

THE GUILD REPORTER

Official Organ of the American Newspaper Guild, an Affiliate of the C. I. O.

Published the 1st and 15th of Each Month at Guild Headquarters, 14 Pearl Street, New York

Vol. IX—No. 9

Reentered as second class matter May 27, 1940,
at New York Post Office under act of Aug. 24, 1912

NEW YORK, N. Y., APRIL 15, 1942

Single Copy 10¢; Yearly \$2.00

Detroit News Is Accused Before NLRB

DETROIT—The support of Detroit organized labor is being enlisted by the Detroit Newspaper Guild this week in its two-pronged offensive against The Detroit News to secure a plant-wide bargaining unit and to bring an end to a long series of unfair labor practices.

Memoranda reciting in summary all of the Guild's complaints against The News, last of the three metropolitan dailies in Detroit to hold out against the Guild, have been sent to CIO, AFL, and independent locals throughout the area.

Representations against The News, by resolution and in person, are expected to follow.

NLRB GETS TRANSCRIPT

Meanwhile, the National Labor Relations Board in Washington is studying the transcript of a seven-day hearing to determine the proper bargaining unit for a Guild-News election, and a regional NLRB attorney is amassing evidence for a wholesale complaint case against The News.

The complaint case was filed during the seven-day hearing when, as the culmination of a year-long series of coercive and intimidatory acts by the News management, eight editorial department employees—including two excluded executives—sought to intervene in the proceedings in behalf of the management's contention for three separate elections in the editorial, commercial and maintenance departments.

After being granted limited participation in the proceedings, the intervenors then sought to introduce added petitions bearing the signatures of 120 additional editorial employees, including 11 more excluded executives.

The motion was denied by Trial Examiner Gustav Erickson, but the petitions remained in the record as exhibits.

A move to have the names of the two excluded employees stricken from the original petition (Continued on Page Two)

TIME OUT IN BATTLE OF PACIFIC



In the white shirt at the right, with coffee in front of him, is Newspaper Guildsman Francis McCarthy, former chairman of the union's United Press unit in New York. He's just completed a UP assignment—an engagement with Japanese forces aboard a United States warship in the Pacific. In the wardroom is an officer at the extreme left, his neck bandaged. Note perspiration-soaked shirt of the officer at right.

WASHINGTON ROUNDUP

A Columnist, in Search of a Story, Finds the Case of Mr. John L. Lewis

By JAMES A. WECHSLER
Labor Editor of PM
Washington Guild

WASHINGTON—Maybe it's out of order to bring up the subject in a family newspaper, but the biggest labor story in this town concerns Mr. John L. Lewis.

Mr. Lewis will be remembered as the former president of the CIO. Mr. Philip Murray is now the president of the CIO.

The best-informed labor sources inform me that this change in the cast is a point of much pain to Mr. Lewis.

As this dispatch is written, I have no definite knowledge of Mr. Lewis' future plans.

Whether he will be in the house when the next CIO convention meets is a decision which he hasn't confided to me or, as far as I know, to anybody in high CIO councils.

To paraphrase an old line, the Lewis family talks only to John L. and John L. talks only to himself.

But one thing is unmistakably clear about this enigma wrapped in cellophane: The divorce of Mr. Lewis from the CIO is only a matter of time.

That fact may as well be faced.

I do not know how the coal miners who work for a living will feel about it, but Mr. Lewis has made perfectly plain that he is only a transient in the CIO house.

Maybe he will retire to a farm as a member emeritus of District 50 or maybe he will try to promote a third labor movement. I suspect he will stick around and leave the cows to daughter "Katie."

"EPIGRAMS" COMING

So one of these days there will be a big explosion and before the matter is settled many epigrams will be hurled across the battlefield, Shakespeare will get a lot

of publicity and anybody who questions Mr. Lewis' patriotism and simpleminded selflessness will be pelted with elegant dirty words.

The truth, as this writer sees it, is that Mr. Lewis is still trying to get a recount of the 1940 Presidential election.

Beneath all the florid phrases that will shortly fill the air the basic issue is Franklin D. Roosevelt—whether FDR is engaged in a subtle conspiracy to make the poor poorer, or whether, despite blunders and boners, the New Deal is still on labor's side of the railroad tracks.

In the dimly-remembered days of 1933 it was FDR who saved John L. Lewis in particular and labor in general and paved the way for the CIO upsurge.

Then Mr. Lewis and Mr. Roosevelt (Continued on Page Six)

NLRB Orders Reinstatement In New Haven

NEW HAVEN—The New Haven Newspaper Guild has scored a smashing victory over Publisher John Day Jackson with the issuance of a proposed National Labor Relations Board order.

It upholds Guild charges of unfair labor practices and calls upon the publisher to "cease and desist from discouraging membership" and from "interfering with, restraining, or coercing his employees."

ORDER REINSTATEMENT

The finding also calls for "immediate and full reinstatement" for Gladys M. Solomon, former Register employee who was discharged in August, 1941, for Guild activity and for testifying against Jackson at a Labor Board hearing.

The reinstatement will be on the basis of restoration of a \$7.50 weekly raise rescinded because of Guild affiliation, and reimbursement for financial losses incurred since termination of employment.

The publisher was given 30 days to file exceptions, prior to issuance of the final formal order.

Jackson is ordered to "post immediately in conspicuous places" in the plants of the evening Register and morning Journal-Courier notices assuring employees that they are "free to become or remain members of the New Haven Newspaper Guild."

An initial hearing on Guild charges was held last May, and a trial examiner's report found Jackson guilty of unfair labor practices.

Miss Solomon, who was among Register and Journal-Courier employees who testified against the publisher, was fired in August, and the Guild filed a new charge. All charges were consolidated, and a second hearing was held last October.

HISTORY TRACED

The finding traces the Guild history from its beginning in March, 1940, and makes mention of a conversation during which (Continued on Page Nine)

Engels Named Organizer; Plans to Quit ANG Post

The New York Newspaper Guild's executive committee has appointed Walter Engels, ANG regional vice president, a local organizer to succeed Melvaine Parsons, who has been classified in 1A and will shortly enter the armed services.

The appointment must be ratified by the representative assembly. Engels has announced his acceptance, provided The Daily News, which employs him as a photographer, will give him a leave of absence.

If he becomes a local organizer, he will resign as international vice president, since the Guild constitution precludes holding both positions.

"UNITY" MOVE

The selection of Engels, who was unopposed "Pro-Guild" candidate last year for the Region 1 vice presidency, was proposed as a continuation of a "unity" pattern of giving representation to the local minority, demonstrated in the choice of Parsons, the executive committee and delegates to

the national convention.

Engels was opposed in the executive committee by John F. Ryan, general organizer, and Alexander Crosby, of the labor press unit. Ryan expressed a preference for Joseph G. Colangelo, of the Journal-American "All-Guild" candidate for general organizer defeated by Ryan in the last city-wide election.

COLANGELO CONSIDERED

Colangelo was endorsed by the committee but Engels was favored because it felt his longer record of activity in the local minority group made him an even better "unity" selection.

The committee decided that if Engels were unable to obtain a leave of absence, the position would go to Colangelo, who also would have to get a leave of absence from his paper.

Parsons was granted a leave of absence while serving in the armed forces. His successor, working with Nat Einhorn, Ryan and Milton Kaufman, will concentrate on organizing The Herald Tribune.

New Local in Pact

NEW ORLEANS—The new New Orleans Newspaper Guild in the newsroom of The Item set something of a record in organizing a local and negotiating a contract with Ralph Nicholson, Item publisher, within a month.

Organization of the group came almost overnight following numerous dismissals by the publisher. The contract negotiations lasted actually only seven hours, spread over three afternoons, when an agreement was reached. ANG International Representative Barney Taylor participated in both organization and negotiations.

The contract provides for job security, severance pay in the amount of one week for every year of service with the paper to 10 weeks, substantial pay increases for at least 19 members of the newsroom staff, two-week paid vacations annually, and a 40-hour week.

The contract provides that any employee entering military service shall be considered on leave of absence. The publisher also agrees to pay to employees in service an amount equal to the premium on \$1,000 of government insurance annually while he is in service.

Upon completion of his military service, the employee is to resume his position, or one similar to it, at a salary comparable to that which he would have received had he remained in the active service of the publisher.

Officers of the New Orleans Newspaper Guild are: Ward Melody, news editor, president; Harnett T. Kane, author of "Louisiana Hayride," vice president; Ralph O'Leary, secretary, and Charles Lammond, treasurer.

The negotiating committee included all Guild officers and James A. Wobbe.

On the Inside...

- Points of information by Milton Murray — page 2.
- Shops — "open," "closed" and otherwise — page 3.
- What Newspaper Guild strikers in Chester and Aliquippa are doing — pages 4 and 5.
- Publishers are up to it again — page 7.
- The Guild goes to press — page 8.
- The Guild's own bookshelf — page 9.
- With the women — page 9.
- It seems to us — page 10.
- New York news — page 11.
- The rewrite desk — page 12.

Points of Information

By MILTON MURRAY
President,
American Newspaper Guild

In the multitude of articles in the last Guild Reporter telling of Guild progress there were five that interested me particularly—and I hope they interest other Guildmen.

The five told of the election or appointment of Guild members to active participation in local and state CIO bodies.

Donald M. Sullivan, former president, was one of the members mentioned. He has been re-elected vice president of the Massachusetts CIO. In this service to the CIO Brother Sullivan and I agree completely.

It is my sincere conviction that the Guild has a vital role in CIO affairs.

It is my fond hope—a hope shared by CIO President Philip Murray—that Guildmen will assume that role.

There is much that we can offer the CIO.

Certainly we are a vocal and an expressive group.

We have accountants and cashiers who could serve as treasurers.

Secretaries and stenographers who could take minutes or cut stenographs.

Artists who could prepare posters.

Copy readers who could edit pamphlets.

Rewrite men and reporters who could write them.

We have a score of talents that can be of value to local, state or district bodies, despite the clamoring of publishers.

The CIO does not have millions of dollars to spend in its crusade to lift to decency and dignity the level of workingmen.

This crusade needs much volunteer aid and it needs counsel and advice from those who have the time and means to be well informed.

What talents newspaper people have, what imagination and leadership they possess, should be contributed generously to CIO bodies in cooperation with other unions which contribute power of numbers that the Guild lacks.

We cannot afford to evade our opportunity and our duty.

Too many too have held aloof from labor activities—until they wanted help through the very activities that had shunned them.

We can neither expect nor ask the aid of labor if we have failed to make our contribution to the pool of power created by unionism.

And particularly, in these war days when reactionary forces seek and seek to seize their chance to break down labor's gains, we must be united.

We must do our share.

And particularly, when others are giving every ounce of effort to production lines making democracy's munitions, we who are not on those lines must carry on the union crusade in their place.

The CIO and labor are contributing mightily to the war effort. That contribution is multiplied by the strength of our unions.

To protect that contribution and to increase it we must protect and improve the strength of the CIO—its power to give.

To that end, I urge every local to give the utmost cooperation to city, state or district CIO councils.

END WLS HEARINGS
WASHINGTON (FP)—With 3,000 pages of testimony already in the record, the mediation panel of the National War Labor Board ended its hearings on the "Little Steel" cases and gave the parties until April 15 to file briefs and rebuttal statements.

CLOSE HARMONY: READY FOR ACTION



It will not have been all fair weather the next time these men get together. On their feet, left to right, are Jack Smith, Roy Bash and James Savage, Detroit Times photographers and Newspaper Guildsmen who volunteered for service, specifying that it be active—Smith in the Army Air Corps, the other two in the Navy. Playing the quartet accompaniment at a farewell party in Del Delbridge, orchestra leader.

Knox Asked to Arbitrate Detroit Wins Dispute Over First Pact

MANCHESTER, N. H.—Continued refusal of The Union-Leader to grant any general wage increase, any form of the Guild shop or more than two weeks' severance in an initial contract has caused the Manchester Newspaper Guild to ask the president of the company, Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, to agree to arbitrate disputed points.

(First indication of the management's attitude was contained later in a letter from the Union-Leader's business manager, in which he said that he had discussed the question of arbitration with the publisher, Commander Edmund Jewell, and that "the management will not submit to the arbitration of any of the matters which are before us at the present time.")

The Guild, which won a 25 to 5 election in the editorial department last December 20, has been unable to find ground for agreement on any of the three major points at disagreement.

"POLICY" CITED
It finally decided to appeal to Colonel Knox in the following telegram, to which it asked quick reply:

"Guild-management negotiations deadlocked principally on wages, severance and modified union shop.

"Further severance was refused as a matter of policy, and any form of the Guild Shop because—management said—it interfered with 'freedom of the press.'"

Convention Plans Readied by Denver

DENVER—General Chairman Chet Nelson, intent on making the American Newspaper Guild's first war-year convention a memorable one, already is pushing plans to be sure all is in readiness for the advance of the delegates upon Denver June 22.

Arrangements virtually have been completed with the Albany Hotel, prospective convention headquarters, for necessary rooms and other conveniences.

Detroit Wins Job Back

DETROIT—The Detroit Guild won a major victory at The Free Press this week when Warren Stromberg, reporter and Chicago strike veteran, went back to work, nine weeks after his discharge for "economy."

Stromberg was the last of ten Free Press employees to lose their jobs in "economy" cuts, and the Guild made its chief stand on his case.

Previous to Stromberg's discharge, the Guild had succeeded in forcing a concession from the management which later resulted in victory.

This was a letter from Managing Editor Douglas D. Martin, stating that The Free Press would offer reinstatement to employees fired for economy, before hiring any employees.

ANG Organizer John Weillburg, State CIO President August Schelle and Michigan CIO News Editor Harry C. Reed sided in these negotiations. Read went through the Chicago Hearst strike with Stromberg.

The Guild contended Stromberg's discharge was a violation of the "good and sufficient cause" provision of the Free Press contract.

A committee of three, consisting of Ray McGovern of the Post unit, and Victor Weber and Steve Sallak of the News unit, was appointed to handle publication of a convention program.

A joint meeting of the local executive board and the Auxiliary board has been called for April 19 to develop plans still in preliminary stages.

Unfair Acts Documented At Hearing

(Continued from Page One)

tion also was denied, as was a move to reconsider the status of the other 11.

Formal intervention in the hearing followed the circulation of a petition on company property and company time and with the approval of company executives, although the maneuver was in strict violation of a Guild-inspired house rule against such activities.

MOVE TO HOTEL
When this activity was stopped by C. D. Brewer, News labor counsel, at the insistence of a Guild committee, the "company union" movement adjourned to the neighboring Fort Shelby Hotel, hired an attorney, and started again in earnest.

A parallel movement was launched in the commercial department by 10 employees, including one excluded executive, some of whom had been active in launching the short-lived Detroit News (Employees) Benefit Association a year earlier.

This group, bearing a petition in behalf of a separate business office election, also sought to intervene in the hearing.

But when its attorney made his motion on the closing day, after sitting silent for two full days, Erickson virtually tossed him out the window. The petition, bearing 120 signatures, was made an exhibit, however.

Throughout the hearing, A. J. Isserman, Guild attorney, showed by direct and cross examination the interrelationship of "sub-departments" throughout the News plant, and in several instances demonstrated he knew more about the operations of The News than the managing editor and the general manager.

UNFAIR ACTS CITED

Included in the unfair labor practices charged against the News management are the firing of an artist for Guild activity, the forced resignation of a classified ad salesman, a long series of intimidatory acts against the Guild and its members by subdepartment heads and by bulletin board posters, and the active participation of executives in preparing the anti-Guild petitions.

In the last instance, the Guild has evidence of several cases in which department heads and other supervisory personnel sent employees to the Fort Shelby Hotel to sign the petition. Added to this is the fact that 17 excluded executives and confidential secretaries signed the two petitions.

Since the conclusion of the hearing, several petitioners have volunteered to repudiate their signatures and the Guild is encouraging others to do likewise. These repudiations will be directed to the NLRB in Washington.

While there has been a very real threat of a company union organization resulting from the petition movement, the leadership of the editorial petitioners announced in a leaflet that their job now was completed with the exception of presenting oral arguments before the NLRB in Washington if such are allowed.

Apart from all other actions against the News management rectified here in the preparation of a suit to be filed in federal court seeking recovery of \$20,000 (double indemnity) in overtime pay claimed by 46 maintenance department employees and resulting from an alleged violation of the Wage and Hour Act during a nine-month period beginning in October, 1938.

AFL ADVERTISEMENTS

WASHINGTON (FP)—Full-page advertisements by the AFL in Washington and New York papers told the federation's story on the fight to maintain the 40-hour week.

'Open' Shop Opens Door to Danger A BOGEY UNDER THE BED

By WALTER A. RANDALL
New York Guild

The war is not the only life-and-death thing facing organized labor in America today. Conflict over the issue of the union shop on the domestic front is another fight on whose outcome depends the progress of free trade unionism in a free world.

This home front fight is complete with slogans used by the enemies of the union labor to bury the truth, to confuse the people. "American way" banners are carried by these enemies, whose goal is not American, but a way to crush unionism.

A union shop is popularly understood to be a place of employment where only union members may work. An open shop, under this definition, is a place where workers are employed regardless of union affiliation.

This definition implies a certain ethical superiority for the open shop over union shop, and interests opposed to labor unions try to press this advantage by linking "American way" with the open shop.

What employers really mean by an open shop is a place of employment closed to unionists.

The names "open" and "closed" are simply the battle cries in this conflict between management and labor and they serve to dim the vital point of contention, which is whether workshops shall be union or non-union.

Full consideration of the case for or against the union shop calls for understanding of the various gradations of union and non-union shops.

VARIATIONS ON SAME THEME

An "open union shop" may include non-union workers, or may exclude them with the provision that the employer shall be free to hire whoever he pleases so long as such new employees later join the union. A "closed union shop" excludes the non-unionist completely and generally provides that the employer must hire through the union. A "preference union shop" gives preference to union members.

An "open non-union shop" may be operated under a collective contract with trade unions covering union shops, and the active participation of union members. A "preference non-union shop" discriminates against union members in favor of those who are not members.

Another shade of union shop gained prominence when a "maintenance of membership" clause was granted the union at the Federal Shipbuilding yards in Kearny, N. J., by the National Defense Mediation Board.

Since "maintenance of membership" no employee is bound to accept membership in the union, but once he joins the union he has to remain in good standing or is discharged. This solution was labeled, in one business publication, a "closed-shop-for some and open shop-for some scheme."

EMPLOYERS EMPLOY PHONY TERMS

The important point to remember is that the particular difference between the union and non-union shop hinges on whether wages and other conditions of employment are fixed by collective bargaining or individual bargaining. This is the crux of the controversy between employers and labor unions, which the ethical implications of the words "open," "closed" and "American" tend to obscure.

The American Newspaper Guild fights for the Guild shop and its representatives justly charge that "closed shop" is a phrase perverted by enemies of organized labor to frighten the public and turn it against the union demand for what should be called a union shop.



Cartoon by John P. Maloney, Los Angeles Guild.

The Guild shop is a union shop insofar as it requires that all employees become members of the Newspaper Guild, but it is an "open union shop" in that the publisher and not the Guild chooses the employee.

The Newspaper Guild is open to all members of the craft. Most of the professional crafts are quasi-closed as regards membership.

For instance, physicians and lawyers must, in order to work, pass examinations conducted by members of their profession. Thus they become members of their profession and, as such, become entitled to refuse to work as equals with non-members.

Certainly, if it is not wrong for professional men to shun others of their calling who do not meet the standards of the profession, it cannot be wrong for members of other crafts to ostracize or to refuse to associate with brother craftsmen who are indifferent to their common welfare.

NON-MEMBERS ARE "OBNOXIOUS" TO MEMBERS
Guildmen simply stipulate that they shall not be obliged to work with men who, as non-unionists, are obnoxious, just as they shall not be obliged to work in a dangerous or insanitary shop, for unscrupulous or for insufficient wages.

Proponents of the open shop base their theses on three principal premises: (1) "right to work"; (2) danger of trade union power; (3) injury to business.

Since the latter two propositions have been positively disproved by the overwhelming weight of evidence on the side of the responsible trade union, they need not be considered seriously. Practically all arguments supporting these two points presume trade union irresponsibility or abuse of rights, and hence are untenable.

To argue for the destruction of trade unions because of some defects in the institution caused by minority elements would be like proposing the abolishment of government because of its abuses.

"RIGHT TO WORK" REARS ITS HEAD

Today, as in the entire past history of labor, unions are faced with much emotionalism on the "right of individual contract" and the "right to work."

We have been told that:

(1) The law of morality and the law of man forbid any citizen to enforce his demands by the oppression of others, by a denial to any man of his right to work for whom he will, and for what he will.

(2) The law of morality and the law of man forbid any citizen to enforce his demands by the oppression of others, by a denial to any man of his right to work for whom he will, and for what he will.

(3) The law of morality and the law of man forbid any citizen to enforce his demands by the oppression of others, by a denial to any man of his right to work for whom he will, and for what he will.

Denver Loses Wedding Case In Ruling

DENVER—The Newspaper Guild of Denver has learned, to its sorrow and to the sorrow of one of its woman members, that cognizance must be taken of the future of so-called "office rules" not specifically treated in its contracts.

The sad occasion was the Martha Covert Walker severance pay case, which was decided in favor of The Denver Post by Aaron Horvitz of New York, arbitrator of the United States Conciliation Service.

LOSSES \$600
Under the ruling Mrs. Walker lost \$600 in severance pay which she claimed was due upon termination of her employment after she was married last September to Thomas H. Walker, financial editor of The Post, a non-Guildsman.

Mrs. Walker was willing to continue at her job as information clerk in the editorial department of The Post, but the management held that under an "office rule" declared to be in existence since 1935, she must "resign."

She did leave the service of The Post a week after her marriage, and the management resisted efforts of a grievance committee to obtain the dismissal indemnity.

ARBITRATOR CALLED

By mutual agreement the arbitrator was called into the case and, at a hearing before him February 18, the Guild, represented by Allan McNell, an official of the CIO International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, contended the money was due her inasmuch as she had left services involuntarily and no specific provision forbidding severance pay was included in the then existing contract.

The management produced "voluntary" letters from a dozen unmarried employees stating they knew of the office rule, although the management was unable to produce any written evidence that the rule ever had been placed on company bulletin boards.

Horvitz held, in effect, that the Guild should have made contractual provision covering status of women employees who marry. He indicated his belief that if the employees felt such a rule unreasonable, they should have protested to resign at the time it was instituted.

Apparently the arbitrator took no cognizance of the possibilities of implied coercion in obtaining the letters of the other employees. He disputed the Guild's contention that invocation of an "office rule" could, at any time, jeopardize provisions of existing contracts.

Army, Agencies Strip a Staff

DENVER—The army is running a close race with the government's alphabetical agencies in stripping the editorial staff of The Denver Post.

In the last year 13 men—12 reporters and one copy boy—have left the staff. One of these, Frank Farley, died, and another, Joseph McMeel, suffered injuries in a fall.

Five have gone to better paying jobs as "information specialists." Eugene Cervi and Ralph Radelsky are with the OEM, Fred Warren is with the HOLC, Melvin Rupp is with the OPA, and Johnny Goodman is with the National Aeronautics Association.

The six who have been intimated in the Army are Kent Chappelow, Don Davis, Charles Sumner, Manual Body and Walter Huggins, reporters, and Elvia Gilbert, copy boy.

And—here's the stinger—in this time The Post has hired exactly three replacements—two reporters and a copy boy.

DEFENSE ED IS SOLDIER



R. Gwyn Thomas, former officer and always active member of the Newspaper Guild in Rochester, N. Y., takes his first lieutenant's oath before assignment to public relations work for the Army's Ordnance District there. Thomas had been civilian defense editor of The Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

Thomas had been civilian defense editor of The Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

'It Is All Very Sad,' Wechsler Says

(Continued from Page One)

vet parted and John L. discovered all the dirty gossip about that man in the White House. In 1940 Mr. Lewis decided to tell Roosevelt to get out of town.

But the men in the coal shacks and the steel towns, forced to make a choice that broke a lot of hearts, chose FDR. They voted that way knowing it meant that John L. Lewis would have to leave the presidency of the CIO.

MURRAY CAME IN

The CIO got a new president—a devout, humble man who did not mistake himself for God. And Mr. Lewis displayed the sportsmanship and good grace which the followers of a losing football team show when they tear down their own goal posts to spite the boys who won.

It is a secret restricted to several thousand intimate friends that Mr. Lewis considered the CIO inseparable from himself. This illusion has been fostered by "Katie" and "Denny" Lewis with that acute family modesty which pervades the Lewis household.

But most of the CIO didn't get the point.

As a result—and again I am not spilling any CIO secrets—Lewis has been waging an under-cover war against the CIO.

I am sure that at the proper time he will disclaim with much fancy phrasing any knowledge of what "Katie" and "Denny" have been doing; he will be horrified and heartbroken to discover that some of the boys now doing his work got their training at some of the very best penitentiaries.

Even high school children know, of course, that Mr. Lewis' agents are operating as independently as the late Tony Sarg's puppets.

And the sluggings inflicted on Murray followers at the last CIO convention were just a forerunner of the spirit of brotherly love which the Lewis emissaries are now bringing to the CIO.

Some of those sluggers operate on a sublime simple theory: If

Guild Stages War Rally In St. Louis

ST. LOUIS—Registration of St. Louis Guild members for war work began in a special membership rally addressed by representatives of the Army Air Corps, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Naval Reserve and FBI.

The rally gave particular honor to Mrs. Selma O'Hara, mother of the St. Louis flyer, Lieutenant Edward O'Hara, USN, who shot down six Japanese planes in one engagement.

ROSTER IS READ

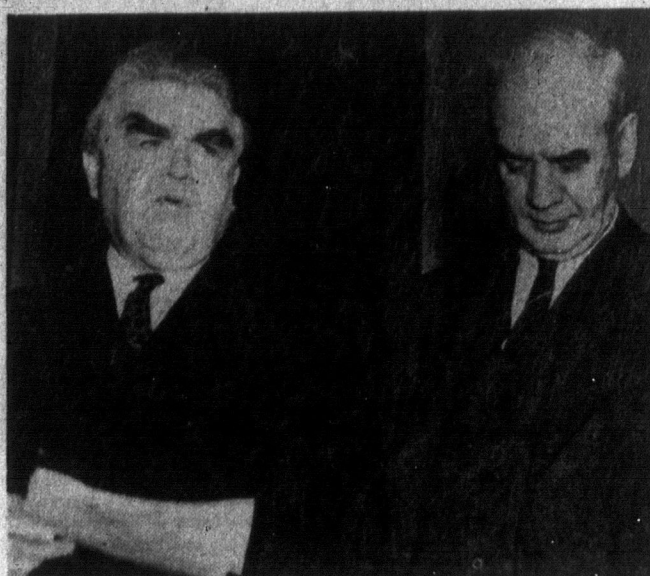
Guild War Chairman Arthur Gerecke of the Post-Dispatch unit read a long list of St. Louis Guildsmen now in service and the list of others who are participating in civilian defense information work on their off-days.

Then rank-and-file members took their own quiet share of the honors by signing up with Red Cross representatives for blood donations and—on special registration cards prepared by the Guild war committee—listing preferences for jobs which could best help win the war.

ASK ALL HELP IN WAR

These cards went to group collectors and the Auxiliary to complete the job of signing up every Guildman to help in the war effort.

Another speaker at the meeting was Vladimir Goldschman, director of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, who told of the gratitude of the foreign-born for the privileges of American citizenship and of his brother who now is being persecuted in Nazi-occupied Europe.



you can't persuade him, kick him in the shin.

Lewis agents now boast frankly to anybody still on speaking terms with them that they are building a "Lewis movement." Where the CIO's interests conflict with those of the Lewis empire, you guess which factor prevails in the minds of the Lewis men.

'HASN'T SAID SO'

Mr. Lewis himself has been asked repeatedly by reporters to say it isn't true, John, about a third labor movement.

He hasn't said so. The details of recent events have been printed by now—Lewis' "dun" letter to the CIO, the withdrawal of Lewis operatives from state CIO posts.

All that is just preliminary to

N. Y. Post Goes Tabloid

The New York Post, which had been publishing its Saturday editions in tabloid size, shifted to that dimension for all editions in a move that was expected to increase its advertising revenue.

Ted Thackery, executive editor, earlier told a Guild grievance committee headed by Gilbert Cant, new foreign news editor:

"A preliminary canvass of all our biggest advertisers showed them, almost without exception, enthusiastic about our proposed switch to tabloid size. It is likely that we shall lose some advertising lineage in the first month or two, because of the smaller page unit, but we expect to get that back later—and with interest."

"We feel that we might have had to face the necessity of reducing our costs, including the cost of manpower, if we had tried

to go on fighting it out on the present (standard size paper) basis.

"We believe that the tabloid size paper is the product that we can take on a steady drive—without promotional shots in the arm—to dominance in the evening field in New York."

The Guild grievance committee was concerned lest the change-over eliminate jobs and argued against the discharge of two tabloiders who might be dropped if the tabloidizing room were closed.

However, this department was not closed immediately.

Thackery hired another photographer, a former employee dropped in an economy staff cut, and said The Post might hire an extra retoucher and would hire a copyreader to replace a man who became picture editor.

GUILD PICKETS CARRY THE SLOGAN 'TO VICTORY!'



Members of the St. Louis Newspaper Guild parade here in a picket line to demand a closed shop—a closed shop for freedom, democracy, decency and victory for the United Nations. The demonstration was part of a Guild rally to enlist every member in the fight for the right to exist.

Jewish Day Is Purchased

The Jewish Day, where the New York Guild carried on a strike from February to August, 1941, to combat economy fringes and salary reductions up to 40 percent among editorial members, has been purchased by Morris Weinberg, who was one of its publishers in 1914-1924.

The sale, putting a finish to a period of uncertainty about the paper's future dating from the end of the strike, was consummated after the Guild and five other unions agreed to effect economies which would enable Weinberg to operate The Day on a balanced budget.

Guild members are now all in the commercial department. Writers who split off from the Peretz Verein, Jewish Writers' Union, to join the Guild, thus precipitating the fringes and the strike, left the Guild as part of the strike settlement.

After the strike, a group of writers in the Peretz Verein and some printers operated The Day, but they never were able to reach the financial point where they actually could acquire title from the Shapiro family. During a six-week period the Louis Lipsky interests took over operation but were unable to make a go of it.

The advent of Weinberg, who refused to buy the paper unless the economies were effected, is regarded by the Guild as giving The Day the necessary shot in the arm.

Attempts by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Publishers' 'Plot' Fought on Coast 'Lockout' Hits Guildsmen In San Pedro

LOS ANGELES—Charges that publishers, cloaking their moves behind the war effort, were out to break the Guild were hurled at a meeting of the Los Angeles Newspaper Guild, which, warning other locals, took drastic actions to defeat the plot.

Dramatically, the counter-steps were taken as air raid alarms sounded throughout the city, with the general membership meeting in a complete "blackout."

The accusations were made by Local President Milt Phinney, who said the plot was traceable directly to the California Newspaper Publishers' Association.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.

Threatened trouble in renewal contract negotiations at The San Diego Union-Tribune.

"Publishers and other employers are wrapping themselves in the American flag in an effort to deprive organized labor of its hard-won rights, and are using our patriotism and our 100 percent lack of defense to do so," Phinney said.

PHINNEY CITES CASES

He cited three specific instances of the conspiracy which, he said, was abetted by the local AFL council, and asserted "they are certainly not coincidental."

A lockout at The San Pedro News-Pilot.

Attempted by management to force a strike at the Huntington Park Bulletin by discharge of three Guild members.



Looking like a piece of art herself, Dell Hartley, St. Louis Globe-Democrat fashion artist and Guild leader, poses prettily here after a four-month fight by her union countermanded her dismissal.

ST. LOUIS—Concerted action by the St. Louis Newspaper Guild and leaders of other CIO unions has resulted in complete Guild victory in a discharge case after two months of dispute with The St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Dell Hartley, fashion artist, has been returned to work by the Globe-Democrat after being given dismissal notice on January 28 on the stated reason that there was no more work for her in that department.

Management spokesmen said the Globe was ready to keep Miss Hartley on the job because another employee was leaving the paper's employment to learn military aviation.

Initial Guild protests, attended by scores of Globe-Democrat unit members, resulted in Miss Hartley being kept on her job pending discussion of her case. Further meetings with the management resulted in Miss Hartley, an active Guild member, being retained as an employee.

Complete agreement on settlement of her case, and a mutual desire of Guild and management to work together in harmony, were voiced by Ray L. Kripner, Guild president and chairman of the unit's standing committee, and D. B. Houser, Globe vice-president.

York headquarters is at 420 Lexington Avenue, is campaigning for an hour's pay a month from every CIO member for war relief.

Monroe Sweetland is national director of the agency, set up at the CIO convention last November as the authorized CIO fundraising committee for war relief.

It has been endorsed by the A.N.C.'s international executive board.

Henry Takes War Relief Post

Dick Henry, former ANG vice president, has been appointed New York City director of the CIO American and Allied War Relief Committee.

He resigned from a position in the labor division of the War Production Board to take the new post, in which he will work through the Greater New York Industrial Union Council.

The committee, whose New York headquarters is at 420 Lexington Avenue, is campaigning for an hour's pay a month from every CIO member for war relief.

Monroe Sweetland is national director of the agency, set up at the CIO convention last November as the authorized CIO fundraising committee for war relief.

It has been endorsed by the A.N.C.'s international executive board.

Henry Takes War Relief Post

Dick Henry, former ANG vice president, has been appointed New York City director of the CIO American and Allied War Relief Committee.

He resigned from a position in the labor division of the War Production Board to take the new post, in which he will work through the Greater New York Industrial Union Council.

The committee, whose New York headquarters is at 420 Lexington Avenue, is campaigning for an hour's pay a month from every CIO member for war relief.

Monroe Sweetland is national director of the agency, set up at the CIO convention last November as the authorized CIO fundraising committee for war relief.

It has been endorsed by the A.N.C.'s international executive board.

Henry Takes War Relief Post

Dick Henry, former ANG vice president, has been appointed New York City director of the CIO American and Allied War Relief Committee.

He resigned from a position in the labor division of the War Production Board to take the new post, in which he will work through the Greater New York Industrial Union Council.

The committee, whose New York headquarters is at 420 Lexington Avenue, is campaigning for an hour's pay a month from every CIO member for war relief.

Monroe Sweetland is national director of the agency, set up at the CIO convention last November as the authorized CIO fundraising committee for war relief.

It has been endorsed by the A.N.C.'s international executive board.

Henry Takes War Relief Post

Dick Henry, former ANG vice president, has been appointed New York City director of the CIO American and Allied War Relief Committee.

He resigned from a position in the labor division of the War Production Board to take the new post, in which he will work through the Greater New York Industrial Union Council.

The committee, whose New York headquarters is at 420 Lexington Avenue, is campaigning for an hour's pay a month from every CIO member for war relief.

Monroe Sweetland is national director of the agency, set up at the CIO convention last November as the authorized CIO fundraising committee for war relief.

'Lockout' Hits Guildsmen In San Pedro

LOS ANGELES—Los Angeles Newspaper Guildsmen were fighting a "lockout" condition this week at The San Pedro News-Pilot following dismissals of two more members, including the unit chairman, and intimidation of others.

Moves to thwart Guild efforts to obtain a union contract also were marked by attempts by the local AFL Central Labor Council to create a jurisdictional dispute in connivance with the publisher.

Unit Chairman Bert Barber, second unit leader to be fired, was discharged, management said, because his work was "unsatisfactory."

TOLD TO PLAY CARDS

Earlier he had been told not to do any work as an advertising salesman, but to bring a deck of cards to the office and "play solitaire." Mrs. Jeanne Olson, former chairman, was dismissed at the outset of the dispute.

Al Leen, Guild member in the News-Pilot circulation dispute, ment got the axe just before Barber did. The excuse given him was "economy."

Meanwhile reports that the AFL council was preparing to issue a charter to the San Pedro News-Pilot Editorial Association, a company union in the plant, were confirmed, lending credence to information that the publisher was distressed over sharp losses in circulation and advertising.

The latest actions were taken as circulation and advertising of the Copley paper dropped sharply under pressure brought by CIO maritime unions at the Los Angeles harbor, which came to the aid of the Guild.

"NEAR-STRIKE" PREVAILS

The Guild Goes to Press

The Brooklyn Eagle Guild unit's EAGLE REPORTER sent out "war census" questionnaires to check up on members' participation in war jobs. They were part of a program supervised by an over-all war activities committee set up by the unit.

"Buy Defense Bonds!" said SUN DIAL, of the new Chicago Sun unit. "Don't Be a Slacker with Uncle Sam. Pay Your Dues! Don't Be a Slacker with Your Union."

"Shell Out to Shell Out the Axis!" BRONX ANGLE at The Bronx Home News said, issuing defense stamp buying orders to Guild members. "Crush the Axis in 1942" slugged SHOP PAPER at The New York Daily News.

In Pittsburgh's GUILD NEWS, Maureen D. Luster, wife of the striking Allegheny Gazette advertising manager, referring to her recent critical illness, wrote that "Had it not been for the Guild and its help, I probably would have lost my life." She wanted to know how she could help the Guild—and its war program. "By example, Mrs. Luster," GUILD NEWS replied, "you can."

AP Story of 'Patriot' Exposed

BUFFALO—(FP)—President Arthur H. Dittmer of the Dittmer Gear & Manufacturing Company, who told a union organizer that he was against converting his plant 100 percent to war production, was painted as a patriot in the commercial press.

An Associated Press story gave the impression that the employer, through patriotism, agreed to divide his profits between the American Red Cross and the USO—pending settlement of his wage dispute with the United Automobile Aircraft & Agricultural Implement Workers.

No mention was made of the employer's refusal to negotiate wages or of his statement that he was unwilling to convert his plant completely to war production.

The Buffalo Union Leader, lo-

trihue more than a score of strong men."

Buffalo's GUILD REPORTER started a new column, "Frankly Speaking," by Jim Wessel, the local's new president.

NEW LEAD of the New York Herald-Tribune unit printed a CIO chart of rising living and food costs, then instructed its readers to "Draw in your own line mapping the rise of your HT salary since 1939."

SNQ BULLETIN in Seattle boasted that every Star member and all but four at The Post-Intelligencer were in good dues standing.

17 (ALL WIRE POINTS IN) featured "How to Do a Somersault in Six Months, or a Comparative Study of the Management's Views." It was the story of AP's reversal of attitude toward living costs and pay increases.

EAGLE REPORTER eagle-eyed an interview with Publisher Frank Schroth of The Brooklyn Eagle, published in a student weekly. He was quoted as boasting his paper

"is now running on a paying basis."

Cryptic note in Val I No. 1 of San Jose's GUILDSMAN: "The departure of E. J. Domson as general manager (of The Mercury Herald) should improve relations between the Guild and management."

A supplement to NEW LEAD at The New York Herald-Tribune was a cartoon showing management unloading ballast from a balloon named "Wishful Thinking." The ballast consisted of concessions to employees coincident with Guild membership gains. "We've got to stay off the ground!" management said in the cartoon's balloon. The ground was labeled "The Stability of Guild Contracts."

The Post unit's edition of DENVER GUILDSMAN ran a three-page primer about the Guild under "Q. and A. Stuff." It answered questions sent in by unorganized newspaper workers.

BULLETIN of the Tri-City Guild lampooned a so-called "independent committee" in the Albany Times-Union circulation department. A cartoon said: "Bargain Counter—No Dues, No Strikes, No Nothing."

BAY GUILDSMAN, San Francisco-Oakland organ, featured a duet-note paragon by Will Connolly for Edward Vincent Malachuk, McQuade, new president of the local. Typical lines: "He's read everything you ever heard of and can write like an angel."

Close readers of NEWS LETTER of the New York Times unit are Times Executives Edwin L. James and C. G. Lane. They asked "corrections" of stories about the folding of City News and about standing committee proceedings. The shop paper clarified points raised, but pointed out that "management steadily refuses to correct the major grievance of its employees—a correction which is being made by employers from one end of the country to the other." It meant general pay increases.

Whether Dittmer's interest in defense is 'all-out' can be determined from his statement to Keyers (UAW Representative Don Meyers) that he is not in favor of 100 percent war production in his plant.

Equity Magazine was quoted

by THEATRICAL REPORTER of New York's theatrical press unit: "The Billboard has always been the friend and champion of labor..." Next to the quote was an account of management's counter-proposals in first Billboard contract negotiations: "...flat denials of all the unit's demands."

SUN DIAL at The Chicago Sun put a head, "hat the Guild Can Do for You," over an organizing story, then listed standard, average benefits guaranteed by existing Newspaper Guild contracts.

NEW LEAD at The New York Herald-Tribune lined up "Guild Lining" beside "Dark Clouds" to compare recent Guild contract gains with statistics on the soaring cost of living.

The Kansas City Times-Star unit's LODESTAR reported on "Quentin Reynolds, prepatetic correspondent who in recent months has skipped from London, to Moscow, to Libya," got lost in the city trying to find a Guild meeting place.

At The Bronx Home News BRONX ANGLE, always salty, came right out with it: "It's high time members of the Home News unit shook the lead out of their cans and realized that now more than ever Guildsmen have a greater duty than the mere payment of dues."

MEMBERS O.K. PACT

The SPG negotiators, headed by Lesley Mason, president, and George E. Bodle, counsel, had noticed that 11 other raises had been granted since the contract arguments had begun and decided that they had effected their objective for practical purposes.

On hearing their report the membership agreed March 11 conditional on an October 9 retro active date.

In 1939 the publicists were the spearhead in Hollywood of the principle of severance pay, taking their cue from the Newspaper Guild, from which a number of SPG members have come.

Technically the clause permit the producer to give pay "or" notice. By an off-record understanding the notice frees the publicist to look for another job.

"OFF-RECORD" AL ROACH

Hollywood's oblique way of letting labor gains creep in off the record makes some trade unionists furious. The 10 IATSE production crafts have just obtained an unwritten severance pay clause on this principle.

The oblique approach does open the way to black and white gain however. The Screen Office Employees Guild has secured out-of-severance pay clauses for some 1,800 white collar workers by pressing the precedent established by the publicists.

In case any Newspaper Guildsmen are tempted by the SPG new \$110 minimum, they should be warned that the producers manage to keep an unemployed reservoir of around 30 experienced publicists watching eagerly for any studio opening.

NEW UMMSW SHEET COMES OFF PRESS

DENVER (FP)—The first issue of The Union, new official organ of the CIO International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, came off the press dedicated to "our unions' program and the program of the CIO and... to achieve victory over Hitlerism."

Dunn Gets Federated Press Post

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

Publicists Win 10 Pct. In Coast Pact

HOLLYWOOD—The Screen Publicists Guild of Hollywood has just negotiated an increase of 10 per cent for practically every publicity man in major studio getting unials of \$140 a week.

Technically the raise applies to contract minimums, which to senior publicists has been \$10 since October 9, 1939. The senior classification applies to 60 per cent of the publicity men working in major studios.

However, it left unraised the seniors who are paid over scale or nearly half the seniors.

PUBLICISTS PROTEST

The Guild protested it was being deprived of the power of negotiating for a third of its membership. The producers retorted that a man who got more than the minimum was well able to negotiate for himself.

The Guild produced figures in dictating that 19 had been able to negotiate for themselves while 8 men getting over scale had not.

According to them, harrng recently put on the payroll, they were only about a dozen getting from \$107 to \$140 who had had a raise in two years. They'd forced to have these cases "ad justed" without incorporating a reference to it in the contract.

MEMBERS O.K. PACT

The SPG negotiators, headed by Lesley Mason, president, and George E. Bodle, counsel, had noticed that 11 other raises had been granted since the contract arguments had begun and decided that they had effected their objective for practical purposes.

On hearing their report the membership agreed March 11 conditional on an October 9 retro active date.

In 1939 the publicists were the spearhead in Hollywood of the principle of severance pay, taking their cue from the Newspaper Guild, from which a number of SPG members have come.

Technically the clause permit the producer to give pay "or" notice. By an off-record understanding the notice frees the publicist to look for another job.

"OFF-RECORD" AL ROACH

Hollywood's oblique way of letting labor gains creep in off the record makes some trade unionists furious. The 10 IATSE production crafts have just obtained an unwritten severance pay clause on this principle.

The oblique approach does open the way to black and white gain however. The Screen Office Employees Guild has secured out-of-severance pay clauses for some 1,800 white collar workers by pressing the precedent established by the publicists.

In case any Newspaper Guildsmen are tempted by the SPG new \$110 minimum, they should be warned that the producers manage to keep an unemployed reservoir of around 30 experienced publicists watching eagerly for any studio opening.

Dunn Gets Federated Press Post

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

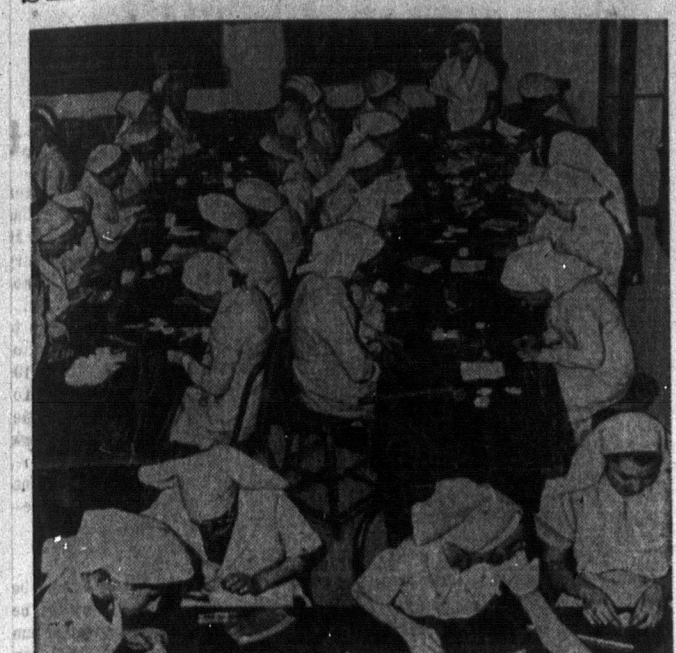
A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

A veteran newspaperman and Guildsmen, John Dunn, has been named news editor of The Toledo (O.) News-Bee, city editor of The Lorain (O.) Journal, slot man of The Columbus (O.) Citizen and worked in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York and St. Louis as well as a member of the Guild since shortly after its formation eight years ago. Dunn was president of the Toledo local, chairman of its standing committee in Columbus and a leader of the Cleveland Guild's 19-week fight against lockout by The Lorain Journal in 1935.

SEWING BEE FOR WOMEN



In Philadelphia 85 women working as reporters, telephone operators, bookkeepers and stenographers for The Record—all members of the Newspaper Guild—spend two nights a week preparing Red Cross surgical bandages. Here is a section of the local's volunteer corps at work. They also gave their professional services to the war agency.

Publisher Is Rapped Hard By Ruling

(Continued from Page One)

Roger A. Connolly, Register managing editor, told Raymond C. Kildner, a Register employee, that the Guild would "only bring trouble and broken heads."

The board found that the evidence showed that "the respondents have engaged in a persistent campaign to frustrate self-organization among their employees" and pointed out that "the acts of the respondents in warning employees against and, in effect, threatening them with discharge for engaging in Guild activity, constituted a persistent and consistent pattern of hostility to the Guild."

The reason given for Miss Solomon's discharge was that she had used portions of book reviews appearing in another newspaper in preparing reviews published in The Register.

JACKSON RAPPEL

The finding stated that: "It is obvious that John Day Jackson was not greatly concerned with the ethics or effect of Solomon's so-called 'piracy' for a period of nine months after it was discovered, and that the collection of evidence against her was for the purpose of supplying a defense if it should become necessary to have one..."

Jackson's defense as to the discharge of Solomon is equally without merit when viewed in light of the entire record.

"We have found that the respondents have engaged in and are engaging in certain unfair labor practices. We shall order that they cease and desist therefrom, and that they take certain affirmative action which we find necessary to effectuate the policies of the Act."

\$12,220 Raises Spread in Memphis

MEMPHIS—Wage increases totaling more than \$12,220 annually were shared by 85 employees of the Scripps-Howard Commercial Appeal and Press-Scimitar following negotiations of a new Memphis Guild contract.

The agreement, negotiated quickly, also instituted a Guild dues check-off system and broadened the union's military service provisions to include employees drafted for civilian defense work or duty.

Pay boosts ranged from \$2 to \$5 a week. They supplemented about 60 "merit" increases given in the past year.

The Guild's Own Bookshelf

THE GATES OF AULIS. By Gladys Schmitt. New York: Dial Press. 652 pp. \$2.75.

Gladys Schmitt, secretary-treasurer of the Scholastic Magazine unit of the New York Newspaper Guild, has won the Dial Press Award of \$1,000 for her first novel, "The Gates of Aulis."

The award was offered for "an outstanding novel of high literary quality that concerned itself realistically with the problems of adjustment which face the young men and women of America today."

Publication date for "The Gates of Aulis" is April 27.

Over 200 manuscripts were submitted for the award. The judges were Margaret Marshall of The Nation, Sterling North of The Chicago Daily News, and Charles Lee of The Philadelphia Record.

Whit Burnett of Story Magazine has called Miss Schmitt "the American Frost."

"The Gates of Aulis," according to Dial Press, "is primarily concerned with the problems of a brother and sister from a typical middle-class family in a large steel city."

Gladys Schmitt was born in Pittsburgh in 1909. While a sophomore in high school she won first prize of \$50 in poetry in the annual Scholastic Awards, a project run by Scholastic Magazine to encourage talented writers, artists and composers. Later she attended the Pennsylvania College for Women and the University of Pittsburgh.

In 1932 she joined the Pittsburgh staff of Scholastic Magazine, a weekly for high school students. In 1936 she was transferred to the New York office.

Miss Schmitt is the most versatile and prodigiously productive writer on the Scholastic staff. No assignment daunts her.

She does everything from captions through movie reviews and editorials to lesson plans for teachers—all with the same facile skill. She has written a great many of the radio plays which appear in Scholastic.

Her poems have appeared in Poetry, Midland, and College

Verse. She has written short stories for Atlantic Monthly and Story. It took her five years to write "The Gates of Aulis."

Miss Schmitt is married to Simon Goldfield, composer, and is living in Forest Hills. She is now at work on a second novel which will deal with the problems of refugees in America.

Newspaper Guildsmen Selwyn James, PM foreign correspondent, has signed a contract with Random House for a book on Central and South America and Madagascar.

With the AUXILIARY

By IDA ENGEMAN
Reporter for Women's Auxiliary,
American Newspaper Guild

Mother and Child Week Coming

Special observance of a week of particular significance to all auxiliaries—Mother and Child Week—between May 1, Child Health Day, and May 8, Mother's Day—was urged by the Congress of Women's Auxiliaries of the CIO.

Many of WAANG's locals have been interested in child care as a necessary part of the defense program—New York, Detroit, Washington and Seattle in particular. During this week these and other locals could plan a special program to bring to the attention of their own members and their community as a whole the immediate need to provide for wartime care of children to release mothers for defense work and assure rest for fathers who work at night.

A study of "The Children's Charter in Wartime" just published by the Children's Bureau and drawn up at a conference in which representatives of CIO Auxiliaries participated, and of "Children in Wartime," an answer to parents' questions on what to tell children about the war, put out by the Child Study Association, 221 West 87th Street, New York City, might be featured in your Mother and Child Week program.

Mothers Should Join Auxiliary

During this week also a special effort should be made to get mothers of Guildsmen to join the Auxiliary, and don't forget the mothers whose sons are in the armed forces.

Cleveland has had a Mother's Day parade for several years. The first one was organized by Mary Ford, our present corresponding secretary, then in the Cleveland Guild Aux. This year Cleveland will have a Victory parade, honoring especially the "Blue Star Mothers," mothers of boys who are now serving their country.

The New York Auxiliary Council has been continuing its successful mother and child classes, at which the mothers learn knitting, sewing and remodeling under the instruction of Rae Nadell of the New York Guild Auxiliary, and the children have a grand time under the supervision of teachers specially trained in dramatics, dancing and choral work. Both classes are now busy preparing for a gala spring show, at which the women will fashion the clothes they have sewn and the children will dramatize a play, "The Four V's."

Sewing Program Is Helped

In conjunction with this class the Auxiliary Council is endeavoring to do its part in answering the appeal to the present of America to sew for children at home and in war-torn countries. Clothing for children from 2 to 4 is most needed—pajamas, dresses, bathrobes, suits etc. The Council voted a contribution of 60 yards of material to the sewing class for this purpose.

Beulah Coughlin, WAANG vice president for strike aid from Detroit, is making an appeal for some of our own mothers and children—and men—the Guild strikers and their families in Allegheny. The Detroit local cleaned out its defense fund for the strikers, but more money is needed—so dig down in your own defense fund sock and help support Allegheny.

Civilian Defense Features Meeting

The Detroit Auxiliary is featuring civilian defense at its April meeting, showing a civilian defense movie which was very popular in England and has been shown extensively in the United States. It covers fire-bomb protection, what to do in an air raid, etc.

Guild Auxiliary members attending the St. Patrick's Victory Luncheon of the Los Angeles Auxiliary Council heard the captain of the LA fire department, an expert on incendiary bombs, while the Auxiliary Red Cross chairman demonstrated a model home first aid kit. Four boxes of sand were given as door prizes.

Further union recognition of auxiliary value is reflected in the regular financial aid now being given auxiliary organization by the industrial union councils of Philadelphia and New York, following the lead of the Los Angeles council. The state council of Maryland is now paying traveling expenses for auxiliary organizers.

Legislative Action Is Urged

In the legislative field auxiliary members have the opportunity to do effective work on a bill advocated both by WAANG's convention and the CIO Congress of Women's Auxiliaries—a raise in the basic pay of soldiers to \$42 a month. This bill has already passed the Senate. Now is the time to write our Congressmen to vote for it. More work is also needed by every auxiliary member on speeding up the rationing of scarce goods and the fixing of price ceilings on all consumer goods which show a tendency toward rapid price increases.

This is an important part of the CIO victory program and one which the housewives who do the buying are especially equipped to concentrate on. Add yours to the stream of letters now pouring in to Price Administrator Leon Henderson on this subject.

Seattle, Harrisburg Name Officers

New officers for 1942 of the Women's Auxiliary of the Seattle Newspaper Guild are Beatrice Farmer, president; Jessie Connor, vice president; Florence Lane, secretary; Frances Schulze, treasurer; Beatrice Lynch and Bessie Russell, board members, and Alma Chalcraft, reporter.

Harrisburg at its second membership meeting held at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Beaver confirmed the election of its temporary officers to serve as permanent officers during 1942: Mrs. Raymond Wilcox, president; Mrs. Clyde Shue, vice president; Mrs. Charles Moore, secretary, and Mrs. H. K. Luttringer, treasurer.

OUR DAILY BREAD



Cartoon by Dick Brown, New York Guild. "I've got it, boys! It just fits!"

It Seems to Us...

Guild members in good standing may here discuss anything connected with the Guild, the labor movement, or the newspaper industry that interests them. Letters exceeding 350 words are subject to editing to reduce them to that length.

URGES POLICY TO MAKE PRESS HONEST

NEW YORK.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER: The coming national convention at Denver should, I think, adopt a definite and positive policy for the Guild to follow in combating dishonest news—colored, untrue and special-pleading news.

What that policy should be is not for me to presume to say. I merely urge the action and I base the urging on Section 2 of Article 1 of the constitution of the American Newspaper Guild. It reads, in part:

"The purpose of the American Newspaper Guild shall be to guarantee, as far as it is able, constant honesty in the news."

Should any Guildsman not agree, let him attack the constitution and not me, even though I like what it says and think we ought to do what it enjoins us to do.

This much is certain: If the national Guild does not lay down a policy, the various locals, with or without policies, will begin taking action of their own. That way discord lies. So broad a question should not rest on so narrow a base as a local.

This, please understand, is not a general indictment of the entire press of America. It is, indeed it is, an indictment of those newspapers which are viciously anti-Roosevelt and, in all things, small, mean, petty and despicable. They know but one way—against decent people.

But to indict them is not enough. They must be fought. For they are powerful—never forget it—and it is they who feed the public the acid which corrodes its throat and then say, smugly, "Labor did it."

I could name them. And so could you.

Should any Guildsman say that it is neither our duty nor right to attempt to dictate, however indirectly, the editorial policies of any newspaper, I agree with him in advance.

But I do think it is our constitutional duty as Guildsmen and our right as the working press of America to protest against our own debasement. There is no minimum pay for honor.

We know what is news. We know what is a lie.

Let us, then, stand up and point out each to the people of America

so that they may distinguish among them. Otherwise ours will become the dirtiest and most dishonorable task of all.

And let us do it after taking counsel together in free discussion on the open floor of the national convention so that each man may understand, appreciate and approve.

WILLIAM A. UCKER,

Journal-American Unit.

HE PLEADS FOR AN HONEST PRESS

KANSAS CITY.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

There is considerable doubt in my mind that we will ever have a completely free press in this country as long as newspapers depend upon advertisements for revenue.

What is more important than the abstract question of free press is that the bias always tends to be on one side—the anti-labor, reactionary side.

We need some means for presenting the pro-labor, liberal side of public issues to the people of America. We need a liberal press set over against the commercial press. Yet such a press would have to be supported almost solely by circulation revenues.

It seems to me that the germ of such a liberal press may be found in the country's labor papers; and the money to support it could be gotten by making every union member a compulsory subscriber.

Specifically, I would like to see every CIO member get the CIO News and the local industrial union council paper—even if it meant increasing his monthly dues by fifty cents or so.

Naturally, if such a scheme were worked out, Newspaper Guild members would have to be on the alert to make sure that the labor papers adhered strictly to the ethics of journalism. But it ought to be comparatively easy to make labor papers impartial and honest in their news columns—far easier than reforming the commercial press, at any rate.

A personal note: I start training with the RAF next month. The cockroaches are crawling out of their holes. You who are staying at home, please stamp on 'em. Don't let 'em repeal the New Deal and labor's recent gains, in the names of the boys in the services who can't talk. There are a lot of us who are not fighting for the same America, but for a better America.

CORNELIUS J. DWYER,

Greater Kansas City Guild.

ing for the same America, but for a better America.

CORNELIUS J. DWYER,

Greater Kansas City Guild.

FAVORS "SOUND" PENSION PLAN

PHILADELPHIA.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

A sound pension plan ought to be the next great goal of the Guild in every shop where job security and the Guild shop have been won.

Julius Schick is to be commended for his study but one sentence in your story under-stated the problem: pensions, you said, "in time, may be vital to all members."

To every Guildsman who means to stay in the business, the need for obtaining some assurance of security in old age is vital right now.

The next convention should draft a model plan to help the locals in a nationwide bargaining effort.

For myself, I'd see to objection in allowing management to calculate employee contributions to pensions as part of severance and death benefit pay. We'd gain on the deal.

MAURICE F. X. DONOHUE,

Inquirer Unit.

"TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT—"

NEW YORK.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

James A. Bishop in his letter to the April 1 Guild Reporter states that Mr. Browder is serving four years in Atlanta Penitentiary for using a fraudulent passport. That Mr. Browder is a two-time offender, having served a term for draft-dodging in the last war. That if the petitions to free Earl Browder are not predicted upon the military alliance between our country and Soviet Russia then the petitioners are asking freedom for Earl Browder only because he is the ranking official of the Communist Party in America, which he regards as reprehensible.

He then asks if the petitioners are going to campaign for the freedom of George Sylvester Viereck who could not have done much more for Germany than Browder did for Russia.

Well, Mr. Bishop is either very wicked or very ignorant of the facts. I would like to set the record straight for all Guildsmen without a Hearst mentality.

1. Mr. Browder is not in jail for using a fraudulent passport. He's in jail for making a false statement on an application for renewal of his passport, a technical violation involving no moral turpitude.

2. Mr. Bishop does not state that another man besides Browder served a term for draft-dodging (read opposition to the war) during the last war, namely Eugene V. Debs, loved and revered by laboring men of all countries.

3. I signed the petition to free Browder not because he is a Communist nor because Soviet Russia is an ally of the United States—these things have nothing, and should have nothing whatever to do with the case—I signed the petition because I cherish the Bill of Rights which guarantees equal justice for all Americans.

As for George Sylvester Viereck, he did a great deal to keep Germany enslaved, he was convicted for being a Nazi spy and not because of a legal technicality. I favor having him and all other traitors to America shot, not freed.

SID RUDNER,

PM Unit.

"IF A CLEVER AXIS AGENT—"

NEW YORK.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

I was astonished when I opened my Guild Reporter today to note the amount of space devoted to

PICTURE OF THE YEAR



—Photo from Detroit Times
With a song in their hearts and their heads held high, these three made the \$250 grand prize winner among hundreds of thousands of photographs taken by Hearst newspaper cameramen in 1941. The photographer was Newspaper Guildsman Howard Shirkey of the Detroit Times. The time: Easter. The story: We are marching.

the pros and cons of the Browder controversy.

Many of the letters discussed the need for unity within the Guild. Those who wanted to see Browder freed seemed to think unity could not be achieved while Browder languished in jail. Those who preferred to see him languish appeared to think that freeing him would disrupt Guild unity.

If a clever Axis agent wanted to think up a scheme to divide labor in the United States he would find no better plan than to let's forget Browder and get on with winning the war.

WILLIAM G. HOSIE,

Mirror Unit.

SEES "MUD-SLINGING" IN "IT SEEMS TO US"

SAN FRANCISCO

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

An uncomfortably large proportion of the GR's "It Seems to Us" section has been devoted in recent weeks to mud-slinging letters, most of them centering about Hitler's Dies and K. K. L.'s favorite false issue, the red hering.

I suggest that letters of this type be jerked from the "It Seems to Us" section and put where they belong—in a special section, to be called "The Fifth Column" and dummed in the fifth column of any handy page.

Page 13 would be ideal, since the GR doesn't have one.

LEE COE,

Free Lance Unit.

"MAJORITY HAS SPOKEN TWICE—"

MEMPHIS.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

The Communist issue and Guild unity just don't seem to mix. They haven't in the past, they aren't now and they won't in the future.

An increasing majority of Guildsmen has made it perfectly clear that they want no part of communism in Guild affairs. A declining minority of Guildsmen apparently is willing to sacrifice Guild unity to their own personal "ideals"—and that's a polite word.

Guilders were outraged, as they should have been, by use of the Guild's name by Julius Klyman of St. Louis and John Ryan of New York in signing petitions for clemency for Communist Earl Browder.

The Guild majority has spoken twice on the Communist issue—

on the Youngstown referendum and in last fall's referendum election. Ryan and Klyman are very familiar with both, particularly the election.

Ryan was the paid campaign manager for the losing ticket, and Klyman, a defeated candidate on that ticket, got the smallest total vote of any nominee. Ryan and Klyman evidently no longer believe in the principles of democracy, one of which is that the majority rule shall prevail.

Both Ryan and Klyman have pleaded for restoration of unity within the Guild. The majority of Guildsmen want unity, but not of the Earl Browder type. The minority seems to want it to prevail, regardless of unity.

Klyman chastises the GR editor for his audacity in attempting to give a complete story on the Browder incident. Klyman isn't used to that kind of GR reporting. It couldn't happen when Klyman's playmates were running the GR.

W. A. COPELAND,

Memphis Guild.

"PERSONAL GRIPES" ADDED BY JAEGER

NEW YORK.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

To what Milton Kaufman calls my "personal gripe that knows no rhyme or reason" may I add the "personal gripe t.k.r.o.r." of my wife and children for the pushing-around they also took?

FRED JAEGER,

Labor Press Unit.

LIMA HOLDS PARTY

LIMA, Ohio.—The initial dinner party of the Lima Newspaper Guild, which attracted 44 members and friends, was held at the Lost Creek Country Club.

CORRECTION

Due to a typographical error in the ANG budget table on page 10 of the April 1 Guild Reporter, \$2,855.60 was incorrectly listed in the comparative statement of income and expenses from last December 1 to February 28 as "Excess of Expenses Over Income."

The correct listing for the figure was "Excess of Income Over Expenses." The budget showed total income of \$33,616.85 and total expenses of \$30,761.25 for the quarter—giving an excess of income of \$2,855.60.

City News Pay Won in Fight

The Newspaper Guild of New York has been able to obtain \$87.50 in severance pay from the defunct New York City News Association for Simon ("Murphy") Fagelson, who now is a patient in an upstate New York sanatorium.

Fagelson, a reporter covering Washington Heights, worked for City News, an association composed of the principal Manhattan newspapers and the Associated Press, for about 25 years before illness forced him to go on an indefinite sick leave 20 months ago.

When City News folded February 14, with payment of severance pay to most of its employees, "Murphy" was forgotten by his joint employers and immediate superior, the City News manager.

PUSHED FOR PAY

The Guild made representations in "Murphy's" behalf to Langan and Smith, the association's attorneys, whose willingness to discuss, at least, questions of humane treatment of the City News men contrasted favorably to the attitude of the association's members.

The lawyers notified the Guild finally that Fagelson would receive maximum severance pay (\$6 weeks'), the total of which the Guild calculated on the basis of a weekly salary of \$33.75.

The Guild also obtained severance pay for Edward Dowden, who had replaced Fagelson, and for five men who had gone into the Army.

According to the attorneys, the association continued in its refusal to reveal the total of severance pay handed out. The association's earlier payment, "in February," was a unilateral act, but every New York newspaperman acknowledges it was given only because of the Guild.

VIOLATIONS CONTINUE
Meanwhile, the Associated Press continued to violate its Guild contract by paying City News men whom it had hired at \$15 under the contract minimum, on the contention that they had not been working for a "press association."

The AP also maintained its refusal to arbitrate this issue.

The absurdity of its position was again demonstrated when Maurice Casner, veteran Bronx reporter, produced a letter which he had received from the New York City News Association on September 6, 1938, when he was already working for it.

The letterhead of the "Associated Press" described it as "The Local Bureau of the Associated Press."

This was the same AP that now exists, although in 1938 it had not been reorganized under the fish and game law, and it was the same City News which on February 11, again became a local bureau of the Associated Press.

According to the AP's interpretation, the City News men now working for AP are certainly press association men, and City News men in 1938 must have been press association men, but they were not such in the interim.

TO STILL JOBLESS

With non-City News men employed in the new AP bureau, about ten City News men are still unemployed, including Harry Shelland, 62, Municipal Building and Surrogates Court reporter, who will shortly lose his home unless the city's publishers decide to regard this former joint employee as something more than just a cast-off shoe.

Adam Luno, Guild unit treasurer, was hired by NBC, and William Reidy, unit chairman, was drafted into the Army.

Federal Building reporters, judges and attorneys held a dinner for Arthur ("Major") Taylor, 66, The New York Times published a stick about the dinner

RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL

Rockefeller Center

CRUISE & POWELL'S

"REAP THE WILD WIND"

Ray Milland - John Wayne

Paulette Goddard

A Paramount Picture

Celebrated by a Symphony Orchestra

First Matinee 2:30 P.M. Second 7:30 P.M.

NEW YORK CITY NEWS ASSOCIATION

The Local Bureau of The Associated Press.

WESTERN UNION BUILDING, 100 BROADWAY, NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.

TELEPHONE (212) 607-1000

NEW YORK, Sept 6, 1938

St. John's Bay, N.Y.

Mr. Casner

Dear Sir:

I am writing you in this

letter to the association for a period of

time from the change shown

himself being about a

month ago

Yours truly,

Simon Fagelson

Manager

This is a letter treasured by Maurice Casner, veteran Bronx reporter.

It demonstrates that as long ago as 1898 the New York City News Association was a press association, identified on its letterhead as "The Local Bureau of the Associated Press." Now AP pays subscribers to the City News employees it hired when the association folded. It claims they had no press association experience.

The United Press, through Earl Johnson, general news manager, notified the Guild that it had "not found any interest on the part of local newspapers, which would justify me in doing anything about your proposal that we organize a local news service for them."

In a two-hour conference with Johnson, the Guild had proposed furnishing personnel from both employed and unemployed City News men for a UP local bureau to rival the new AP bureau.

The City News Guild dissolved itself with a resolution which declared that City News men for a UP local bureau nevertheless would forever remain as "a symbol of publisher perfidy."

Conway called an extraordinary meeting of all New York unit chairmen to mobilize maximum membership participation.

UNIT GIVES BONDS TO LOCAL'S FUND
The New York local's emergency fund is \$518 richer, thanks to the energetic Brooklyn Eagle unit, which contributed that amount in defense bonds with a face value of \$700. The unit raised the money among its members from the first week's raises brought about by the current Eagle-Guild contract.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?
NEW YORK (FP)—The Club Samosa was picketed by the American Federation of Musicians for refusal to employ union musicians. Spelled out in big red neon letters above the picketed entrance is the name of the proprietor: Henry Fink.

TRIMMERS VOLUNTEER
NEW YORK (FP)—CIO union window trimmers have offered to volunteer their services in decorating all air-raid warden posts and headquarters of civilian defense organizations.

N. Y. Nominates Denver Delegates
The group, if elected, will be the first representative "unity" delegation sent by the New York local to a national convention and will be the first New York delegation to include "Pro-Guild" spokesmen.

More than half the nominees have never been convention delegates before.

The size of the delegation was limited to 14 because of the expense of the trip to Denver. The round trip for the 14 will cost more than \$2,000, raised last Friday night at the annual New York Guild ball.

TIMES BUDGES—AFTER 6 MONTHS

The New York Times finally budgeted—an inch.

At an editorial negotiating session with the Newspaper Guild, Louis Loeb, Times attorney, offered to bring minimums for editorial clerks and morgue, index and library employees into line, or nearly so, with the local's compromise proposals.

However, he declared that The Times would not pay any heed to the Guild's general cost-of-living pay increase demands, either in the editorial contract now being negotiated or in the forthcoming reopening of the commercial contract.

Loeb expressed indignation that the Guild negotiators, headed by Executive Secretary Nat Elnberg, failed to cheer when he announced the management concessions on minimums. These were proffered after more than six months of negotiations.

BRIEF BOOSTS GUILD
One of the management briefs furnished powerful organizing material, which was quickly drawn on by the Herald Tribune unit.

The document, seeking to forestall further raises, painstakingly showed what large salary increases had been achieved through the last Journal-American contract.

Seldom, if ever, has such a powerful bit of documented propaganda for joining the Guild come from a newspaper management.

The Daily Mirror reopening, second in New York under the Hearst peace formula, reached the stage of presentation of the Guild's demands for a general pay raise, which resembled the demands to The Journal-American, ranging from 20 percent for those earning up to \$36 a week to 10 percent for those earning \$70 and over.

Wessel at Helm of Buffalo Unit
BUFFALO—James Wessel, radio news supervisor of The Buffalo Evening News, has been elected president of the Newspaper Guild of Buffalo.

Other officers are: vice president, Nat Gorham; secretary, Thomas V. O'Grady; and treasurer, G. F. Zuber. All are News employees.

Alfred G. Larke, a delegate from the Guild to the Greater Buffalo Industrial Union Council, has been re-elected secretary of the council and employed on a fulltime basis.

Larke, a familiar figure at Guild conventions, is a former employee of newspapers in New York and Buffalo. C. Richard Engler, retiring president of the local, is editor of the council's paper, The Union Leader.

NEW YORK (FP)—CIO union window trimmers have offered to volunteer their services in decorating all air-raid warden posts and headquarters of civilian defense organizations.

The group, if elected, will be the first representative "unity" delegation sent by the New York local to a national convention and will be the first New York delegation to include "Pro-Guild" spokesmen.

More than half the nominees have never been convention delegates before.

The size of the delegation was limited to 14 because of the expense of the trip to Denver. The round trip for the 14 will cost more than \$2,000, raised last Friday night at the annual New York Guild ball.

Recruit Picks a Tough Job

PITTSBURGH—Newspaper Guildsman Charles H. Brown, who once roamed deserts as a foreign correspondent, has enlisted in the Army—for fighting on them.

Leaving the city room of The Post-Gazette, he went to Washington and deliberately picked one of the toughest assignments the Army has right now.

Instead of seeking a commission, he went in as a buck private in the ground forces' special desert warfare training division.

Within a day Brown had Army orders to report to Fort Benning, Ga., on his way West to join a big guinea pig outfit being trained in desert tactics.

Major W. F. Nee said: "That chap knew what he wanted. We were glad to help him get it and the Army was glad to get a good man."

Brown, 28, spent several years as Near East writer for British and American papers.

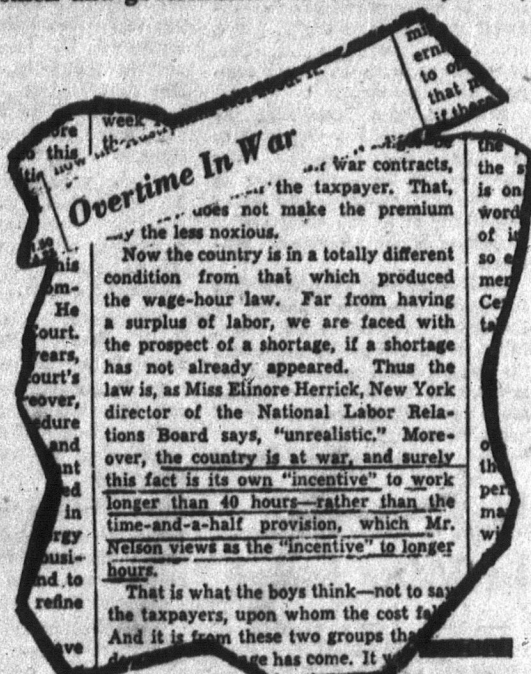
Guildsmen James E. DeLaney and Lewis Jones, other Post-Gazette staffers, went into the Army at about the same time he did.

CHARLES H. BROWN

Got Army job he wanted

Newspapers' Double Standard: Editorials 'Bear Down On Labor, Go Light On Industry'

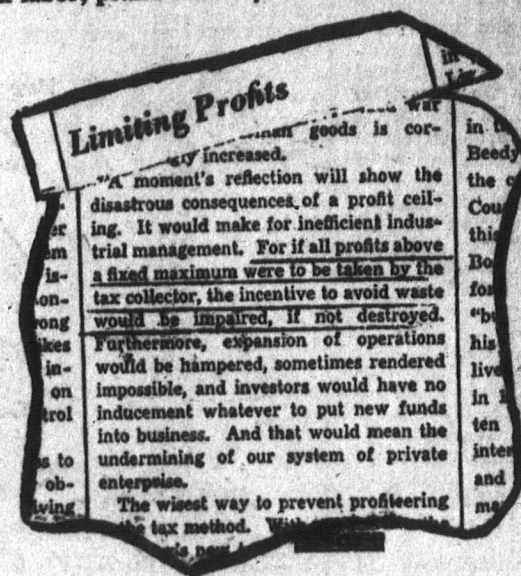
These two editorials appeared recently in the columns of the Washington Post, the breakfast-table bible for scores of Congressmen and government officials. They are typical of hundreds which attack labor, praise industry.



Editorial at the left (March 20) scoffs at need for overtime pay for workers after 40 hours a week, claims that labor needs no incentive beyond the war effort to produce. There's no mention of the increased living costs facing American workers.

Editorial at the right (March 20) warns Congress against limiting profits, on the basis that industry needs a special incentive to produce for the war.

This is one example of how the press has been openly and covertly attacking labor, siding with profit-makers.



How Long, Long & Tilton?

The American Newspaper Publishers Association will hold its annual convention in New York next week. No doubt the two Newspaper Guild strikes in Pennsylvania will be allotted some time on the wartime convention agenda.

We hope so. We hope, too, that some of those present will have the courage to say what they should think about two publishers who recognize no obligation to the employees they hire or the communities they serve.

In newspaper management circles it is common gossip that Charles Long, publisher of the struck Chester Times, was paid \$50,000 in strike insurance benefits. Eligibility for strike insurance is presumably one of the inducements for joining the publishers' union.

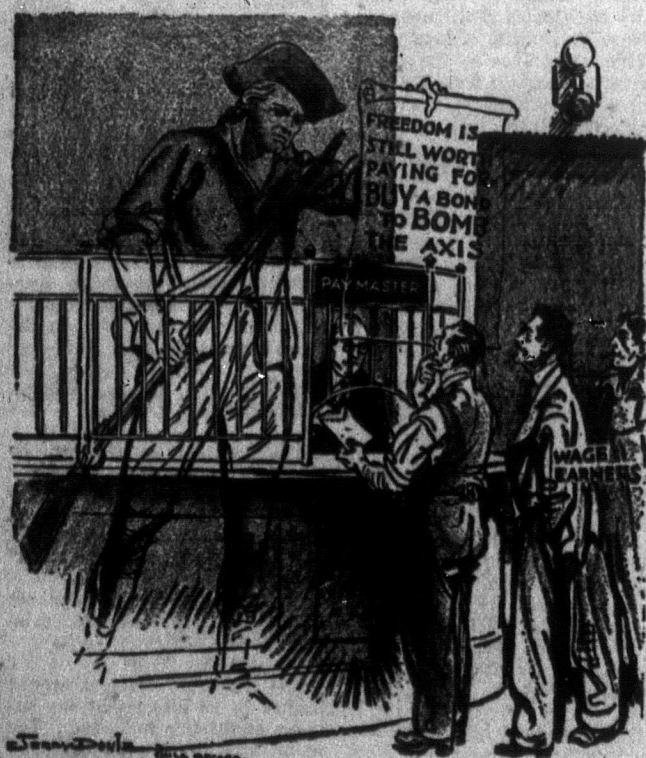
E. J. Tilton, publisher of The Aliquippa Gazette, didn't have strike insurance. He has relied on the generosity of his brother anti-union publishers of Western Pennsylvania to help him carry the financial burden of fighting his employees.

Publisher Long thought a \$50,000 cash reserve was ample to defeat the Guild. He was wrong. It is many days since his insurance expired. The strike goes on. It will go on until he makes an honest settlement with his employees.

Publisher Tilton is still passing the hat. Are his friends still contributing to their cooperative strikebreaking project? We don't know. So far as the Guild is concerned it doesn't make any difference. The strike will continue until Aliquippa newspapermen get decent working conditions.

SAM B. EUBANKS,

DO IT EVERY PAYDAY!



—Cartoon from U. S. Treasury Dept. by Jerry Doyle, Philadelphia Guild.

The Rewrite Desk

"The U. S. press seldom changes its mind as fast as it did last fortnight on the hot question of the 40-hour week," said *Time*, quoting a James S. Twohey poll showing that in three weeks the number of editors demanding that it be scrapped dropped from 79 percent to 18.

One reason *Time* advanced was: They hadn't known what they were talking about. That's what labor demonstrated in the first place.

Editor & Publisher is terribly hurt by "persistent sniping at the daily newspapers" by the "labor press."

"Let it be said," said E. & P., "and remembered now—if public confidence in the daily press is destroyed, and it passes from our scene, there will be no opportunity for a free labor press—nor for free labor."

That is precisely why members of the American Newspaper Guild are so deeply concerned and disturbed about honesty in the news.

Under "Newspaper Guild and Employer-Employee Relationships," the March *Journalism Quarterly*, organ of the journalism schools, prints a bibliography. Two thirds of its listings are from E. & P., than which there is no more unreliable Guild source. And none of the listings mentions Guild contracts, in whose benefits students of the industry might conceivably have an interest.

While 36,000 American troops were fighting from Bataan foxholes for their lives—and ours—*Social Justice* was saying again that the war was a Jewish plot—and asking:

"How long will this war be pursued in America?"

How long will freedom for sedition be pursued in America under freedom of the press?

The Communist press carries on business as usual. Its most lethal ammunition is fired at former members and intimates of the party. A recent *Daily Worker* column singled out Granville (One More Storm) Hicks, Louis (Dawn of Victory) Fischer and Jan (Out of the Night) Valtin as enemy troops.

Unit Raps Paper's Policies

Pointed shoppaper criticism of The New York Daily News isolationist editorial policy was expressed by the Guild's News unit.

In a statement approved by the unit's executive committee and published in its shoppaper, which is distributed throughout the News plant, those publishers "who are striving to create disunity" were assailed as "sixth columnists," and the statement declared:

"These publishers, by their words, are spreading confusion, are causing the people to doubt their leaders. They are working to destroy the war effort."

"We workers who produce America's newspapers believe our free press must be a morale builder, not a morale destroyer. America's free press must dispel, not create, confusion and distrust."

It can do much to establish unity." And in another place, the shoppaper said:

"And that's what will win the war. Unity. Unity between America and its allies, unity between labor and capital, unity between the soldier and the worker. Unity. Unity between the President and his people, between black and white, between the AFL and the CIO. Unity, unity, unity. It cannot be stressed enough."

The statement, without specifically mentioning The News, noted instances where publishers had sought to create distrust between the Allied nations, antagonism against labor, an outcry to keep all war materials inside the United States.

Preserve your union. Buy Defense Bonds for victory.

THE GUILD REPORTER

Copyright, 1942, by the American Newspaper Guild



Editor

Wilbur H. Baldinger

Acceptance for mailing at the special rates of postage provided for in the Act of February 23, 1925.

"... It shall be the duty of the GUILD REPORTER, under the supervision of the IEB, to promote in every legitimate way the policies of the ANG as established in Convention, and to confine its editorial policies to that specific program. All notices printed in the REPORTER shall constitute notices to the entire membership."—From Art. XX, Sec. 1, ANG Constitution.

Guild Reporter deadlines: Issue of the 15th—Letters and features, 9th of the month; news and ads, 10th; news bulletins, 12th. Issue of the 1st—Letters and features, 23rd; news and ads, 24th; news bulletins, 27th.

ANG International Officers

President: Milton Murray
Executive Vice President: Sam B. Eubanks
Secretary-Treasurer: William W. Rodgers
American Newspaper Guild International Headquarters

Vice Presidents

Regional:
1—Walter Engels, 413 Beach 144th St., Neponsit, L. I.
2—Harry Martin, 495 Union Ave., Memphis, Tenn.
3—Kenneth B. Crouse, 678 Josephine Pl., St. Paul, Minn.
4—James Farmer, 7724 23rd Ave., N.W., Seattle, Wash.
5—Ralph Foster, 54 Turner Rd., Toronto, Ont.
At Large:
Louis P. Ade, 237 Highland St., Hammond, Ind.
Edward Allen, 103 Green St., North Weymouth, Mass.
James Francis Crow, 1819 El Cerrito, Los Angeles, Calif.
Jules Schick, 4036 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Joseph Walsh, 85 West North St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

International Representatives

Wilbur E. Bade (Director of Organization)
Barney B. Taylor
Urcel Daniel
H. Richard Seller
International Headquarters, 14 Pearl Street, New York, N. Y.

April 15, 1942

119

Vol. IX—No. 9