporter for the New York American who was sentenced recently to 30 days in the workhouse and fined \$250 for contempt of court, because he refused to divulge the source of information contained in his articles on commercialized gambling, is now out on bail pending an appeal.

The Newspaper Guild of New York has requested Morris Ernst to intervene on behalf of any newspaper man in protecting his right to respect confidential sources of information.

At the hearing before Justice Morris Koenig, Mooney revealed that Lee Thompson Smith, Grand Jury foreman, had offered to withdraw the contempt charge if he would head a committee of newspaper men to provide information for the grand jury. Mooney declared that to divulge the information the jury asked of him would be to destroy his value as a newspaperman.

Charles Wilson, a reporter on the Rockland Journal-News, of Nyack, last week also refused to divulge the origin of his information, when asked by a Rockland County grand jury to tell the source of a story about a meeting of the county's police chiefs.

The Guild has in the past sought to have the legislature of New York State pass a law guaranteeing protection to reporters in just such cases, a statement on the case issued by the Guild said.

"The jail sentence imposed on Martin Mooney," says the statement, "is regarded by the Guild as a violation of a right that has been recognized by the federal courts and by many state courts. The Guild recently proposed a law guaranteeing protection to New York reporters, but the proposal died in committee at Albany. The Guild again will press for the law at the next session of the legislature."

New Guild Unit Is Organized In Coal Region

Anthracite Group Begins Drive for Members and Negotiations

ASHLAND, Pa.—The Anthracite Newspaper Guild, covering Schuylkill and Northumberland counties, and which had been functioning on a temporary basis, was formally organized here May 10. Representatives of a majority of towns in the two counties attended the meeting. Officers were elected, a constitution was adopted and the Guild applied for a charter in the national organization. The meeting was conducted by Paul Comly French, Regional vice-president.

Ira Roadmell, of the Mt. Carmel Item, was elected president; Russ Green, of the Mahanoy City Record American, vice-president; Hubert Strunk, of the Ashland News, secretary, and George V. Hornberger, of the Mt. Carmel Item, treasurer.

Roadmell immediately named a wage scale committee consisting of Dan Marnell, Mt. Carmel Item; Strunk, James Carrick, Mahanoy City Record American, and Duke Kamanski, of the Pottsville Journal. They were instructed to prepare contracts and start negotiations.

Under present plans contracts will be offered to the publisher of the Mt. Carmel Item and the Ashland News, with officers of the new Guild expressing the belief that negotiations will be successful.

An organization committee was named to contact all men who were unable to be present at the organization. Several of the charter members said that within 30 days they felt confident the Guild would have a 100 per cent membership in the two counties.

The Anthracite Guild is the first formally to organize as part of the Third Region's intensive organization drive. Newspapermen have been approached in several other towns in the region.

Jewish Morning Journal Employees Win in Strike

The two-weeks' strike of the office workers of the Jewish Morning Journal was settled May 15 with a victory for the strikers. The settlement included a \$21 minimum for everyone, a 40 hour week, recognition of the shop committee, and immediate dismissal of all non-union workers. More than 26 strikers were involved, all members of the Office Workers Union.

The New York Guild had formed a committee of cooperation that worked with the Yiddish Writers' Club, a union of editorial employees.

Earl Wilson, Unit Head In Akron, at N. Y. Post

H. Earl Wilson, former chairman of the Beacon Journal Akron Guild unit, started on the rewrite bank of the New York Post this week.

He left Akron, and resigned his chairmanship last fall to join the staff of the Washington Post, where he immediately joined the Washington Guild.

Wilson was instrumental in organizing the Columbus, Ohio Guild before he came to Akron.

did. You're just like the rest of them, slinking around here.

FIRST PICKET—Well, listen, get your car and keep away from the picket lines. If you're looking for trouble, we'll give you plenty of it. Get the hell out of here and take your slinking friend with you.

SECOND PICKET—If you're looking for trouble, you'll get plenty of it.

cause they had no Guild cards. The Plain Dealer records the incident as follows:

PICKET—What you doing here, you in the picket line? Who're you with?

REPORTER—The Plain Dealer. Came out to get one of the boys' cars.

PICKET—You got a union card?

REPORTER—We have no union.

PICKET—Oh, scab, huh? Let's see your reporter's card. What's the matter with you guys on the Plain Dealer? You guys that come out here—

REPORTER—We come out here only to get news.

PICKET—What business you got making cracks about the picket lines?

REPORTER—We didn't make any cracks about the picket line.

ANOTHER PICKET—Yes, you