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WLB SETS UP INDUSTRY PANEL

PUBLISHERS CHALLENGE WLB FORMULA

Herald Trib Tries to Stop Pay Award

WASHINGTON — Fighting to upset—or at least modify—a Newspaper Guild arbitration award which it had pledged itself to accept, the New York Herald Tribune management last week led a group of New York City publishers to Washington to crowd into a public hearing before the National War Labor Board.

The maneuver was manipulated as a nationally-important test by newspaper publishers of validity of application of War Labor Board wage formulas to newspaper employes in the Guild's jurisdiction. National Guild leaders and representatives of locals lined up to block the move.

The Herald Tribune and its associated competitors, who appeared as "friends" of the court, argued that the arbitration award exceeded the Little Steel formula, and that in any event the formula should not be applied to the newspaper industry.

The Guild held that the sole question before the board was whether the increases of $100,000 granted by the arbitrators came within the wage stabilization policy of the board, and directed its arguments to show that the raises were well within the prescribed limits.

A. J. Isserman, Guild counsel, presenting the case for the union, pointed out that the WLB's arbitrators had made a long study of the case before they issued their recommendations, and that under WLB procedure the publishers could not reopen consideration of issues on which the arbitrators had already decided.

Isserman said that the publishers were attempting to discard WLB processes and start the long-drawn case all over again, despite commitments by Herald Tribune management.

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ON BOTH FRONTS!



—Cartoon by Bernard Seaman, New York Guild

New Agency Will Handle All Cases

WASHINGTON — In the first step of its kind, the War Labor Board last week established a public - labor-industry advisory panel on a 90-day experimental basis to make recommendations on wage and salary adjustments and on all labor disputes within the newspaper industry.

The six-man panel, on which the American Newspaper Guild is represented, will operate in Chicago on a national basis to expedite clearance of cases which previously had been routed through slow and involved WLB channels to Washington.

Named by the WLB as one of two principal labor spokesmen on the panel was Milton Murray, president of the Guild, which had long sought an industry-wide agency of the WLB to clear Guild cases, more than 30 of which had piled up in previous board processes.

All of these cases, including six disputes involving the Guild and Associated Press, will be shifted to the new panel.

EUBANKS IS ALTERNATE

ANG Executive Vice President Sam B. Eubanks was designated CIO alternate representative on the panel, whose chairman is Robert K. Burns of the Sixth Regional War Labor Board, with headquarters in Chicago.

Burns and F. S. Deibler, professor of history and economics at Northwestern University, named vice chairman, will represent the public.

Deibler, in practice, will sit actively in cases. Burns will have general supervision of the panel but will not participate in cases unless he is specifically requested to do so by the WLB.

The panel was authorized to sit as a three-man tri-partite agency if one member is the chairman or vice chairman, one member a labor representative and one an industry representative.

BRIEF IS FILED

In Washington consultations prior to appointment of the panel,

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Chicago Sun, Springfield Papers Vote Overwhelming for Guild

Two more National Labor Relations Board collective bargaining election victories have been marked up by the American Newspaper Guild.

Continuing a long series of Guild organizational advances, editorial employes of The Chicago Sun voted four-to-one and employes of Springfield, O., newspapers voted five-to-one for the Guild as their representative.

Details of the Guild victories, which followed similar triumphs for the union at The Cleveland Plain Dealer and Seattle Times, follow:

CHICAGO — Contract negotiations with The Chicago Sun will be opened March 8 following the Chicago Newspaper Guild's 131 to 34 victory in a representation election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board.

The four-to-one triumph for the Guild culminated a 14-month organizing campaign directed by ANG representatives. John Weilburg and Stan Kupstas were in charge of the drive in its final weeks.

210 COMPOSE UNIT

The bargaining unit, as finally determined by the NLRB, includes 210 members of the editorial department of the Marshall Field paper.

A large group of volunteer organizers, headed by Unit Chairman Dan Smyth and Betty Wood, unit secretary-treasurer, helped pile up the lopsided vote for the Guild in an intensive, efficiently-conducted canvass.

The present contract of New York's PM served as a model for

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Labor Editors Open Campaign To Tell Public About Unions

The American Labor Press Association set out last week to cover a major wartime assignment—to give the people of the United States a continuing, true story of organized labor's life in and fight for the democracy.

The association took on the assignment following a two-day national ALPA conference of more than 250 labor editors, research and education experts, and government representatives at the Hotel Commodore in New York City.

LABOR ROLE STRESSED

"Winning the War and Winning the Peace" was the theme of the conference—and a conclusion by it was that neither the war nor the peace would be won for democracy unless labor's prime role in both is fully recognized.

ALPA leaders agreed that labor did not have that recognition, that big business and large sections of the press were engaged in a total war against unions, that public relations of labor were at a low ebb, and that a continuing counter-campaign to tell labor's story was imperative.

In an initial mobilization move for the war campaign, ALPA President J. B. S. Hardman of

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Guild Learns Score On 48-Hour Week

Following up a report to local Newspaper Guild officers on the increasingly acute manpower situation in the newspaper business, the ANG manpower committee went to the top in Washington last week to find out exactly what the plans are for newspapers in the coming year.

After conferences with War Manpower Commission Chairman Paul McNutt, Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey, Attorney General Francis Biddle, Vice Chairman Fowler Harper of the WMC, Collis Stocking, associate director of WMC's Bureau of Program and Planning and other government officials, the ANG's committee reported these facts:

1) The War Manpower Commission agrees with the Guild that there should be consultation with the Guild before the application of WMC orders at

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WASHINGTON ROUNDUP

OWI Caught in a Brazen Attempt To Win United Nations Friends

By JAMES A. WECHSLER
Washington Guild

WASHINGTON—The Office of War Information has been caught in the act of trying to create goodwill for the United States among the peoples of the United Nations and neutral countries.

This conspiracy has been brought to light by Arthur Krock of The New York Times and his remarks have been echoed by assorted Congressmen. A gaudy Congressional investigation is in the making.

"—TO WIN FRIENDS—"

All the tumult is directed at publication by the OWI of a magazine called Victory, for distribution overseas.

The purpose of the venture is to win friends and influence people for the United States, to clear up widespread misconceptions of American life that exist abroad and—don't say it too loud—to rally support among the nations not yet enlisted on our side in this war.

Two hundred fifty thousand copies of the first issue were printed and sent to England, South Africa, Egypt, Australia and Hawaii. Future editions are slated for distribution in Turkey, Sweden, the Middle East, Portugal and other places.

Unless Mr. Krock and his Congressional cohorts can stop it.

Piecing together the objections raised to the magazine, it appears the most serious charge is that Victory—in its very first issue—told the world that Franklin D. Roosevelt is President of the United States.

NEGLECTED PUBLISHERS

It carried a sympathetic portrait of the President, neglecting to mention that many publishers and editorial writers in this country don't like him at all.

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The article has been interpreted by a number of distinguished citizens as the beginning of a "fourth term" boom.

OWI Chief Elmer Davis replied that any votes which Victory might win for FDR among the people of Turkey would not be counted in the 1944 balloting here.

This seemed like a sensible retort but the uproar has not subsided.

It seems that—at the Army's request—5,000 copies (count 'em) of Victory were distributed to American soldiers stationed in Ireland. While no further plans for circulation among American troops are contemplated by the OWI, this shipment will be talked about for a long, long time.

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The critics of Victory raise some interesting journalistic problems.

Should a magazine designed to record and dramatize American life for foreign peoples omit any reference to the President of the United States?

OMITTED ADJECTIVES

Should it announce that the United States is doing fine despite the presence in the White House of a disagreeable, power-hungry, radical citizen who has been inexplicably elected to that post three times?

Should it suggest, as a couple of newspapers are fond of saying, that Mr. Roosevelt is a "Caesar" seeking to destroy democratic government?

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It all boils down to this:

The vision of America held by some bitter-end Roosevelt-haters is so dark and dismal that they cannot tolerate any publication presenting our story overseas. They have no faith in our cause or our leaders.

They want us to inspire masses of people abroad with the objective language of an Associated Press dispatch.

They just can't visualize a democratic propaganda offensive if Roosevelt's name is mentioned.

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Another protest over victory has arisen because the magazine carries paid advertising.

CHEERS ARE MISSING

One might have assumed that this effort to ease the taxpayer's burden would have evoked some applause among the budget-conscious commentators. (Any income derived from advertising goes straight to the Treasury Department, not to the OWI).

Instead there have been shocked outcries over government acceptance of the stuff newspapers live by.

It is all pretty painful.

We are engaged in what the cliché-experts call a "total war" but any attempt to employ psychological as well as military methods is pronounced a New Deal conspiracy.

Words are weapons for the war against Roosevelt. They must not be used to rally our friends and combat our enemies.

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So Elmer Davis, an honest and enlightened citizen whose arrival in Washington was hailed by men of all shades of opinion, must take time out to fight another domestic skirmish.

The OWI, which has made a unique and courageous effort to provide Americans with truth-in-the-news it distributes, faces an inquisition that will occupy our loftier minds for many weeks.

And Dr. Joseph Goebbels, in this winter of Nazi reversals, can get some laughter out of life as he reads the communiques on the Battle of Washington.

AMONG OURSELVES



Guildswoman CYNTHIA WATERS, former Philadelphia Record society writer, arrived in London with Red Cross . . . Corporal GILBERT C. SWEENEY, Syracuse Guildsman and Post-Standard staff artist, now in North Africa, cartooning for Stars and Stripes . . . ALICE BRADLEY DAVEY, former Chicago Sun art critic, commissioned third officer in WAACs.

New York AP financial staff notes: MIKE MARCHESANI is somewhere in North Africa, a private; DONALD CARROLL, a lieutenant, is in California, recovering from tank accident . . . JOHN MARTINCO, New York UP staffer, inducted into Army . . . Lima Guildsman RAYMOND ROSCOE RUSH reported in South Pacific on duty with Marines.

E. J. (BUD) MAGNIN, once editor of the Guild's strike paper. The Chester Times, won his first byline since leaving the strike paper . . . It was over a story in Drew Field Echoes at Tampa, Fla., where he's a private . . . VINCENTINE (BABE) BABICKI, another Chester striker, promoted to corporal in WAACs.

Off to war from Salem (Mass.) Guild: FRED ABODEELEY, photographer; EDWARD PSZENNY, pressman; FRANCIS X. MURPHY, reporter . . . DONALD BATALIA and JOE O'SHAUGHNESSY, late of the copyboy battery of The Chicago Times, commissioned second lieutenants in Army.

Guildsman MEL FISKE, editor of West Maryland edition of The CIO News, entered Army . . . New York Guildsman VINCENT SORRENTINA now in Army Air Corps at Fort Dix . . . ROBERT LEWIS, former Philadelphia Inquirer rewriteman, now is Red Crossman in Egypt.

MORGAN W. REDMORE, charter Syracuse Guildsman, inducted into Army . . . O. N. (YANK) TAYLOR, Chicago Times Guildsman, promoted to major in charge of Sixth Service Command public relations staff . . . Private LORENZO (PAT) LAVEY, ex-Philadelphia Record rewriteman, recovering from pneumonia at Camp Hood.

JOE McCABE, Chicago Times Guild unit, commissioned a lieutenant in Navy . . . PAUL MOBERLY, copyreader on same sheet, shifted from Coast Guard to Marines with first lieutenant's commission . . . ED WILLIS, former Syracuse Guild prexy, now stationed with Army at Atlantic City.

UNDER-COVER COVERAGE



Photo by U. S. Army Signal Corps.

This is necessary equipment for working newspapermen at night on some sectors of the North African war front. A war correspondent works on his dispatch here. A miner's lamp keeps light on the keyboard and copy. The net keeps out a large variety of strange insects.

Copyreader Sets Tardiness Record

DETROIT—Copyreader Clyde (Jeff) Davis of The Detroit Times broke some ancient records recently when he appeared for work just 96 hours late.

Davis, who lives on a farm in Utica, 25 miles outside of Detroit, got snowed in. He couldn't even reach town to buy groceries.

"We lived on potatoes and tobacco," said Davis.

STEELWORKERS NAME WOMAN AS PRESIDENT

ATLANTA, Ga. (FP) — Mrs. Betty Hill Karr, new local president of the CIO United Steelworkers, used to earn her living crooning blues in night clubs—but now she is classed as an expert welder and toolmaker.

Other data shows that she is 41, a grandmother, and the first woman president of a Steelworkers' local.

Kykyri Named by Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE—John Kykyri, who has been fighting battles of the Milwaukee Newspaper Guild for years, was given recognition for his long service when the Milwaukee local elected him president for the 1943-1944 term.

Kykyri is a rewrite man at The Milwaukee Journal. Others elected on the new slate were:

Jack Dougherty, vice president; J. Nash McCrea, treasurer, and Walter G. Wegner, secretary. All are Sentinel employes.

Dougherty is the retiring president, having filled the vacancy of President Floyd J. Gonyea, who is serving with the Red Cross.

INDIANAPOLIS RETAINS MONTHLY MEETING PLAN

INDIANAPOLIS—By a tie vote, the Indianapolis Newspaper Guild refused to give up its monthly meetings.

As a wartime alternative, however, the by-laws were amended to provide that those present at any regular meeting should constitute a quorum.

Garden Editors Lead in San Jose

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Striking an accord with the military axiom that a "winning army travels on its stomach" San Jose Newspaper Guildsmen elected two exponents of home gardening to head their organization.

Louis Walther, conductor of the San Jose Evening News garden column, "Top Soil," was named president, succeeding Steve Murdock, who held the office for two years.

Walther was a key organizer in a battle for a Guild contract with The Sacramento Bee.

R. A. Langley, garden editor of The Mercury Herald, was named vice-president of the local.

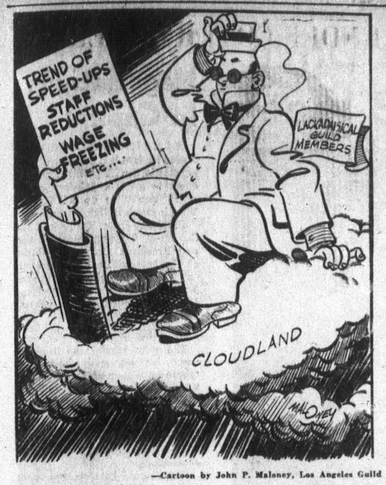
Reelected were Genevieve McAbee, secretary, and Alice Wade, treasurer. Named to the executive board were: Ruth Rees, Buddy Leitch, Frank Bonnano, Charles De Lorenzo, A. H. Rhoads, Althea Green and Roy Hamilton.

OUR DAILY BREAD



—Cartoon from Journalist, British National Union

"I suppose this would be the boys back from the Moscow trip."



—Cartoon by John P. Maloney, Los Angeles Guild

Manpower Measures Will Hit Guild Hard

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the local level through the operation of labor-management committees.

2) The President's order on the 48-hour week is not intended to abrogate severance pay provisions and other Guild contract clauses. The WMC's position is that the President has not ordered anyone fired or laid off and consequently it cannot be claimed by any employer that the government has released him from such contractual obligations as severance pay.

3) All newspaper employes who have bona fide dependents are entitled to Classification 3-B in the draft. The 3-B classification is meant for those employed in any capacity in an essential industry.

4) The draft will hit newspaper workers much harder than is now suspected, provided there are no changes in the current demand for manpower. Within 90 days, all considerations of dependency and essential occupation or essential work will probably be drastically revised and be inoperative in our industry. Stocking, who is head of the WMC branch which deals with this subject, told the ANG committee: **"By the end of the year every able-bodied man of draft age now engaged in newspaper work will be either in the Army or in a really essential occupation such as the manufacture of arms."**

The committee, which consists of ANG Vice President Walter Engels of New York, Paul Weber of Détroit and William J. Farson of Philadelphia, spent February 22, 23, and 24 in Washington gathering facts on manpower and outlining the Guild's views on the application of the 48-hour week order.

POSITION IS STATED

Before going there the committee had addressed a communication to McNutt stating the Guild's position.

It held that the application of the order should not impair job security clauses in contracts and that the purpose of the order—release of manpower for war production—could best be achieved by Guild-management consultation.

The Guild asked that an orderly application be effected so that it could not be twisted into a head-chopping device in places where publishers might be looking for an excuse to reduce their staffs.

The Guild awaited a formal communication on these subjects from the WMC but had, in the meantime, verbal assurance that its views were not in conflict with those of the WMC.

The order governing the procedure to be followed in the application of the 48-hour week had not been issued at the time of the committee's visit to Washington.

FINAL DRAFT ISSUED

The final draft was being sent out to regional directors for a later release date. It had been reviewed by the WMC's labor-management committee.

There are 12 Guild locals now on the list of cities in which the work-week is due to be upped to 48 hours on March 31.

They are Bridgeport, Conn.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Baltimore, Md.; Washington, D. C.; Akron and Dayton, O.; Detroit, Mich.; Macon, Ga.; Beaumont, Tex.; Portland, Ore.; San Diego, Calif., and Seattle, Wash.

There are 26 locals in which the order can be expected within six months and 23 locals in which the order can be expected after six months.

In these areas, the regional director of the WMC has a great degree of latitude in determining whether or not the application of the order will release manpower for more production.

ORDER IS BROAD

In cases where that object cannot be obtained, there is some ground for not applying the order, but the WMC made it plain that any person who could be released was regarded as a potential war industry worker.

The ANG manpower committee asked, that full information on the application of the order be sent immediately by officers of Guild locals to the committee at ANG headquarters so that all locals may be advised of its effect.

Boston Admits Pawtucket Unit

BOSTON—Mark up a Pawtucket Times unit of the Boston Newspaper Guild on the union's upgoing organizational graph.

The Boston Guild's executive committee voted to take the new unit into the local on a provisional basis, pending possible establishment of a Pawtucket local of the Guild.

Raymond Cate is chairman of the new unit, organized in a campaign aided by President George Harris and other leaders of the Boston Guild. Louis Bernier is unit treasurer.

Draft Scope Widens In Newspapers' Field

Major General Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service, sat down with the American Newspaper Guild's manpower committee during its visit in Washington last week and gave a grimly realistic picture of the draft outlook in the newspaper industry.

Since there is confusion among Guild members about how present draft rules operate, the rules will be stated. **There is, however, one catch.** Selective Service administers the rules but does not make them.

In the following, the order of call is based on three considerations—dependency, essential nature of business, and essential nature of occupation.

REVISION PROPOSED

An interdepartmental committee in the War Manpower Commission defines the essential industries and occupations guided, wherever there is such legislation, by the mandates of Congress.

The committee is now considering revamping the whole essential list and there is good reason to believe that newspaper occupations are going to disappear from it.

With respect to dependency, as everyone knows, there are few single men left, and men with dependents are now being called. In addition to that, unless Congress takes a hand, dependency will shortly disappear as a basis for deferment.

With those qualifications, here is how the draft is supposed to work for newspaper people:

The newspaper business is on the list of essential activities. It was put there most recently by Occupational Bulletin 27, dated January 23, 1943, as amended.

SEVEN JOBS LISTED

There are, within the newspaper industry in Guild jurisdictions, seven "critical occupations."

They are: cost accountant, news editor, manager of employment and personnel, photographer, war correspondent, wirephoto operator, and managing editor.

Assuming, of course, that you are male, able-bodied and of military age, the following rules apply:

If you are single and without dependents, the chances are you were 1A long ago and are in the Army.

The only exception would be if you are classified in Class 2. To get there you would have to be in one of the critical occupations and have your employer fill out Form 42A in such a way that he could prove conclusively to a draft board that the paper would fold without you.

DEPENDENTS DEFINED

If you are single with bona fide dependents or married with a bona fide dependent or dependents, you belong in Class 3B. A bona fide dependent is one acquired prior to December 8, 1941, or a child born before or about September, 1942.

Class 3B is the classification for all those working in essential industries, regardless of the job they hold, provided it is not on the "non-essential job" list.

Newsboys, office boys and a few other employes in the Guild jurisdiction are on that list. If you hold one of these jobs, you have to get an essential job by April 20 or explain to your draft board why you could not get one.

Class 3 is being called in the following order:

1) **Single men in 3A.**
2) **Single men in 3B.**
3) **Married men without children in 3A.**
4) **Married men without children in 3B.**
5) **Married men with children in 3A.**
6) **Married men with children in 3B.**

If your order number is reached and you are in one of the "critical occupations," you can apply for a 2B classification.

Normally, the employer has to fill out Form 42A in connection with this application which states that you are not only in a critical occupation, but that you cannot be replaced or let go without impairing his business.

OTHER STEPS POSSIBLE

Should it happen that your employer refuses to fill out such a form and you think this is because he wants to get rid of you, or wants to push a nephew into your job to get him deferred, any petitioner, including the Guild, can fill out the form and present it to the draft board.

General Hershey says the form is written so that anyone with knowledge of the facts can submit it.

Generally speaking, if you work on a newspaper and have one or more bona fide dependents, you should have been reclassified by this time into 3B.

If this has not happened, get Form 42B from your draft board and have it signed by your management.

But the ANG manpower committee warned:

"There are many quirks in the application of broad rules like these.

"The manpower committee has all the regulations and should you want advice, write to it at ANG headquarters.

"We can supply you with the numbers of the draft board instructions which put you in 3B if your draft board cannot lay its hands on them.

"—YOU HAD BETTER—"

"But let us warn you again about these rules. They are based on dependency and the essential nature of your occupation.

"Dependency is due to disappear soon as a reason for deferment and give way to occupation. Occupations on the list are going to be reduced, not expanded.

"If you are able-bodied and of military age, you had better make plans for a military career."

Guild Committee Reports On Manpower Problem

Before giving its recommendations to locals with respect to the application of the 48-hour week order, the ANG manpower committee wishes to state the following facts:

Manpower in this industry has been reduced drastically. The draft and other employment related to the war has drained away over one third of our people.

Newspapers have been declared essential. They are being given paper, ink, scarce metals and chemicals because it has already been decided that only a fully informed public can prosecute a war effectively.

This service must be maintained.

As a result of the expected disappearance of occupational and dependency deferments for those in this industry, few able bodied men of military age will be in it one year from now.

Consequently, the application of the 48-hour week, where the staffs are not already cut to such an extent that the extra hours are required to produce a paper, should be made in such a way that those people who know how to get out a paper from long experience are not dismissed.

If they are dismissed, the result will be that when the armed services begin to take out those now deferred because of dependency, their places will have to be filled with newcomers who might better put in their apprentice period in a war production industry.

The manpower committee of the ANG recommends to locals that the Guild adopt the following position with respect to the application of the 48-hour week:

1) The Guild is wholeheartedly in agreement with the purpose of the order, which is to release manpower for production. It believes that this purpose can be best realized by close cooperation between management and the Guild in determining how the order is to be applied BEFORE any plan is final.

2) In applying the order, it should be pointed out that the impact of the draft, according to the latest information available, will be so tremendous during the coming year that it will undoubtedly create a serious shortage of highly skilled newspaper workers. It would therefore be extremely short sighted to apply the order in such a way that it would result in the dismissal of skilled newspaper workers who in a very short time will be needed to maintain this industry in their newspaper jobs. Similarly, it is a distortion of the purpose of the order to discharge workers who have no ready skill or opportunity to work elsewhere while other people are retained who are willing to leave and have a skill which can be utilized. This is a function which an alert Guild can perform to the benefit of both the war economy and the interests of our members.

3) In those cases where the placing of a newspaper plant on the 48-hour week is an impractical change which will result neither in increased production in the plant nor the release of anyone for other war work, it should not be instituted. The WMC is in agreement with this view.

4) Locals are urged to inform the ANG manpower committee at Guild headquarters as quickly as possible of any developments and must seek approval of any agreements which modify existing contracts.

5) The committee recommends that wherever possible, in cases of dismissal, that our members be given their choice between a leave of absence or their severance pay.

WALTER ENGELS, *New York, Chairman*
WILLIAM J. FARSON, *Philadelphia-Camden*
PAUL WEBER, *Detroit.*

Capital Guild's Victory Book Drive Garners 3,000 Volumes in 3 Weeks

WASHINGTON — More than 3,000 books and magazines have been collected by the Washington Newspaper Guild in three weeks of its Victory Book Campaign.

Of the four Washington dailies, The Times-Herald, The Post, and The Daily News cooperated with the Guild.

STAR IS OWN SPONSOR

The Evening Star, after ten days of deliberation, decided that the campaign was all right but that the management should sponsor it. So the Guild is cooperating with The Star.

"What we are after is books for soldiers," Dillard Stokes, WNG president, said. "If The Star wants the credit, it can have it."

The Times-Herald management set up collection depots in its building and suggested to Harry Gabbett, T-H drive chairman, that he have its carrier boys pick up books from subscribers and leave them at the branch stations.

Gabbett learned that the D.C. salvage committee gets scores of calls weekly from citizens who have books as well as tin cans to give.

ARRANGE COLLECTIONS

The salvage committee has no facilities for handling books, so Gabbett arranged with the committee's telephone operators to say, "We do not collect books, but the Washington Newspaper Guild does," with instructions.

The Times-Herald piled up 2,500 books in three weeks.

At The Washington Post the campaign started off with a ceremony in which Editor-Publisher Eugene Meyer spoke briefly and dropped the first book, Edward Beattie Jr.'s "Freely to Pass."

ALL COOPERATED

Cooperation in all departments was good, and the unit has collected 550 books and magazines, Robert Allen, chairman, reported.

Betty Lerch, campaign chairman at The Daily News, reported more than a hundred collected to date there.

The drive will continue through March 15.



—Photo from Washington Post

This is the start of the Washington Newspaper Guild's drive in the 1943 Victory Book Campaign in cooperation with the CIO American and Allied War Relief Committee. In the Washington Post city room Editor-Publisher Eugene Meyers donates his first contribution. At the left is Casey Jones, managing editor. With them are Mary Kovner, administrative officer of the Guild, and Robert Allen, chairman of the drive.

Typos Resume Negotiations In Capital

WASHINGTON — Printing trades leaders last week continued negotiations with publishers in an effort to avert a printers' strike which would tie up all four of Washington's daily newspapers.

President Jesse Manbeck of the Columbia Typographical Union and President Claude M. Baker of the International Typographical Union met twice with Peyton Evans, executive secretary of the Washington publishers organization.

PUBLISHERS ADAMANT

The only result was a statement by the publishers that "there have been no developments which would cause them to change their position." A third conference was then scheduled.

President Baker had warned the publishers that they risked a strike by continuing to refuse concessions.

The dispute between the typos and the publishers began last November when the typos' negotiations for more wages went to arbitration before Dr. Edwin C. Mooers.

CITE MISUNDERSTANDING

The printers claimed that Dr. Mooers' decision indicated his opinion that a wage increase was justified, but that he was denying it because he understood that the War Labor Board had "frozen" wages.

The typos asked the WLB to review the case, but the agency, unwilling to set a precedent for reviewing arbitration cases, refused, and the typos then requested permission to take a strike vote.

INDIANAPOLIS ISSUES LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

INDIANAPOLIS—The Indianapolis Newspaper Guild provides the CIO here with a weekly resume of action on bills affecting labor in the current session of the Indiana legislature.

The reports, written by Guildsmen covering the legislature, are mimeographed and mailed, free of charge, to CIO members.

HEADS COMMITTEE

HOLLYWOOD (FP) — President Mary McCall, Jr., of the Screen Writers Guild has been chosen by a committee representing film editors, publicists, readers, script clerks and art directors to act for the unaffiliated guilds on any labor-management committee set up for the motion picture production industry.

Maine Guild and Publisher Are Co-Publishers of Paper

PORTLAND, Me.—From humble beginnings as a two-page mimeographed letter, the Portland Newspaper Guild's newsletter to members in the armed services has blossomed into a four-column printed newspaper with a real professional appearance.

Titled "Express-Herald News Rations," it is now distributed to all employes of the Gannett Publishing Company here, regardless of union affiliation, who have entered the armed services or the merchant marine.

CIRCULTION: 60

There are about 60 of them.

Approached by Guild representatives, the Gannett company gave quick approval to the suggestion that the newsletter be run off on the company's proof press after being set up by its compositors on company time.

The local Typographical Union is assisting in setting it up and with the makeup, and the State Engraving Company, which does the company's cuts, volunteered to make cuts free of charge.

The first printed number contained a two-column cut of the company's honor roll plaque.

NEWS IS VARIED

It had a story on recent annual Guild elections here, another on the Typos' getting a $2.50 weekly pay raise, a discussion of possible effect of the 48-hour week mandate (Portland is not as yet in a designted labor-shortage area), and a note on the prospective 10 percent slash in newsprint.

Half of two columns is devoted to a digest of recent local and state news and slightly more than a column is made up of news notes lifted from letters received from employes in the services and the lowdown on who has made news in the plant.

Ray Gailey, Guild secretary, who originated the idea here last Fall and who got out the first few editions, now heads the publication board as editor and reporter of plant news.

STAFF SERVES

Ken Berry, former two-term Guild president, writes the column on local news; Guy Sinclair, immediate past secretary, is in charge of makeup, and Hal Bulger, treasurer, sees that the paper gets distributed.

Letters have urged the Guild to "keep it coming," and Dick Hebert, new president of the local, pledged just that in his first address.

TEACHERS CHARTER 13 NEW LOCALS

CHICAGO (FP)—Thirteen new locals have been chartered by the AFL American Federation of Teachers since December 22, 1942, in one of the most successful organizing campaigns in the union's history.

Lynn Local Names Neal As President

LYNN, Mass.—Paul F. Neal, news commentator of The Lynn Telegram-News, was elected president of the Lynn Newspaper Guild for his first full term at a meeting in the Hotel Edison.

Neal previously was elected to fill out the unexpired term of Francis Curry, T-N advertising man, now serving as a storekeeper, first class, at the Portsmouth, N. H., Navy base.

OTHERS ELECTED

Other officers chosen are Charles B. McGhee, Item news editor, vice-president; Fred Bowler, T-N reporter, secretary; Betty Arioli, T-N reporter, treasurer.

Joseph Coburn, Martile Bergeron, John Twomey and Daniel L. Moriarty, all of The Item, and Eli Isenberg, Thomas F. McGovern and Edward A. Collins, of the Telegram-News, were named executive board members.

At the session, several former members of the Item unit were reinstated, and the Telegram-News unit extended its jurisdiction by taking in five clerks in the business office, not previously organized, but covered in Guild contracts for the past seven years.

George A. Harris, Boston Guild president; Alwyn J. Lawson, executive secretary of the Boston Guild and of the union's New England District Council, and Ernestine Sweeney, office secretary in Boston, attended the meeting.

WOUNDED GIVEN DONOR GREETING

INDIANAPOLIS—Thirteen additional blood donor pledges were signed at the February meeting of the Indianapolis Newspaper Guild.

Former ING President Joseph K. Shepard, president of the Indianapolis Industrial Union Council, explained a new plan worked out jointly by the Red Cross and the IUC whereby union members may dedicate their blood to specific men in the service.

Although the plasma goes into the regular Red Cross bank, a card is sent to the individual serviceman telling him the name of the person and the union donating blood in his honor.

LABOR GROUP SETS RED CROSS QUOTA

NEW YORK (FP)—The New York Labor War Chest, sponsored jointly by AFL, CIO and railroad unions, has agreed to contribute at least $800,000 to the Red Cross War Fund in 1943 as part of its campaign to raise $12,920,700 for war relief.

DESTINATION: GUILD PLASMA PARTY



Boarding the bus is a contingent of 100 Cleveland Press employes bound for the city's Red Cross blood donor center and a "plasma party" arranged by the Cleveland Newspaper Guild's Press unit. Editorial, commercial, circulation and mechanical employes attended.

Labor Press Bureau Proposed To Combat Anti-Union Drives

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the Amalgamated Clothing Workers called a weekend meeting of a board of strategy, including Wilbur H. Baldinger, Guild Reporter editor, who was elected a vice president of the association at the conference.

Proposals advanced at the conference included one by Julius Hochman, vice president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, for establishment of a national labor public relations bureau representing CIO, AFL and railroad unions.

WAR CHEST NEEDED

Hochman said that a labor war chest, needed to combat vast appropriations by industrial interests for anti-union propaganda, could be readily raised to a million-dollar level by assessments of a few cents paid by the 12,000,000 members of American unions.

"Large, very large sections of the American people have no real understanding of organized labor's aims, ideals and objectives," he said.

"What is worse, they harbor misunderstandings, hostility and prejudice. These are cunningly played upon by anti-labor forces for their own narrow, selfish ends. First they foment and then they exploit these prejudices.

"It is a vast, far-flung, well-oiled machine operating through every channel known to modern propaganda technique, in war as in peace, to destroy labor's standing in the community and in our democratic society.

"The mind of the American people is being poisoned against labor. We cannot stand by and do nothing. The very life of our movement, all we have gained in the past decade and more, is in jeopardy.

"NO. 1" LABOR JOB

"The No. 1 organizational problem for labor today is the problem of bringing about a sound understanding of organized labor, its aims, aspirations and methods, to the public.

"It is a problem of 'selling' trade unionism as a great American institution, as one of the great permanent pillars of the American way of life."

It was proposed at the conference that unions utilize newspaper advertising as an effective method of picturing labor's gigantic role in the war effort—and countering "institutional" anti-union advertising propaganda by the National Association of Manufacturers and its well-financed divisions.

Speakers also pointed out that some spokesmen for labor have themselves been at fault in labor's relations with the press and the public—that they have practiced a public-be-damned approach in union news.

Headline government speakers at the ALPA conference included Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, who lauded labor and the labor press for their devotion to war duty, and Ralph A. Bard, assistant secretary of the Navy, who pleaded for increased labor-management collaboration in the war.

LAGUARDIA SPEAKS

Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia addressed a conference luncheon February 21, when ANG Executive Vice President Sam B. Eubanks was an ALPA guest at the speaker's table.

Other speakers and consultants at the conference included Professor James T. Shotwell and Clark N. Eichelberger of the Commission to Study the Organization of Peace, Professor J. B. Condliffe of the University of California, Bjerne Braatoy of the Office of War Information, and Marion H. Hedges of the Social Security Board.

The opening conference speech was given by the editor of The Guild Reporter, who discussed "Education for Total Civilian War Effort."



Robert P. Patterson, right, under secretary of war, told the American Labor Press Association at a New York conference that editors of union publications had a big job in the war—and were doing it. At the left is Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia of New York, another speaker.

Report on Pegler Killing Was Premature, It Seems

RICHMOND, Va. — Following a two-week absence, Westbrook Pegler went back into The Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Management of the paper, published by John Stewart Bryan, restored Pegler's "Fair Enough" column to its old position, from which it had been killed after an attack on Vice President Wallace and his post-war aims.

PROTESTS CAME IN

An explanation of the reversal of policy on Pegler by the paper was that several hundred letters from readers came in, many of them saying that Pegler had the right to speak his piece, right or wrong.

When the column was jerked from The Times-Dispatch, Virginius Dabney, editor, said in an editorial that Pegler "cannot misrepresent another man in this newspaper by placing in his mouth words he did not utter, or by charging him with beliefs he does not hold."

PEGLER NOT ENDORSED

When Pegler returned to his old stand, an editorial comment was that the paper "expected to differ editorially from him more often in the future than we have in the past," that the columnist's reappearance did not represent an endorsement of him by The Times-Dispatch.

At the same time Dabney said that he had been "embarrassed" by George Seldes, editor of In Fact, who sent him personal congratulations for "driving out Poison Pen Pegler."

Unions Unite in Pegler Protest

SAN FRANCISCO(FP)—Westbrook Pegler's attempt to drive a wedge into the ranks of Amer-

PITTSBURGH PASTES CIO BOOK STICKERS

PITTSBURGH—A CIO sticker and the name of the Pittsburgh Newspaper Guild appear in each book donated by Guild members to the Victory Book Drive.

More than 200 have already been collected. A committee in charge is made up of Mary Shine Saffer of The Sun-Telegraph, Edward Cregan, Post-Gazette, and John Delaney, United Press.

ican seamen has been met with a united blast from West Coast AFL, CIO and independent marine unions.

Joining together in an unprecedented unity move, the unions sent a letter to the Scripps-Howard columnist denouncing a column which appeared in The San Francisco News reporting "friction between enlisted Navy gun crews and the civilian merchant sailors" because of alleged striking pay differences.

"There is a quality and pattern to that particular column," the letter said, "which should be highly pleasing to Dr. Goebbels and the men in his camp. . . .

"In the interests of public information, your profession, our profession and the debt owed our merchant seamen dead, we feel that this letter and your apology should be afforded the same position and circulation ordinarily given your column."

PHILADELPHIA COUNCIL REELECTS GUILDSMAN

PHILADELPHIA—Irving Fagan of the Philadelphia-Camden Newspaper Guild has been reelected secretary of the Philadelphia Industrial Union Council. He is a Record copyreader.

$4,000,000 Libel Suits Follow Smears on Labor

TOLEDO, O. (FP)—The CIO National Maritime Union filed a $2,000,000 libel suit in U. S. District Court against The Akron Beacon Journal and Associated Press for the Guadalcanal hoax story carried originally in The Beacon Journal and widely circulated by AP.

The Toledo suit is the second to be filed as a result of the Beacon Journal story accusing NMU members of refusing to unload ships at Guadalcanal, the other having been filed in New York against the AP and Hearst Consolidated Publications, Inc., publisher of The New York Journal-American—also for $2,000,000.

ADMIRAL QUOTED

The Akron suit, filed by Attorney Edward Lamb, quoted Admiral William F. Halsey's denial of the charges against the NMU:

"In no instance have merchant marine seamen refused to unload cargo from the vessels or in any other way failed to cooperate with the U. S. forces ashore in the South Pacific area."

The New York suit accused the AP of "rewriting and maliciously amplifying" the Akron paper's story by adding to its copy the statement:

"The crew refused to unload supplies because of CIO NMU rules against working on Sunday."

CLAIM NO CHECK MADE

No effort was made to ascertain the real facts, the suit claimed in asserting that "the story was written and published by the defendants maliciously, wantonly and recklessly."

Praise by the Navy Department, National War Labor Board and other government agencies for the NMU members' "keep 'em sailing" record and the loss of 3,211 lives in pursuance of duty also were cited.

WASHINGTON — "Not based on fact" was the blunt report of a House investigating committee on the widely-published newspaper story alleging that union seamen refused to unload ships at Guadalcanal.

And newspapers were scored by the committee for the way they played the libel against the National Maritime Union, which originated in The Akron Beacon-Journal.

HEADLINES QUOTED

The committee, headed by Representative Warren G. Magnuson, Washington Democrat, said in its final report on its investigation:

"For many days the press of the U. S. played the story pro and con, with many screaming headlines, such as 'Guadalcanal Strike,' 'Labor Coddling Blamed for CIO Ship Scandal,' 'A Shocking Accusation,' etc.

"These stories intimated a serious situation might have occured or still might exist in the area and that merchant marine seamen had refused to do certain war work, that strikes had occured in the battle area, and other such inferences."

DENIALS CITED

Citing complete denials of the story by all military authorities in command in the area and noting that The Beacon-Journal was responsible for first publication of the hoax, the committee commented:

"It appears from the evidence before us that the paper was cognizant that the Navy Department itself was taking steps to determine if such things happened at Guadalcanal and that the Navy expressed its disapproval to the Office of Censorship at the publication of the story."

Power Trust, In Ad Campaign, Tries to Restore Monopolies

ST. LOUIS (FP)—A charge that the power trust has started a new well-financed campaign to destroy labor's rights and do away with publicly owned utilities was made by Chairman Leland Olds of the Federal Power Commission at the national convention of Rural Electrification Administration cooperatives here.

Spending enormous sums on newspaper and radio advertising, the power companies are disrupting national unity in a drive to return monopolies to the position they held prior to New Deal reforms, Olds said.

SERVE OWN INTERESTS

"These great economic powers," Olds asserted, "that opposed the TVA, the REA, the Donneville administration and seek the disfranchisement of labor, see in the great war need for unity an opportunity to serve their private interests.

"They have blatantly reiterated their program in thousands of newspapers and magazines.

"They offer 'private enterprise' by which they mean an end to the REA's and the TVA's and Wagner acts, and all other efforts by the people to control their economic lives and destinies.

"DISCORD" IS SOWN

"These interests are trying to sow the seeds of discord between agriculture and labor. This attempt is designed to undo the progress which both farmers and workers have made under the New Deal.

"It is based on the well-known principle of divide and rule."

Toronto Star Is Assailed For Paradoxical Policies

TORONTO—For the first time in nearly two years a Toronto newspaper—The Globe and Mail—has broken a silence on actions by the "liberal" Toronto Star in fighting and defeating attempts by the Toronto Newspaper Guild to negotiate a contract with it.

The Star ruthlessly opposed the Guild, but no newspaper until now has mentioned the methods it employed in the struggle.

In an editorial headed "CIO Fine for Others," The Globe said The Star used "editorial slobber" in laudatory comment on the receipt by CIO President Philip Murray of the Christian Culture Award from Assumption College at Windsor.

TWO-POINT ATTACK

The double-edged attack on The Star and the CIO the editorial continued:

"This fulsome glorification of Mr. Murray and the CIO may please their local devotees, but it can only arouse cynical scorn among people in Toronto who are familiar with the practical attitude adopted toward the CIO by the same newspaper when the activities of the former organization began to run counter to its own interests.

"A few years ago it employed with resolute determination all its resources and its capacity for subtle manoeuvers to resist the efforts of the CIO to organize its editorial and business employes into a union, and its directing spirits took great pride, privately but not publicly, in their defeat of these efforts. . . .

"Until it welcomes into its own household organizers of the CIO, its eulogies of that organization and its sneers at its critics are likely to continue to give forth an unpleasant savor."

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.

"GRATEFUL, PLEASED," NEW YORKER REPORTS

BROOKLYN.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

The answer of Brother Stanley E. Wolfe of Youngstown, Feb. 15, to my Jan. 15 request for information is satisfactory. It was a letter from Brother Wilbur H. Baldinger Jan. 1 which planted the question in my mind.

I am grateful to Brother Wolfe for confirming my conviction that the only way to organize is to work everlastingly at it. Resolutions do not organize.

May I say that I was pleased with the program adopted at the Hotel Lincoln, New York, by the IEB, showing that our national officers heed suggestions from locals and the rank-and-file. Particularly I applaud President Milton Murray's discovery that a union cannot function in a vacuum, that political activity is vital to preserve for it a healthy environment. I hope that all locals and the ANG will make the excellent program effective all down the line.

Brother Moe Potoker of the Bronx makes an excellent point regarding the Heywood Broun Memorial Award. Copyreaders, also, Brother Potoker! While I have always said that the writers are the foundation of a good newspaper, everybody is important in the closely linked industrial organism that was in existence in the newspaper business long before the Guild recognized it by accepting and effectuating an industrial charter for organizing. Giving a trade union basis to our Broun Award, it seems to me, would be in the finest spirit of Heywood Broun, and we could not do better than accept the splendid suggestion of Brother Charles R. Sibley, Jr. Hurrah for George Harris!

JOHN CRAWFORD,
New York Times Unit.

CHAIRMAN ANSWERS CHARGES BY SOUTH

SAN. FRANCISCO.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

As chairman of the recent Hearst national negotiating committee, I want to take issue with William South's criticism of The Guild Reporter for reporting that the campaign against the Hearst national memorandum was engineered by some officers of the New York Guild.

While rising to the defense of New York Guild officers, South alleges that the ANG negotiators "failed to fight for job security."

How can Brother South claim to know what the negotiators did or did not do?

He failed to attend any of the many days of negotiating sessions in New York, except for one meeting of two hours. He failed to get anyone from his unit to attend.

He also apparently failed to read his mail because a report sent to him after the first negotiation session, which lasted three and one-half days, stated:

"One point in the Guild's proposal took almost 50 percent of the discussion time, and virtually all other points led to it eventually. That was the section on job security."

Brother South claims to know that "when the rank and file shows fight, that is the time for leaders to show fight."

Brother South must belong in one of these categories himself—leader or rank and file. Yet where was either his leadership or his fight when the ANG asked him as chairman of the Mirror unit to see that proposals were drawn up for the new Hearst contract way back before the Denver convention.

Brother South never called his unit together, and put forth no ideas of his own.

Where was his fight or his leadership at the Hearst chain council meeting in Denver, where the final proposal was whipped into shape? He was conspicuous by his silence.

Where was his fight or his leadership when the ANG negotiating committee asked each Hearst unit to send a committee to call on its local management and protest the Hearst general management's failure to grant job security and other Guild demands? Other Hearst units sent in such committees, but New York did nothing.

Where was his fight or his leadership at Chicago, when he could have advocated any program for the negotiators to follow, but sat silent?

Brother South was not alone in all these failures. No one else in a position of leadership in New York could be persuaded to enter the first ditch of the fight, much less the last one.

If their boycott had not been so thorough, their sudden "spontaneous" interest after the negotiations closed would not have been so obviously phony.

The ANG officers and The Guild Reporter did right in calling attention to these things, regardless of the tender feelings of New York leaders.

They who could have performed a service for all the other Hearst units in the country, by cooperating in the national negotiations, lifted not a finger to help the outside units because that would have meant helping the negotiators.

And when the negotiators succeeded in gaining benefits without them, they made a last desperate effort to sabotage the whole agreement by dividing the Hearst units.

URCEL DANIEL.

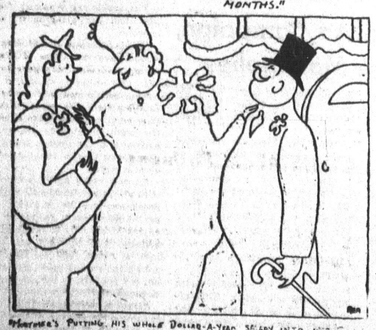
COL GOES UP 7.3 PERCENT

NEW YORK (FP)—The cost of living for workers is 7.3 percent higher than it was a year ago, according to the National Industrial Conference Board, an employers' organization.

Food showed the greatest advance over January, 1942, with an increase of 14.6 percent. Other advances during the 12 months listed by the board were: clothing, 7.5 percent; sundries, 4 percent; housing 0.8 percent, and fuel and light, 1.6 percent.

ART HELPS ARMY MORALE





A thousand copies of "Mental Furloughs," prepared by the American Society of Cartoonists, have been mailed to Newspaper Guildsmen in armed service by the union's New York local servicemen's committee, headed by Emma Little. These are from the portfolio of cartoons.

Court Reverses 3 Convictions

OKLAHOMA CITY (FP)—The Court of Appeals reversed the conviction of Alan Shaw, Mrs. Ina Wood and Eli Jaffe, sentenced to 10 years in prison on criminal syndicalism charges.

The charge under which Mrs. Wood, Jaffe and Shaw were convicted and sentenced was membership in the Communist Party.

Defense attorneys will move for final dismissal of the three cases, which have been remanded for new trial, and eight ur ried cases.

THEME: CIO WAR RELIEF



—Photo by John Albert, New York Guild

This is a closeup shot of piano, clarinet and guest sections of a jam session at the New York Guild Club for the benefit of a Committee for American and Allied War Relief. Art Hodes gives all at the piano. Mezz Mezzrow fondles the clarinet. The soldier in the background, a lover of good music, listens reverently to the masters.

Supreme Court Decision Is Victory for All Labor

WASHINGTON (FP)—A victory for all organized labor was implicit in the Supreme Court decision sustaining the federal District Court in Chicago in dismissing the government's antitrust suit against the AFL American Federation of Musicians.

In a memorandum Judge John P. Barnes of Chicago wrote: "This case unquestionably grows out of a dispute," and suggested the Department of Justice make no further efforts to obtain an injunction.

NO LAW VIOLATED

He declared that "the acts complained of may not be considered or held to be violations of any law of the United States."

The government's action followed a refusal by the union, headed by James C. Petrillo, to make canned music not for home use after last August 1.

At a Senate subcommittee hearing in January, Petrillo said that juke joints had thrown more than 15,000 musicians out of work.

IT'S LABOR'S WAR
LABOR KNOWS THE SCORE
—ON PAYDAY BUY BONDS—

Ad Salesman Heads San Diego Guild

SAN DIEGO, Cal.—Dan Freeman, elected president of the San Diego Newspaper Guild for 1943, is the first non-editorial worker to lead the organization in its history.

A display advertising salesman for The Union and Tribune-Sun, Freeman was active in organizing the advertising and business departments of the papers in 1937.

He was a delegate to the 1942 international convention in Denver, and was chairman of the Tribune-Sun unit last year.

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Other new officers are Eugene Steck, Union copy desk, first vice president; Harold Keen, Tribune-Sun reporter, second vice president; Mrs. Julia McGarvey, Union reporter, secretary; Al Brown, Union reporter, treasurer.

Mrs. Clara Allen, Louis Mulligan and William Decker were named Tribune-Sun delegates to the executive board, on which the Union unit will be presented by Howard Melty and Melvin Mayne.

Spencer Held is chairman of the Tribune-Sun unit. Victor Whitaker heads the Union unit.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS WON BY UNIONS

CHICAGO (FP)—Progress made in obtaining equal pay for women can be credited chiefly to the efforts of organized labor, Director Mary Anderson of the Women's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor, told a Women in Industry Victory Conference, sponsored by the Chicago Industrial Union Council.

"The lion's share of credit goes to women trade unionists who have consistently supported that principle," she said.

2,640



GUILD SERVICE FLAG

We salute the 2,640 Guild members in the armed services.

CIO Committee Makes $447.14 Go a Long Way

Donations for CIO war relief from members of the New York Newspaper Guild went a long way toward making two companies of soldiers at Camp Butner, N. C., very happy.

Recently the New York Guild contributed $2,682.79 to the National CIO Committee for American and Allied War Relief, one-sixth of it earmarked for CIO special projects.

SWEETLAND HAD IDEA

At the suggestion of Monroe Sweetland, national director of the committee, it was decided to spend this $447.14 to furnish one or more day rooms at Army camps.

A day room is a company club where soldiers spend their spare time, if any, and where classes are usually held. Army regulations will provide the bare rooms, but no funds are available for furnishings.

Sweetland, during one of his tours in the South, visited Camp Butner, which is 30 miles from Raleigh.

At Company I of the 27th Truck Regiment he found Lieutenant Emanuel Ginzler, the commanding officer, who is a member of the United Steelworkers from Detroit. Lieutenant Ginzler showed him around.

ROOM WAS BARE

The day room was almost bare and very drab—and Sweetland decided to do something about it.

With the Guild money he raided Durham and Raleigh and was able to buy davenports, comfortable easy chairs, materials for drapes, card tables, reading tables, radio-phonographs, two pianos and used band instruments.

The purchases were hauled to Camp Butner and Company I's day room was furnished. There was enough material left over to almost complete the furnishings for the day room of Company H of the same regiment.

With a little more Guild money for CIO special projects the furnishings of Company H will be completed, Sweetland said.

MADE THEM HAPPY

"This New York Newspaper Guild project certainly made several hundred Negro soldiers very happy" Sweetland said.

"When I first looked over the two rooms, there was practically nothing there except a homemade ping-pong table, a few benches, a pot-bellied stove and a large newspaper rack containing two papers.

"With the cooperation of Colonel William Smykel, commanding officer of the regiment, and Major D. D. Drobnis, his assistant, as well as Lieutenant Ginzler, I purchased the materials and began furnishing the day rooms.

"The Company's tailors made the drapes and also finished the slip covers for the furniture.

"The men got a great kick out of playing housewife and setting up two comfortable clubs, where they could relax when the day's work is over.

"At the request of Colonel Smykel, who wanted a fife and drum corps established, I bought as many available instruments as I could find.

MORE NEEDED

"I am still seeking additional drums, bugles and fifes. I hope to get them cheaply with the aid of Anthony H. Esposito, international president of the CIO Paper, Toy and Novelty Workers.

"I also bought a portable radio, which could be used by the soldiers when making cross-country trips with their motorized equipment.

"To top it off I also purchased subscriptions for PM, daily and Sunday, and the Afro-American, well-known Negro publication."

If there is any additional Guild money now available for CIO special projects, Sweetland would like to have it. Plaques, indicating from whom the gift came will be placed on the wall of each day room furnished with CIO war relief funds, he said.



BEFORE THE CIO Committee for American and Allied War Relief came in, this was a day room-club room for soldiers at Camp Butner, North Carolina. There was plenty of sunlight, little of anything else.



AND THIS IS what $447.14 did for the room. The money was contributed to the CIO agency by the New York Newspaper Guild, earmarked for special projects. Soldiers think this one is very special.

Boston Raises $1,988 in Drive

BOSTON—A campaign by the Boston Newspaper Guild raised $1,988 in contributions by newspaper employes to the Greater Boston United War Fund.

George A. Harris, Guild president, was chairman of the local's drive and a divisional director of the citywide war fund campaign.

Guild members were praised by fund and CIO leaders for their contributions and their volunteer publicity work, which were part of the Guild's participation in the program of the CIO Committee for American and Allied War Relief.

INDIANAPOLIS AIDS BOMBER CAMPAIGN

INDIANAPOLIS—The Indianapolis Newspaper Guild has authorized the purchase of a $100 war bond in a drive by Seymour, Ind., citizens to raise enough money to purchase a Douglas dive-bomber in memory of Guildsman Robert L. Fleetwood, killed in a training plane crash at Norfolk, Va.

Ensign Fleetwood attended School in Seymour. Before joining the Navy he was a sports writer for the Indianapolis Times.

Guildsman Tells Bankers Labor Baiting Must Stop

PITTSBURGH—A New York Newspaper Guildsman, William S. Gailmor, addressing the forty-second annual banquet of the Pittsburgh chapter of the American Institute of Banking, urged the banking industry to take the lead in combating "the dangerous tide of labor-baiting and anti-labor legislation."

Gailmor, a member of the New York Daily News Guild unit and radio news analyst on Station WHN, was principal speaker at the Hotel William Penn banquet attended by 500 bank executives and employes.

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"To emphasize the things that divide, rather than those which unite the American people in these critical times, is to bring immeasurable aid and comfort to the enemy," Gailmor said.

"The vast army of labor is our nation's first and most devoted ally."

"Labor, like industry and the armed forces, is at war against the forces of evil that threatens all of us," the Guildsman added.

"The current emergency of anti-labor agitation in certain legislative circles, if permitted to develop further, threatens to demoralize the nation's army of workingmen and to impair, materially, their vitally needed efficiency."

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Gailmor asked the bankers what Hitler and Tojo had done to deserve the help of those who now seek to rob American labor of its freedom.

"If free enterprise is to be preserved as a keystone of the American democratic arch," Gailmor said, "then labor and capital must fight as allies."

With the AUXILIARY

By MARCIA McMANUS
Reporter for Women's Auxiliary, American Newspaper Guild

Washington Aux Elects

The Washington Auxiliary election returns are in, and the new officers are: president, Leila Fleischer; vice president, Isabel Older; secretary-treasurer, Elfriede Ryhlick.

The delayed Christmas communique in the last GR column reminded Washington of their children's party. The youngsters brought cigarettes, books, candy and other favors for servicemen and these gifts were taken to Walter Reed Hospital.

Washington has sent its contribution to the WA-ANG and CWA funds. Have you sent yours?

Detroit has almost 100 percent participation in the postcard mailing on over-all rationing and price ceilings. They are planning Victory Gardens and discussing canning methods. (No rationing points needed there.) And have already turned in a number of finished USO scrapbooks.

USO Campaign Is Success

The USO scrapbook campaign is going over in a big way. Denver has asked for another dozen. The Denver Aux has rationed their business meetings to one every two months due to the difficulty in getting around. However, the girls have been busy with activities at home, they are continuing their weekly cookie making for the USO, and are cutting for the Red Cross and turning out finished books for the soldiers in jig time.

We have to start thinking of the Boston convention and plan to raise a bit of where-with-all for the delegates. Now that the advance Spring weather has arrived, parties should really start coming into their own. We have CIO and Allied War Relief, our WA-ANG organizing drive and raising funds for delegates to Boston, as incentives.

While these are difficult times for everyone, it doesn't mean the cessation of social life, so have your parties and don't be grim, but have them for a worthwhile cause.

At its March 1 meeting the New York Aux theme was to be "Where do women fit into the war picture?" A WAAC, a WAVE and a speaker from the Manpower Commission will speak and answer questions at the forum.

At this meeting the Auxiliary will launch its citywide campaign for dollars-and-cents ceilings and overall rationing. Encouraged by the rationing of shoes and canned goods and the prospect of rationing of meat and butter, the Auxiliary urges all Guildsmen and their families to express their desire for price controls. Five thousand cards have been printed and the Guild will aid in distribution to the different Guild units and Guild committees.

Ask Rationing of Necessities

The cards to James F. Byrnes read: "I ask the announcement by your office, of an immediate program of rationing of all the necessities of life, including food, clothing and in crowded areas, housing. I insist in strict enforcement of price control of all commodities and simplification of present price control methods, so that every consumer may know the maximum price which he can be asked to pay.

"You should know that the people of this country, united behind President Roosevelt to win this war, will stand firmly behind such an announcement by your office."

We suggest to those Auxiliaries who have not already participated in the mass postcard campaign to Mr. Byrnes, that this is an excellent way to coordinate Guild and Auxiliary programs.

Plan Blue Star Party

Next week is Blue Star Mothers week and the New York group is calling on service wives and Blue Star mothers and having a party for them, at the home of Fricka Aronson. So far as we know, WA-ANG's first Merchant Marine Service wife is Mrs. Kenneth Beaver of Harrisburg, Pa.

Alice Hughes, first international Aux officer from New York, who originally organized the Norwalk, Conn., Auxiliary, will take a day off from her job and from neighborhood defense work to visit the Norwalk Auxiliary and help them map out their membership drive and war activities program.

Dorothy Connelly of Los Angeles despite her serious illness, was so enthusiastic about the organizing drive that she sent her personal check for $5 to help defray expenses. Thank you.

Indianapolis is having a special prize for the best USO scrapbook and the winner has the honor of presenting all the finished books of the Auxiliary to the USO headquarters in Indianapolis.

Victory Gardens Are Urged

Speaking of Detroit's planned Victory Gardens, the Treasury Department's Women's Club bulletin makes quite a "Spring must" of Victory Gardens. It says:

Another wartime activity that will keep Americans out of doors is the planting and tending of Victory Gardens. The Office of War Information is planning an intensive spring campaign to urge every potential gardener to grow vegetables.

"Military and lend-lease demands for fresh, dried and canned vegetables, as well as transportation difficulties will make home gardens an important source of the nation's vitamins, and a top economy project."

A Note About Fashions

The woman who just adds an accessory to last year's suit is smart from another angle besides chic, for she is wisely aiding the anti-spending, anti-inflation campaign, so important to a stable economy. The Bureau of Home Economics of the Department of Agriculture has prepared a pamphlet (free single copies may be had from the Office of Information, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.) called "Make Overs From Men's Suits" and contains almost foolproof instructions.

All WA-ANG news for THE GUILD REPORTER *should be mailed to Marcia McManus, American Newspaper Guild, 14 Pearl Street, New York City. Copy should reach the ANG office by the 7th of the month for the issue of the 15th, and by the 21st for the issue of the 1st. Pictures must be in hand at least a day earlier than these deadlines, to allow for retouching and engraving.*

Shop Steward System Proposed In St. Louis Grievance Plan

ST. LOUIS—A mail referendum soon is to be held on two proposed changes in St. Louis Newspaper Guild by-laws which would establish a shop-steward system and suspend the local's representative assembly for a six-month experimental period, substituting monthly general membership meetings.

The proposals were drafted by a committee created by the RA to study means of increasing attendance at all Guild meetings.

TESTIMONY HEARD

James Lawrence of the Post-Dispatch unit was chairman of the committee which heard considerable testimony by Guild officers and rank-and-file members.

Two other proposals by the committee, which were adopted at membership meetings, created an educational-recreational setup in the Guild and in the units, and instructed the chairmen of meetings to have greater advance planning and notification and to speed up the meetings by more strict observance of rules of order.

The "standard" shop-steward system practiced by many CIO unions was recommended by the committee as a "system of broad leadership, which involves the rank-and-file in the conduct of the Guild and which multiplies points of personal contact between members and their union."

PROVIDES NEW SETUP

Under the proposed setup the shop stewards would handle grievances which, under the existing system, are handled by standing committees established in the contracts and composed generally of the top Guild officers who deal with high management executives.

Under the proposed system, the shop steward would try to settle a grievance at once with the immediate department executive. He would make written reports to the aggrieved member, to the unit secretary and to the local executive committee.

If the grievance were not settled to the satisfaction of the aggrieved member, it then would go to a grievance committee chosen by a stewards' council composed of all the stewards in a unit and the unit officers.

This committee then would take up the matter with a higher management executive.

APPEALS APPROVED

If the local executive committee were dissatisfied with the steward's work, it could refer the grievance to the stewards' council.

A case could be appealed to the local executive committee, by the aggrieved member, by the stewards' council or by the executive committee itself, but local officers could not take over grievance-handling until the shop-steward system had run its course.

The RA committee's report maintained this system would "bring more persons into an important Guild activity," since the stewards would be elected in each department, large or small.

Other duties of the steward, under this "system of personal attention to each member," would include collection of dues and checks on those not in good standing, carrying of information concerning Guild work directly to the members, watching out for contract violations, contacting non-members and new employes and explaining the Guild and its advantages.

"NEGLECT" CITED

The RA committee's report said the RA system had developed a tendency among many rank-and-filers to neglect membership meetings on the ground that "'George' in the RA or on the executive committee could run" their union for them.

If, at the end of the six-month experimental period, the membership decides to continue substitution of membership meetings for the RA meetings, the committee said it would move adoption of "a larger and more representative executive committee."

Besides Lawrence, members of the RA committee who signed the report were Dave Collins, Quentin Gore, Paul Greer, Ralph Johanning, Lawrence Laybourne, Jack Roland, John Sterbenz and Mildred Wilson.

Ray Kringer Is Reelected In St. Louis

ST. LOUIS.—Ray L. Kringer of the Star-Times editorial department was elected to his third term as president of the St. Louis Newspaper Guild, it was announced at the local's February membership meeting.

Other officers elected are John Fletcher, Post-Dispatch editorial, first vice president; Milton Ferman, Star-Times editorial, second vice president; Ralph Johanning, Post-Dispatch commercial, secretary, and Arthur Kuhl, Star-Times editorial, treasurer.

There were only two contests, Ferman defeating John Sterbenz, Globe-Democrat commercial, 122 to 93, and Johanning defeating Quentin Gore, Star-Times editorial and incumbent secretary, 110 to 106.



KRINGER

Arthur Gercke, Post-Dispatch commercial, has been elected chairman of the P-D Unit, with: Lawrence Laybourne, editorial, first vice chairman; Harry Smith, commercial, second vice chairman; Bert Talley, editorial, secretary, and Ruth Hunter, commercial, treasurer.

Herbert Monk, editorial, has been reelected chairman of the Globe-Democrat Unit, with: Sterbenz, vice chairman; Dell Hartley, commercial, secretary, and John Ford, commercial, treasurer.

WOMAN LEADER LEAVES

Bill Plowman, editorial, was elected Star-Times Unit chairman, succeeding Martha Jackson, longtime St. Louis Guild leader who has become woman's page editor of The Cincinnati Post. Other new S-T Unit officers are Margaret Nothdurft, commercial, and Mary Clynes, editorial, vice chairman; Donald Drees, editorial, secretary, and Marion Roone, editorial, reelected treasurer.

Howard Piening, Post-Dispatch commercial, was reelected chairman of the representative assembly. Ed Harris, Post-Dispatch editorial, was chosen vice chairman and Margaret Nothdurft, Star-Times commercial, was reelected secretary.

New York Guild Plans Parties To Greet Many New Members

Monthly "coming out parties" designed to introduce new members to the Guild and its program, as well as to unit chairmen and local officers, are planned by the New York Newspaper Guild, with the first one scheduled for March 10 at local Guild headquarters.

The local's committee on education and publications considered the problem of the high rate of new members, many of whom do not know how the Guild operates until long after they join.

Since an increasing number of new members have been brought into the New York Guild during the last few months, the number having jumped from 126 in November to 151 in December and 164 in January, the committee decided that some new method must be found to acquaint them with the structure of the union and to bring them into local activities.

Leo Huberman, member of the local's labor press unit, and President John T. McManus of the New York Guild will speak at the first party.

The committee also has under way preparation of a pamphlet on the Guild designed for distribution to new members.

System of Fines Spurs Dues In Guild Shops in New York

A system of fines for dues delinquents in plants with Guild shop contracts becomes effective in the New York Newspaper Guild March 1.

A membership meeting of the local last November unanimously amended bylaws to permit such fines as a means of tightening up dues collections.

The amendment empowered the local executive committee to set the procedure and this was done by the committee in February.

NOTICE IS GIVEN

Notice of delinquency will be sent to those in arrears soon after the start of each month, with a five-day period thereafter allowed for payment.

Those who do not pay by the expiration of the period will be charged with willful neglect in meeting financial obligations and then tried by the executive committee.

Fines for the first delinquency in a year period will be the equivalent of the amount of dues and assessments owed. Thereafter the fines will be double the amount of delinquency.

Pasche Quits Guild Post To Take Job on UE Staff

ST. LOUIS — Victor Pasche, former secretary-treasurer of the American Newspaper Guild, has resigned after 15 months as St. Louis Guild executive secretary to take charge of membership activities (war, legislative and political) of District 8 of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers.

Pasche, who leaves the Guild post March 1, will have his headquarters in St. Louis and will continue to maintain his membership in the St. Louis Guild.

Announcing his resignation as executive secretary at a membership meeting, Pasche said he was leaving the Guild job to enter a broader field of union work, and that he expected to remain active in Guild work.

Pasche is on the executive board of the St. Louis Industrial Union Council and has been active in the formation of the United Labor Committee, St. Louis joint body of CIO, AFL and other unions for political action.

Indianapolis Elects Prexy For 2d Term

INDIANAPOLIS — Lowell B. Nussbaum, "Inside Indianapolis" columnist of The Indianapolis Times, has been elected to a second term as president of the Indianapolis Newspaper Guild.

Nussbaum, who was a delegate to the ANG's Denver convention, defeated Ed Decker, Times newsstand supervisor and delegate to San Francisco and Detroit conventions.

Herbert Gilligan, also a Denver delegate, was reelected vice president. He is a city circulation supervisor at The Times.



NUSSBAUM

Joseph Dunnuck, Times warehouseman and alternate at Detroit, was elected second vice president. He served the last half of 1942 as Times unit chairman.

Robert Stranahan, Star state editor, was elected secretary and Clayr McCoun, Times city circulation supervisor, treasurer.

Sexson E. Humphreys, Times telegraph editor, former ING president and Memphis and Detroit delegate, was elected Guild Reporter correspondent.

Joseph K. Shepard and Earl Richert were named without opposition as industrial union council delegates.

Shepard, a former ING president, is incumbent president of the council. He is a Star reporter and editor of the local AFL paper, The Union. Richert, Times political columnist, is the retiring second vice president.

Syracuse Guild Reelects Staff

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Officers of the Syracuse Newspaper Guild were reelected for 1943 terms.

They are Philip H. Guptill, president; Gerard K. Gilloon, vice president; Merle A. Jones, secretary; Letitia Lyon, treasurer.

On the executive committee are the officers and Alfred M. Green and Robert E. Quinn.

Delegates to the Syracuse Industrial Union Council are Ronald Graham and Gilloon; alternates, Jack S. Baker and Philip S. Perkins.

CO-OP PRESS BOOMS

NEW YORK (FP)—The total circulation of newspapers and magazines published by consumer cooperatives in the U. S. is near the million mark, the Cooperative League reported.

SINKING BRINGS UNION REUNION

NEW YORK (FP)—Two members of Local 3 of the AFL International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers had to go 10,000 miles out of their way to strike up an acquaintance.

Neil Woods, formerly a Local 3 volunteer organizer, joined the merchant marine right after Pearl Harbor.

A Nazi sub sank his ship in the mid-Atlantic and he and his mates floated for two days in an open lifeboat before they were rescued and dropped off at Eritrea.

Woods was waiting in line at a bank to collect some funds when he heard the man ahead of him identify himself with his union card as George Vermilyea, another member of Local 3 whom he had never met.

Introductions followed, the union brothers shook hands—and went out for a beer together.

Pueblo Opens Negotiations For 1st Pact

PUEBLO, Colo. — A contract proposal has been laid before the publisher of The Pueblo, Colo., Star-Journal and Chieftain by the newly-organized Pueblo Newspaper Guild.

The Guild in Pueblo, chartered in January, represents editorial, advertising, circulation and business departments of the two newspapers, both of which are published by the Star-Journal Publishing Corporation.

NEARLY 100 PERCENT

Guild membership in the four departments already is about 96 percent.

Negotiations with the management are scheduled to begin about March 1.

Two members of the Denver Post Guild unit, Larry MacLean, president, and Oscar Liden, past president of the Denver local, are assisting the Pueblo Guild in the negotiations. Third member of the committee is Phil Kerby, president of the Pueblo local.

PROPOSE MODEL PACT

In its first contract proposal, the Pueblo Guild is basing its negotiations on the model American Newspaper Guild contract.

Organization of the Pueblo Guild started January 10, at a preliminary meeting. On January 24, officers were elected, and on February 1 the management was notified.

The management recognized the Guild the same day of notification.



Papers' Campaign Against Union Organizes a Union in Ohio Town

LIMA, O.—If all workers react to the wave of anti-labor propaganda in the press as did a newly-organized Lima union, publishers may find themselves playing the peculiar role of promoter for organized labor.

An instance related to the Lima Newspaper Guild by its CIO Allen County Council representative, Frank Klein, revealed that publishers and their bedfellows were making organization easier.

ASKED FOR HELP

Klein explained that in his capacity of council officer, he had received an "urgency" call from an industrial group of employes to help in the organization of a union.

Curious to know the demand for urgency, Klein queried some of the embryonic members.

They explained that the editorials and stories that they read in the papers recently, urging and indicating a trend to reduce the status of labor to a subservient position, had created in them a fear that the first to feel the pressure would be the unorganized—and they didn't intend to be the first.

ONE CALL DID IT

Klein added his own post-script: One call resulted in the charter of an LIU union, the signing of every employe present at the information meeting and payment in advance of one month's dues.

Akron Prexy Is Retained

AKRON, Ohio—Edward Butler, assistant sports editor of The Beacon Journal, has been reelected president of the Akron Newspaper Guild.

Clyde Blackwell is the new vice president, succeeding Julius Greenfield.



BUTLER

Bea Offineer was renamed secretary and Harold J. Taylor was elected treasurer, succeeding Mrs. Mynne Andrews Joslyn.

The Akron Guild, at its February meeting, voted to prepare a monthly newsletter to be sent to local Guildsmen now in the armed forces.

ADJUSTMENT BOARD CHAIRMAN NAMED

WASHINGTON—(FP). — Professor Paul R. Hays of the Columbia University law school, was appointed chairman of a five-man adjustment board established in the contract of the Publisher's Association of New York City and the Newspaper and Mail Deliveries Union of New York.

Chairman William H. Davis of the National War Labor Board appointed Hays when the union and publishers couldn't agree.

Lima Negotiates Improved Pact

LIMA, O.—Nearly a score of additional benefits over those obtained in last year's first contract have been gained by the Lima Newspaper Guild in negotiations for editorial, business, and advertising employes of The Lima News.

The Guild's representatives in negotiations include Frank Klein, chairman, Wayne Current, Ambrose Falk, Mildred Atkinson, Richard Moffat, Tom Cooper and Dorothy Neuman.

Oregon Guild Broadens Base

PORTLAND, Ore.—The Portland Newspaper Guild, heretofore consisting in the main of employes of the Oregonian editorial department, has embraced 32 employes of the Oregon Journal circulation department.

The Oregonian and The Journal are the two major papers in Oregon, circulation in the Portland area alone being well over the 300,000 daily mark.

The new Journal members have filed an application with the National Labor Relations Board for recognition of the Guild as bargaining agent.

Journal workers expressed enthusiasm generally and indicated a desire for prompt action when advised by Local President J. Lynn Wykoff of gains achieved in behalf of Oregonian employes since acceptance of their Guild contract by management.

Further enthusiasm was engendered by announcement of the Guild's NLRB election victory at The Seattle Times.

TRUST IN LABOR SHOWN BY POLL

DENVER (FP)—Despite recently intensified propaganda drives against labor, public confidence in U. S. workers is increasing, according to a series of nationwide surveys made by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Denver.

Sixty-nine of every 100 persons interviewed in the latest survey feel that factory workers are doing their utmost to help win the war.

When opinion was first polled on this question by the research center last March, 57 of every 100 held a similar opinion.

The poll also shows that confidence in labor leaders is increasing, although the propaganda against them has been even more intense than that against organized labor as a whole.

Chester Striker Speaks at School

PHILADELPHIA — Captain Frederick W. Echelmeyer, former Chester Times striker, was the feature speaker recently at graduation exercises of the Pennsylvania State College of Optometry here.

Echelmeyer, observation and training officer, 1301st Service Unit, New Cumberland (Pa.) Reception Center, declared that 80 percent of limited servicemen in the armed forces are in that category because of defective vision.

He was controller of the Chester Times unit of the Philadelphia-Camden Newspaper Guild.

— BONDS BATTER HITLER —
—10 PERCENT ON PAYDAY—

Guild Seeks Arbitration In Firings

The New York Newspaper Guild is contesting summary dismissals of three Guildsmen by The Billboard, the first theatrical trade paper to achieve a Guild contract.

The Guild asked the management to arbitrate the firings, which hit Joe Orlock, a commercial ad solicitor for 15 years and chairman of the Billboard unit; Eugene Burr, for 12 years the legit critic and in charge of the copy desk, and Charlie Lomas, a commercial ad solicitor employed 23 years.

NEW "PLAN" CITED

The Billboard management at a meeting with Nat Einhorn, executive secretary of the New York Guild; Tom Murphy, Guild organizer, and members of the staff, asserted that the discharged men would not fit into a contemplated reorganization plan, although management admitted that the men had not been given a chance to fit into the new pattern.

Management also claimed that the firings were in no way connected with the fact that it had rejected unit demands for increased pay scales to conform with citywide standards.

The unit disagreed on this point.

METHOD IS FLAYED

William D. Littleford, secretary of The Billboard, and Joseph Csida, representing management, were flayed because of the cold-blooded manner of dismissal.

No advance notice was given any of the three. After a little speech which added up to "you're fired," they were handed severance pay of $1,000 plus four weeks' salary in keeping with the unit's contract.



Guildsman Dies in Fire After Wife Is Rescued

PITTSBURGH — Newspaper Guildsman Jack Wettergreen died as he had lived — at the point where the danger was.

The body of the 33-year-old Sun-Telegraph photographer was found in the ruins of his fire-wrecked home.

Apparently he had been overcome while fighting the fire with a garden hose. One of his last actions had been to call to his wife, Helen, to escape.

She is in Allegheny General Hospital with shock and a broken wrist after leaping from a window.

The two Wettergreen children, on vacation because their school was busy issuing ration books, were visiting their grandparents.

Wettergreen and his wife had been out the night of the fire. When they returned, she went to bed.

He poked the fire and sat down to read. Apparently he fell asleep, and woke to find the house in flames from an overheated furnace.

HIS HUMOR HELPED

Wettergreen was known for a whimsical humor which made great pictures of many routine assignments. Two of his best were of a rhythm-mad Negro trap drummer, and an aged Civil War veteran lapping contentedly at an ice cream cone.

Pall-bearers at his funeral were Photographers Morris Berman, Burt Williams and Walter Stein of The Sun-Telegraph; Ray Gallivan and George Ruark of The Press, and George Bower of The Post-Gazette.

Veteran Member Dies in St. Louis

ST. LOUIS—James M. Gould, 59, Post-Dispatch sports writer since 1929 and before that sports editor of The St. Louis Star, died of heart disease February 15.

He was a Newspaper Guild veteran and a St. Louis delegate to the 1940 ANG convention in Memphis.

Gould was a past president of the Baseball Writers' Association.

Murray Lauds Nelson Policy

WASHINGTON (FP)—CIO President Philip Murray wrote Chairman Donald Nelson of the War Production Board congratulating him on his recent efforts to accomplish centralized planning under civilian administration.

At the same time Nelson was reminded by Murray that, in view of the "promised offensive in Europe against the Axis," it is more essential than ever for total mobilization "that labor be afforded the fullest degree of participation in the activities of your organization."

Murray commended Nelson for his recent efforts "through a more centralized administrative control to meet the basic problems of scheduling and greater utilization of all plant facilities, particularly of small business."

WU, ACA Sign New York Pact

NEW YORK (FP)—A collective bargaining agreement covering more than 6,000 workers here was signed by the CIO American Communications Association and Western Union Telegraph Company.

The agreement terminated WU's anti-labor policy, which included a long-entrenched company union.

Although the ACA was certified in an NLRB election last March, negotiations with the company dragged on until August when the case was submitted to the National War Labor Board.

The provisions of the WLB decision, handed down in January, are incorporated in the contract, which includes $1,200,000 in wage increases (retroactive to August 20, 1942), a 5 percent pay differential for night work, six premium pay holidays, paid vacations, voluntary checkoff of union dues and maintenance of union membership.

—ON PAYDAY BUY BONDS—

War Hero Presses His Labor War In New York Legislature Speech

ALBANY, N. Y. (FP) — Despite hundreds of protests from AFL and CIO unions, Eddie Rickenbacker addressed a joint session of the New York legislature, spicing his routine anti-labor tirade with a special slam at President Roosevelt.

Indignation at the invitation of Rickenbacker came from within the assembly as well, but attempts by two members of the legislature to introduce resolutions disavowing the expected attack on labor were sidetracked by a change in the order of business postponing any action until after Rickenbacker had spoken.

The resolution sponsored by Assemblyman J. Eugene Zimmer (ALP) stated that the invitation "was extended solely on the ground of his heroic deeds as a flier and should not be construed as an indorsement of any attack on the great organized labor movement, many of whose members and dear ones are fighting in the foxholes of Guadalcanal and the sands of Tunisia."

Assemblyman Hulan Jack (D) offered a resolution greeting the "unsung heroes of the merchant marine" and praising the 3,617 seamen who have been lost.

Alleged bureaucrats who, Rickenbacker said, are seeking to perpetuate their hold on government by giving Roosevelt a fourth term were attacked by the flier, who has been nominated by the Ku Klux Klan of Florida and Gerald L. K. Smith's America First party to succeed Roosevelt.



RICKENBACKER FILM PROTESTED BY UNION

NEW YORK (FP)—Production of a movie on the life of Eddie Rickenbacker, scheduled by 20th Century-Fox, "threatens to block the achievement of maximum production and morale," the Screen Publicists Guild of the CIO United Office and Professional Workers warned Wendell Willkie, chairman of the company's board of directors, in a letter.

Labor Papers Are Affected By WPB Rule

WASHINGTON—Although exceptions in the War Production Board's order limiting the use of newsprint relieve most trade union newspapers from the restrictions, several cases have already arisen in which labor papers have been obliged to file appeals.

Such has been the case with The UE News of the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America and The Shipyard Worker of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America.

EXCEPTIONS NOTED

Under one exception to the order, publishers using 25 tons or less of newsprint in any calendar quarter are not restricted to 100 percent of newsprint used in 1941.

This means that any trade union paper using 25 tons or less of newsprint in any calendar quarter of 1943 need not reduce the amount of newsprint used to the amount used in 1941 but can use up to but not above 25 tons of newsprint in the calendar quarter.

Another exception is based on the size and type of publication. Under this exception the restricting order does not apply to newspapers of eight pages or less authorized to be admitted to the mails as second class matter under the provisions of Section 521 of the Postal Laws and Regulations of 1940, pertaining to the publications of benevolent, fraternal, trades-unions, professional, literary and scientific organizations or societies.

To come within this exception, trade unions newspapers must be eight pages or less and must be admitted to the mails under Section 521.

RULE IS GIVEN

W. G. Chandler, director of WPB's Printing and Publishing Division, has ruled that eight pages means eight full size pages. In the UE News and Shipyard Worker cases he has said: "For the purpose of the order a 16-page tabloid shall be determined as an eight-page standard size publication."

It is believed that most trade union newspapers are covered by the two exceptions but there are some papers which use more than 25 tons and which may not be admitted to the mails under Section 521.

Some trade union papers are published by separate corporations established by the union and are admitted to the mails under Section 520.

This is particularly true of general labor newspapers which are not published by any specific trade union but are published by private individuals or organizations and circulate almost exclusively among labor people.

PROCEDURE OUTLINED

Unless such newspapers use less than 25 tons of newsprint in a calendar quarter it is necessary for them to appeal to the War Production Board.

Appeals should be addressed: War Production Board, Printing and Publishing Division, Washington, D. C., Ref.: L-240.

Where appeals come from CIO unions, copies should be sent to Philip J. Clowes, Associate Director-CIO, Labor Production Division, War Production Board, Washington, D. C.; from AFL unions, copies should be sent to Joseph D. Keenan, Associate Director-AFL, Labor Production Division, War Production Board, Washington, D. C.

ISSUE SUPPLEMENT

SAN FRANCISCO (FP) — Something new in labor journalism was tried by The Labor Herald, official California CIO paper, when it issued a special two-color, four-page price and rationing supplement.

WPB POSTPONES NEWSPRINT CUT

WASHINGTON — The War Production Board advised a special labor task committee for the newspaper industry last week that a proposed additional curtailment of 10 percent in newsprint, scheduled for April 1, had been postponed.

Labor representatives at the conference where the announcement was made included ANG President Milton Murray and Executive Vice President Sam B. Eubanks.

Chares Ernest of the Pressmen, Boris Shiskin, AFL research expert, and Thomas Lynch, WLB labor aide, also attended the meeting.

Meanwhile, there were rumors here of an impending increase in the cost of newsprint.

Bice Elected In Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH—The new president of the Pittsburgh Newspaper Guild is Blair Bice, in charge of the night city desk of The Sun-Telegraph.

Vice presidents are Walter Baumgart of The Post-Gazette and Joseph A. Breig and Walter Stein of The Sun-Telegraph.



BICE

Leo Finegold of The Post-Gazette was re-elected treasurer and Helen Mincar was renamed secretary.

All the elections were without opposition.

Bice, a past first vice president, was a delegate to the ANG's Denver convention and the Hearst Chain Council meeting in Chicago last Fall. He has been a member of many negotiating committees.

Bice has been acting president of the local following induction of Hilary Doberneck into the Army.

OFFICE AIDE



JULIA SCHNEIDER

Miss Schneider, former staff assistant at headquarters of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers and Textile Workers Union, now is manager of national Newspaper Guild offices in New York. She succeeded Dorothy Tudor.

HILL IS ELECTED PHILA. RA HEAD

PHILADELPHIA—Robert Hill, Bulletin rewriteman, has been elected chairman of the Philadelphia-Camden Newspaper Guild's representative assembly.

Hill, a charter member of the local, is chairman of the Camden Courier-Post negotiating committee and of the publications committee.

—ON PAY DAY, BUY BONDS—
—BONDS BATTER HITLER—

BOTH ARE FIGHTERS NOW



—Photo from U. S. Marine Corps

Gene Ward, left, covered the welterweight championship fight between Fritzie Zivic and Red Cochrane, right, who won. They met again at Pearl Harbor, where Newspaper Guildsman Ward is a Marine corps sergeant, covering a big fight as a combat correspondent, and Cochrane is in the same ring as a specialist, first class, with the Navy.

Guild Wins Votes In Two Elections

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the proposed agreement adopted by the Sun unit.

Weilburg heads the negotiating panel selected to represent the Guild. Others are Fullerton Fulton, CIO regional director; William Mueller, Times unit, and Wilfred Wille, INS.

ORGANIZATION SPREADS

The Sun victory forms the basis for a new widespread organizational campaign which the Chicago Guild has launched. This campaign was outlined at a conference of local leaders and ANG President Milton Murray, who visited Chicago on the eve of the election.

Objectives of this drive are organization of editorial department employes of The Chicago Daily News, extension of editorial units on The Sun and Times to commercial departments, broader wire service organization, and unionization of Chicago's extensive foreign language press.

A nucleus of commercial department members on the Sun is already actively organizing coworkers and this activity will continue while negotiations are in progress.

Times Guildsmen named a committee to survey organizational possibilities in the commercial departments at a unit meeting which reelected Bob Rankin, photographer, for a seventh term as chairman.

The wire service organizational activity is directed by Wille, CNG vice president and member of the INS unit, and Fred McIlvaine, UP unit chairman.

The labor press unit, headed by John C. Pierce, chairman, has assumed responsibility for organizational activity and bargaining on the foreign language papers.

SPRINGFIELD, O.—The Springfield Newspaper Guild was certified as the bargaining agency for 31 employes of commercial departments of Springfield Newspapers, Inc., by a vote of 25 to 5 in a National Labor Relations Board election held in the plant's mailing rooms.

Affected by the election were accounting, classified, display, and circulation departments, excluding only outside circulators.

FOLLOWED PACT SIGNING

The election followed by only six weeks the signing of an initial Guild contract covering editorial departments which for nearly six years had been operating under a "publisher's statement of policy."

The contract, which was negotiated by John Weilburg, ANG international representative, gained approximately $8,000 yearly for editorial workers.

While the Springfield Guild was engaged in negotiating for the editorial department, employes of the commercial department moved toward better wage and hour conditions by joining the Guild.

Two weeks after the organization move started, the Guild had a sizable majority and by mid-December last year claimed an enrollment of 80 percent of those eligible.

PUBLISHER DEMURRED

Early in February the negotiating committee asked the publisher for certification. The request was refused by the publisher with the statement:

"I have every reason to believe my employes in the commercial departments are quite happy."

The committee then took its case to the National Labor Relations Board, which immediately sent a field examiner to Springfield.

He suggested a card check as a short cut to an election but the publisher refused, justifying his refusal on ground that some employes might have joined the Guild under duress and that they would vote against Guild certification.

St. Louis Guild Opens Negotiations At Globe-Democrat and Star-Times

ST. LOUIS—Negotiations are under way for new St. Louis Newspaper Guild contracts at The Globe-Democrat and Star-Times, and the Post-Dispatch unit has voted to reopen its two-year contract on wages and hours on the anniversary date, April 11.

Star-Times management at first insisted on negotiating separately each point in the Guild's proposals without the company making known its position on the proposal as a whole.

The unit replied with a demand that management state its position without "further delay." Management complied at the next negotiating session.

The Globe unit instructed its negotiators to stand pat on its wage demands after an appeal by management for unit reconsideration of proposals which the company termed "unreasonable."

The Post-Dispatch unit appointed a committee to make a wage survey and report its recommendations.

News-Gazette Is Suspended In Aliquippa

ALIQUIPPA, Pa. — The Aliquippa News-Gazette, opened last November 10 on settlement of a Newspaper Guild strike, was suspended February 22 for lack of operating funds.

Closing reportedly was precipitated by the gas company's action in shutting off the gas supply, and was followed by foreclosure action on behalf of T. F. McDonald, one of the former owners of the publication, to whom the property was mortgaged.

The Aliquippa Publishing Company, Inc., headed by P. J. Flannery as publisher, also held a lease from McDonald for the premises in which the paper was published.

These payments also were in default, it appeared.

Attorney W. D. Craig, acting for McDonald, repossessed the premises and ordered the employes to "turn in your keys."

Other creditors asked payment of bills but the only judgment recorded in Beaver County court was McDonald's.

A sheriff sale was reported scheduled for March 2.

He said in Pittsburgh papers:

"I leased the building and sold the equipment to the Aliquippa Publishing Company, which company was financed by the Newspaper Guild.

DENIES RESPONSIBILITY

"The equipment was sold to them on a small down payment. . . . Their payments on the equipment to me were only $100 per month and they were given grace on every payment.

"But I did not close them out. It was done by other creditors."

Following McDonald's lead, Pittsburgh papers ran stories with errors and half truths. One head read:

"Guild owned paper quits."

In New York City, ANG Secretary-Treasurer William W. Rodgers issued this statement for the Guild!

"The Guild is sorry to learn that The Aliquippa News Gazette has been forced to suspend publication, apparently because of mismanagement and lack of sufficient operating capital.

"Last Fall the Guild made a loan of five thousand dollars to the new publisher in order to expedite the paper's reopening under a Guild contract and to restore the employes to their jobs.

"The Guild was assured that ample additional capital was being supplied by the publisher. Apparently this was not the case.

"Sale of The Aliquippa Gazette brought to an end a long Guild strike against the former owners for a contract providing decent wages and working conditions.

"The Guild hopes that a way will be found to continue the enterprise so that the people of Aliquippa may not be permanently deprived of their own newspaper and the employes now displaced may again be restored to their jobs."

INDIANAPOLIS RENEWS HEADQUARTERS DRIVE

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Newspaper Guild is seeking the support of all district councils in the Midwest and of Guilds all over the nation in its long-standing campaign to move ANG headquarters to the Midwest.

A motion was passed unanimously at the February meeting of ING to seek such support at the Boston convention for the obtaining of assurance that no new peacetime lease for New York headquarters would be signed until a thorough study of the advantages and disadvantages of moving had been made and action taken upon the matter by convention or membership.

NEW PANEL WILL SPEED GUILD CASES

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the Guild filed with the WLB a brief which concurred with objectives of the board's order but urged simplification of some procedure and questioned the choice of Chicago as the panel's headquarters.

These objections were filed for the record and for reexamination at the close of the three-month trial period, when the board said it would make a study of all panel operations for possible revision.

The WLB said:

"The panel will be governed by the policies and procedures of the National War Labor Board and its findings and recommendations will be filed directly with the NWLB.

"The Regional War Labor Boards will refer applications for wage and salary adjustments to the panel in all voluntary cases. The NWLB will refer dispute cases to the panel.

"The NWLB will take final action on the panel's recommendations for entire industries before but it never before had set tions and will direct the appropriate Regional Board to notify the parties of the disposition of the case.

MAY BE PERMANENT

"After the 90-day experimental period, the board will consider the permanent establishment of the panel. It will act either upon its own initiative or upon request of representatives of either management or labor.

"The board will review the work of the panel, consider the advisability of changes in the personnel and determine the jurisdiction, function and powers of the panel at that time.

"The board has established come up an advisory panel of this type.

"Because of the long-established history of collective bargaining in the newspaper industry, the board agreed to the establishment of the advisory panel, after requests for creation of such a panel came from both industry and union representatives."

AFL MAN SERVES

Serving with Murray as a principal labor representative on the panel will be C. V. Ernest of the AFL International Pressmen and Assistants Union.

In addition to Eubanks, labor alternates are Joseph C. Orr, J. B. Boscoe and Thomas J. Etzrodt of the Pressmen; C. P. Kelly, AFL Stereotypers and Electrotypers Union, and Edward J. Vols, Fred R. Ballback, Henry F. Schmal, J. Arthur Rehage, and Erward H. Wetton of the Photo-Engravers Union.

The labor members sitting in each case at headquarters of the panel in Chicago in Room 555 at 222 West Adams Street will be chosen from craft or industrial groups involved in the cases.

John S. McCarrens, of Cleveland, Ohio, general manager of The Plain Dealer, and James E. Chappel, of Birmingham, Alabama, president of The News and Age-Herald, will serve as management members on the panel.

Alternates appointed to represent industry are:

George N. Dale, of Chicago, chairman of the special standing committee, American Newspaper Publishers Association; Edward F. Burpee, of Chicago, American Newspaper Publishers Association; Claude V. Capers, of Chicago, American Newspaper Publishers Association; S. R. Winch, of Portland, Oregon, business manager of The Oregon Journal; A. C. Hudnutt, of Elyria, Ohio, president of The Chronicle-Telegram; Charles P. Manship, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, president of The State Times and Advocate, and Orvin C. Andrews, of New London, Connecticut, president of The Day.

Guildsman Is Appointed to WLB Post



GERVASE LOVE
He speaks for labor

PHILADELPHIA — Gervase Nelligan Love, vice president of the Philadelphia-Camden Newspaper Guild has been appointed a member of the Third Regional War Labor Board.

The Third Region covers the huge industrial section of Pennsylvania, South Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

IT'S AN ARSENAL

The area has virtually every type of defense plant, including coal mines, ship yards, steel mills and armament plants.

Love, 40, is the first known Guild member to be appointed to a regional board.

Love and his father, James Love, now retired, were charter members of the Philadelphia-Camden local.

The younger Love has served the Guild as vice president, unit chairman at both The Record and The Daily News, delegate to the Denver convention, where he was on the war activities committee, local negotiating committees and the trial board.

REPORTS LABOR

He is a labor reporter for The Philadelphia Record. He has also been assistant city editor on that paper.

Other newspaper jobs: Baltimore News, Buffalo Evening News, Rochester Journal-American, Post Express and Democrat and Chronicle, and Washington Post.

He has a wide acquaintance among Pennsylvania Labor leaders, CIO, AFL and independent. He is the CIO member on the Regional Board's New Cases Committee.

—10 PERCENT ON PAYDAY—
—BUY BONDS EACH WEEK—

Herald Trib Fights Award

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The February 24 hearing, at which WLB Chairman William H. Davis presided, was the latest development in nine months of contract negotiations.

REPUDIATE PLEDGE

Last September, after negotiating for two and a half months, the Guild applied for certification of the case to the WLB.

In November, before a panel chosen by the board, both parties agreed to submit their differences to the panel, as a private board of arbitration, whose decision would be binding.

The arbitrators submitted their award in December. When the award went to the WLB for action on the wage increases, The Herald Tribune sought, and was granted, the public hearing.

Elisha Hanson, general counsel of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, who presented the argument for the newspaper, argued that the arbitrators had erred by refusing to consider, as part of the general increases awarded, individual merit increases which the HT had granted since January 1, 1941.

Together, the merit raises and those stipulated in the award, he said, greatly exceeded the 15 percent which was allowed under the Little Steel formula.

The newspaper industry is a highly individualized one, merit raises are an essential part of its operation and, the percentage increase above the minimum rates was unfair and impracticable, he asserted.

As Hanson concluded his presentation he announced that the HT was at the hearing "solely for the purpose of determining whether this (award) is within War Labor Board policy."

PUBLISHERS INTERVENE

George T. Townley, counsel for the Publishers' Association of New York, on behalf of member papers which had been invited, as interested parties, to attend the hearing, followed up with an extension of the HT argument.

After reciting the history of the association's collective bargaining history, he elaborated on the differences between the editorial departments and the mechanical departments and contended that the Little Steel formula was not applicable to news employes.

He cited "high wages" in New York City, as compared with the nation as a whole, and what he said was a comparatively slight increase in the cost of living.

With a brief reference to alleged inability of publishers to pay increases which they might have to grant other unions under the Little Steel formula, he developed a point that general application of the formula in the newspaper industry would accelerate the inflationary trend and would have an injurious effect on sound collective bargaining policy.

In replying to a question by Board Member Wayne Morse, Hanson upheld a method of adjusting wages to meet changing conditions which he described as granting raises according to "merit"—as opposed to general, percentage increases.

HANSON MAKES IT CLEAR

Morse asked Hanson how he would settle a dispute between employer and employe on the matter of "merit."

"Then let him get another job," was Hanson's answer.

Milton Murray, ANG president, answered the publishers' argument on the "highly individualized" nature of the newspaper industry, and then made way for the main presentation of the Guild position by A. J. Isserman, ANG counsel.

RULE IS CITED

He cited a previous WLB ruling to affirm that the hearing could not properly concern itself with matters on which the arbitrators had already decided—that the only question rightly before the board was whether the award was within the wage stabilization policy.

The arbitrators, experienced WLB men, had carefully and thoroughly considered the case and it was impossible to re-try the whole case at the hearing, Isserman pointed out.

Isserman reviewed steps taken by the arbitrators in arriving at their decision and asserted that not only the cost of living adjustments, but also those resulting from the establishment of minimum schedules, were well within the 15 percent allowed by the Little Steel formula.

Explaining the arbitrators' finding on the question of the merit raises which the publishers had asked to be included as part of the general percentage increase, he said the adjustments were of a highy selective nature, affected only 48 percent of the staff, ranged from 50 cents to $50, and were given to no particular group or category but to individuals, in varying accounts, in each classification.

IMPORTANCE STRESSED

John F. Ryan, general organizer for the New York Guild, and Sam B. Eubanks, executive vice-president of the ANG, followed in turn. **Ryan appealed for a speedy decision and Eubanks spoke on the importance of the case for Guilds throughout the country.**

Eubanks cited publishers' figures which compared New York standards with cities where no Guild contracts existed.

He also charged that the maneuvering and stalling which the publishers were practicing was throwing the processes of arbitration into disrepute among newspaper employes all over the nation.

The importance which the publishers attached to the hearing was emphasized by the presence of representatives of several other newspapers in addition to those which presented the arguments.

Included among them were officials of The Daily News, The Times and The World-Telegram.

Guildsmen present included ANG Secretary-Treasurer William W. Rodgers, Fritz Silber, HT unit chairman; Edward T. Zusi, shop-paper editor; Marie McGowan, member of the unit's executive committee; Edward C. Schneider, unit secretary; Paul Weber, Detroit Guild; Gordon B. Cole, Washington Guild, and James Hartshorne, Milton J. Lapine and Bill Davy of the Cleveland Guild.

Chairman of WLB Panel Is a Veteran Arbitrator

CHICAGO — Robert K. Burns, named chairman of the new advisory panel set up by the War Labor Board for the newspaper industry, is a veteran arbitrator of newspaper disputes.

Before he was named WLB regional chairman here he taught labor economics and industrial relations at the University of Chicago.

He is the author of a book on collective bargaining in the newspaper industry.

A graduate of the University of Washington in 1933, Burns later attended the London School of Economics.

Fight Against Dies Is a Duty, Will Rogers, Jr., Tells Guild

"You and I and all America must keep protesting against the method of Martin Dies," wrote Representative William Rogers Jr., son of the late Will Rogers, in response to a letter from the New York Newspaper Guild's executive committee praising the California legislator for denouncing Dies in his maiden speech in Congress.

Over the signature "Bill Rogers," the Congressman wrote:

"Thanks for your heartening letter.

"I think every accused man deserves the right of a hearing. Martin Dies does not believe so. You and I and all America must keep protesting against the method of Martin Dies."

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In a handwritten postscript, Rogers added:

"Please tell the Guildsmen I appreciate their kind message. We were beaten handily; one curious disappointment is that many Congressmen who personally dislike the Dies Committee voted for it."

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The letter from the New York Guild to Rogers praising his anti-Dies stand stated "it is particularly gratifying to us to know that a newspaperman made that speech."

There is no law or God in Germany . . . but HITLER! See what really happens to
"Hitler's Children"
IN PERSON and his Orchestra
XAVIER CUGAT
HENNY YOUNGMAN
PARAMOUNT Times Square

Labor's Victory Show
CIO Broadcast Sunday Afternoons At 1:15 EWT
LABOR FOR VICTORY
TUNE IN
Every other Sunday, at 1:15 p.m., EWT, on the NBC Red Network, for CIO's own victory radio program.
This is your chance to hear in dramatic form what CIO unions are doing to win the war, what CIO policy is on war issues, wages, rationing, national planning, organizing, legislation—everything that goes into labor's victory drive.
REMEMBER—Sundays at 1:15 p.m. EWT—CIO's Victory Program
TUNE IN FOR A REAL 'V' SHOW!

Japs Intern Leader's Kin

SAN DIEGO, Cal.—Word that Charles Freeman, form.er Newspaper Guildsman and advertising salesman for The San Diego Union and Tribune-Sun, and his wife are safe in the Santo Tomas University prison camp at Manila, P. I., has reached here.

The news came in a cable forwarded by the Red Cross at Geneva to Freeman's brother, Dan Freeman, president of the San Diego Newspaper Guild.

In the Philippines since 1940, Freeman was advertising manager of The Manila Tribune at the time he and his wife were interned by the Japanese.

Labor Bills Are Killed

RALEIGH, N. C. (FP)—The nationwide campaign to destroy organized labor by state legislation received a setback when the manufacturing and labor committee of the North Carolina house of representatives killed two anti-union bills.

One of the bills would have authorized the use of anti-labor injunctions by employers, state supervision of union finances and compulsory conciliation.

TWU ADOPTS POLICY PLAN

NEW YORK (FP) — Indorsement of the principle of the 48-hour week and of a $25,000-a-year ceiling on income, denunciation of the Ruml plan, approval of a bona fide pay-as-you-go income tax plan and severe criticism of the Little Steel formula were voiced by the executive council of the CIO Textile Workers Union.

CIO UNION WINS

ORLANDO, Fla. (FP)—Despite last-minute intervention by the newly active Ku Klux Klan, the CIO United Cannery Agricultural Packing and Allied Workers won an NLRB election at the Fosgate Citrus Packing plant here, its initial victory in a drive to organize Florida's 30,000 citrus workers.

GHOSTWRITER WRITING FOR GHOSTS



—Cartoon from Pilot

—ON PAY DAY, BUY BONDS—

—BUY BONDS EACH WEEK—

ANG Readies First Pact With INS

A proposed draft of the first national contract between the American Newspaper Guild and Hearst's International News Service was in the hands of members of all INS units of the union last week.

The proposals, compiled at ANG headquarters, were submitted to the units for approval or recommendations for revision. The final draft was scheduled to be submitted to INS management March 1.

FOLLOWS NLRB VICTORY

Terms of the proposed draft were developed from suggestions filed at headquarters by INS units following a four-to-one victory for the Guild in a countrywide National Labor Relations Board bargaining election.

Meanwhile, Guild-International News Photos contract proposals, approved by INP units, were sent to management of the Hearst picture service by the union.

Guild negotiators of the INP contract will be ANG Secretary-Treasurer William W. Rodgers, ANG International Representative Wilbur E. Bade and a representative of the New York Guild.

BLOOD DONORS PURCHASE UNIT

CHICAGO (FP)—When members of Local 121 of the CIO State, County and Municipal Workers volunteered their blood for the armed services, they found the Chicago Red Cross had no means of taking it.

So they organized the Employes Civilian Defense Committee of Chicago and each blood donor went to a private hospital and gave his blood for civilian use. In return the hospital paid each $5.

The money was pooled and used to buy a mobile blood donor unit for the Red Cross at a total cost of $1,400.

After this the members gave their blood to the Red Cross.

Hearst Teletype Orders Play On Martin Dies' Big Speech

NEW YORK (FP)—How Martin Dies' anti-Semitic, red-baiting speech in Congress came to be played on front pages of the Hearst newspaper chain while important war news was buried was revealed here.

In a copyright story, In Fact prints the complete text of the teletype messages sent by William Randolph Hearst to his 19 newspapers ordering them to give Dies' blast the big play:

WX 9 LOS ANGELES,
FEBRUARY 1, 1943
W A CURLEY, NEW YORK
JOURNAL AMERICAN
(ATTENTION EDITORS ALL HEARST MORNING PAPERS AND AFTERNOONS WHERE NO MORNING — ALSO MR. BERKSON OF I(NTERNATIONAL) N(EWS) S(ERVICE)
I WOULD LIKE THE DIES DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN YOUR TELEGRAM TODAY FOR THE SERIES YOU SUGGEST. PLEASE EXPLAIN TO MR. BERKSON WHAT WE WANT, AND I AM NOTIFYING THE EDITORS IN THIS MESSAGE TO PROCEED ON LINES INDICATED: NAMELY,
WE SHOULD BEGIN WITH DIES' SPEECH, RUNNING SUMMARY IN IMMEDIATE NEWS AND THE SPEECH IN FULL ON EDITORIAL PAGE, ABOUT ONE THOUSAND WORDS PER DAY, AS PEOPLE WILL NOT READ MORE.
USE EASILY READ TYPE TO MAKE PEOPLE READ IT. RUN THE DOCUMENTS IN DAILY INSTALLMENTS IN THE NEWS

W R HEARST 655PF
WX 10 LOS ANGELES,
FEBRUARY 1, 1943
EDITORS HEARST PAPERS:
CHIEF INSTRUCTS TO PLAY UP DIES' SPEECH TODAY SENSATIONALLY. FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS IN SEPARATE MESSAGE.

J. WILLICOMBE 656 F

Hearst papers throughout the nation not only played up the Dies speech but gave it considerable space on the front page, devoting only two inches to the American attack in Tunisia and relegating the Russian victory at Stalingrad to page 2.

USA Treats Newspapers To Financial Statement

PITTSBURGH (FP) — In the midst of their current campaign for control of union finances as well as registration or incorporation of unions, the commercial newspapers were treated by the United Steelworkers (CIO) to a detailed financial statement.

They gave the story some length and fair display.

This went for most reactionary newspapers, including Scripps-Howard, which gave the story display position on the editorial pages of The New York World-Telegram and other papers in the chain.

Scripps-Howard however stuck its own fly in the ointment of an editorial praising the union by saying that not all unions are like this and therefore control of union finances by law is necessary.

The newspaper accounts also revealed that the steel union is now the second largest in the U. S., with 725,625 members.

The report covered the period from May 1 to Nov. 30, 1942. Income totaled $3,552,342, every penny of which was accounted for. Maximum dues were shown to be $1.50 a month and initiation fee $3.



CIO Union Starts Parleys

PITTSBURGH (FP)—The first of a series of labor-management conferences to spur war production and to pave the way for a national conference in the steel industry was conducted by United Steelworkers (CIO) for the greater Pittsburgh area.

CIO President Philip Murray, who also heads the steel union, said the national conference idea has been presented to WPB Director Donald M. Nelson with the approval of H. G. Batcheller, chief of the WPB iron and steel branch.

A glowing tribute to the effectiveness of labor-management committees was paid by Vice Pres. Gordon Lefebvre of the Cooper-Bessemer Corporation, who said they have increased production 240 percent.

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