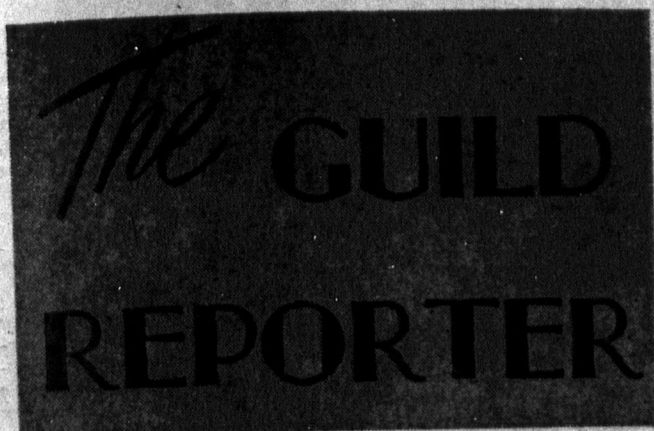


Philadelphia-Camden Guild Unit Strikes for Bethlehem Contract



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Guild Wins Editorial, Loses in Circulation, At Long Beach, Calif.

Long Beach, Calif.—One election won, and another lost, was the score last week when new management of the Long Beach Independent and Press Telegram sought to determine whether employees in the editorial and circulation departments of the combined dailies wished to have the Guild represent them in collective bargaining.

Editorial employees plumped heavily for the Guild in the NLRB-conducted election. There were 78 Yes votes and 14 against the Guild, ratio of better than five to one.

Circulation employees mustered 26 votes for the Guild and 40 against such representation, a count of two to three.

The two separate elections were agreed upon by management and Los Angeles Newspaper Guild during uncompleted negotiations for a new contract covering independent employees in the editorial and circulation departments. A month ago, purchase of the papers by the Ridder interests was announced, and the Guild was told that further recognition of the Guild as bargaining agent for the combined staffs must await NLRB elections.

It was agreed that if both elections showed a Guild majority, a single contract would be bargained for, covering both departments. The Guild will resume negotiating for an editorial-only agreement.

Bethlehem, Pa.—Fed up with a continuing refusal by Globe-Times management to make a counter-proposal on wages or to agree to any non-wage improvements over present substandard working conditions, members of the Bethlehem unit of the Philadelphia-Camden Newspaper Guild went on strike here Wednesday morning.

A scant dozen in number, the Guild members are in the editorial department of the Globe-Times, and for nearly four months have been negotiating fruitlessly with Rolland L. Adams, president-publisher, who also operates the Atlantic City Press-Union and Sunday Press, where another Philadelphia-Camden unit is under contract, and now negotiating for a new agreement.

Top reporter pay in Bethlehem is \$50 a week, with college graduates available for work at a starting pay of \$35.

When the Guild picket line went around the plant early Wednesday, mechanical units almost unanimously refused to cross it.

"Ninety percent of the crew stayed out of the building," said Frank Orpe, unit chairman, who is a desk man and music critic for the paper.

Despite the manpower shortage, publication was effected, three hours late, on Wednesday afternoon, but delivery was thoroughly disrupted when drivers refused to move the "hot" bundles. Drivers are almost all members of the CIO Steelworkers union, and this city is the home of the Bethlehem Steel Company and other huge industrial firms, all completely unionized.

The paper is almost entirely home-delivered, many of the carriers being sons of union members who also refuse to handle the struck product.

The editorial content of the delayed paper was prepared by non-Guildsmen and executives, and put into type by the few compositors who reported for duty. The daily runs a job shop in connection with the newspaper operation, and some operators in this section were working, it was said.

The International Typographical Union within recent months organized the newsroom printers, and that union is also in negotiations for a first contract.

Organized pressmen have a contract now open for renegotiation, and only one of their members went through the picket lines Wednesday.

Strike headquarters have been established in the building occupied jointly by the CIO and the Steelworkers Union, where complete commissary facilities are being used by the pickets.

All unions in the area have been furnished with facts as to the strike, and have alerted their members to aid.

Telephone cancellations by readers swamped the Globe-Times switchboard Wednesday, and finally management closed the switchboard to all incoming calls.

The paper has a normal daily circulation of 24,000.

Editorial staffers organized last spring, and early in May won an NLRB representation election designating the Guild as bargaining agent. Negotiations on a Guild contract proposal started in June.

Court Order Causes Snag In San Diego Election

San Diego.—When employees of the San Diego Union-Tribune circulation department sought to vote in yesterday's NLRB election to determine whether the Guild or a Pressmen's Union affiliate local would be their bargaining agent, they found the Board's field examiner had just been informed that a court injunction against holding the election had been obtained by teamsters' union officials.

The court order was directed to the National Labor Relations Board, and the board's field man declined to accept service as valid. He ordered the election to be held, after obtaining a

modifying order from the court. Ballots were impounded until a court hearing here next Wednesday.

The NLRB will be required to show cause why the restraint should not be permanent.

The last-minute intervention by the AFL union followed its failure to make a protest at the formal hearing weeks ago, although it had full notice.

Circulation workers had belonged to a pressmen's local, but became dissatisfied last year. This spring they voted to disaffiliate and disband the local. Nearly 90 signed Guild applications.

Nashua Strike Moves Into Eleventh Week

The fifth weekly edition of the Nashua Reporter, the local's strike paper, was delivered to 10,000 Nashua homes yesterday, carrying as its lead story a full account of the convention endorsement by the CIO and AFL.

The resolutions supporting the Guild strikers had been given only casual mention in the Telegraph's convention stories.

Because of the enthusiastic reception given the four-page tabloid Reported by its readers and advertisers, the staff is working on the possibility of expanding to eight pages.

The Telegraph continues to add to its staff of strike-breakers gradually, many of the imports coming from Maine, home territory of General Manager Albert Spendlove. The reception given them by the public has been anything but cordial, and the company still maintains a special police watch through the

night and at plant entrances in the morning.

Although the Nashua Typographical Union has obtained practically all its demands for a new contract with scarcely any trouble, the agreement still

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Boston Post Held Unfair

Boston.—The Boston Post, which had told the Newspaper Guild that it couldn't be bothered, when asked to supply payroll data, has been directed to furnish the desired information, in a ruling by W. Gerard Ryan, trial examiner for the National Labor Relations Board.

The examiner's intermediate report, like two others handed down in the cases of the Boston Record-American and the Herald-Traveler Corporation, found the Post management guilty of an unfair labor practice in its refusal to supply the Guild with complete payroll information as requested.

The Post's defense counsel argued that the information was not necessary to effective bargaining, and that the request was only designed to "annoy and harass" the newspaper management.

In the Herald-Traveler case, management has filed exceptions to the report, and final determination will be by the full NLRB at Washington.

3 Guildsmen Win Hillman Award

Three writers, each with background of Guild membership, were recipients this week of prizes for outstanding newspaper, book and magazine writing, awarded this week by the Sidney Hillman Foundation. They are:

Carl T. Rowan, negro reporter for the Minneapolis Tribune; Alan Barth, editorial writer, Washington Star, and Arthur D. Morse, free-lance magazine writer and public relations man, New York.

The awards of \$500 each were presented at the foundation's annual awards banquet in the Biltmore Hotel Thursday, by Jacob S. Potofsky, successor to Hillman, the late president and founder of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO.

Rowan won the journalism award for a series of stories

published in the Tribune dealing with race relations in the South. Barth's widely-read book, "The Loyalty of Free Men" took the non-fiction prize as an outstanding exposition of the civil liberties issue in this country. The book was published early this year by Viking.

Rowan has recently published a book on the race question in the United States, "South of Freedom" (Knopf), the basis of which is his Tribune articles.

Morse took the magazine award with an article, "Who's Trying to Ruin Our Schools?", appearing in the September, 1951, issue of McCall's.

William T. Evjue, president and publisher of the Capital Times, Madison, Wis., delivered the principal address at the awards ceremony.

Barth, long an active member in the Washington Newspaper

Guild, for six years wrote the column, Washington Roundup, in the Guild Reporter. Rowan is an active member of the Twin Cities local of the ANG. Morse was an active member of the New York local until 1948, when he took the constitutional honorable withdrawal card to become a free-lance writer.

The Hillman Foundation award was the second honor coming to Barth for his book. In June he received the Bill of Rights Citation from the American Veterans Committee.

Judges who made the awards were: Lewis Gannett, book editor, New York Herald-Tribune; William L. Shirer, novelist, and former foreign correspondent and radio commentator, and Bruce Bliven, chairman of the editorial board of the New Republic.



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Columbus Sets Up New Unit For Wire Service Members



FORM NEW UNIT—Columbus Guildmen from the capital city's wire services discuss the National Wire Service Council's proposal for a national wire service division, following their own organization as a local unit. From left are: Felix Wold, ANG vice president and president of the Detroit local, who helped set up the unit; Larry Murphy, new unit chairman; David Secrest, treasurer; Charles Frankel, secretary; and Travis Walsh, vice chairman.

Columbus — Columbus wire service staffers planned the initial meeting this week of a joint wire services unit, following their own organization under the Columbus Newspaper Guild.

Wire service members decided to form their own unit within the local after conferences with Columbus Local President Avery Dodge and discussion with executive board members who voted to help meet organizational expenses.

First Southern Institute Is Held at Charlotte

Charlotte, N. C.—Opening on the theme: Logic is fine, but a determined, 100%-organized local is more persuasive, ANG's first Southern regional training institute ended its two-day meeting last weekend at the Hotel Barringer. Twenty delegates, representing five local Guilds, attended.

Making the occasion double duty, the delegates drew preliminary plans for setting up a Southern District Council for Guilds between Baltimore and New Orleans. Max Pyle, Washington, Lawrence King, Richmond; Dick Young, Charlotte; and Bob Fowler, Greensboro, N. C., were chosen to draft by-laws for the proposed organization.

ANG Regional Vice President Phil Price, who led the DC discussion, said that on organization all locals within the area will be invited to join.

Herald Trib Woman Resigns for Radio

Dorothy Dunbar Bromley has left the New York Herald Tribune after ten years with the paper, to join the public service staff of the independent radio station WJEC. Beginning in November on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m., she will direct a documentary-type program using tape-recorded interviews on "Last spring she did a trial run for the station with her series of five programs on 'The Battle for the Schools.' She will join WJEC Oct. 24, after taking five weeks vacation.

SOUTHERN INSTITUTE SESSION—Ellis Baker, research and information director, opens the ANG collective bargaining institute at Charlotte, N. C. Executive Vice President Ralph B. Novak and Bill Blatz, organization director, await their turns. At the right, two Greensboro delegates, Bob Fowler and Jim Southland.

AP Committee Will Demand \$165 Tops Pact Is Up Nov. 4

A countrywide minimum of \$165 a week for Associated Press newsmen and related classifications will be sought in negotiations beginning Oct. 1 in New York.

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Martin New Secretary In Seattle—Wes Bubb Goes Back to College

Seattle — Big, jovial ex-Oklahoma Fred Martin will top off six work-packed years of American Newspaper Guild membership October 1 by becoming executive secretary of the Seattle-Tacoma Guild.

Martin joined enthusiastically into Guild activities as soon as he came to work as circulation district manager for the Seattle Post-Intelligencer in 1944.

He joined the executive board in 1947, became P-I unit chairman in 1949, Seattle-Tacoma president in 1950. Guildsmen from other cities may remember him as a delegate to national conventions in 1948, 1950 and 1951.

Now 38, the new Guild executive was born in Snyder, Okla., and graduated from Central State Teachers College in Edmond, Okla.

Martin left Mid-West department store work in World War II to join the Navy and served four years as a lieutenant with anti-submarine forces in the European and Alaskan theaters.

With his passion for Guild work Martin combines an enthusiasm for going out after the Pacific Northwest's famous salmon. He lives with his wife and one child in Seattle's Laurelhurst section.

Martin will succeed Wes Bubb, veteran Guildman who joined the movement here in its mid-thirties infancy. That's when



FRED MARTIN
Subs for Bubb

newspaper workers drew a third of their present pay and worked six or seven days a week for it, with unpaid holiday and overtime hours thrown in, he recalls.

Bubb looks too young to have been picked in the 1936 strike at the old Seattle Star. He did.

He also was unit chairman of the Star and president of the Seattle local before becoming executive secretary in 1947.

After five years in office, Bubb is resigning to return to the University of Washington with his eye on a certified public accountancy.

PAC Dollar Needed Now, Not Later, Says Novak

Dollar support for the vital job of backing CIO's Political Action Committee is asked of all local Guilds by Executive Vice President Ralph B. Novak, in a letter sent to heads of locals and their PAC chairmen.

Noting that a New York Times story from Washington indicates that PAC collections have been slow in coming in, Novak cites two instances in which financial support from this arm of organized labor can be of immediate help, if sufficient funds are in hand.

One case was that of a Guild member who won congressional nomination in Nevada, beating out the candidate backed by a reactionary political machine. He did so with scanty financial backing, and can win the November election if properly

financed. The second item is from Wisconsin, where a progressive Republican candidate for congress with a good voting record was heavily opposed for renomination. His opponent had ample funds for campaigning.

PAC wanted to contribute \$500 to the Republican's campaign, but was forced to cut the amount to \$250 after checking its financial status.

Additionally, Novak has received a letter from Director Jack Kroll, of the National PAC, which urges immediate action throughout all CIO unions in PAC fund raising.

DANGERS IN HOME
One out of 52 persons in the U.S. was disabled one or more days by injuries in home accidents.



FOR THE LOVE OF MIKE—Political opponents forget their differences for a night when they attended a dinner for W. W. (Bill) Halloran, longtime reporter for the Minneapolis Star and Tribune. Some 250 associates, friends and officials paid tribute to his career and reputation for integrity and integrity in his calling. A heart ailment has forced Halloran into inaction for nearly a year. Standing left to right are Minnesota's Governor C. Elmer Anderson, Rt. Rev. John Dunphy, Mike's former pastor, and Henry Gallagher, former chief justice of the State supreme court.

WIRE SERVICES NOMINATE FOR OCTOBER 30th

National Wire Service Council officers have called for nominations to the new eight-man council which is to guide wire service affairs and represent wire service Guildsmen at the 1953 ANG convention in Boston.

A call was sent out following a meeting by Ron Gilbert, Indianapolis AP, council chairman; John Goldsmith, Washington UP, vice chairman; and Sol Fox, New York UP, secretary.

Any unit, local wire service council or group of ten or more wire service Guildsmen may submit nominations by Oct. 30. Any elections necessary will be conducted during the following 30 days.

Open are the positions of national president and secretary-treasurer to be chosen from the entire wire service membership. In addition, each one of the three principal wire service groups—Associated Press, United Press-NEA and International News Service and News Photos—will pick a vice president and council delegate from their own ranks.

Nominees unopposed as of Oct. 30 will be declared elected. The new council will serve at least until the 1953 convention when the entire question of wire service administration and representation will be up for review.

Bill Pryor Dies In Martinsburg
Washington—William S. (Bill) Pryor, 41, known to hundreds of delegates to ANG conventions of recent years, and president in 1948 of the Washington Newspaper Guild, died last week at Martinsburg, W. Va., Veterans Hospital, after a long heart illness.

Long active in the Washington Guild, he served several terms on the local's executive board. During the last year he had been chief of the editorial and research branch of the Public Information Division, National Production Authority.

Pryor was for many years head of the editorial copy desk of the Washington Times-Herald, having joined the Times-Herald staff after service in the army.

Born in Iowa, he was a UP reporter during the 30's, later going to work for the Washington Daily News, which he left to join the army at the outbreak of World War II.

Active constantly in the management and negotiation work of the Washington Guild, he attended as its delegate the Scranton, San Francisco, Columbus and Washington Conventions.

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Johnstone's reputation was made in the field of unionism. He left the UAW-CIO several months ago and took a government job. Nevertheless, his name had since been generally thought of in connection with union affairs.

Reportedly, Johnstone left the auto union in a split over policy with Walter Reuther, UAW president, and others in the union administration.

For years Reuther and Johnstone had worked closely together. After the union's 113-day strike against General Motors Corp. in 1945-46, Johnstone succeeded Reuther as head of the UAW's GM division. At about that time Reuther, then a UAW vice president, was starting on his way toward the UAW presidency and ultimately a CIO vice presidency.

Johnstone helped negotiate the historic GM-UAW cost-of-living escalator contract.

The DNPA said that Johnstone will not immediately be active in union negotiations. It was explained that he will first be given a grounding in management's policies and operations.

Norman Applegarth will continue as management spokesman in negotiations. The Guild has opened new contract negotiations with the Free Press.

About a dozen union representatives received management's formal announcement of Johnstone's appointment at a joint meeting in DNPA offices.

Johnstone was questioned briefly. Replying to a question about pensions from Edwin W. Scott, Detroit Guild Local executive secretary, Johnstone said only that he would follow company

policy. There are no Guild contract pensions in the Detroit dailies. One of Johnstone's last important jobs in the UAW was the negotiation of pensions for the auto workers.

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Madison Gets Frayne's Post



PETER MADISON
He Succeeds Frayne

Paris — Peter Madison, 28-year-old newspaperman of Whittier, Calif., has been appointed liaison officer for the labor information division in the office of the US Special Representative in Europe, with offices here.

Madison, a member of the New York Newspaper Guild, succeeds Thomas E. (Pat) Frayne, of San Francisco, who recently resigned to return to his home city.

In other Paris changes, Allan L. Swin, assistant director of labor information, has been made deputy information director in the Special Representative's office, and Leonard Graves, Jr., vice president of the American branch of the Office of Information.

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The Guild's Bookshelf

THE CIO AND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. By Calkins. University of Chicago Press. Chicago, 1951. pp. 24.90. This book is the result of an on-the-spot study of "pressure" or "special interest" groups at work in political parties, and is a project of the industrial relations center of the University of Chicago. Although the author has done research work for the CIO, the volume is impartial in its approach, not propaganda either for or against CIO's political action.

Erie Guild Battles Speedup on Dispatch With 2nd Strike Vote

Erie — Armed with a new strike vote by the Dispatch Unit, a committee of the Erie Newspaper Guild, after an apparently successful 9-hour strike on the Dispatch seven weeks ago, is back in the front office negotiating a protest against speedup. The committee reported some progress, but would make no prediction as to the outcome of the parleys, which have been in progress for more than a week.

The issue between Guild and publisher, according to local leaders, boils down to this: A firm unit of people employed on the Dispatch is refusing to accept the economic consequences of mismanagement, which had been pressed on them in the form of "shot-gun" fringes and speedup.

Result of the brief work stoppage was: (1) extra-contractual concession by the publisher, permitting Guildsmen who wanted to resign from the Dispatch to do so and receive full severance pay; (2) placing by the publisher of a number of employees discharged for economic reasons in other jobs; (3) withdrawal of a martinet publisher assistant from leadership in negotiations; and "managerial shakeup."

Edward Lamb, Toledo labor union attorney, owns the paper. As a result of the stand of the Guild against abuses of management, Lamb had to discharge a nephew, who was a recent addition to the reporter staff and a "free rider" in the unit.

The two-months' battle between the Guild and the management, has taken on aspects, hardly paralleled in the history of Guild bargaining, says Director of Organization J. William Blatz, who consulted with the local members and officers last week.

One of the principal bones of contention was the autocratic and tyrannical attitude of a newly-appointed assistant to Lamb, the absentee publisher, whom Lamb finally felt obliged to remove as his spokesman in the embittered negotiations.

The Assistant-to-the-Publisher (in charge of all operations) was W. Howard (Peg) Parsons, former city editor and sports editor of the rival Erie Times, who Erie newspaper people say, failed at these executive jobs. The Times tried him also as

How PAC used varying methods is shown in the Ohio date for US Senator, a congressional election in Ohio's Jefferson County, a State senatorial contest in Chicago, a county primary in Rockford, Ill., and the statewide elections in Michigan.

HOW TO GET PROFITABLE REAL ESTATE LISTINGS THROUGH NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING.

Charles Woessner, President-Hall, Inc., New York, 101 pp. \$4.50. More than half of this volume is devoted to reprints of actual newspaper advertisements by the author's firm, which really offers a variety of approach and a phenomenal achievement on the part of the realtor himself.

It's easy to believe that when a realtor thinks of real estate, they think of Woessner. It's less easy to follow him when he says anyone can achieve the same results. And his book is addressed directly to realty men. Perhaps the title should read "How I Got..." instead of "How to Get..."

promotion editor and circulation manager, after which Lamb last spring gave him a job as publicity writer for the publisher's local TV station, WICU.

With the title of Publisher's Assistant, he came to the Dispatch in July, announcing to the harried staff that "the honeymoon is over" and "more production would be expected."

Then, during the week of July 28 nine were discharged for various reasons, which with two exceptions the Guild could not regard as valid. The strike followed on August 6.

Lamb hastened to Erie from Chicago, where he was enjoying the Democratic convention, and undertook to reason with the Guild committee, after Parsons had not succeeded in bullying it through.

List of Current Contract Minimums For Reporters and Photographers

Here are the contractual minimums for the job of reporter and photographer as contained in the agreements in effect August 15, 1952. The contracts cover 172 newspapers and minimums are in descending order.

NY Compass*	\$125.00-6th yr.	Richmond News-Leader	\$7.50-8th yr.
St. Louis Globe-Democrat I	120.00-7th yr.	& Times-Dispatch	
St. Louis Post-Dispatch	120.00-7th yr.	Rockford Morning Star	\$97.50-6th yr.
NY Herald Tribune	120.00-7th yr.	& Register-Republic	
NY Times	120.00-7th yr.	Battle Creek Enquirer & News	\$7.00-6th yr.
NY World-Telegram & Sun	120.00-7th yr.	Lynn Telegram-News	\$7.00-6th yr.
NY Journal-American I	120.00-4th yr.	Seattle Times	\$6.85-6th yr.
NY Mirror I	120.00-4th yr.	Youngstown Vindicator	\$6.85-6th yr.
San Francisco Call-Bulletin	119.50-7th yr.	Sacramento Union	\$5.15-5th yr.
San Francisco Examiner, News	114.70-6th yr.	Great Falls Tribune & Ldr.	\$5.00-6th yr.
Detroit Free Press	114.70-6th yr.	Houston Press	
Detroit Times	114.63-6th yr.	Memphis Commercial Appeal	\$5.00-6th yr.
Scranton Times-Tribune	114.00-6th yr.	& Press-Scholar	
Boston Post	113.75-5th yr.	San Pedro News-Pilot	\$5.00-6th yr.
Boston Herald & Traveler	112.00-6th yr.	Tacoma News Trib. & Ledger	\$5.00-6th yr.
Philadelphia Inquirer I	112.00-6th yr.	Rocky Mountain News	\$4.50-6th yr.
St. Louis Globe-Democrat II	111.50-5th yr.	Sheboygan Press	\$4.50-6th yr.
Minneapolis Star & Tribune	111.01-6th yr.	Pequot Times	\$4.50-6th yr.
Sacramento Bee	111.00-6th yr.	Harrisburg Patriot & News	\$4.50-6th yr.
Stockton Record	111.00-6th yr.	Chattanooga Times	\$4.50-6th yr.
San Diego Union & Tribune	110.00-6th yr.	Erie Dispatch	\$4.50-6th yr.
Chicago Sun-Times	110.00-6th yr.	Terre Haute Tribune & Star	\$4.50-6th yr.
Washington Daily News	110.00-6th yr.	San Antonio Light	\$4.50-6th yr.
Washington Times-Herald	110.00-6th yr.	Bay City Times	\$4.50-6th yr.
Los Angeles Daily News	108.50-6th yr.	Huntington Park Signal	\$4.50-6th yr.
Los Angeles Times	108.50-6th yr.	Duluth Herald & News-Trib.	\$4.50-6th yr.
St. Paul Dispatch & Pioneer Press	108.00-6th yr.	Sixth City Jnl. & Int.-Tribune	\$4.50-6th yr.
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette	107.00-6th yr.	Albany Knickerbocker News	\$4.50-6th yr.
Cincinnati & Ky. Post	106.00-6th yr.	Albany Times-Union	\$4.50-6th yr.
& News Chronicle	105.85-6th yr.	Knoxville News-Sentinel	\$4.50-6th yr.
Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph	105.25-5th yr.	Lima News	\$4.50-6th yr.
Buffalo Evening News	105.00-6th yr.	Muskegon Chronicle	\$4.50-6th yr.
Cleveland Plain Dealer	105.00-6th yr.	New Kensington Dispatch	\$4.50-6th yr.
Cleveland Press	105.00-6th yr.	Niagara Falls Gazette	\$4.50-6th yr.
Washington Post	105.00-6th yr.	Salt Lake City Trib. & Telegram	\$4.50-6th yr.
Washington Star	105.00-6th yr.	Eugene Register-Guard	\$4.50-6th yr.
Bakersfield Californian	104.50-6th yr.	Madison Capital Times	\$4.50-6th yr.
St. Paul Dispatch & Pioneer Press	104.00-6th yr.	NY: Long Island Press	\$4.50-6th yr.
Toledo Blade & Times	104.00-6th yr.	NY: Long Island Star-Journal	\$4.50-6th yr.
Elizabeth Daily Journal	103.50-6th yr.	Woonsocket Call	\$4.50-6th yr.
Portland Oregonian	103.00-6th yr.	Joliet Herald-News	\$4.50-6th yr.
Long Beach Independent	102.50-6th yr.	Lynn Daily Evening Item	\$4.50-6th yr.
Seattle Post-Intelligencer	102.20-6th yr.	Ottawa Citizen (M & E)	\$4.50-6th yr.
Lansing State Journal	102.00-6th yr.	Kingston Daily Freeman	\$4.50-6th yr.
Milwaukee Sentinel	102.00-6th yr.	Wilkes-Barre Sun, Independent	\$4.50-6th yr.
NY: Brooklyn Eagle II	102.00-6th yr.	Massillon Eve. Independent	\$4.50-6th yr.
NY: News II	102.00-6th yr.	New Orleans Item	\$4.50-6th yr.
Philadelphia Inquirer II	102.00-6th yr.	Jersey City: Jersey Journal	\$4.50-6th yr.
Grand Rapids Herald	101.75-6th yr.	Charlotte News	\$4.50-6th yr.
Baltimore Sun & Evg. Sun	100.00-6th yr.	Greensboro News & Record	\$4.50-6th yr.
Chester Times	100.00-6th yr.	Manchester: Union Leader (M & E)	\$4.50-6th yr.
Indianapolis Star	100.00-6th yr.	& Sun News	\$4.50-6th yr.
Indianapolis Times	100.00-6th yr.	Utica Observer-Disp. & Press	\$4.50-6th yr.
NY Journal-American II	100.00-6th yr.	Brookton Enterprise-Times	\$4.50-6th yr.
NY Mirror II	100.00-6th yr.	Waukegan News-Sun	\$4.50-6th yr.
Reno Gazette & Nev. State Jnl.	100.00-6th yr.	Portland (Me.) Press-Herald	\$4.50-6th yr.
San Mateo Times	99.50-6th yr.	Express & Telegram	\$4.50-6th yr.
Gary Post-Tribune	98.75-5th yr.	Toronto Star	\$4.50-6th yr.
Wilkes-Barre Record	98.75-5th yr.	Newburgh News & Beacon News	\$4.50-6th yr.
& Times-Leader, News	98.50-6th yr.	Tonawanda News	\$4.50-6th yr.
Hammond Times	98.50-6th yr.	Hastings Plain Speaker	\$4.50-6th yr.
Hollywood Citizen News	98.50-6th yr.	& Standard-Sentinel	\$4.50-6th yr.
Columbus Citizen	98.00-6th yr.	Allentown Call & Chronicle	\$4.50-6th yr.
Denver Post	98.00-6th yr.	Bridgeport Herald	\$4.50-6th yr.
Denver Rocky Mountain News	97.50-6th yr.	York Gazette & Daily News	\$4.50-6th yr.
		New Brunswick Home News	\$4.50-6th yr.

NOTE: Reporter I in New York and Philadelphia includes writing reporters. On the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, Group I includes at least 70 percent of all employees with more than six years experience. Photographers receive the same minimum as reporters in all except four contracts: Kingston Daily Freeman, \$70-5th yr.; NY Brooklyn Eagle, \$100-4th yr.; Pueblo Star-Journal & Chieftain, \$75-5th yr.; and Scranton Times & Scrantonian, \$97.50-4th yr.; Scranton Times, \$101.11-5th yr. (latter \$89.30 on 40-hr. basis). In Philadelphia all photos are in Group II. No photos are covered in Charleston, Jersey Journal, New Brunswick, Plainfield, Reno, San Mateo, Wilkes-Barre and Woonsocket contracts.

(Several contracts provide for automatic increases in minimum during 1952 and 1953. Contracts, amounts and effective dates are: NY: Long Island Press and Star-Journal, \$4 Nov. 1; Rockford Morning Star & Register-Republic \$2.50 Jan. 1, 1953.)

* Basic minimum for new employer for those employed on date of last general increase minimum is \$125. Minimum applies on Tribune & Scrantonian for 40-hr. wk. Times minimum is \$125.15 for 40-hr. wk. \$124.45 on 36-hr. basis.

† Effective 7/21/52, \$125.00 until then for Toledo. Effective 7/1/52 for Wilkes-Barre, \$99.50 until then.

‡ Contract provides for length-of-service increase, making actual going rate \$95 in 6th yr.

was losing money on outlying "fringe circulation" delivery and eliminated that. He shortened the press hours and cut overtime in the press room, and reduced the composing room by seven men. A \$4,000 per month operating expense was effected.

The blow was further softened when those who wanted to leave were granted severance pay. Negotiations to stop this abuse are being pressed. Parsons has been replaced in the negotiations by Paul Albracht, general manager, who had been in the background.

Entry Dates Set For AAAS Science Writing Contest

Washington—Entries for the seventh annual George Westinghouse \$1,000 science writing award will be closed Oct. 11, according to the American Association for the Advancement of Science, sponsors of the competition.

The contest is open to writers on scientific subjects in newspapers who have not won a previous award. Articles submitted must have been published within the continental limits of the United States between Oct. 1, 1951, and September 30, 1952.

The winner will be determined on the basis of initiative, originality, scientific accuracy, clarity of interpretation and the story's value to science.

Entry blanks and other information may be obtained from the chairman, managing committee, AAAS-George Westinghouse Science Writing Award, 1815 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington 5, D. C.

THE LAW

Court Ruling Switches On Good Faith

By IRVING LEUCHTER
ANG Counsel

No sooner was the ink dry on the Supreme Court's affirmation of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals' decision favoring the employer in the American Insurance Company case (Local Copy, July 25) than the Fifth Circuit decided a closely parallel case against the employer. (Major Transport Co. vs. NLRB.)

The main feature of this case, like the American Insurance Company case, is the employer's proposal to reserve to itself the unilateral right to determine wages, hours, working conditions. This proposal, although it all basic wages, hours and working conditions, was counter-proposed to each and every clause in the preliminary draft contract offered by the union.

The transport company, moreover, refused to recede from its position even though the union indicated that its proposed contract was only "a basis for negotiation."

After a strike was called by the union, the company unilaterally instituted an increase in commission rates although it had refused any increase during negotiations.

In the insurance company case the employees proposed to reserve to itself rights restricted generally to tenure and job security. This was a counter-proposal to the union's request for unlimited arbitration of all grievances.

These differences in the area to be reserved for unilateral action by the company and the union proposals to which they were countered made the difference between good faith and bad faith in a total view of the bargaining. The court warned, however, that it does not take the proposal for unilateral employer determination of all aspects of employment as, per se, constituting refusal to bargain.

Says the court in the Major case: "We find, upon consideration of the whole record, that the Board's finding that the employer refused to comply with the obligation to bargain in good faith is supported by substantial evidence. We do not construe the Board's ruling to hold that the mere original submission of a counterproposal was sufficient to authorize a finding of bad faith. We place our acceptance of the Board's order upon a consideration of the entire circumstances of the case which we have above outlined."

Local Copy

Day Book

NLRB
Representation election scheduled Sept. 25, Cleveland Dept. San Diego, Calif. Union and Evening Tribune.
Representation election won—Long Beach, Calif. Independent and Sun-Telegram editorial—70 to 30.
Representation election lost—Long Beach, Calif. Independent and Sun-Telegram editorial—50 to 50.
GUILD ACTIVITIES
New York Training Institute—Eugene East District Council Hotel De Will Clifton, Albany, N. Y. Oct. 4-5.
Mid-West Training Institute—848 West District Council Hotel De Will Clifton, Albany, N. Y. Oct. 10-11.
Canadian Training Institute—Canadian District Council Toronto, Ont. Oct. 25-26.
WEB APPROVAL
Milwaukee, Wis. Sentinel—5 weeks vacation after Sept. 3.

TTS Survey Updated by Publishers

ANG's survey of teletypewriter uses and effects (GR, June 27, 1952) has been brought up to date as to current and projected installations by ANPA members.

In response to a questionnaire, the publishers' association compiled the following figures:
Papers over 50,000 circulation—70 now use TTS; 37 contemplate using it; 131 do not use it now; 105 don't plan to use it.
In the under-50,000 group, 225 papers use it now; 68 contemplate using it; 206 don't use it and 128 don't plan to use it.
In the under-10,000 group, the committee reports: 225 now use TTS; 105 contemplate using it; 231 do not plan to use it; 358 do not use it; 54 no answer on use; 76 no answer on future use.

In Other Words—Drop Dead

Contract between Hollywood Citizen-News and Los Angeles Newspaper Guild—Aug. 1, 1951 to July 31, 1952.

Article XVII—Term
This Agreement is to become effective upon the execution of both parties hereto.

N. Y. Pension Plans, Double in Volume

Negotiated pension plans in New York state have doubled since 1950. Almost 850,000 union members are now covered by 208 pension plans, according to an industrial commission report.

devoted but one standard, or test, which, recognizing the problem, yet seeks to insure reconciliation of privilege and obligation. This rule requires fair appraisal of the circumstances and the particular facts of the particular case.

Local Copy

GRIN AND BEAR IT



—Thanks to George Lichty and Chicago Sun-Times Syndicate

TIMES (NY) MISTAKES CLEAR TIMESMAN (R I)

The New York Times (anonymous) makes mistakes. Meyer Berger, NY Times Pulitzer prize winner, makes mistakes. Scotty Reston, NY Times top drawer correspondent, makes mistakes.

So arborist Harry Shulman, who caught the above mistakes, decided that a reporter for another Times, the Pawtucket, R. I. Times, was not fired for error or sufficient cause. Prof. Shulman told the publisher to put the boy back to work and give him part of his back pay.

The reporter was fired after five months of employment, and two months after completion of his probationary period.

In presenting the case before the arbitrator, the publisher specifically stated that the quality of the Guildsmen's reporting—interpretation, digging, writing, etc.—was not questioned.

● An item carried the address of a local man as Francis Street instead of Francis Avenue.

● In an account of a funeral, there was reference to delegations from students and teachers at Nathaniel Green. It should have been Nathaniel Green and St. Leo's Xavier Academy.

You Should Live So Long—NLRB Needs 406 Days

The Senate Sub-Committee on Labor - Management Relations, investigating the effects of the Taft-Hartley Act, has come up with the answer to the question: How long does it take to get an unfair labor practice case against an employer through the various steps required by the law?

Here's the answer, based on averages of thousands of cases filed with the NLRB:

1. From the filing of protest by the worker or union to the issuance of a complaint by the NLRB... 169 days.
2. From the filing of the complaint to the close of hearing... 384 days.
3. From the close of hearing to the intermediate report of the NLRB... 62.7 days.
4. From the intermediate report to the decision of the NLRB... 146 days.

This adds up to a total of 406.1 days, on the average, from a complaint by a worker, for example, that he's been fired for union activity, to the issuance of an NLRB order to the employer to take back the man. Of course, if the employer doesn't want to take him back, he can appeal to the federal courts. This procedure can add another two to five years.

BLS Goes One For One—New Series Up, Old Down

One series of the BLS Consumers' Price Index—the revised tally—rose to another all-time peak in August, while the old series slipped slightly. The old series slipped from 190.5 to 191.11, of 192.4 set in July, while the new series rose from 190.5 to 191.11.

The amount required to maintain the value of the ANG 1909 wage goal in terms of current dollars remains \$144.30 under the old series and goes to \$143.10 under the revised index.

Date	Index		% Increase Over June 1946	Required by ANG Wage Program	
	Old	New		Old	New
June 1946	133.3	133.3	—	\$100.00	\$100.00
Jan. 1950	165.9	165.2	23.2%	125.20	126.00
Jan. 1951	181.5	181.5	36.3	136.20	136.00
Sept. 1951	186.5	186.9	39.9	139.00	139.00
Oct. 1951	187.9	187.4	40.9	140.00	140.00
Nov. 1951	189.3	188.6	42.0	142.00	141.30
Dec. 1951	190.0	189.1	42.7	142.70	141.90
Jan. 1952	190.2	189.1	42.8	143.00	141.90
Feb. 1952	189.3	187.9	41.3	141.30	140.00
Mar. 1952	188.4	188.0	41.3	141.30	140.00
Apr. 1952	189.6	188.7	42.3	142.00	141.00
May 1952	190.4	189.6	43.4	143.00	142.00
June 1952	191.1	189.8	44.3	144.30	142.90
July 1952	192.4	190.8	45.1	146.30	143.10
Aug. 1952	192.3	191.1	44.3	146.30	143.10

(1929-30 is the index base of 100. June, 1946, is the base date for the computation of the ANG's wage program and also the last month before World War II price controls were abandoned; January, 1952, is the base date for the computation of the WBS "cost-of-living" formula, and January, 1951, is the base date for computing increases under the WBS "cost-of-living" formula. To determine what the index is worth in relation to the 1929-30 dollar, divide 100 by the latest index number.)

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AS TABULATED by the Associated Press, in a round-up of political opinions of newspaper editors and writers, General Eisenhower was leading comfortably in his race over Governor Stevenson, in early September.

The makers of the survey, however, hedged considerably over the eventual outcome in November, saying that many voters had not made up their minds, and that it was too early to utter forthright predictions.

The AP collected its totals into five groups, those probably, with one camp or the other, those "leaning" toward the general or the governor, and those where the opinion was so evenly divided that no guess could be made.

Just for the record, here is how the poll stacked up, and we promise to print an after-election check-up showing the effects of the intervening two months' campaigning:

Probably for Eisenhower—Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Maine,

Ashcraft Joins Guild Reporter

Garland Ashcraft of Cleveland, former member of The Cleveland Press Unit, last week joined the ANG staff as assistant editor of The Guild Reporter.

Ashcraft succeeds in the post Stanley Rosedale, who accepted a position with the Connecticut CIO Council in charge of its publications.

One of the pioneer promoters and volunteer organizers of the Guild, and a charter member of his local, Ashcraft served two years as local treasurer, and three terms, 1935-38, on the IEB, and was the second treasurer of the then struggling organization.

Since 1940 he was engaged in free lance publicity and public relations, numbering among his clients numerous labor groups, both CIO, AFL and independent.

More recently as editor and business director of The Cleveland Union Leader, he spearheaded the campaign which resulted in the Cleveland Industrial Union Council becoming the first CIO local central body to purge itself of communist leadership.

Wage Laws in Two States

Massachusetts has followed the lead of Connecticut in adopting a statutory minimum wage rate of 75¢ an hour, matching the federal labor standards act.

Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Vermont and Wyoming; for a total of 153 electoral votes.

Doubtful, But Leaning to Eisenhower—California, Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Ohio, Utah and Washington; for a total of 42 electoral votes.

Probably for Stevenson—Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Georgia, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and West Virginia; for a total of 121 electoral votes.

Doubtful, But Leaning to Stevenson—Illinois, Kentucky, and Virginia; for 49 electoral votes.

A Toss-up for Either Man—Colorado, Florida, Louisiana, Rhode Island, Texas and Wisconsin; for 66 electoral votes.

On the Eisenhower side are 295 votes, 29 more than needed to win. The Stevenson total is 170 electoral votes, or 96 short of the required number.

QUITE UNDERSTANDABLE

is the report that newspaper men covering the respective presidential campaigns have polled themselves and find their preferences are for Governor Stevenson. Those in the Eisenhower entourage went for Stevenson by 23 to 7; and those covering the Stevenson tours registered for the governor, 19 to 9.

Newspaper writers deal in words, as the garments of ideas. And the words of Eisenhower, by whomever written, follow a pattern which is as old as the political-coverage experience of any of those who write the stories of his speeches.

The Stevenson speeches, by contrast, must be a joy to handle, from a news sense. Obviously, the governor writes them himself, though just as obviously from factual matter gleaned by his historians and researchers. And when Stevenson's magical touch with words reaches the reporter, in the form of manuscript releases, the story almost writes itself.

Here is a candidate who brings sparkling freshness to old material, who respects the sanctity of language as to exactitude of meaning and aptness of phrase, and who isn't afraid to use humor in a calling—politics—which has been flatly lacking in that attribute.

From the news man's standpoint, Stevenson is the dream candidate.

Washington ROUNDUP

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NOT SINCE Grover Cleveland was charged during his first campaign with fathering an illegitimate son named Oscar, has such a fuss about a candidate been kicked up as that over Senator Nixon's \$18,000 "fund."

In the Cleveland case, the GOP swiped a popular song and trotted out these delightful words:

"Ha! Ha! Where's my pa?
"Gone to the White House.
"Ha! Ha! Ha!"

Fortunately for Cleveland, a cleric came up with the unfortunate "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" line which hurt Blaine enough to push Grover to a narrow victory.

I suppose it is just a matter of time before the rhymsters catch up with Poor Richard—some have already, in fact. The experts here are busy combing those who contributed to the fund and tallying up their economic interests with Nixon's votes. And so on.

MAYBE BY THE TIME this is in print, Nixon will be definitely on or off the GOP ticket. The suspense can't last forever. Around Washington they've been saying the Democrats have changed their theme song to read: "Don't let them take him away."

The most shocking thing about the Nixon story, in a way, was Nixon's reaction that only crooks and communists could read wrong into his action in accepting the money. This kind of thing lends substance to the charge that he is only a "cleaned up version of McCarthy."

At any rate, I must say I feel for Ike. Here's a fellow who is caught in a tough spot. Preaching all over the country about corruption and then to have this bust right in his own house. Worst of all, he really doesn't know whether what Nixon did was right or wrong, in terms of senatorial ethics.

That was a nice gesture of the California congressman to bare his breast and say that he, too, had such a "fund." I will check the results from his district the night of Nov. 4 with some special interest.

Fact of the matter is that senators and congressmen are imposed upon financially but that most of them have figured out how to meet the problem. There are lectures at big fees, sometimes at outrageously big fees. There are magazine articles, books, ghosted usually by somebody for a percentage. These things are more or less out in the open.

The cynical around here have been saying that Nixon's mistake was that he did it secretly, that if he had been smart he would simply have gone to California a couple of times a year to give a "speech" to his friends for a handsome fee (plus expenses) and all he would have had to worry about would have been paying a bit of income tax.

WHATEVER THE OUTCOME, this is the first break of the campaign. It is a big one, no matter how it ends. It demonstrates why politics is such a fascinating game—and such a dangerous one. Judging its effects has been the all-consuming pastime of this capital over the past few days.

For years there have been moves by occasional righteous congressmen to force all their colleagues to put on the record their income and its sources. It is doubtful if more than a dozen votes could have been tallied for such a proposal.

San Francisco Retro Pay Aids Local Defense

San Francisco — Retroactive pay checks totalling about \$130,000 were distributed among the 1,360 Guildsmen employed at the Call-Bulletin, Chronicle, Examiner and News.

The payments followed the city-wide arbitration award which provided for increases averaging \$4 a week, retroactive to last March 27.

The \$2 to \$6 general raise, applied also to all minimums, boosted the top minimum to \$119.50 for reporters, desk men, copy readers, rewrite men, caption writers, artists, retouchers,

Compensation Coverage

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photographers, full-time correspondents, display ad salesmen and promotion writers.

Annual payroll raise was estimated at \$283,000.

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however, but none ever came within a dream of a roll call. The Nixon case will give impetus to such proposals but I doubt if even this will put it over. It will, I'd guess, more likely have the effect of considerable soul-searching among senators and congressmen, perhaps even of the sloughing off of some sources of income.

Rumor hath it that some of our legislators are even on the payroll of business firms but, as you can imagine, this is rather difficult to pin down. I trust this statement will not be taken as subversion of the legislative branch, incidentally. (I wonder what would happen to a Hollywood film company which made a movie portraying a congressman as a traitor, as the British did a House of Commons member in the show "High Treason"?)

There's a book coming out next month by another senator, Paul Douglas, which has some interesting stories of Daniel Webster who, it seems, was not beyond being paid off for legislative support. Douglas, in fact, demonstrates that the level of political morals has risen considerably over the years despite the fact that something like the Nixon incident gives the public the general impression that things are pretty sordid all around.

Douglas, I hope, will earn a fair number of bucks with his book. He needs the extra income, too. Whether he has the stuff he writes ghosted or not, I don't know.

THE Eisenhower-Stevenson race is beginning in my book to get interesting, even without Nixon. I'm glad to see that Adlai is good at the rough in-fighting, as he demonstrated in Connecticut, as well as with the cutting wisecrack.

Personally, I think the corruption issue, with its concomitant of the desire for a change, is the thing Stevenson has to overcome to win, this as much as the handicap of not being known the way Ike is. I have my fingers crossed on what will happen when Truman and Taft get to slugging, as they doubtless will, before long now. Maybe they'll cancel out. At any rate, I hope they do not obscure the candidates, for America needs to know more of these two men, these new faces on our political scene.

I have the feeling that the controlling voters, the middle group, have not made up their minds as yet. And I have the feeling that the vote will be so huge this year that it will defy the pollsters to predict. The Associated Press, incidentally, appears to me to be crawling out on one of the longest limbs in history, or at least since the Literary Digest debacle, with its poll based on editors' opinions and samples.

If you could suck a thumb on the outcome, I suggest checking the local registration figures first. And then see what's happened to the early Democrats-for-Ike enthusiasts, whether they're sticking or shifting. They're hard to pin down but they do represent that middle shifting vote.

At any rate, I promise that this part of the Guild Reporter will not be out on any election prediction limb. I'll saw off my own in the privacy of my own office, thank you.

MY attention has been called to an error in the last column concerning the Humphrey-Ives bill. I mistakenly said that the \$100 to \$500 fine provision applies to those who fail to obey orders of the proposed FEOTE commission. It doesn't. The only penalties are the regular ones of contempt of court—including fines, of course. The specific figures apply to failure to post certain notices. Sorry.

Workers on the four papers, meanwhile, were contributing their first week's raise to the SFONG defense fund to help offset the arbitration cost.