

Portland Benefits Extended To Convention

Board Acts On Appeal From Local

On an appeal from the Portland Newspaper Guild, the International Executive Board has voted, 12 to 3, to extend the payment of benefits from the ANG defense fund to 44 Guildsmen working on the newly established Portland Daily Reporter until the week of the Vancouver Convention, July 24-28.

The action came on the adoption of a resolution moved by Vice President Harvey H. Wing and seconded by Vice President James B. Egan.

It read:

"The International Executive Board has received an appeal from the Portland, Ore., Newspaper Guild asking the IEB to extend payment of ANG benefits from the International Defense Fund until the 1961 Convention. In February, 1961, the IEB extended payment of such benefits until its May, 1961, meeting.

"The IEB grants the request of the Portland Newspaper Guild and authorizes the payment of ANG benefits from the International Defense Fund until the 1961 Convention, and because of doubts expressed as to whether this action exceeds Convention policy the IEB will seek Convention ratification of its action.

"The IEB concurs in the renewed efforts by the ANG officers to effect a settlement of the Portland strike and once again calls on the Portland Newspaper Guild to intensify and expand activities to bring about a fair and reasonable trade union settlement."

The strike began November 10, 1959, when the Stereotypers walked out at the Oregonian and the Oregon Journal. Members of the Guild and other unions either refused to cross the picket line or were locked out, but the two dailies continued to publish, at first as a single, combined edition and later separately. Professional strikebreakers were imported in large numbers, arriving at the very start of the strike. Other craft unions and the Portland Guild subsequently joined the Stereo-

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Bargaining Stall Provokes Strike Moves In Memphis

Memphis, Tenn.—Weary after seven months of trying to get a satisfactory wage offer and a job security provision, the Memphis Guild May 16 set up machinery for possible strike action against the Press-Scimitar and the Commercial Appeal.

At a near-record general meeting, the membership approved a steering committee recommended by the executive committee and named ANG Vice President Dick Lane as chairman. Following this action, it instructed the executive committee to call another general membership meeting to consider a strike vote if satisfactory progress isn't made at the bargaining table in a reasonable

period. Both votes were nearly unanimous with 200 members present.

The members unanimously rejected a three-year informal offer which management had been trying to sell through a bulletin board campaign. After signing the ITU to a three-year pact a little more than a month ago, management had launched an all-out campaign to pressure the Guild to accept a similar package, despite the Guild's firm position against violating ANG's policy on long-term contracts.

The Memphis local leadership feels this is the year a job security clause must be obtained, in view of "a changed climate."

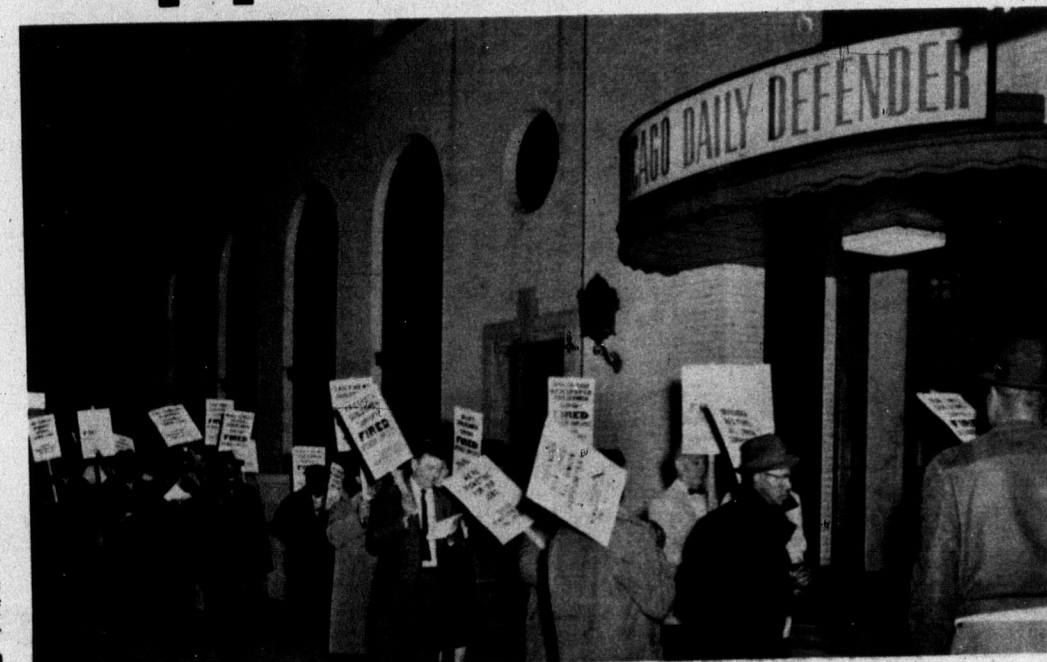
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10c Per Capita Increase Supported In IEB Report



Reinforcements: Nine units of the Chicago Guild were represented in the picket line at the struck plant of the Chicago Defender following the arrest of three Defender Guildsmen earlier in the day. Executive board members from the Sun-Times, Daily News, Wall Street Journal, Elgin Courier-News, Joliet Herald-News, Waukegan News-Sun, Prosveta (Slovakian National Benefit Society), the North Side Community Papers and the General Press augmented the Defender group in the demonstration. The board had met in the Guild office in the Loop, and adjourned to the strike scene 24 blocks to the south, to sing labor songs and blanket the area with handbills protesting the unfair labor practices of Publisher John H. Sengstacke.

Harassment Welds Chicago Pickets

Chicago, Ill.—A bombing, a gun-waving detective of the Chicago police labor detail and two new unfair practice charges against Defender Publisher John Sengstacke have drawn picketing Defender Guildsmen even closer together in the fight for their rights under the law and for their jobs.

The home of one of the leaders of the Defender unit, James Wiley, was the target of an unknown bomber last Friday night, May 19 (story on Page 4).

Prior to the bombing, three Defender pickets were arrested by Detective Sam Nolan of the labor detail for "refusing to obey the command of a police officer to keep moving."

The three, Robert Williams Sr., Robert H. Williams Jr., and Isaiah Major, were taken to downtown police headquarters and booked for "disorderly conduct."

Major is the nephew of Publisher Sengstacke and the only one of Sengstacke's ten relatives on the payroll to join the picket line with his fellow workers when the unfair practice strike began, April 16.

With the help of these relatives and other strikebreakers, and by forming out type composition to two non-union job-shops, the self-styled "champion of Chicago's South Side" has been able to continue daily publication of the Defender, although both circulation and advertising have been sharply reduced since the strike began.

Sengstacke, through his attorney, informed the Guild at a mediation session April 24 that all 60 employees who struck the plant were fired.

When the three Guildsmen were

arrested, police at first refused to book them. But an immediate protest from the Guild finally brought the "disorderly conduct" charge and the three were released in \$15 bond.

They promptly returned to the Guild picket line around the Defender.

The three pickets appeared in Municipal Court, Friday, May 12, and the judge continued their cases to Thursday, June 15.

The two new unfair practice charges filed by the Guild—the

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A proposal to increase by ten cents the monthly per capita payments to ANG by the locals was approved by the International Executive Board this week for submission to the Vancouver Convention in late July. The board vote was eleven to three, with one abstention.

By the same division, the IEB proposed an annual budget, based on the increased per capita, totalling \$486,733.

A third proposal, related to the other two, was for adoption of the first quarter budget, in the amount of \$128,362, and drew the same roll call count.

The proposals arose in the finance committee of the Board, composed of Secretary-Treasurer Charles A. Perlik, Jr., and Vice Presidents Richard Lane and James B. Egan. Dissent from the report was recorded by Egan, who was joined in the final vote by Vice Presidents Jack Dobson and Harvey H. Wing. President Arthur Rosenstock abstained from voting.

The budget vote occurred first. Perlik said that it had been prepared with the purpose of maintaining the present level of services offered by ANG, and of avoiding less desirable alternatives, one of which, he said, was curtailing the volume of ANG activities by cutting the staff.

Egan voiced dissatisfaction with the past year's financial history, pointing out that although income exceeded the estimate of last year's convention, expenditures had also exceeded the budgeted amounts. The year ended with an operating deficit of \$18,000.

That amount includes \$6,720

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Delaware Scab Bill Passed

Dover, Del.—The Delaware legislature has passed a Citizens' Job Protection bill barring third parties to a labor dispute from furnishing strikebreakers to an employer.

Gov. Elbert N. Carvel (D) is expected to sign the measure into law.

The bill, somewhat weaker than the original labor-backed proposal, exempts agriculture and food-processing industries. It also requires unions to notify employment agencies of the existence of a strike.

After passage by the House, 26 to 5, the measure was unanimously approved by the Senate.

Five other states already have laws curbing the use of strikebreakers, four of which were enacted this year. The others are Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Washington. The Pennsylvania statute has been in force since 1939. A stronger law is now being considered by the legislature.



Scholastic Winners: Utica Guild President C. Robb Booth presents the local's annual award for essay contest winners among Central New York high school editors. From the left are Dolmarvelene Flood, Dennis Lee, Proctor High School, who took third place; Booth; Mary Alcholtz, Westmoreland Central, who took second prize.

10c Per Capita Hike Supported By Board

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which the convention budget anticipated as a deficit, in fixing the year's finances.

The per capita increase proposal for the convention is based on receipt of income from an estimated average of 29,750 members per month, and would become effective August 1, immediately after convention approval. Per capita payments are now \$1.80, would become \$1.90, and the extra ten cents would be apportioned to the General Fund.

It has been 10 years since there has been any increase in the General Fund apportionment. Instead, twice during that time conventions have cut five cents from the General Fund allotment, for the purpose of bolstering the union's Defense Fund.

The present proposal would therefore restore the General Fund apportionment to the same level that prevailed prior to May 1, 1955.

The proposal for an increase comes before the ANG convention for a second successive year. The 1960 Chicago convention turned down that method of financing, in favor of other sources of anticipated income. Among those sources were increases in initiation and convention registration fees. The Chicago decision also involved reliance on a surplus then amounting to about \$9,000.

Last year the proposal was that the new rate become effective May 1, 1961. The estimated average of 29,750

750 in per capita payments compares with an actual record of 29,379 for the year just completed. The new budget total is about \$22,000 higher than that adopted at the Chicago Convention, and is \$1,333 more than actual expenditures for the year ending April 30.

The Board approved the following contributions:

For the Labor Education Center newly founded at Rutgers University, \$100; for the National Planning Association, \$25; for the National Sharecroppers Fund, \$25.

Defender Strike Donations Mount

Chicago, Ill.—Contributions toward the benefits being paid to strikers at the Chicago Defender have totalled \$1,988.70 according to compilations by the local treasurer, Robert Zonka, as of May 19.

The fund:	
Previously acknowledged	\$415.75
Shackleton Guild	25.00
Cincinnati Guild	25.00
St. Louis Guild	100.00
Philadelphia Guild	100.00
Milwaukee Guild	150.00
Peoria Guild	25.00
San Francisco-Oakland Guild	100.00
Seattle-Tacoma Guild	200.00
Ed Allen	25.00
Indianapolis Guild	25.00
New England District Council	60.00
New York Guild	250.00
Washington Guild	50.00
Carl Dine	25.00
Portland, Me., Guild	50.00
Vancouver Guild	50.00
Chicago Guild units	111.95
Chicago Guild executive board	25.00
Anonymous	19.00
TOTAL	\$1,988.70

Most Board Members Will Seek New Terms

A majority of the members of the International Executive Board, including the top salaried officers of the ANG, intend to seek re-election this year, a poll by the Guild Reporter reveals.

ANG President Arthur Rosenstock was non-committal. He stated that no one can affirm or deny a future position and said that at some time in the future he would announce his intentions. Only one IEB member announced definitely that he does not plan to seek re-election. That was Vice President At-Large Richard P. Davis of Baltimore.

With the ANG's biennial elections due this year, the Guild Reporter asked each Board member if he planned to run for another term. The replies:

President Rosenstock — As above.
Executive Vice President William J. Farson — Yes.
Secretary-Treasurer Charles A. Perlak Jr. — Yes.

Region 1 Vice President Daniel A. McLaughlin, North Jersey — Yes.
Region 2 Vice President Richard Lane, Memphis — Yes.
Region 3 Vice President James B. Woods, St. Louis — Probably.

Region 4 Vice President Robert J. Hickey, San Jose — Yes.
Region 5 Vice President James B. Egan, New York — Yes.

Roll Calls

Identical roll call votes were registered at the IEB meeting on motions for approval of the proposed annual budget, the proposed increase of ten cents in per capita payments, and the budget for the first fiscal quarter, ending July 31.

Yes votes were cast by Vice Presidents Hickey, D'Hondt, Rieger, McLaughlin, Crawford, Lane, Woods, and Collis, and by Executive Vice President Farson and Secretary-Treasurer Perlak; total, eleven.

No votes were by Vice Presidents Dobson, Wing and Egan; total, three.

Responding as "not voting" was President Rosenstock, one.

ANG Training Institutes End Successful Season

ANG's 1960-61 series of Regional Training Institutes — largest and most successful to date — came to a close May 13, with a session sponsored by the New England District Council at the headquarters of the Boston Guild.

The all-day institute drew about

30 representatives of nine New England Guild locals — Lynn, Manchester, Pawtucket, Portland, Providence, Salem, Woonsocket, Brockton and Boston.

Ellis T. Baker, ANG director of research and information, who conducted the series, reports that in all more than 550 members representing 64 locals took part in the 15 weekend sessions and local seminars which began last fall.

This year's topic was "The Steward: Guardian of the Guild."

Other recent institutes were held in Toronto, April 29-30, and New York, April 26.

The Toronto session was sponsored by the Canadian District Council and drew 40 participants from the Toronto, Ottawa, Canadian Wire Service and Buffalo Guilds. The District Council and the Toronto local were hosts at a dinner, Saturday evening, the 29th.

Colombian newsmen touring the continent under the auspices of the International Cooperation Administration, with the cooperation of ANG, were guests at the dinner and attended the Sunday session of the institute.

The New York session was an abbreviated version of the institute, including the showing of the film, "The Grievance," held in conjunction with a meeting of the New York Guild's Representative Assembly. About 100 RA delegates, stewards and members were present for the seminar, presided over by Arnold Drapkin, chairman of the RA and of the local's education committee.

Canada Labor Board Slates Hearing On Vancouver Cases

Vancouver, B. C.—The Canada Labor Relations Board has scheduled a hearing in Ottawa, June 6, on the applications of the Vancouver-New Westminster Guild and two other unions for bargaining rights on behalf of employees of Station CHAN-TV.

The Guild is seeking to represent about 40 employees in the station's news, production, commercial and administrative departments.

Other groups of employees are covered by the applications of the National Association of Broadcast Employees and Technicians and the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees.

The three unions conducted simultaneous organizing drives at the station.

Meeting Scheduled In Ottawa Dispute

Ottawa, Ont.—J. R. Henderson, examiner for the Ontario Labor Relations Board, has called a meeting of the Guild and Ottawa Journal management, May 31, to discuss a dispute over the unit sought by the Guild in the Journal editorial department.

At the hearing on the Guild's petition to represent about 50 employees in the department, management produced a list of employees containing eight additional names. Also at issue is the status of staff correspondents the Guild seeks to include in the unit.

It Won't Be All Work, Convention Hosts Vow

Vancouver, B. C.—Plans for entertaining delegates and their families during the weeklong ANG convention have been drafted by a Vancouver Guild committee of which Bob Nordin is chairman.

Although the convention program, as usual, will call for major attention from the delegates, on Wednesday afternoon, July 26, the entire convention party will be treated to an outing, followed by a sea food smorgasbord. The group will leave the Vancouver Hotel, 560-room convention headquarters, for a short trip via Stanley Park and Lions Gate Bridge to North Vancouver's Grouse Mountain.

This is a spectacular peak rising some 4,000 feet above Burrard Inlet, the deepwater harbor for Vancouver shipping, and is reached by a double chair-lift to a chalet near the top. The rewarding view includes a panorama of Vancouver itself, of the lower mainland of British Columbia, of Vancouver Island to the southwest and distinguishing points in the State of Washington, 40 miles to the south.

Following the mountain visit, the convention party will return to downtown Vancouver and the British Columbia packers wharf, where the host at the smorgasbord — serve yourself and come back for more — will be the B. C. Fisheries Association.

The committee suggests casual sports wear for the day. Festivities for the week will open Sunday evening, when a cocktail party will provide a social get-together. Pro football fans may view a Canadian-style contest on Monday evening at the Empire Stadium between the B. C. Lions and the Tiger Cats of Hamilton, Ont.

For wives, the week's program will include a tour of Chinatown, the continent's second largest such settlement, and a cruise on a privately-owned yacht, courtesy of the millionaire owner. Vancouver's retail stores also offer attractive selections and prices of British woolsens and china.

The Guild committee plans baby-sitting services for mothers with small children, and will make advance arrangements if requested, through Hugh McBain, in care of the Guild office at 119 West Pender street. Chairman Nordin also suggests that delegates requiring

special information or personal service write to him at the Guild office.

The local's hospitality committee also assures the convention that a supply of what it calls "out-standing local products" will be provided, including Canadian rye, potent Canadian beer, wines and sparkling cider.

The committee will also be able to arrange on short notice an evening salmon-fishing party, for devotees or for novices wanting to try their hand at a popular and productive sport.

And a final unnecessary suggestion to photographers: The city and its environs offer much to anyone with a camera.

Detroit Times Staffers Still Seeking Jobs

Detroit, Mich.—A spokesman for the Newspaper Guild of Detroit reports that more than half of the 388 persons in Guild jurisdiction when the Detroit Times folded six months ago are still jobless.

The former Hearst property was taken over by the Detroit News last November 7.

Donald F. Schram, local Guild president, said he hoped opportunities would open up in new fields for those still unemployed.

"Some are taking the difficult step of moving to jobs in other cities but even these are hard to find," Schram said. "Many experienced writers, artists, photographers, stenographers, etc., are still out of work."

Latest count shows that approximately 23 have been hired by the News and 22 by the Free Press. Altogether about 120 persons have been able to find temporary or permanent employment.

The Guild is one of a number of unions affected by the closing. A total of 1,400 lost their jobs. The problems of former Times employees in seeking re-employment is the subject of a study being made by Louis A. Ferman, of the Wayne State University Department of Sociology and Anthropology, under an Upjohn Institute grant.

The Guild is operating an employment service from its office, Room 720, Farwell Bldg.



ADVERTISING ART is charmingly personified by Toledo Guild Page One Queen, Virginia Gibson, clerk in the advertising department at the Toledo Blade. She reigned at the local's 12th annual ball, which attracted an attendance of 400 members and guests.

Tobenkin Award Entries Sought

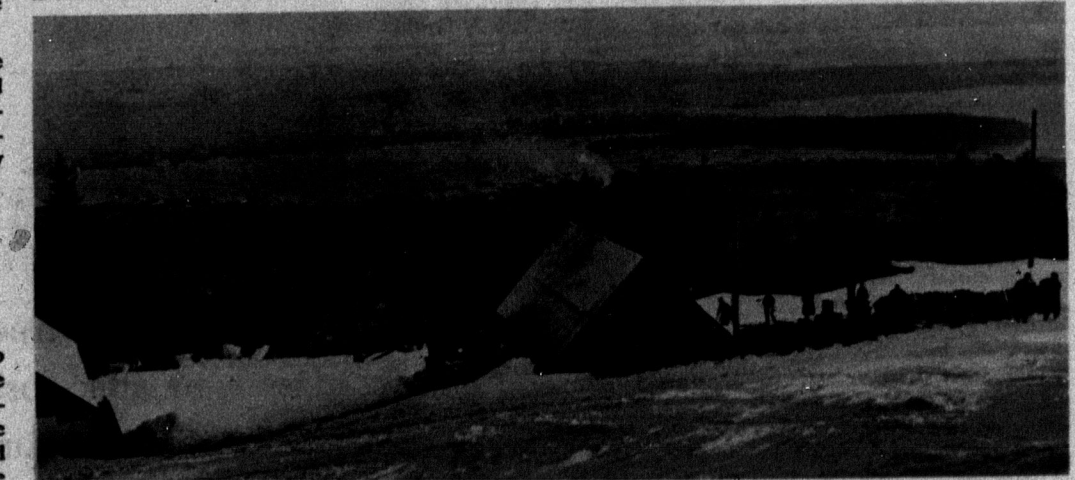
New York City—Deadline for entries in the first annual Paul Tobenkin Memorial Award competition has been extended to June 8.

The award, \$300 plus a citation, was established in memory of Tobenkin to recognize the best newspaper writing in his spirit on the subject of "the unending war against racial and religious hate, bigotry, bias, intolerance and discrimination."

It will be presented next June 16, the second anniversary of his death. Tobenkin was a reporter and news writer for the Herald Tribune for 25 years and was an active member of the New York Guild.

Eligible for the award are appropriate newspaper stories or editorials, singly or in series, published in daily papers in the United States between April 1, 1960, and March 31, 1961. Entries should be submitted to the Paul Tobenkin Memorial Award Committee, 133 West 44th St., New York 36, N. Y.

M. Michael Potok, secretary-treasurer of the New York Guild, is chairman of the committee.



Vantage Point: The Guild convention city of Vancouver is seen here from the crest of Grouse Mountain, destination of the annual outing for delegates and guests planned by the host local. Burrard Inlet forms the shore

front for downtown Vancouver, beyond which lies English Bay. The horizon line is that of Vancouver Island, 40 miles distant across the Strait of Georgia. The wooded peninsula in the middle right is the 1,000-acre world-famous Stanley Park.

HOW TO BUY

By **SIDNEY MARGOLIS**
Guild Reporter
Consumer Expert

Would you like a cop with muscles to help make sure you aren't deceived, by real experts at deceiving, when you go out to buy?

You'd have a powerful policeman on your beat if the U.S. Senate would approve Senator Maurice Neuberger's proposal to establish a Committee on Consumer Interests. The committee would investigate, inform and figure out legislation to halt the many drug deceivers who sharpshoot the public today.

The proposal is backed by 15 other Senators. But ironically, there has been no public support. The proposal is idling away in the Senate Rules Committee. It will die for lack of gas unless people start telling their Senators they want this committee.

Of all the proposals now being advanced in Washington for protecting consumers, this watchdog committee is potentially the most quickly useful, as shown by the success of Senator Kefauver's investigation of drug prices. The drug hearings not only spurred efforts by unions and other groups to find ways of buying medicines at reduced prices, but actually have helped deflate drug prices.

Watchdog Bill Needs Public Support

Ever since June, the Consumer Price Index has shown a gradual decline in prices of prescriptions and other medicines.

Three leading deceivers currently begging for Congressional investigation, and for your own awareness to avoid being fooled, are:

1.—The increasing trend to what we can only call *imitation foods*—watered meats, ready-prepared foods with various cheap fillers, etc.

For example, the Kansas State Food & Drug division is carrying on a running battle against products sold under such names as "Chef's Delight", "Dairy Spread", "Protein Loaf", etc. Evan Wright, division director, says these products are in fact, imitation processed cheese spreads. Such "cheese" products are sold all over these days. You may have noticed similar ones in your local stores.

Wright told this reporter that some of these products contain as little as ten percent cheese and as much as 65 percent water.

Most of the solids consist of such products as dry whey, non-fat milk solids, and vegetable gum. Wright warns, "These products are packed in two-pound bricks with color photographs and other indications that they may be used for cheeseburgers and other cheese dishes. These products are advertised in newspapers

and other media as cheese. Frequently the store displays have large signs indicating 'Cheese—2 pounds for 59 cents'. We do not believe that these products should be on the market, as their only purpose is to provide an inferior product which can be used for fooling the consumer."

Wright reports that state food and drug officials throughout the U. S. are opposed to the addition of excess water to smoked pork products. The U. S. Agriculture Department is holding public hearings this month in various cities, to review the permission to add water to smoked ham granted by the previous administration.

2.—The great amount of *buyer-fooling packaging*, making it difficult for you to know what you get for your money.

In June, a Senate Anti-Trust subcommittee headed by Senator Philip Hart is going to hold hearings on this trend to fool-the-eye packages. There's plenty to investigate, and you could waste a lot of money between now and June if you don't look for the tiny print stating the number of ounces.

Recently the Grand Street Consumers Co-Op in New York showed a display of fool-the-eye packages which startled Co-op store customers.

The co-op reported that "All" had dropped from 23 pounds, 10 ounces, to just 20 pounds, while the price remained the same. Similarly, Kraft caramels changed from a 16-ounce bag to 14-ounce, with the price still 39 cents. And, the co-op suggested, try to find the tiny "14 ounces" on the cellophane caramel bag while you're being pushed by a crowd of other shoppers.

Are you also aware of the candy-mint boxes? The Food and Drug Administration recently won an important court decision in a case against Delson Thin Mints. The evidence showed that less than half of the total volume of the container and only 75 percent of its practical volume was filled with mints. The remainder of the usable space was taken up with hollow cardboard dividers and end pieces. The court held that you have a right to expect that a non-transparent container of food is reasonably full.

This decision enables the government to move against other manufacturers who "slack-fill" their packages, and most immediately against other candy-mint sellers who use excessive padding so their boxes look much bigger than the contents.

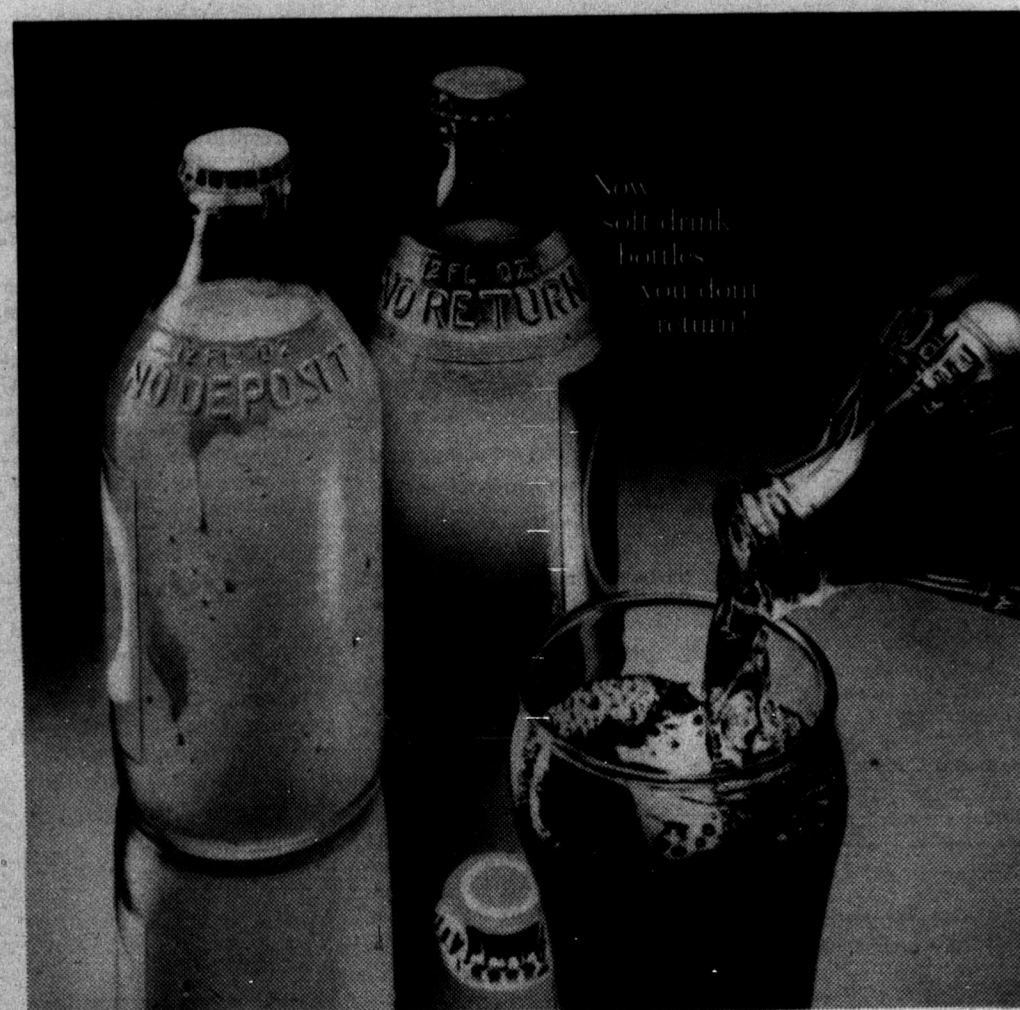
3.—Deceptive interest rates—the most dangerous fooler of them all.

Senator Paul Douglas' "truth-in-lending" bill has been reintroduced with the co-sponsorship of 20 other Senators. The bill would require that you be told the true annual interest rate when you buy on time or borrow money. As this department has warned many times, rates quoted by banks and finance companies, such as \$6 or \$7 per \$100, are actually true annual interest rates of approximately 12 or 14 percent. Rates quoted by small-loan companies, such as 2 percent a month, are actually 24 percent a year. The 1½ percent a month charged on "revolving credit" or "junior charge" accounts, by mail order houses and many department stores, actually is a true 18 percent a year.

Vance Austin, managing director of Credit Union National Association, warns consumers that passage of this bill is vital. "It's necessary to know the annual rate you pay for credit so you can compare different deals," he advises. "If the price tag clearly shows the simple annual interest rate, you'll be able to make an intelligent comparison of fees charged by different lenders and installment sellers."

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SOUP TO NONSENSE

Sincerely Yours

By **JANE GOODSSELL**, Portland, Ore., Guild

Dean of Admissions

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Dear Sir: Huntford has long been the college of my choice. I am a strong believer in the tradition of the all-male college because I feel that a person can best develop his capabilities in a studious atmosphere, removed from the distractions of the opposite sex. Since skiing is my favorite sport, I am also attracted by Huntford's snowy winters. Being the contemplative type, I would appreciate the rural atmosphere and revel in the beauty of the rhododendron-lined paths mentioned in your catalog. The superficialities of city life have no appeal for me. I hope you will give my application serious consideration.

Sincerely yours,
MALCOLM OVERBECK.

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Kenwick Institute of Technology

Dear Sir: Ever since I can remember I have longed to attend KIT. My main interest in life is science.

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Dear Sir: I am extremely impressed with the size and magnitude of Cragmore. Only in a large university do I believe it possible to develop fully as an individual. As you mentioned in your catalog, the breadth in curriculum offers unlimited opportunities. Furthermore, I am a strong believer in the fraternity system. Well do I know how much my father owes to his membership in Upsilon Omicron.

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Dear Sir: My greatest desire is to attend Skagmore College. I believe strongly in the tradition of co-education because I think that men and women together achieve intellectual and personal growth in a natural atmosphere of work and play. Since swimming is my favorite sport, I am naturally attracted by your mild year-round climate. My ambition in life is to become a lawyer, but I share Skagmore's belief in a broad liberal arts base.

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A PAGE FOR OFFICERS AND STEWARDS

Jobless Rate Holds At Depression Level

Despite signs that the national economy was in slightly better health in April, the unemployment rate for the month remained at its depression peak of 6.8 percent of the labor force, allowing for seasonal factors.

The jobless rate showed no improvement, the Labor Department said, although there was a greater-than-seasonal rise in the number of non-farm jobs. These went up 384,000 to a total of 52 million.

Barely perceptible gains appeared in the metal-working industries after a year-long decline. The real test, said Seymour Wolfbein, Labor Department manpower expert, will be whether "this small turnaround" will produce jobs in the coming months for the 1.9 million unemployed married men and the influx of new jobseekers. Overall unemployment totaled 5 million in April.

Some observers believe the unemployment report and the industrial production index reveal ominous tendencies:

While the Federal Reserve Board reported auto production up by 30 percent, the Labor Department reported the transportation equipment sector showed a gain of only 23,000 jobs to a total of 1.5 million in April. The FRB reported steel pro-

duction up 15 percent, but the Labor Department statistics revealed in the primary metal industries an increase of only 4,000 jobs to a total of 1.1 million. Both the auto and steel job gains, statistically, are considered insignificant.

Compared to April a year ago, the transportation equipment industry has lost 188,000 jobs and the primary metal industries 197,000 jobs.

On the positive side, the Labor Department reported a rise of six minutes in the average factory workweek to 39.2 hours in April. The workweek has risen by 30 minutes since the beginning of the year. The factory work force totaled 15.5 million, unchanged for March.

The increased workweek and a 1-cent boost in hourly earnings moved up average gross earnings of factory workers to \$91.34 in April, 63 cents over March and \$1 above January.

As the summary report showed earlier, while the jobless ranks were reduced seasonally by 500,000 to 5 million, "the number out of work 15 weeks or longer rose more than seasonally to a postwar high of 2.1 million." This long-term unemployed group totaled only 1 million last December. "Among the long-term unemployed in April," the report added, "were 900,000 without jobs for more than half a year."

RR Union Pact Guards Jobs In Automation Shift

The Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, approaching the problem of automation at the bargaining table, has achieved what it calls its best job protection agreement to date with the Norfolk & Western Railway Co.

The agreement covers the transfer of employees to a new electronic data processing center in the company's comptroller department at Roanoke, Va.

Management of the railroad agrees to give the union at least 90 days written notice of its intention to make such transfers. Workers in positions covered by the transfer may choose to follow their positions to the

comptroller department, to exercise their seniority and displace other workers in the same district, or to resign with severance pay. Employees displaced by the "bumping" process are given the same three options.

Those who choose the transfer are considered surplus employees in the comptroller department. They will be offered retraining by equal to that they formerly received and may not be laid off. They will be offered retraining by the company and an opportunity to bid for vacancies among regular jobs in the department. The "surplus workers" category will be eliminated gradually through normal attrition.

Those who transfer also are given two days with pay and travel expenses to find living quarters at the new location, all actual moving expenses, plus wages for time lost during the move and up to five days thereafter. They are also indemnified against loss in the sale of their homes or cancellation of leases, including loss of equity. If an employee must sell his home for less than fair market value, the company will reimburse him for the difference.

Those who choose to resign with severance pay are guaranteed monthly payments equal to 60 percent of average monthly pay during their final year of service. The payments are based on length of service, with the maximum set at 60 months for employees with 15 years of service or more.

Correction

Through a typographical error, the table published by the Guild Reporter in its April 14 issue, showing comparative Heller budget costs for 1959 and 1960, omitted the budget figures for housing.

For a salaried junior professional with a wife and two children, the budgets show, the annual housing cost in the San Francisco area was \$1,494.84 in 1960, against \$1,378.62 in 1959. A wage earner's family of four had annual costs of \$804 for rental of a 4- or 5-room dwelling in 1960, against \$780 in 1959.

The budgets, prepared by the Heller Committee for Research in Social Economics, University of California, are based on the cost of goods and services in the San Francisco area.

Plight Of Nation's Jobless Calls For Vigorous Action

Vigorous public and private action along four main lines is needed to achieve a significant reduction in the nation's joblessness, the AFL-CIO Department of Research declares.

Otherwise, there is little likelihood of "any immediate significant improvement" in unemployment, the department predicts in the current issue of its monthly publication, Labor's Economic Review.

The review urges action in these areas:

1. An increase to at least 5 percent a year in the economic growth rate through a temporary tax cut, public works programs, encouragement of private investment and similar policies.

2. Improvement of the federal-state system of unemployment insurance.

3. Better use of the collective bargaining process to cushion the impact of unemployment—better scheduling of work and overtime, transfers of workers, automation funds, retraining, reduction in working hours.

4. Special programs to melt "pockets" of unemployment caused by long-term joblessness. The Review made these recommendations for solving the problems of long-term unemployment.

► The U.S. Employment Service should again become a place where a worker can find a new job, instead of a place to go for jobless benefits. The entire operation, the Review said, must be revamped to develop a better placement service, give workers more effective counseling, and provide a better system of matching the unemployed worker to a job, even an out-of-town job.

► New legislation is needed to meet the special problems of older workers, developing a method whereby they can be retrained for newer skills.

► Congress should also consider a system of relocation allowances for unemployed families for whom jobs can be found in other parts of the country. Experience with the new depressed areas law will determine if such aid must be provided.

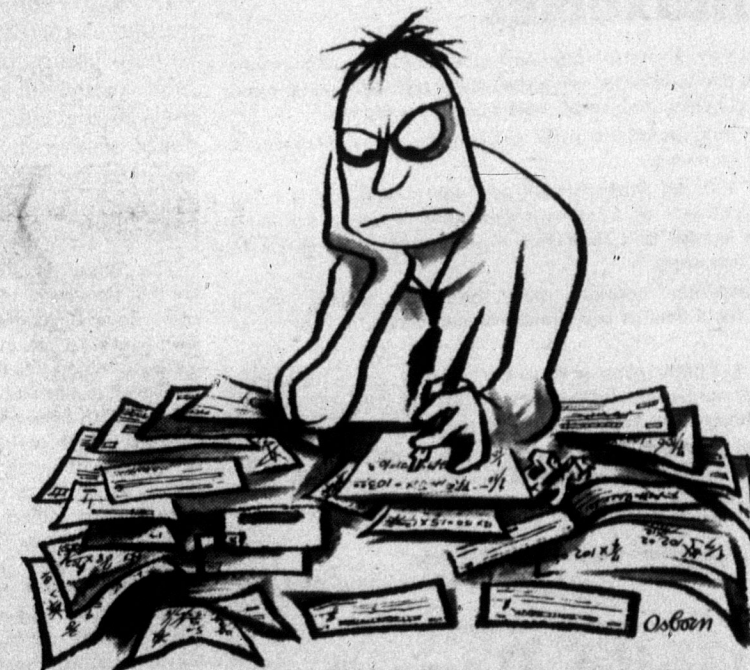
► The federal government could develop a special training

and work program, such as the Civilian Conservation Corps of the 1930s, for the younger unemployed. Those still in school should be encouraged to stay, at least until they are graduated from high school.

► A special educational program is needed to end the present discrimination by employers against workers 35 to 40 and over, plus a new retraining program for older workers. For those jobless at 55 or 60, special assistance may be needed to tide them over to retirement age.

► More effective government programs are needed to assure that qualified Negro workers be given equal hiring opportunities.

Although the current official unemployment figure of close to 7 percent is serious enough, the Review commented, it does not tell the whole story. The AFL-CIO publication noted that those working as little as one hour a week are counted as employed. It said Labor Department figures indicate that "approximately 3 million workers who wanted full-time work had to accept part-time jobs in April."



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EDITORIAL

Another 'Forum'?

In Editor & Publisher's opinion the reporter, as such, should have a voice in improving the newspaper "profession." And the trade weekly poses the question, "Shall there be a reporters' association?"

From the rest of E&P's comments, it is evident that such an association would serve as a forum in which the members could air their views on writing style, libel, confidential relationships with news sources, and like topics.

We'll agree that it would be wrong—if not impossible—to bar newsmen from the game of criticizing the performance of the press. Just now that seems to be one that any number can play. And the reporter happens to be in the best possible position to criticize his own paper, since he can make direct comparison between the facts of the story he handles and the eventual impact of that story, edited and headlined and positioned by publisher policy, upon the reader.

But we do not think that a national association, however handsomely mounted and publicized, can effectively answer the questions being raised as to publisher responsibilities, or in the area of ethics and professional standards of those who get the news to the readers. Prior to formation of the Guild there were many functioning associations of reporters, some of which held just such earnest debates as E&P envisions. Originally the Guild was composed solely of editorial department personnel.

Early in its history, the ANG adopted a code of ethics, which still stands. Its first draft of a constitution voiced its aim of guaranteeing "as far as it is able," constant honesty in the news. The enforcement of either is difficult.

But reporters are neither as cynical as sometimes pictured, nor as naive as their Ivory Tower colleagues, the editors. The latter group does have a national association, along "professional" lines. And its annual pronouncements are followed, each and every year, by profound silence from the quarter in which the actual power of the press is exercised, the offices of the nation's publishers.

The Untaxables

President Kennedy wants to close gaping loopholes in the income tax structure that allow business executives to charge off yachts, hunting trips, hunting lodges and lavish entertainment expenses.

The loopholes have permitted such lavish living—at the taxpayers' expense—as the following:

1. More than \$10,000 worth of expenses for maintaining a cabin cruiser for the president of a brewing company "because the company's plant was located in a slum area where it was not feasible to meet with customers."
2. "Business expenses" totalling more than \$1.1 million over a four-year period for a fleet of corporation-owned yachts for entertaining customers.
3. Claims of \$187,000 over a three-year period for a luxurious hunting lodge for a manufacturing firm's principal officer used for entertaining customers and key personnel of the firm.
4. A deduction of \$353,000 for maintaining facilities on a sub-tropical island for entertaining executives, accompanied by their families, plus \$90,000 for the expenses of an airplane used to take visitors to the resort.

The free enterprise system shouldn't be that free.

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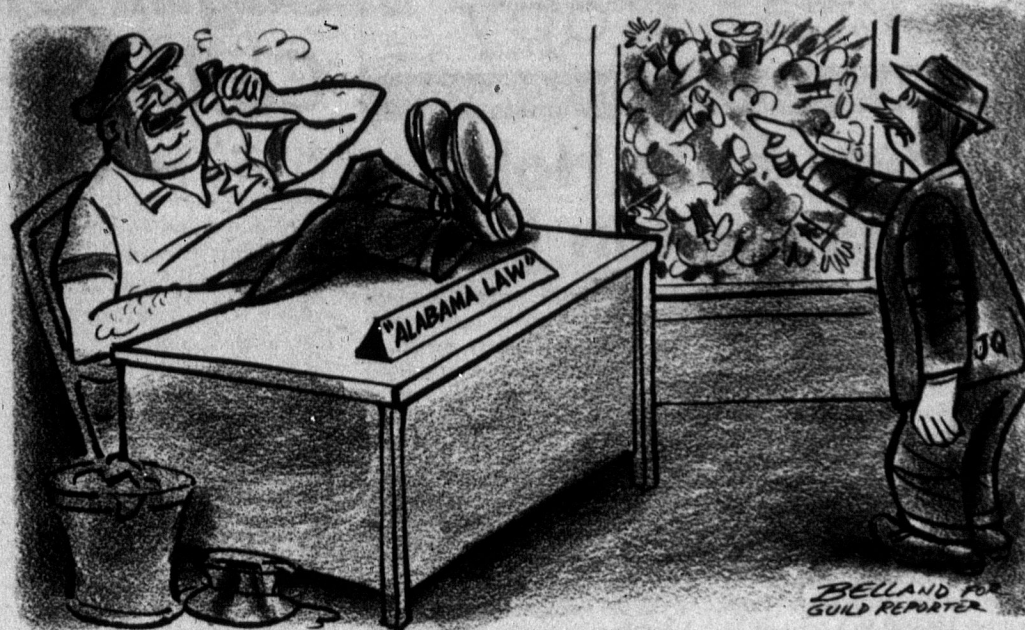
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'Just Simmer Down, Son; We Got Ever'thin' Under Control'



DATELINE: WASHINGTON

Kennedy Needs Public Backing
To Reverse International Tide

By WILLARD SHELTON, Washington Guild



Mr. Kennedy goes to Paris and Vienna under the burden of recent failures in foreign policy and palpable inadequacies in usable military power, and there is no doubt of his conviction that we need to give plain evidence of determination to reverse the tide.

The White House indications are that the President does not desire serious substantive discussions with Mr. Khrushchev. But in the nature of things, both in meeting the Soviet leader and in the earlier sessions with President de Gaulle, inevitably there will be approaches, however obliquely they may be stated, in which each of the national leaders will seek to discover useful information. They will seek to grasp attitudes involving the whole complex of Soviet-United States relations and on the American position in regard to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to which de Gaulle declines to give his confidence.

The President went before Congress just in advance of his departure to set forth convictions on what we must do as a nation to meet the circumstances of a world in ferment, with old societies and systems breaking up and new societies struggling to be born.

It seems altogether likely that eventually he will feel impelled to make the case again and again to the American people, emphasizing that new attitudes as well as new programs must be both formulated and supported.

No President has yet discussed with the people, for example, the enormous implications of the fact that many of the new sovereignties in Africa are not yet nations as our society uses the term—but that they must nevertheless be helped on their way because they can never be put back into colonial status.

Nor as a people have we been warned of the implications of the observable fact that in this process the Soviet Union has declared itself in—and that fulmination about "pressure" and "infiltration"

by Communist agitators is worse than useless, because it becomes a substitute for working out a policy to meet the fact.

Neither have our people been told that in the social revolutions clearly to be expected from every underdeveloped, poverty-stricken people, the economic views of conservative U. S. politicians are likely to carry little weight. A member of Congress who says the United States should have intervened militarily in Cuba when Castro seized the Nicaraguan nickel plant and some American-owned sugar facilities has totally lost his way.

Every new government that is part of a social revolution will obviously be active in forcing economic change, whether or not this is approved by North American free enterprise dogmatists.

Mr. Kennedy may have very useful conversations with President de Gaulle and Mr. Khrushchev. The more he learns, the more certain it will become that the United States and our people need expanded policies, perhaps subtly changed policies, to replace a habit of drift.

In the end, it seems to this reporter, a Kennedy determination to reverse the tide must come from his communication with the American people rather than from summit conferences of any type.

The broadcasting industry, incensed at the plain speech Chairman Newton M. Minow of the Federal Communications Commission made about television programming as a "vast wasteland," has retaliated by lobbying successfully to defeat a proposed reorganization of the FCC in the House of Representatives.

The trade magazine Advertising Age reported from Washington that Speaker Sam Rayburn had said flatly the Kennedy reorganization plan would not get through—which meant that the Commerce Committee recommendation for its defeat would be sustained on the floor. Mr. Minow lacked the support of fellow com-

missioners. There was talk, also, that members of Congress were annoyed that they had been consulted on the proposed reorganization by James M. Landis, the President's adviser on agency affairs, only at the last minute.

A case presumably can be made that FCC reorganization should be undertaken through legislation rather than by presidential directive. A similar case can be made, though perhaps to a lesser degree, about structural changes in almost every agency—and the reason executive reorganizations are authorized is that experience has shown that Congress simply will not carry through on such issues.

Mr. Minow was surely on sound ground in serving notice that radio and television licenses would not be automatically continued; that the FCC has a right to consider the performance of a licensee on promises to include public service and educational programming.

He was assuredly on sound ground in declaring that educational potential of network television and of local stations should be developed in the public interest.

If Congress retaliates for his speech—for the offended sensibilities of the broadcasting industry—by defeating the reorganization plan, it has a great responsibility to prove that it can legislate a structural reform of its own in the FCC.

Webb Seely

Cleveland, Ohio—Webb Seely, former president of the Cleveland Guild, died May 10 after a year of illness from cancer.

Then a staff member of the old Cleveland News, Seely was local president in 1956 when the Cleveland Guild went on strike against the Press and the other two dailies closed down. He had been a long-time member of the local's board.

Seely died one day after his 58th birthday. Since last year's closing of the News, where he had been a reporter, Seely had been employed on the county auditor's staff. His wife, father and two sisters survive him.