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Panel Okays Pay Boosts In 9 Pacts

CHICAGO—Nine more pay increase agreements between Newspaper Guild locals and publishers had been finally approved last week by the special newspaper industry panel of the War Labor Board.

The approved cases, in which maladjustments in wages were cited to the panel, involved the Guild and these newspapers and publishers:

Lynn (Mass.) Item.
Salem (Mass.) News Publishing Company.
Triangle Publishing Company, New York City.
Birmingham (Ala.) Post.
Toledo (O.) Blade.
Dayton (O.) Journal-Herald.
Milwaukee (Wis.) Sentinel.
Duluth (Minn.) Herald and News-Tribune.
Star Journal Publishing Company, Pueblo, Colo.

The WLB's panel made recommendations in these cases and referred them to the Chicago Regional War Labor Board for action:

Brooklyn (N. Y.) Eagle, modified recommendation, with ANG Executive Vice President Sam B. Eubanks, labor member of the panel, dissenting.

Cumberland (Md.) Times and Alleganian.
Union Leader Publishing Company, Manchester, N. H.
Springfield Newspapers, Springfield, O.
Youngstown (O.) Vindicator.

In addition to other cases filed earlier with the panel following certification by the WLB, these Guild-management dispute cases had been referred last week to the panel:

International News Service.
International News Photos.
Cleveland Plain Dealer.
Washington Star.

Additional voluntary Guild-management agreements on file last week with the panel involved these papers:

Brockton (Mass.) Enterprise-Times.
Elizabeth (N. J.) Journal.
Springfield (O.) News-Sun.
Gary (Ind.) Post-Tribune.
St. Louis (Mo.) Star-Times.
St. Louis (Mo.) Post-Dispatch.
San Antonio (Tex.) Light.
Portland (Ore.) Journal.

WASHINGTON ROUNDUP

Summer Search for News Is a Grim Capital Task

By JAMES A. WECHSLER
Washington Guild

WASHINGTON—This is the "hot weather" season here; anybody can get his name in the papers by the simple process of opening his mouth.

There is a lull all over town, even in this wartime Summer. Except for foreign news and reaction, reporters find it difficult to perform a real day's work.

COLLARS STAY TIGHT

The fall of Mussolini might have been a dramatic, productive interlude. But the State Department never unbuttons its collar. Stay dull with Hull.

Up at the Capitol, the reporters

pounce upon any Senator or Congressman who drops in to look at his mail. Anything he says, on any subject, is greeted appreciatively.

Momentous events are in the making; the tempo of the war has suddenly been accelerated, changing everybody's timetable.

But little of the tension is visible on Washington's surface. The humidity remains high. For a few fleeting moments announcement of Churchill's arrival in Canada stirs some activity. Then it is all over for awhile.

Reporters assemble gloomily on the street and at the bars, probing each other for news. Nobody

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—Cartoon by Bernard Seaman, New York Guild

\$282,000 Gained In Two Guild Pacts

Wage increases totaling \$282,000 in annual raises and in retroactive payments were included last week in provisions of two new Newspaper Guild contracts.

The San Francisco-Oakland Guild completed citywide negotiations with publishers of five newspapers in the union's biggest single contract, which brought \$216,000 in pay raises, approved by the War Labor Board.

In Detroit, WLB arbitration processes assured \$66,000 in added pay for employees of Hearst's Times.

Details of the contracts follow.

SAN FRANCISCO — Retroactive pay totaling more than \$60,000 together with an annual boost of \$156,000 will come to San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild members under terms of a new contract approved by the War Labor Board in the first Guild dispute case to be heard and settled by the WLB's newspaper industry panel.

But the WLB action came only

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DETROIT—A level pay increase of \$4.10 weekly for salaried employees of The Detroit Times and substantial increases in wage minimums were included in a \$66,000 Newspaper Guild contract award made by Referee Herman J. Wyngarden of the War Labor Board.

The award at the Hearst paper was made retroactive to December 27, 1942, which means at least \$130 cash back pay for each employee affected.

If approved by the WLB, the award will be embodied in a contract running until the date of the Guild's Hearst National Memorandum reopening, January 26, 1944.

SENT TO PANEL

The decision of Referee Wyngarden, who is a public member of the Regional WLB, has been

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Ship Named For Broun

CAMDEN, N. J.—The S.S. Heywood Broun, a Liberty Ship, is scheduled to be launched on Labor Day by the government in honor of the man who founded the American Newspaper Guild 10 years ago.

Vice President Henry Wallace and Philip Murray, president of the CIO, will be asked to speak at the launching ceremonies and Connie Broun, widow of the longtime president of the Guild, will be named as christener of the vessel.

The launching of the Broun, set for September 6 at the Bethlehem-Fairfield shipyards in Baltimore, is planned as

a climax to a series of national Labor Day events in which ships will be sent down the ways and into the war from yards dotting the country's coastline.

In addition to Vice President Wallace, the CIO chief and Mrs. Broun, national officers of the Newspaper Guild are expected to witness launching of the Broun, one of the first wartime vessels to be named in memory of an American labor leader.

The Labor Day project was first proposed by Sam Kramer of the Philadelphia-Camden Newspaper Guild, editor of The Shipyard Worker, national publication of the CIO's Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America.

"—LIVING EMBODIMENT—"

In an editorial, Kramer urged that a Liberty Ship be named for Broun, "who was not only the founder and first president of a leading CIO international union but also a powerful spokesman for and living embodiment of freedom of the press."

The Guildman's proposal was advanced in Washington by John Green, IUMSWA president, and Mike Ross, capital representative of the union, and within a week had been cleared through the War Production Board and the Maritime Commission.

Authorization for the Broun ship christening was reported by the Maritime Commission to headquarters of the IUMSWA here on August 11, and the Labor Day launching was made a joint union-sponsored project of the Marine and Shipbuilding Workers and the Newspaper Guild.

The Liberty Ship which will be christened the Broun was built at Baltimore by members of Local 43 of the IUMSWA, comprising 28,000 workers—white and Negro, men and women—in the nation's leading CIO shipbuilding yards.

The Labor Day ship launchings, capped by christening of the Broun, will correspond to last year's National Maritime Day launchings.

New Crisis In Newsprint Is Foreseen

WASHINGTON — Newsprint shortages are approaching a critical stage and the newspaper industry is just beginning conversion from peace to wartime operations, the American Newspaper Guild's government relations committee reported last week.

Newsprint orders, despite curtailments in supplies, exceed production, and further limitations of newspaper circulation, advertising and news content can be anticipated, the ANG committee said.

SITUATION ANALYZED

The text of the newsprint analysis prepared for the Guild's international executive board by Gordon H. Cole, chairman of the union's government relations committee, follows:

"From what I can learn here, the newsprint situation is reaching a crisis.

"The 10 percent cut in the use of newsprint ordered last January meant little or nothing to most papers.

"Only those papers with expanding circulation were affected and even there the cut was absorbed, for the most part, by cutting out the free-copy racket, by dropping the costliest circulation, by eliminating some features and by a slight decline in advertising lineage.

"On July 1, the War Production Board ordered a second cut—this time 5 percent more. ANG President Milton Murray appeared before the WPB on this one and told them 5 percent wasn't enough. It wasn't.

ORDERS MOUNT

"Newsprint orders for August—all within the limitation order—were 7 percent greater than the actual tonnage being manufactured in the mills.

"As a result the mills refused

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Lines Are Formed In Guild's Election

Lines were formed this week in the second national biennial referendum election of officers of the American Newspaper Guild.

As candidates' campaigns pointed toward balloting, which opens August 24, three developments were outstanding:

1) A national "Committee to Keep the Guild Strong," headed by Arthur Riordan, president of the Philadelphia-Camden Guild, issued nationally-distributed pam-

phlets asking for support of candidates for ANG vice presidencies who back policies, principles and programs of the present administration of the union.

CONTEST IS SHARP

2) A sharp contest developed in the Guild's reconstituted Region 5, comprising New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware, where incumbent Vice Presi-

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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.

SAYS HE'S PUZZLED BY "POINT OF VIEW"

NEW YORK.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

I don't want to appear cocky, but I can't understand the theme of Jack McManus's election statement in your last issue.

He pleads for election over Walter Engels because an "international executive board composed entirely of representatives of all elements essential to full working unity in the Guild."

Now, I've heard this same expounded at New York Guild meetings recently—namely, that the IEB is confined to people with one point of view, or one political viewpoint—and that isn't fair.

Boys, I don't understand the argument. I venture to say that the Guild could have unity whether McManus is or isn't elected. Unity in our Guild happily isn't founded on one man's point of view.

Boys, I don't understand the argument. What "point of view" is McManus talking about? What "point of view" does he represent?

Jack is for winning the war right away. So is Engels, so are Milt Murray and Sam Rubanks. Jack doesn't like Hitler or Hirohito. I'm sure everybody else in the Guild shares his antipathy. Jack doesn't like our present Congress. What liberal can disagree? Jack, I'm sure, wants to see a strong Guild. Well, who doesn't?

Engels does.

I could understand McManus's election speech, for example, if this were 1940 and his opponent, Engels, were an isolationist who believed Fascism had to be fought; that England's war was our war. If McManus were an isolationist I could understand, perhaps, that the IEB needed representation from isolationists who might feel that the war was imperialist in nature and that therefore we should stay out.

But everybody in the Guild during the last two years has come around to the idea that this is our war and we must win it. That, judging by New York Guild meetings I attend, is the major issue by which you stand or fall. So, will somebody please tell me what "point of view" McManus represents that Engels doesn't?

ARNOLD REICHMAN, PM Unit.

HE SAYS HE HEARS "STRANGE ARGUMENT"

NEW YORK.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

I'm voting for Walter Engels in the coming election for regional vice president, because he's proved himself an independent, thinking and acting for himself, and for the Guild, and because he represents the type of leadership which, in the present national Guild administration, has given Guildsmen all over the country new faith in our union.

So far as I have heard, the only argument for electing John McManus to the post is a species of plea for "minority representation" on the IEB. It is a strange argument, coming from the present New York crowd. When they dominated the IEB, they had no use for minority representation. They have never shown interest in the suggestions advanced at various times to provide for minority representation by constitutional procedure. They've suddenly discovered "minority rights" only after losing a lot of elections, and, oddly, in a region where they clearly aren't too sure who is majority and who minority.

The Guild Constitution provides for regional vice presidents. If a majority in the New York-Pennsylvania region prefer the type of responsible Guild politics represented by Walter Engels, I, a majority prefers the kind of irresponsible herding with which John McManus has been associated in New York. It is their privilege to vote for McManus. Talk of "minority representation" only confuses the essential issues.

When this election is past, nevertheless, I hope that a committee including representatives of various points of view in the Guild may try to work out a reasonable constitutional program which would give minority representation in the IEB without asking people in a particular region to vote contrary to their convictions. It might be done by some form of proportional representation applied to the vice presidents at large. There may be a better way. But it is certainly a problem to think out, not to shout about in a campaign.

Meanwhile, for a strong Guild—Walter Engels!

LEWIS GANNETT, Herald Tribune Unit.

FORMER N. Y. OFFICER BACKS WALTER ENGELS

PHILADELPHIA.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

As a former member of the New York local's executive committee who served with John McManus, and as a former chairman of the New York Post unit and second vice president of the New York local, I will cast my vote for Walter Engels in the coming Guild referendum.

Engels' Guild record is so excellent that one wonders why McManus chose to oppose him. Or does one?

MAUREEN MCKERNAN, Record Unit.

HE SCORES MC MANUS ON "POINT OF VIEW"

NEW YORK.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

The officers of the New York local are engaged in a campaign to replace Walter Engels as vice president of Region 5 with John T. McManus, president, of the New York local. Their campaign theme is that "the New York point of view" should be represented on the IEB.

I think Guildsmen in parts of Region 5 outside New York City will be interested in learning something about "the New York point of view," as exemplified in the actions of New York officers in this campaign.

"The New York point of view" is this:

First, you call a general membership meeting, carefully omitting from the notice of the meeting the fact that you plan to put the local on record at this meeting as endorsing McManus.

Second, at the meeting, attended by 168 of the local's 4,000 members in good standing, you pass a resolution endorsing McManus, by a majority of 110.

Third, with this endorsement by 22 percent of the membership as a pretext, you publish an issue of the local's newspaper which contains (1) an editorial calling for election of McManus and (2) a long, first-page news story on the organization of the McManus campaign. You do not solicit any story concerning the Engels campaign and do not devote one line to it. You just brush off Engels in the editorial by saying he does not represent "the New York point of view," while McManus does.

If there was ever a more vicious abuse of power by a local's officers or a more unfair effort to

prevent an opposition viewpoint from being presented to members, I have not seen it in 10 years of Guild election campaigns.

Since this kind of campaigning represents "the New York point of view," Engels is to be congratulated on the fact that he does not represent it, and Guildsmen in Region 5 can be warded of the kind of trickery they may expect if this completely undemocratic point of view is given any representation in the IEB.

MALCOLM LOGAN, Post Unit.

URGES "UNITY" BEHIND ENGELS

SYRACUSE, N. Y.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

We want unity, too; unity in support of Walter Engels, the candidate favored by the "crossroads" locals of Region 5 and, we feel sure, a large number of the 6,000 who elected McManus president of the New York local without opposition.

We know what Engels and his fellow members of the national administration have done for the American Newspaper Guild and for the Syracuse Newspaper Guild.

ALFRED M. GREEN.

"DIFFERENT APPROACH" CAUSES SOME COMMENT

NEW YORK.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

In its last issue The Guildpaper, organ of the New York local, stated it is "frankly for" John T. McManus, opponent of Walter Engels, candidate for reelection as ANG vice president from the fifth region. I have no quarrel with that.

I do, however, have considerable curiosity about the reasons listed for such support. One of them is the statement that Mr. McManus would bring "a different approach" to the problems of the American Newspaper Guild.

Well, at a membership meeting Mr. McManus, as chairman, threatened to "lock the door and fine any member who leaves."

That is a different approach. He has arbitrarily ruled that quorums were present when counts later revealed they were not present.

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He sponsored and voted for the sale of \$20,000 worth of war bonds in the ANG's treasury.

That was a different approach. I would—moderately—term it an approach from the rear.

I, with other New York Guildsmen, would like to know if Mr. McManus is still approaching from the same direction.

Another reason given by The Guildpaper for supporting Mr. McManus is that the present IEB, including Mr. Engels, "represents one uniform point of view on Guild organization, on dealing with the WLB, on the war."

But what The Guildpaper does not say is how Mr. McManus would handle this differently. I cannot understand why this approach is kept a secret, why we have to watch all the doors and windows for the appearance of Santa Claus.

Another reason given by The Guildpaper for its support of Mr. McManus is that "Mr. Engels is from New York but does not represent it."

Come, now, gentlemen, tell us how, when, where, on what and why. That's a political indictment. Give us a bill of particulars. You don't build up Mr. McManus merely by booting Mr. Engels.

The fourth and last reason given by The Guildpaper is that "We do not want to be excluded from the councils of the ANG, of which we are a third."

Who is "we"? It could be the editor of The Guildpaper, but I doubt it. "We" is simply the office holders in New York City and their supporters. They are not

one-third of the American Newspaper Guild. Gents, you are also counting Mr. Engels' supporters. Please use more than your finger.

WILLIAM A. UCKER, Journal-American Unit.

"QUAINT NOTION" IS REJECTED

ELIZABETH, N. J.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

Living out here at the Elizabeth, N. J., crossroads gives us an optical advantage over some denizens of the blind alleys of Greenwich Village, Manhattan. At least we are able to see in four directions.

It doesn't need visual clarity, however, for us to see through the help of unity in the campaign statement—not "election" statement, Mr. Editor—of John T. McManus. If memory serves, at the Boston convention Mr. McManus himself declared that through those sessions the Guild had already achieved unity.

That was New York's stated reason for not opposing the reelection of Murray, Rubanks and Rodgers, remember? Yet now we are asked to swallow the quaint notion that without McManus, there can be no unity.

No, thanks, we'll take Walter Engels for ours.

CHARLES E. CRISSEY, President, Elizabeth Guild.

(Advertisement)

Let's Elect Him!

George E. Hutchinson

to represent

The West Coast Region on the IEB

He knows no faction... only the Guild!

Respected and highly regarded by all who know him is hard-hitting circulation department Guildman George E. Hutchinson. "Hutch" led the entire circulation staff of Hearst's Herald and Express into the Guild in 1938, and has been one of the LANG's hard-working leaders ever since. Member of every major negotiating, grievance and strike committee in the R.A. since 1939, former secretary and now vice president of the local, delegate to the I. A. Industrial Union council and to the Detroit and Boston conventions of the ANG, "Hutch" knows and has served the Guild in every phase of its activity. He is the founder, chairman and sparkplug of the LANG's famous, effective grievance machinery, the Shop Steward's Council. "Hutch" gets results.

Pledged to a Win - the War Program!

Able, Devoted, Loyal... Let's Elect Him!

This advertisement paid for by voluntary contributions of Guildsmen in Seattle, San Francisco, San Jose, Sacramento, Los Angeles and San Diego.

HE URGES ELECTION OF WILLIAM SCHULZE

SAN FRANCISCO.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:

Now comes a Guild election. This means that we must have a man to represent us regionally on the IEB who will fight for our principles, a man who knows now that the greatest need is to sustain the Guild as a militant organization, a man who will support our present administration.

Such a man is a candidate for vice president of Region 4 here on the West Coast.

He and present Vice President Jim Farmer—also of Seattle—were the sparkplugs who organized The Portland (Ore.) Oregonian and The Journal, probably two of the most paternalistic newspapers in America.

Skeptics said: "The Guild can never organize the great and mighty Oregonian—the Bible of the Northwest. Both The Oregonian and The Journal are now organized—a difficult job, well done."

I hope that you on the West Coast will give your vote to William C. Schulze, a true trade unionist.

Bill Schulze is a vote to continue the present democratic operation of our Guild.

BILL RYAN, President, San Francisco-Oakland Guild. (Continued on Page Six)

ROCHESTER, WARREN W. PHILLIPS; SACRAMENTO VALLEY, HARRY P. BAGLEY.

St. Louis, John Fletcher; Salem, J. Frank Reynolds; San Francisco, Oakland, William Ryan; Seattle, William Golden; Stockton, Ed St. John; Syracuse, Philip H. Gupilli; Washington, Alfred Tombs; Wilkes-Barre, Joseph F. Callis; Youngstown, Stanley E. Wolfe.

COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED

In New York City, in the contest between Engels and McManus for vice president of Region 5, numerically the most important in the country, McManus supporters announced that Robert Conway of The Daily News had been chosen chairman of a McManus campaign committee, with Hannah Baker of PM as secretary-treasurer.

The McManus committee listed these New York unit chairmen as members:

John Deegan, Brooklyn Eagle; William Greaves, Post; Irving Gilman, Times; Bert Mojan, World Telegram; Edward Zusi, Herald Tribune; Richard Yaffe, Journal.

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Alexander B. Butler, Tri-City (Albany, Troy, Schenectady); Robert C. McCain; Biddeford, Timothy J. Mahoney; Boston, George A. Harris; Brockton, Martin A. Eagan; Buffalo, Nathaniel Garham.

Cleveland, James D. Hartshorn; Detroit, Ralph Novak; Elizabeth, Charles Crissey; Har-

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Referendum Drives Are Pushed

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In addition, ANG administration supporters sought votes for five candidates for vice president at large—Incumbent Joseph M. Walsh of Wilkes-Barre, William J. Farnon of Philadelphia-Camden, Floyd Healey of San Francisco-Oakland, Gordon H. Cole of Washington, and Milton J. Lapine of Cleveland.

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Riordan said that the following presidents of local Guilds had pledged themselves to work and vote for the Murray-Rubanks-Rodgers administration slate of candidates:

Alexander B. Butler, Tri-City (Albany, Troy, Schenectady); Robert C. McCain; Biddeford, Timothy J. Mahoney; Boston, George A. Harris; Brockton, Martin A. Eagan; Buffalo, Nathaniel Garham.

Cleveland, James D. Hartshorn; Detroit, Ralph Novak; Elizabeth, Charles Crissey; Har-

risburg, Sidney Barson; Indianapolis, Lowell B. Nussbaum; Jacksonville, Leigh Culley; Kenosha, George T. Purdy; Lawrence, Eugene E. Kelley.

PRESIDENTS LINE UP

Laigh Valley, Nelson A. Weiser; Lynn, Paul F. Neal; Madison, Aldric Revell; Manchester, Walter Emerson; Memphis, R. C. Shuptrine; Twin Cities (Minneapolis and St. Paul), Ray Tibbodeau; Northwestern Indiana, Ernest G. Bayton.

Philadelphia-Camden, Arthur Jordan; Pittsburgh, Blair M. Rice; Portland, Me., Richard A. Hebert; Portland, Ore., J. Lynn Wykoff; Pueblo, Phil Kerby; Reading, Robert R. Gerhart, Jr.;

San Diego, John F. Ryan. . .

"You were a candidate (for vice president) on that ticket."

"The record also shows that Robert Conway, previously endorsed by Wright and now your campaign manager, nominated you to run against Brother Engels."

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It Seems to Us...

"RECORD" CITED IN IEB CONTEST

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:
Now when George Hutchinson is running for the IEB we want all Coast Guildsmen to know what efforts he has put forth for his own local, and how his record here is the best possible guarantee of performance on the IEB. There is not a member of the Los Angeles local but what is indebted to him for his tireless and persistent battle for contract enforcement and adjustment of grievances. We who are writing this letter are especially indebted because it is through him and the Los Angeles Shop Stewards Council, which he heads, that we are \$2,800 richer and have been awarded pay increases of \$11.50 and \$12.50 a week respectively in an arbitration case.

Hutchinson handled our case, in which our pay was reduced in violation of the no-pay cut clause in the guild's contract, with the Los Angeles Herald-Express, from the time of its inception until it went to the arbitrator. Hutch did all the research that went into the local's brief, and his arguments were supported in every major point by the decision. And before it went to the arbitrator he fought the case in long, tough sessions with the management.

The decision was of great importance to the guild as well as to us personally. It forces a potent weapon for wartime use when other methods have to be laid aside.

Hutch has many other outstanding achievements to his credit. All guildsmen on the West Coast should support him on his performance alone.

LARRY BURKE,
JACK LOCKWOOD,
Herald-Express Unit.

SAY THEY ACTED IN "GOOD FAITH"

Los Angeles.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:
Before the IEB election, we want to assure guildsmen in all West Coast locals of the entire good faith and friendliness of our support for George E. Hutchinson to represent this region as international vice president. We have had nothing bad to say about Hutch's opponent, William C. Schulze of Seattle, and however the election goes we shall cheerfully continue pitching for a united guild, and give loyal support to ANG officers in wise and proper policies.

We do feel that constructive unity consists not in entire domination of the ANG by representatives of one viewpoint, but in a healthy balance between an inevitable diversity of viewpoints. Then, with the agreement upon basic objectives, which exists among trade unionists else they would not affiliate themselves together in the first place, the equally inevitable differences over policy and procedure can be wisely threshed out in a good and rational spirit. That is the sort of unity we seek and that is the sort of unity Hutch stands for—openness, mind acceptance nor blind opposition to the administration.

We believe that any other attitude is full of dangers and pitfalls. We believe that guildsmen, everywhere, without regard to factional predispositions, will see it that way. It is upon this basis and upon Hutchinson's unmatched record that we appeal for his election.

To our friends in other Coast locals a hearty thanks, and to those who have opposed us, "Lay on, Macduff."

MILY PRINNEY, Chairman,
Wayne Parker,
Executive Secretary,
Hutchinson Campaign Committee,
Los Angeles Newspaper Guild.

SAYS HE'S "UNAWARE" OF ANY "DISCIPLINE"

Brooklyn.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:
Few developments have been more gratifying to me than the emergence of Mary Ellison from dormancy in The New York Times Unit to the front ranks of the advance guard as a member of the Guild shop unit of The Nation. I have hoped that she would in time be willing to make a concession or two to the rest of us 6,500 among the rank and file, on a wide variety of publications, and I still nurse that hope.

Sister Ellison tells me what I believe. Now I do not remember ever exchanging a word with her. I am unaware of the "disciplinary" she hints at and would like to know more about it. I wish she would be a little more militant in saying what she means.

I do believe, if my beliefs are of any interest, that Sister Ellison was an alternate delegate to Boston, that she attended two Local membership meetings prior to the convention, that she had there every chance to press for her program and against the Local's program, and that the meetings were fully and openly advertised to all members, and that Sister Ellison's program, after wide discussion, was defeated. Nevertheless, I believe that Sister Ellison went to Boston, and voted (as she had the right to vote) against using one-third of the defense fund for organizing. She had the right to vote, but I wonder if she had the right to flout the will of the majority of her Local?

I was disturbed to note in some quarters what seems to be a conviction that the New York Local committed some kind of heinous crime by presuming to come to the convention with a program. I doubt whether the international officers share that view.

I certainly hope the international officers are not going to capitulate on us.

It is not the way the New York Local operates. Suggestions from Units are welcomed and are discussed on merit. In Executive Committee, Representative Assembly, and full membership meetings if necessary. The Local, further, instead of sniping at dissenters, and sneering them, gives official status to every shade of opinion, all the way to the extreme left wing of which Sister Ellison is an ornament, as witness her election as alternate delegate to Boston. By the way, I count the international officers as my friends, as much so as the officers and hard workers of my Local.

JOHN CRAWFORD,
New York Times Unit.

"WE WOULD BE BREAKING FAITH..."

Allentown, Pa.

Editor, GUILD REPORTER:
ANG President Milton Murray's "Points of Information" in the August 1 Guild Reporter said things which most of us are thinking.

I honestly believe that the rank and file union men who now are doing what Rickenbacker would have us believe only open-shoppers and labor-baiters can do—dying in foxholes and sinking beneath the waves and falling in flaming planes—are a bit too silent about how they feel on this matter of union policy in wartime.

I don't like needless disruptions in production and unnecessary friction any more than you or our brothers (and sisters) in uniform do, but I also don't believe that we should take lying down the bitter dose which Rickenbacker, the ANPA and others are trying to administer.

Furthermore, I know that our members who now are serving in the armed forces feel the same way. I have evidence to prove it—excerpts from some letters I received from some of our boys

when we notified them that we were going in to negotiate a new contract.

Here are examples of thoughts of boys and girls who have gone out from our shops and hoped that when—and if—they come back we will have held all we gained and gotten more for them besides:

"Naturally I am wholeheartedly in favor of the Guild shop and I hope WE get it this year.... I thank you for keeping me WITH you in absentia."

"I feel that a Guild shop would be the best for both The Chronicle and the Guild members. So, for my part, I endorse it 100 percent and hope that the Guild is successful (in its efforts)."

"I can only urge them (the negotiators), to gain such objectives as a Guild shop, higher salaries and longer sick leaves. I feel strongly that NOW is the time to fight for these provisions and that no contract is complete without them."

They speak for thousands who now are doing the biggest job which ever has been done for us as union men—and for our bosses and businessmen, for the Chamber of Commerce and the Manufacturers' Association, the Publishers Association and their right to bitch and howl.

We would be breaking faith with them if we say anything after wide discussion, was defeated. Nevertheless, I believe that Sister Ellison went to Boston, and voted (as she had the right to vote) against using one-third of the defense fund for organizing. She had the right to vote, but I wonder if she had the right to flout the will of the majority of her Local?

NELSON A. WEISER,
President,
Lehigh Valley Newspaper Guild.

Pueblo Acts In Program For Politics

Pueblo, Colo.

Acting on recommendation of the union's Boston convention, the young Pueblo Newspaper Guild has underway a program of political action.

The Guild has assumed the lead among local newspaper unions in contacting returning representatives from Congress and impressing on them labor's viewpoint.

COMMITTEE NAMED

Members of the Guild's newly appointed legislative committee are Jack Graddock, telegraph editor of The Chief; Joseph M. Neary, of the advertising sales staff of The Star-Journal and Chief; and D. F. Steele, circulation manager for both papers.

A protest to J. Edgar Chenoweth, representative of the third Congressional district of Colorado, was sponsored by Guild members, who had the support of the other newspaper unions.

In a letter citing Chenoweth's unsatisfactory labor record, the union members expressed their position. Special emphasis was laid on the Smith-Connelly bill.

INTERVIEW PLANNED

Chenoweth replied promptly and agreed to an early meeting with the legislative committee of the Guild.

Arrangements also were being made for a meeting soon with U. S. Senator Ed C. Johnson.

Working toward closer cooperation of all trade unionists in Pueblo—which is a predominantly union community—the Guild took an active interest in the recent convention here of the CIO Colorado State Industrial Union.

The Guild also is assisting in arrangements for annual observations of Labor Day, which will see joint activities of the CIO and AFL.

—10 PERCENT ON PAYDAY—

PRESS TESTS GLIDER



Eleanor McIlhenny, Panama American reporter, believed to be the first woman to make a flight in an Army troop-carrying glider, sails along here over the Canal Zone behind Pilot Bill Taylor. Accompanying her, from left, are Major Nelson F. Huie, public relations officer of the Caribbean Defense Command and Panama Canal Dept.; Chas. B. Engelke, United Press war reporter; Army photographer.

Detroit Newspapers Get 48-Hour Order

DETROIT—The Regional War Manpower Commission has banned hiring of replacement at the three Detroit newspapers and ordered a considerable portion of the Detroit Times payroll, including reporters, on a 48-hour week within the next 60 days.

The order followed a hearing before Montague A. Clark, district WMC director, in which the Detroit Times publisher, including reporters, on a 48-hour week within the next 60 days.

Challenged by C. D. Brewer, counsel for the Detroit publishers, to state whether the Guild, he leveled anyone could be "released" for the war effort by going to a 48-hour week, Guild representatives said they did not believe anyone could be laid off.

HAD BIG TURNOVER

The Guild's position has been that the Detroit publishers have been making replacements at a tremendous rate, as employees quit or are drafted.

These replacements, said the Guild, could be eliminated if the longer work week went into effect.

Clark ordered certain groups in all three papers on 48 hours by August 15, other groups on 48 hours by October 1.

But there are big loopholes in the prohibition. Replacements may be hired if (1) the nature of the work is so highly specialized that interchange of activity between workers is impossible; or (2) highly trained and experienced persons are necessary.

Pact Stymied In Syracuse

SYRACUSE, N. Y. — James Carroll of the Federal Department of Labor Conciliation Service, sent here in response to a request from the Syracuse Newspaper Guild has reported to Secretary Perkins that he had been unable to bring the Guild and the management of the Post-Standard, morning daily, together on a second-year contract.

Alfred M. Green, head of the Guild's negotiating committee, said:

"Real cause of the breakdown in negotiations was the refusal of the management to make any wage proposal without assurance from the Guild first that we had dropped our request for a union security clause of some kind."

Following are summaries of

The Guild Goes to Press

WEAPONS ARE CROSSED

"Management admitted getting new employees into the Guild would be a good way of maintaining their morale and adapting them into Newday's work standards," GUILDAY at Hempstead, L. I., reported in an account of a unit grievance committee session.

An organizing edition of ALL THE NEWS of the Chicago Daily News unit pointed out, in an editorial: "The Guild is the instrument of its members, not their master; the creation of individual newspapermen, not their creator."

"A good paper and a good Guild contract should go hand in hand," said Buffalo's GUILD REPORTER, commenting on progress toward negotiation of an initial agreement with The Evening News.

SUN DIAL of Chicago's Sun unit editorialized on operation of its first Guild contract: "Your union is one job that you can't pass on to anyone else. If you, as an individual, don't make the union and the contract a living force no one will. You can be the loser, or you can win what you want."

"Typographers make more money, work shorter hours, and are on better terms with their employers because of the union," The Buffalo Evening News said in a story in praise of the International Typographical Union, quoted by GUILD REPORTER of the Buffalo local.

Philadelphia-Camden's GUILD LETTER devoted an issue to War Labor Board procedures, concluding that "the WLB seems to be so entangled in its own red tape, its own divisions of office, parcels and boards, rules and regulations, that the majority of its time is spent threading its way through the maze."

A "Defense at Home" editorial in San Francisco-Oakland's BAY GUILDSMAN had this comment on the Congressional session:

"Never has there been more brazen legislation for the few at the expense of the many—and this at a time when we are waging a vast and terrible war to rescue the many from the tyranny of the few."

GUILD NEWS LETTER in Akron runs addresses of Guild members in armed services—for letter writing purposes. The paper also operates an information exchange under a head, "Service Items Served Up Hot." Sample items: "Corp. Clyde Mann has been rescued from the Puritan hotel. After a brief stay in that Kansas City hostelry he was sent to Tampa, Fla. Maybe the army figured the address didn't fit."

The New York Post unit's POST GUILDSMAN reported, in

all the various retirement programs.

"It also contains the complete text of the new U. S. Treasury tax regulations governing the amounts which employers who establish pension trusts may deduct from their income tax returns."

"This is the most complete and comprehensive summary of existing pension plans yet published. Since the Guild model contract calls for the establishment of a calls for pension plan, all contract negotiators will find this supplement indispensable. Every Guild local and unit should obtain copies."

The supplement was published July 15 at 15 cents and may be obtained from the Journal of Commerce, 63 Park Row, New York City.

"Significant of this trend is the fact that The New York Journal of Commerce has issued a 60-page supplement which describes



Cartoon by John P. Mahoney, Los Angeles Guild

"The World Is Small Dept.," that Guildsmen Gilbert Cant, Post war correspondent, "in his wanderings through the Pacific, met former Post copy boy Ellis Newman in Hawaii."

Major Ed C. Lapping, former managing editor of The Detroit Times, wrote the Detroit Guild Times, that "the kind soul in your club" who put him on its GUILD MEMO mailing list. The thanks you note ended cryptically: "And please keep me on your list. Who knows?"

TRICITY BULLETIN told how Jane Cleveland, named blood donor drive chairman at The Albany Knickerbocker News, rounded up her quota, all of whom were accepted by the Red Cross except her. "Reason: A minor, she had neglected to get the consent of her parents."

17 (ALL WIRE POINTS IN) resumed bi-monthly publication in New York for AP unit members. Editorial objectives included: "To build a bigger and better AP Guild Unit" and "reflect the lighter moments of the general hundred human beings who gather the news, run the copy, feed the wires, translate the cables, take the pictures, do the statistical work and perform the 101 other jobs that make up AP service."

EAGLE REPORTER in Brooklyn said that the unit's "Two-R" class (the "ritting and reporting the news") scheduled a "horrible

WIRE SERVICE NEWS reported that COPY, "a spoofing publication put out by copyboys in the New York bureau of International News Service," has been banned after three issues. The final number, WSN said, played a story headlined: "COPY BOYS WOULD GET BREAK UNDER GUILD-PROPOSED INS CONTRACT."

Partow fell unconscious while helping his wife to move furniture and injured his back in the fall.

The local's representative assembly authorized employment of

example? seminar for editors and copywriters "to offer errors they run into."

An ANG referendum election note in GUILD REPORTER in Buffalo said that "election of officers by mail ballot constantly amazes critics of the Guild, who would make of it an organization taking orders from the top." The referendum, the paper pointed out, "is proof that the Guild is run from the bottom up."

The words "factionalism," "factionalist" and similar derivatives appear 17 times in Boston reports in a post-convention, pre-election note in L. A. GUILDSMAN. The epithets are applied to delegates who supported majority ANG administration policies against minority positions proposed at Boston by Los Angeles and New York delegations.

PS at PM under "Omissions Dept.," said: "It has been called to our attention that in the PS story of the Boston convention we did not mention that a P.M. Gordon Cole, of the Washington Bureau, was one of the administration's candidates for vice president-at-large. As a P.M., Cole certainly should have been named in PS."

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CIO Council Hires Murdock

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Steve Murdock, a candidate for vice president at large of the American Newspaper Guild in the forthcoming referendum, in opposition to candidates supporting the ANG administration, has been appointed assistant legislative director for the California CIO Council.

Murdock said he will continue to make his home in San Jose, carry on his duties as secretary of the San Clara and San Benito Counties CIO Council, and remain an active member of the San Jose Guild.

Named as legislative director by the state CIO Council was State Assemblyman Augustus F. Hawkins of Los Angeles.

The pair will be entrusted with carrying out a California CIO legislative program, including collection of a \$100,000 war chest for the critical 1944 elections.

Higher Cost Living



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New York Backs ANG, CIO In Political Action Program

Political action programs of the CIO and the American Newspaper Guild were endorsed overwhelmingly by the New York Guild membership at a general meeting.

Action came on a resolution offered by H. Richard Seller, chairman of the local legislative committee, at the conclusion of a report on the CIO's plan for mobilizing AFL, CIO and railroad brotherhoods behind pro-Roosevelt Congressmen.

Also endorsed was a proposal by Seller to participate in community councils being set up by the Greater New York Industrial Union Council.

FUNDS ARE SOUGHT

A local Guild fund of \$1,000 to help support the councils was to be raised, under the proposal by Seller, through voluntary contributions of 25 cents per member.

ANG Vice President Walter D. Engels moved at the meeting that "no part of this money be used for one side or the other in the factional fight" within the American Labor Party, in which so-called "left-wing" candidates were supported by leaders of the Greater New York Industrial Union Council against "right-wing" state leadership of the ALP.

But President John T. McManus of the New York Guild ruled the motion out of order. He was sustained in a vote after Engels appealed from the ruling and charged that McManus was attempting to invoke a "gag" rule to preclude any discussion of whether or not by this action the New York Guild was taking sides in the "left wing" ALP fight in New York.

McManus then refused to recognize a point of order made by Mary Ellison of the Nation unit. PROTEST IS MADE

Robert Conway of the News unit, campaign chairman for McManus in the New York presidential contest against reelection of Engels as ANG vice president, protested that McManus' action was "dictatorship" and demanded that "rights of minorities be respected" at the meeting.

"What the hell is this?" Lewis Gannett of the Herald Tribune unit asked McManus. "A dictatorship?"

But the meeting continued and Seller's proposal for voluntary contributions to the city CIO council for its political program was approved over dissenting votes.

Stated purpose of the community councils is to organize support for progressive legislation on a neighborhood basis in areas represented by each Congressman. CIO VOTE IS HEAVY

New York City has 26 Congressmen with an average of 20,

000 CIO constituents each—40,000 counting wives and other voting members of the family.

Guild members in each area will be visited periodically on specific legislative campaigns by other Guild members living in

their block or apartment house. The New York Guild office was instructed by the meeting to publish a booklet setting forth the political program, the records of New York Congressmen and a guide to community activity.

VACATION SPOT



WHITNEY URGES JOINT ACTION

CLEVELAND (FP)—Organized labor's joint preparations for voting Congressional labor-batters out in 1944 was greeted as an "encouraging sign" by President A. F. Whitney of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, writing in the current issue of the union's journal.

"This is the biggest single issue confronting the American labor movement today," Whitney said, "the organizing of political power which will make possible effective bargaining with Congress."

WLB REJECTS ITS REQUEST

WASHINGTON (FP)—The War Labor Board turned down a request by Local 53 of the International Typographical Union for a 7 1/2 percent increase under the Little Steel formula for its members on three Cleveland newspapers.

Labor members dissenting, the board said the increases would create an inequality between Cleveland typographical workers and other workers in the newspaper industry in Cleveland.

United Labor in Dayton Sets Program Patterns

DAYTON, O.—Development in Dayton of United Labor and through it the Dayton Church-Labor Council, with Newspaper Guild participation in both, has set patterns for organization of Guilds and other labor unions in other cities into united labor groups to deal with legislation, public affairs and public education on labor matters.

In Dayton, where the plan was started eight months ago, 15 bona fide labor organizations are affiliated. They are CIO, AFL, Typographical, and railroad brotherhood locals.

GUILD MEN IN LEAD

LaVerne Wilson, vice president of the Dayton Guild local 157, is a member of the executive committee and an organizer of United Labor and the church-labor group. Alexander McSurely, Dayton Guild president, serves on the council. A joint conference of the ANG's

AMONG OURSELVES



FRED WILSON, Chester Reporter editor during the Guild's Chester strike, now a lieutenant at Fort Washington, Md., assigned to help rewrite Army Regulations. . . Private E. J. (BUD) MAGNIN, another Chester Reporter editor, wrote a hilarious piece for Drew Field's News Review at Tampa, Fla., on "How Not to Get a Rating."

PAUL DENIS left the Bill-board to join New York Post staff. . . His wife, HELEN DENIS, also a Guild member, is on PM's staff. . . GENE LINES left a job as junior high school boys' adviser to become a Pueblo (Colo.) Chieftain reporter. . . He simultaneously joined the Pueblo Guild. . . Syracuse Guildsman WILLIAM C. GRIESMYER died at Onondaga, N. Y.

Daughter for Guildsman ALAN FUNCH, International News Service news editor in Philadelphia. . . HELEN CHURRY, Wilkes-Barre Publishing Company circulation employee, married Private EDWARD WATKINS, another Guild member who worked in same department.

Off from Wilkes-Barre Record into Army: KARL ASHWORTH, display advertising solicitor. . . Lieutenant DANIEL F. KENNEDY, Boston Herald-Traveler Guildsman, downed at least five enemy planes in North Africa fighting. . . A. H. JENKINS

promoted to major in Washington.

LEE PRAYATINER, former Chicago Timesman, promoted to corporal at Camp Pinedale, Calif. . . After 19 months with the CIO and OWI overseas branch, five of them in London, Washington, former secretary-treasurer of the Wilkes-Barre Guild, now at Camp McClellan.

Sergeant MARVIN SORKIN, charter member of the Syracuse Guild, assigned to Army headquarters public relations office in London. . . DANIEL DELANEY, former secretary-treasurer of the Wilkes-Barre Guild, now at Camp McClellan.

RICHARD LEWIS, Indianapolis Times amusements editor, is in the Army now. . . VIRGINIA HATFIELD, Times city staff, took his place. . . Guildsman HERMAN WOLF, editing Labor-Management News for War Production Board. . . FLO PRYOR, another Guild member, also on staff.

NORMAN JACOBY, pioneer Los Angeles Guild leader, back on City News staff after three months in Volunteer Officers Training Corps. . . He passed tests, but reduction in quotas blocked further training. . . SHERLEY UHL, Indianapolis Times city hall reporter, married AMELIA CATHERINE KRAUTER, employe in city clerk's office.

business agent of the AFL Dayton Public Service Union.

When the anti-labor French bill was brought before the Ohio state assembly, United Labor sent a large delegation to Columbus to oppose it. The death of this bill was believed at least partly the result of this demonstration of labor unity.

United Labor has taken part in several bond-selling and production-boosting drives.

INDUSTRY SURVEYED

A special study on defense industries disclosed that in one case the government erected a \$13,000,000 building and leased it to an industrialist for \$1 a year. This company had a gross business in 1941 of \$47,000,000 and gross earnings of \$7,000,000.

The group searches for means to fight Fascism at home wherever it appears. Among methods used are free public forums. "Result of a religion-labor forum sponsored by United Labor was organization of the Church-Labor Council with the UL president at the head.

THE ASK ADMISSION

Local industrialists, who recently held an NAM-inspired religion-industry forum behind closed doors with no public result, now vainly seek admission into the Church-Labor Council.

This church-labor group is together on many problems including race relations and rehabilitation of injured service men and industrial workers. Topics discussed include price rollback and social security for all.

The council is agreed that "out of a God-given abundance, labor should have its share."

IT'S LABOR'S WAR

LABOR KNOWS THE SCORE—ON PAY DAY, BUY BONDS

N. Y. Aids SCMW CLEVELAND WORK NIGHT SPEEDS GUILD BUSINESS In Radio Program

The New York Newspaper Guild's weekly radio program, "The News and What to Do About It," went to bat for harassed sanitation workers in the State, County and Municipal Workers.

Their problems were presented in a skit in which a truck driver (Ray Torr, Labor Press unit) and his wife (Marguerite Kott, Post) argued pros and cons of unionism. James Gries, SCMW organizer, was interviewed by New York Guild President John T. McManus.

John Roy Carlson, author of the best seller, "Under Cover," also was interviewed recently.

ABSENTEE VOTERS FACE UNION FINE

CINCINNATI (FP)—The Ohio State Conference of the AFL Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers International Union passed a regulation imposing a \$5 fine on any member who fails to register for voting in state or federal elections.

Combat Cameramen Cited For Sicily Invasion Operations

By COL. KIRKE B. LAWTON Chief, Army Pictorial Service

WASHINGTON—An American soldier crawls stealthily toward the brow of the hill. Below he sees an olive grove, verdant in the low rolling country. He snuggles closer into the underbrush and waits.

Suddenly the cough of motors starting comes to him. From the grove come clanking the iron monsters of the Nazi Panzers. And from behind him come shells that land and crash among the enemy tanks.

TRIGGER IS SQUEEZED

Cautiously raising himself, the soldier sights the instrument he holds in his hands and squeezes the trigger.

Twenty-four hours later, on the front pages of American newspapers is a picture of German tanks being routed. "Yank Guns Blast Panzers" the headline screams.

The trigger the American soldier squeezed was that of a camera.

The speed with which the American public sees pictures of the fighting in Sicily is due in large measure to the combat photographers of the Signal Corps of the U. S. Army Pictorial Service.

"IN THE THICK"

These soldiers, members of the Army Pictorial Service of the Signal Corps, have been in the thick of the fighting in the hills and plains of inland Sicily.

Colonel Melvin E. Gillette, until recently Commanding Officer of the Signal Corps Photographic Center at Long Island City, N. Y., is the Army Pictorial Service representative on General Eisenhower's Allied Headquarters Staff in North Africa.

In charge of the picture unit covering the Sicilian campaign was Lieutenant Colonel Robert Shaw, Colonel Gillette's assistant at Long Island City.

From the moment the American assault troops hit the beach, each combat unit was accompanied by two photographers who did their shooting with cameras. One took still pictures. The other was a motion picture cameraman.

These men are equipped with the best of American photographic instruments.

TWO CAMERAS USED

The still picture photographer has two cameras—a speed job that uses a 635 film pack, and a small candid, loaded with 35 mm. film.

The motion picture man uses a hand-held 35 mm. camera. Supplementing this he has a hand-held 16 mm. camera, and for detail and fast action shots, a pocket-size 16 mm. camera.

On the mainland of North Africa is a still photographic "desk." As soon as pictures are received back across the 90-mile Sicilian Strait, photographic technicians develop and print the film.

After being checked through censorship, the pictures are rushed to the Signal Corps radio-telephone transmitter.

Within seven minutes copies of these pictures come off the Signal Corps' telephoto receiver in Washington and minutes later are on view in the War Department's Bureau of Public Relations. There the major photographic news services may take their pick.

MOVIES PRODUCED

A special production crew for handling motion picture films also is in operation on the mainland of North Africa. Members of this crew are a director, a writer, a cameraman and other assistants. This staff lays out the continuity, identifies the film and puts background material on film to be used in conjunction with the battle shots.

Army Photog, in Plane, Helps Nab Fleeing Nazis

WASHINGTON—With the help of a small plane and a 45 caliber pistol, Sergeant Louis R. Cook of Pasadena, Calif., played a big part in capture of a battalion of Germans trying to escape from the coast of Tunisia at the end of the North African campaign. The War Department has been informed.

Sergeant Cook, a member of the Army Pictorial Service of the Signal Corps, had been assigned to flying along the coast of Cap Bon to take pictures of wreckage on the beaches. The battle was still going on nearby, and English units of infantry and armor mopped up Axis forces still resisting.

ENEMY IS SIGHTED

"We were flying low," Sergeant Cook reported, "when we saw a headload of Jerries start pulling away from the shore."

"You ought to get a bonus for the best photo of the week!"

"They kept trying to edge up the beach towards the plane, and we kept circling and firing so they had to go the other way and towards another American plane that had landed."

"Finally we got them where we wanted them, and the other crew took over. We set our little plane down, and I got there in time to see the prisoners being searched and taken away."

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Acting as still photo editor in the same unit is Captain John J. Smith, former Philadelphia Ledger and Detroit Times photo editor.

GET NEW ASSIGNMENTS

Crack news photographers who recently were "shooting" for Wide World, Acme, and Pathe News at home are among the other still and motion picture cameramen now covering the biggest story of their lives.

The pictures they get are used for intelligence purposes, training and as historical records of the war. Those pictures which may be released to the American public flow from North Africa to the United States and are released immediately to the American press.

So well have these Signal Corps photographers been doing their job in Sicily that one of the ace war correspondents began a story from Allied Headquarters in North Africa with this lead:

"Covering the greatest American force fighting overseas today is one of the most effective units in the Army Pictorial Service anywhere in the world. . ."

I holloed to the pilot and we circled over the boat.

"The only weapons we had were the 45s, so we pulled them out and started firing."

"The Germans decided they would go back to shore and try to make a wrecked Italian transport plane, which we later found held three machine guns."

ENEMY IS TRAPPED

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J. Lapine gets the local's monthly financial statement prepared with the help of Jeanne Douris and William Hatch. All Cleveland members are expected to volunteer one night's work a month and chairmen of the local's seven units give special assignments for Tuesday duty to one or two members. Leaders of the local say that the system not only keeps headquarters business clicking but develops wide participation in Guild affairs by a growing number of rank-and-file.



Guild Advance Hailed By Ohio CIO Council

COLUMBUS, O.—Six members of the recently-organized Columbus Dispatch Newspaper Guild unit and Steve Ripley, international Guild representative, were guests of the Columbus CIO Council at a banquet celebrating the council's sixth anniversary.

George DeNucci, veteran CIO sub-regional director, gave formal recognition to the Dispatch organizational achievement, pointing out that within a week more than 60 circulation department members had joined the Guild unit.

With some 350 other delegates, representing a membership of 35,

FRANCES MORRISSEY TAKES BOSTON POST

BOSTON—M. Frances Morrissey of the Herald-Traveler has been appointed secretary of the Boston Newspaper Guild to fill out the unexpired term of Tamadge Fletcher.

Fletcher resigned as secretary because of his inability to arrange his night shift working hours so that he could continue his work in the Guild post.

PAPER GETS DATA ON PRICE CEILINGS

DAYTON, O. (FP)—The Dayton Union News, CIO publication, included a list of ceiling prices with a regular edition and asked union members to return it with a list of the prices they actually paid for food. Editor Orville J. Kuhle reported a great response to the project, used in the CIO fight for price rollbacks.



GUILD LEADS GROUP TO RED CROSS BLOOD BANK



The Pueblo Newspaper Guild was one of the first groups to report for blood donations when an American Red Cross mobile unit made its first stop in the Colorado city. Lined up here, in a Pueblo Star-Journal and Chieftain contingent organized by the Guild, are, from the left: Ross Thompson, Glenn Nichols, Jack Craddock, R. C. Reeves, V. W. Winters, Walter Rebee, C. F. Lutker, Mike Senators, Elmo Lane, Russell Haswell, Lloyd Pope and Meyer Friedman. Blood banking is part of a war program developed by the young Guild local.

PACT TRAINING COMES IN HANDY

MINNEAPOLIS — Experience gained by C. T. Hagman in negotiating Twin Cities Newspaper Guild contracts for management of Radio Station WTCN, stood him in good stead in settling a quick strike of caddies at the swank Town and Country Club.

Deciding that their wages, ranging from 65 to 90 cents per 18-hole round, were too low, the boys refused to lift a bag or hand a club until an adjustment was made.

The chief caddymanager suggested arbitration and a committee of six boys was selected to argue the case with Hagman, chairman of the greens committee.

Hagman, who recently renewed an improved Guild contract in a manner which brought commendation verbally from the Guild's executive board, settled the strike by immediately raising all scales 10 cents per round.

Play was then resumed without the formality of a War Labor Board okay.

Council Formed In Battle Creek

BATTLE CREEK, Mich.—The Battle Creek Newspaper Guild, led in establishing a joint labor council of CIO, AFL and railroad brotherhood unions here.

Plans for the joint organization were drawn by Gerry Hanna, first president of the Battle Creek Guild and an organizer of the city's CIO council.

He and Ross Collier, Guild delegate to the CIO council, were instrumental in having the plans adopted.

DONNELLY EXECUTIVE JOINS UNION STAFF

CHICAGO (FP)—On the day he completed 25 years of service with the anti-union Donnelly Lakeside Press, L. D. Maxwell resigned his \$6,000 executive position to become special representative of the AFL International Printing Pressmen's and Assistants Union with the task of organizing the remainder of the pressmen in the shop.

The Lakeside Press, which publishes such magazines as Time and Life, has maintained an open shop for over 40 years and has constantly discriminated against union men.

VOTE DRIVE STARTED BY ALL RAIL UNIONS

WASHINGTON (FP) — A grass-roots campaign to get all organized rail workers registered for forthcoming elections is under way by the Railway Labor Executives Association.

The association has its 19 brotherhoods circularizing all of their locals with literature urging full registration.

All rail labor magazines and newspapers have received cartoons and stories sent out by Edward Keating, manager of Labor, weekly newspaper of the brotherhoods.

OPA ENLISTS WOMEN IN PRICE CAMPAIGN

WASHINGTON (FP)—Taking its cue from labor's housewife brigades, the Office of Price Administration announced that it would call upon America's women to enlist in OPA's nationwide shirt-sleeve enforcement drive.

The move is a direct outgrowth of the AFL and CIO war on price violators in many industrial communities. Labor action was made necessary by Congressional refusal to appropriate funds for more OPA investigators to check prices.

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

Cartoons of The Month

"GREATLY EXAGGERATED"



LITTLE MAN, WHAT NOW?



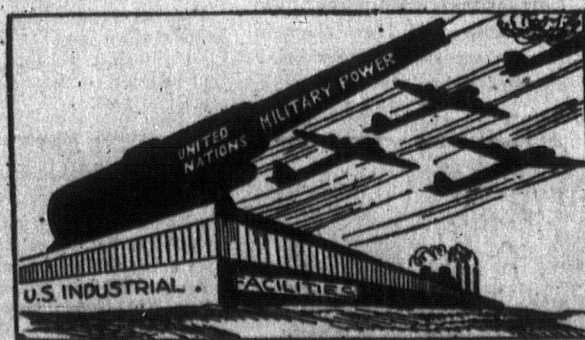
THE WAR OF NERVES!



"STAY OUT! WE ARE PLANNING ITALY'S DEFENSE"



THE PRODUCTION GUNS—A CARTOON REPORT



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