Boston Gains $270 Top, Up $62, In 2½-Year Herald-Traveler Pact

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Record Salaries Won For 7 Classifications

Boston, Mass.—The top minimum for advertising salesmen, including outside classified solicitors, is increased $62.40, to $270.40, in a 30-month contract hammered out in the face of a strike deadline at the Boston Herald-Traveler.

The top for reporters and circulation supervisors is increased $60, to $260. That figure is the highest to be negotiated for key circulation employes in any Guild contract. Record top minimums were also negotiated for six other key jobs.

The $62.40 increase for advertising salesmen represents an average annual increase of $25.96, the third highest ever negotiated in a Guild settlement.

The agreement was reached less than 48 hours before the expiration of a Jan. 24 strike deadline. It provides significant fringe gains as well as minimum increases of six percent every six months, with maintenance of differentials.

The largest increases, $68.70, will go to a group including editors, department heads, computer programmers, circulators and editorial cartoonists, whose top will go to $297.62.

Among other new top minimums are $203.85 for computer operators, up $47.05; $153.25 for general clerks, up $35.35; $171.56 for janitors, up $39.60; $117 for office boys, up $27; $270.40 for rewritemen, up $62.40; $171.56 for stenographers, up $39.60; $172.86 for telephone operators, up $39.90; $176.95 for inside classified solicitors, up $40.85, and $161.43 for key-punch operators, up $37.25.

The minimums for inside classified, lowest-paid clerks, stenographers, telephone operators, janitors and key-punch operators are the highest in any Guild contract.

The progression schedule for reporters is cut from four years to three.

The Guild also won an additional $1.30 per shift in pensions, increasing the company's contribution to $2.10 per shift with a weekly maximum of $10.50 instead of $4.

A 45-hour week for circulation supervisors is reduced to 40, and a 48-hour week for circulators is cut to 44.

The severance-pay ceiling is increased six weeks, to 62, and the service requirement for a fourth week's vacation is reduced from 15 years to 10. Mileage allowances are raised two cents, to 12.

Lambert Wins Broun Award For 'Life' Expose of Fortas

Broun Winner

ANG International Chairman James B. Woods right, presents $1,000 check to William Lambert, winner of ANG's 1969 Heywood Broun Award. Lambert won the honor for his Life magazine article exposing Supreme Court Justice Abe Fortas's relationship with the Wolfson Foundation.

ANG's 1969 Heywood Broun Award went to William Lambert of Life magazine Jan. 26 for the article that led to the resignation of Supreme Court Justice Abe Fortas.

Lambert, a former member of the Portland (Ore.) Guild, previously shared a Broun Award in 1956 for a series of articles in the Portland Oregonian.

Lambert's piece, the first magazine article to win a Broun prize, was one of 111 entries, the highest number in the contest's 29-year history.

The Broun Award, which carries a Guild citation and a $1,000 prize, was given Lambert during a luncheon held in conjunction with the quarterly meeting of ANG's International Executive Board in Washington.

The Broun judges, Robert E. L. Baker, assistant to the editor of the Washington Post; Julius Duscha, director of the Washington Journalism Center, and Sidney Epstein, assistant editor of the Washington Star, voted an honorable mention to Seymour M. Hersh of the Dispatch News Service for his articles on the slaying of Vietnamese civilians at My Lai.

The judges' official statement said that Lambert's expose in Life magazine of Justice Fortas's relationship with the Wolfson Foundation was "one of the most outstanding examples of journal-

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$1-a-Month Pacts Out of Fashion

"The old $1-per-month raise pattern" in Guild contracts is dead, ANG Field Operations Director J. William Blatz told the International Executive Board last month.

Blatz noted a half dozen recent settlements that have exceeded the $1 pattern, ranging as high as $3.04½ a month at the Washington Post and Daily News. Settlements at the Minneapolis Star and Tribune and the St. Paul Dispatch and Pioneer Press averaged $2 and $2.10 a month respectively, he noted.

Among other settlements Blatz cited in his report to the board was one averaging $1.50 in Cincinnati and another close to that figure in Sacramento.

Rising Prices Erode ANG Wage Goals

Accelerating increases in the U.S. Consumer Price Index, marking 1969 as the most inflationary year since the Korean War, are cutting deeply into Guild wage gains and making ANG's wage goals quickly obsolete.

The U.S. cost of living rose 6.1 percent during 1969. In Canada the cost of living rose 4.5 percent.

ANG's wage goal of $372 for key top minimums, set at the 1969 Convention in June, has been made obsolete by a 3.9-percent rise since the April index, on the basis of which the goal was computed. It now requires $14.51 more, or $386.51, to compensate for the increase in living costs alone.

The convention's goal of $248 for all key starting minimums is also obsolete. It now takes an additional $9.67, or $257.67, to match that goal. And ANG's goal of $186 for all other adult classifications now requires $7.25 more, or $193.25, to buy the

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Perlik Scores Subpenas, Warns Papers Not to Punish Resisters

The announced retreat of the U.S. Justice Department from its blanket news subpenas "must not be permitted to obscure the threat such demands pose to the right of the public to be served by a free and independent press," ANG President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., warned this week.

Perlik called upon President Nixon to "personally, publicly and unequivocally repudiate the precipitous and irresponsible demands of the Justice Department, which, if permitted to go unchallenged, would subvert basic protections of a free press in a manner unprecedented in our history."

He said the Guild "will fight any effort by employers" to discipline newsmen for resisting infringement of their legitimate activities.

Declaring that the Guild will continue to oppose challenges to newsmen's right to refuse to reveal confidential information, as it has over the years, Perlik said he has directed the Guild's legal counsel and Collective Bargaining Department "to determine how these protections can be further safeguarded" through Guild contracts and, if necessary, through new legislation.

He invited U.S. and Canadian newsmen, Guild members and nonmembers alike, to inform the Guild of such challenges as they arise. (Text of Perlik statement on Page 6.)

Earlier, the Western District Council and the New York Guild's representative assembly denounced the subpenas as "deceitful" and "a clear violation of the Bill of Rights."

U.S. Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell retreated last week in the face of protests voiced by rank-and-file newsmen and media executives over the rain of government subpenas for newsmen's notes, tapes and films.

Mitchell said the Justice De-

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Papers Move Against Crafts In Vancouver

Vancouver, B.C—The Vancouver Sun and Province obtained a temporary injunction this week from the British Columbia Supreme Court against what it termed a slowdown by members of the Typographical, ITU Mailers' and Pressmen's unions.

The unions have denied conducting a slowdown, blaming production losses on breakdowns and installation problems.

Bargaining between the publisher and the Joint Council of Newspaper Unions, including the Vancouver-New Westminster Guild, has been stalemated since late November.

The company, in a letter to the joint council last week, charged that the unions were staging a slowdown that was, in effect, a strike. The interruptions in production, it said, have resulted in so great a revenue loss that it was becoming "useless to continue publishing."

The letter declared that there was "no longer anything to be gained by vain attempts to publish" and said there might soon be no money for payrolls.

On Feb. 7 only 28,000 of the Sun's 285,000 circulation and 101,000 of the Province's 131,000 was printed.

Guild Executive Secretary William H. McLeman, in a reply on the council's behalf, categorically denied the company's charges, saying that its "take-it-or-leave-it posture" and "persistent refusal" to negotiate outstanding issues has prevented a contract settlement.

The company filed a $150,000 damage suit against the mechanical unions when negotiations were broken off in November, charging production slowdowns.

As ANG Goes...

Sen. Edmund S. Muskie, right, receives Guild membership card from ANG Secretary-Treasurer Robert M. Crocker, a fellow Maine man. Muskie, who became eligible for membership upon undertaking a syndicated column, wrote Crocker he would be honored to join. Congratulating him on his election as secretary-treasurer, Muskie wrote: "It is good to know that a man from Maine can win national elections."

$202 for Circulation Is Won in Columbus

Columbus, Ohio—Circulation roadmen and station operators have won a top minimum of $202, up $44.75, in a new three-year contract at the Columbus Dispatch.

The settlement followed a strike vote taken when the company hewed to an offer of only $22.50 over the contract's three-year span. The Guild also won $4.15 a week in pensions and $1.94 in health insurance.

The top minimum in the key circulation classification is increased $18 retroactive to Oct. 1, $16.50 next Oct. 1 and $10.25 in October 1971.

The top for circulation clerks is increased $29.95, to $133, and the top for secretaries is raised $31.70, to $143.30.

The extra pension contribution of $4.15, added in two steps, will increase the company's weekly payment to $14.15. The additional $1.94 health-insurance contribution will raise that figure to $5.34.

The Guild also won a seventh holiday, the employe's birthday, and a reduction in the service requirement for a fourth week's vacation from 20 years to 10 in three steps.

The severance-pay ceiling is raised three weeks, and mileage allowances are increased one cent, to 11 for roadmen and 11½ for station operators.

IR Top Increased $65 In New 3-Year Pact

A three-year contract raising the top minimum of ANG international representatives $65, to $330, was approved by the International Executive Board last month.

ANG's settlement with the Federation of Guild Representatives will provide a general increase of six percent a year, with a minimum increase of $40 in all top minimums. A reclassification will raise the flat minimum for executive secretary of the Contracts Committee by $75.50, to $315.

The settlement also increases staff life-insurance coverage from $5,000 to $10,000 in the third year of the contract, raises the mileage allowance one cent, to 11, and increases per-diem expense payments $2 immediately, to $10, and another dollar in the third year.

International Vice Presidents John C. Edgington of Columbus and Joe Holt Anderson, Jr., of Washington-Baltimore dissented from approval of the contract, declaring that increases of six to 7½ percent a year "cannot be characterized as either fair or equitable by today's standards."

A statement submitted by Edgington and endorsed by Anderson cited recent Guild settlements exceeding 10 percent in several cities and the current increase of more than six percent annually in the cost of living.

The IEB approved $65 increases for Field Operations Director J. William Blatz and Administrative Operations Director Ellis T. Baker. Their salaries will go to $393 over the three-year span of the FGR contract, from which they are exempt.

The IEB also approved payment of a monthly pension of $380—equivalent to a week's pay per month—to retired Executive Vice President William J. Farson. The bulk of Farson's pension will come from a pension fund covering ANG officers and staff.

Retirement Home Eyed by Council

Allentown, Pa.—The Middle Atlantic District Council last month asked ANG to study the possibility of obtaining federal funds to establish a warm-climate retirement home for Guild members.

The request was made at a council meeting here Jan. 24 and 25. The council also voted to adopt formal bylaws providing for a bracketed per-capita schedule according to local size but for equal representation from each local.

AP Attempts To Enjoin Arbitration

New York City—The Associated Press has obtained a temporary injunction to block the Wire Service Guild from arbitrating a dispute over a group of AP employes who revoked their dues checkoffs during last year's AP strike.

AP, in filing the suit, maintained that the dispute over revocation procedures is not arbitrable because the checkoffs were revoked after expiration of the Guild's old contract and before negotiation of the new one.

The Guild, in moving for arbitration, had contended that the employes failed to follow contract procedure for revoking their checkoff authorizations.

The Guild is asking that AP be ordered to resume checking off dues and assessments for the affected employes and to pay the Guild a sum equal to back dues and assessments, plus interest.

AP's request for a permanent injunction will be aired March 17 in New York City Federal Court.

Join in CLC Program, Canada Locals Urged

The International Executive Board last month urged Canadian Guild locals to participate to the fullest extent possible in the Canadian Labour Congress's current Citizenship Month program, geared to raising living standards.

The board noted that the CLC is seeking to focus attention on the development of a "cohesive social policy" for Canada through "a review of the entire system of social security to determine its adequacy as to coverage, benefits and allocation of costs."

The CLC is also attempting to stimulate support for "an adequate guaranteed minimum income for all Canadians as one step in assisting the raising of living standards of all Canadians in need," the IEB pointed out.

The board urged Canadian locals to solicit suggestions from the CLC for appropriate programs. Copies of the resolution were sent to all Canadian locals.

The IEB urged U.S. locals to co-operate in a nationwide League of Women Voters campaign to "emphasize the value of the franchise as the basis of American democracy" and to "encourage the broadest possible exercise" of that franchise.

The board warned that next fall's elections for the Senate and House may swing Congress to the right and transform it into "an arm of the administration and of those who would emasculate the effectiveness of workers and their unions."

"If Congress is to remain as an effective balance to the administration," the board declared, "workers and their unions, including Guild members and locals, must bestir themselves in an extraordinary effort at political education and action."

The board reminded locals of repeated convention calls for the formation of local political-action committees and for local voter-registration projects, including registration drives on company premises where possible.

It reminded locals that they can "aid in election or re-election of progressive, proworker candidates" by participating in dollar drives conducted by the AFL-CIO's Committee on Political Education. It urged all locals to conduct such drives.

Board Urges Senate Veto Of Carswell

The International Executive Board last month urged the U.S. Senate to reject the nomination of G. Harrold Carswell to the Supreme Court.

Joining the AFL-CIO and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights in opposition to Carswell's appointment, the board declared that the judge's record in civil-rights cases is "a matter of serious concern."

The board said that "sufficient question has been raised about his background and philosophy" to make Carswell's appointment "a threat to maintenance of public confidence in the court."

"On the basis of available information," it said, "we believe he fails to measure up to the standards against which Supreme Court membership must be gauged, standards which must be inviolate if the judicial system is to continue to be regarded as the proper arena for redress of grievances."

The board cited the revelation of a 1948 campaign speech in which Carswell stated his belief in "the principles of white supremacy" and his apparent participation in "an attempt to circumvent a Supreme Court ruling that municipal recreation facilities must be open to white and black citizens alike."

"No appointment should be made to the Supreme Court which will threaten the effectiveness of the court as a continuing source of hope to minorities seeking the full equality guaranteed them as citizens," the IEB declared.

IT SEEMS TO US

That L.A. Strike Shot: Rebuttal to a Rebuttal

San Jose, Calif.

Editor:

I noted with disgust the letter from fellow Local 98 Guild member Robert Dudnick (Jan. 9) in which he bleated forth his shock at the "disgraceful" letters (Dec. 12) of Carlton L. Smith of Manchester and John Pauly of Buffalo. Let Dudnick then take notice of this letter from a member of his own local.

I've been a member of Local 98 for nine years and didn't know Dudnick was a member here until I read his letter to the editor. I must then assume that he is a fairly new member.

I point out that his opinion is his own and not all our members share his views on the matter of SDS or similar groups' getting into our labor problems by "supporting" us on the picket lines.

In my opinion, when the citizenry reads of SDS and other radical groups walking picket lines with our members, labor as a whole is equated with those groups.

I flatly state that when a labor organization seeks or allows the support of *any group* that, for all other intents and purposes, is trying to overthrow our way of life (including labor-management), that labor organization has lost my support.

JAMES D. GEIGER
Sergeant at Arms
San Jose Guild

By ANG Convention action, letters shall be limited to 200 words and shall avoid libel and subjects detrimental to the Guild. Members subjected to personal attack shall be given opportunity to reply in the same issue, but publication of either attack or reply shall not be delayed longer than one issue.

Letters relating to elections or referenda to appear in the issue preceding distribution of ballots and subsequent issues preceding the start of voting shall be confined to rebuttal of material already published.

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Sun Snubs Guild Plan to Settle Strike

Baltimore, Md.—The Washington-Baltimore Guild has proposed that the bargaining approach used to settle a 55-day San Francisco mailers' strike in 1968 be adopted to help settle a six-week-old Pressmen's strike against the Baltimore Sunpapers and Hearst's News American.

The proposal met initial rejection from the Sunpapers.

Local Administrative Officer Brian L. Flores urged at a press conference Jan. 29 that the publishers and the unions open all newspaper contracts for immediate renegotiation, negotiate a joint settlement with a common expiration date and pick a mediator to guide the negotiations. The unions would all ratify the settlement and return to work at the same time.

The Typographical Union and the International Mailers, as well as the Pressmen, are currently in bargaining. The Guild's contract at the Sunpapers is scheduled to expire in June, the Stereotypers' in March, the Photoengravers' in April and the Teamsters', in July.

"Rather than sit down with the striking union and hammer out a collective-bargaining agreement." Flores charged, "the publishers would rather move back and forth between the unions with open contracts and give the appearance of bargaining.

"These efforts do little more than waste time and serve to prolong the strike and its effect on the Baltimore community."

The Guild proposal was endorsed by the Mailers but was rejected by Sunpapers General Manager Donald Patterson in a television interview the next day. He charged the Guild with interfering in a bargaining situation that did not concern it.

Pressmen's bargaining has been intermittent since the start of the strike, with the union exploring ways of reaching a quick settlement on noneconomic issues. Another session was scheduled for yesterday.

The Sunpapers Jan. 30 released checks for back pay earned by Guildsmen and other unionists before the strike began. The move came after Maryland Commissioner of Labor and Industry Henry Miller, acting on a Guild complaint, informed the company that it was liable to fines under Maryland law.

As a result of the strike, a shopper, the Baltimore Advertiser, has been transformed into an interim daily.

Recent contributions to the Guild's strike fund include:

Chicago Guild	$ 50
North Jersey Guild	25
Seattle Guild	400
San Jose Guild	50
Stockton Guild	25
New York Guild	1,000
Vancouver-New Westminister Guild	100
Pawtucket Guild	25
Philadelphia Guild	100
Cleveland Guild	100
Columbus Guild	50
Boston Guild	50
Toledo Guild	50
Cincinnati Guild	50
San Francisco-Oakland Guild	100
Terre Haute Guild	25

Contributions to date total $2,789.

Guild Photo by George Cook

Protest

Washington-Baltimore Local Representative Michael Stuart, coffee cup in hand, helps lead contingent of 100 Guild members in a mass union picket line protesting the Maryland Employment Security Department's refusal to grant jobless pay to employes idled by Pressmen's strike against Baltimore's two daily newspapers.

IEB Warns ANG Faces Operating Deficit

ANG's General Fund entered the fourth quarter of the 1969-70 fiscal year with a deficit of approximately $26,000 "which is not likely to be substantially reduced" before the fiscal year ends March 31, the International Executive Board reported last month.

Despite revenue gains as membership rose, the General Fund had a net deficit for the second quarter in a row, the IEB reported. Third-quarter expenditures were some $9,400 more than income, and coupled with an earlier $16,500 deficit led to a total deficit of about $26,000.

The International Defense Fund recorded a net gain during the third quarter, reaching a net worth of $611,000, the highest point in several months, the IEB said. However, since the quarter began, benefits to Guild members striking in support of Pressmen in Baltimore are requiring more than $20,000 a week.

"On the brighter side," the board said, "the average number of members for whom per-capita payments were made was above the 1969 Convention's estimate of 29,000, reaching a peak of 30,293 in October."

Defense Fund assets have risen each month since the IEB met last October, from $551,405 at the end of September to $711,654 at the end of December, the board said. ANG began repayment last month of a $100,000 loan from the AFL-CIO in installments of $10,000.

At this rate of increase, the board said, it would appear that the added expense of the Baltimore strike "would leave little or no room" for gain in the Fund despite a slow decline in payments to strikers in Los Angeles.

The IEB, in other financial actions:

- Authorized ANG to accept non-Guild funds should they become available to finance a temporary addition to ANG's staff to continue a study of recruiting and training programs for minority groups in the newspaper industry.
- Approved a fourth-quarter budget of $183,571 and third-quarter expenditures of $189,452.
- Approved contributions of $25 to the American Civil Liberties Union, the Rural Advancement Fund of the National Sharecroppers' Fund, the City of Hope, CARE, the United Federation of College Teachers and the Fair Campaign Practices Committee; $50 to the Labour College of Canada and $100 to the Washington Area United Givers Fund, and continued $50-a-month contributions to the United Farm Workers' Organizing Committee.

Harrison and Schrode asked to be recorded as voting against all contributions except that to the Farm Workers.

Editorial Board Expanded

Rochester Staff Gets Policy Voice

Rochester, N.Y.—Newsroom staffers from deskmen to copy boys are being added on a rotating basis to the policy-making editorial board of Gannett's Times-Union and Democrat & Chronicle.

General Manager Al Neuharth, in announcing the plan for staff participation, said the company believes control of policy "should be in the bosses' hands, because that's where the ultimate responsibility lies."

"But," he added, "we also feel publishers and managers should make certain that journalists at every level are encouraged to contribute their best talents and ideas."

Neuharth's announcement came Jan. 19, just two days after Rochester Guild President Bruce Lambert resigned from the Democrat & Chronicle and posted a letter criticizing the paper's editorial policies on the bulletin board. The Guild later mimeographed Lambert's letter, circulating it among the membership.

Under the Gannett plan, in operation for more than two weeks, a newsroom staffer is selected from each of the two Rochester papers to become a rotating member of the editorial board. The staffers participate in the daily conference of the board as voting members.

The company said periodic rotations will be used to insure a cross section of opinions from staff veterans and newcomers, reporters and copyreaders, photographers and copy boys.

Neuharth said that "formal participation" in editorial decisions would provide a way for staff members to "contribute actively to improving the quality and effectiveness of these newspapers."

Chicago Acts To Aid Fight On Gag Rule

Chicago, Ill.—The Chicago Guild last month moved to intervene in the case of a Chicago attorney cited for violating a Federal Court order forbidding lawyers to explain legal actions to the news media.

The local executive board, declaring that the case "affects the rights of newsmen all over the country," asked the assistance of ANG counsel in preparing a brief invoking freedom of the press.

The attorney, Frank W. Oliver, was cited after an interview in which he discussed a petition by 35 attorneys for a delay in criminal trials at the U.S. Courthouse until the Chicago conspiracy trial is over.

The order under which he was cited has since been superseded by a less restrictive directive. But Oliver has indicated he will contend that no directive operating as a prior restraint on publication is constitutional unless there is a "clear and present danger of contaminating the fact-finding or judicial process."

Oliver and the other attorneys had sought a delay in trials at the courthouse on the ground that demonstrations, courtroom disturbances, the presence of armed marshals and other extraordinary circumstances surrounding the conspiracy trial have produced a climate in which "dispassionate deliberation" by jurors in other cases is impossible.

Judge in Brantford Rebuffs Newsman's Privilege Plea

Brantford, Ont.—An Ontario judge ruled last month that Brantford Expositor Guildsman John White was a "compellable witness" in a police tribunal hearing.

Judge R. H. Fair rejected White's argument that he should not be compelled to testify on the authenticity of a letter to the editor by one of two constables charged with violating an Ontario law forbidding policemen to talk with the press on police matters without permission. White is an editorial writer for the Expositor.

Fair said the only recognized legal privilege is the one between an attorney and his client.

Fair, in his ruling Jan. 27, said the tribunal was not competent to rule on White's charge that the Ontario law is unconstitutional. White had contended that the law was superseded by the Federal Constitution and represented an indirect attempt to censor news about police matters.

White was not called to testify, however, because the tribunal quashed the charges against the two constables. It ruled that the Board of Police Commissioners' case was prejudiced when the Brantford Police Association wrote a letter to the Expositor on the case with the police board's permission.

The constable's letter had urged release of an Ontario Police Commission report on the Brantford Police Department.

Arbitration Pact Ends Guild AFL-CIO Strike

Members of the Washington-Baltimore Guild's AFL-CIO headquarters unit staged a one-day strike Feb. 9 but returned to work following an agreement on arbitration of outstanding issues.

The strikers, who did not establish a picket line, agreed to return after accepting the AFL-CIO's proposal to have William Doherty, retired president of the National Association of Letter Carriers and a former AFL-CIO vice president, arbitrate wages, vacations and other issues.

Hearings will begin March 9, with the award to be announced March 30.

The AFL-CIO unit voted strike authorization by 70 to 3 Feb. 5 after rejecting a management offer valued at seven percent over one year. The unit, which includes members of the federation's publications, research, education, legislative and other departments, is seeking a 27-percent increase over two years.

The local formally sought strike approval from ANG two days later, but ANG President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., who was in New York, replied that he was deferring action on its request because "widespread ramifications, so apparent to all, make it imperative every avenue of peaceful settlement be explored."

Accordingly, Perlik said, he had accepted AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Lane Kirkland's invitation to appear before the AFL-CIO Executive Council next week for a scheduled discussion of the bargaining situation.

Under the ANG Constitution, ANG strike approval is required if any ANG funds are to be used during a strike.

Although both sides had agreed to arbitration in principle before the strike, the question of an arbitrator had remained in dispute, with the AFL-CIO suggesting the executive officer of an AFL-CIO affiliate to be named by the Executive Council, and the Guild seeking an arbitrator from the American Arbitration Association.

Gerald Duncan Dies; Ex-N.Y. Unit Leader

New York City—Gerald Duncan, a former chairman of the New York Guild's old Daily News Unit, died last month at the age of 66.

Duncan, a charter member of the Guild, was a reporter, rewriteman and editorial writer on newspapers in New York, Los Angeles, Baltimore and Philadelphia. He helped lead Guild organizing efforts at both the old New York Journal-American and American Weekly.

THE SHORT OF IT

Academy of Strikebreaking

Newspaper unions at the Milwaukee Journal have accused the company of sending nonunion employes to a school for strikebreakers.

Informed that the Journal was sending employes to a school in Oklahoma City to receive training in jobs covered by union contracts, representatives of eight unions met with management to protest the step as a violation of "good-faith" sections of their contracts.

The company admitted that it intended to use the employes to perform the jobs of any union members who might go on strike, declaring that "our policy is to . . . avoid work interruptions that . . . impair our services."

Gannett Appetite Grows

The Gannett Co. is currently holding acquisition discussions with the owners of five newspapers or chains and at least three broadcasting stations, Financial Vice President John Purcell has disclosed. Purcell said all the newspaper talks involve dailies without competition in rapidly growing towns.

The latest Gannett acquisition is the Melbourne (Fla.) Times, bought from Perry Publications. Melbourne is only a few miles from Cocoa, where Gannett publishes Today.

Meanwhile, the Copley chain's South Bay Daily Breeze has purchased two community weeklies in its area from Rogers & McDonald Publishers, owners of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin have contracted to buy the Guam Daily News, and the Good Reading Corp. has acquired the North American Newspaper Alliance and three of its subsidiaries, including the Bell-McClure Syndicate.

Ads Refusable? Pick Your Judge

While a federal judge in Chicago has ruled that newspapers are not under compulsion to accept ads under the First Amendment, a federal judge in Madison has ruled just the opposite. The judge held that a student paper at the University of Wisconsin's Whitewater campus violated free speech by refusing to print ads on a university employes' union, Vietnam and race relations. He termed rejection of the ads "an impermissable form of censorship."

The issue may come before the U.S. Supreme Court. The Amalgamated Clothing Workers, the plaintiff in the Chicago case, is appealing the decision.

Field, Newhouse Wed

The merger urge has overtaken two of the nation's major newswire services.

Field Enterprises' Chicago Daily News Service and the Newhouse News Service have combined their wires under the impetus of an increase in wire rates recommended by a Federal Communications Commission examiner. The two services will cut costs by sharing a wire.

Guild Scores Post Haste

The Guild's New York Post Unit says it won't move into the company's new building—the old New York Journal-American plant—until it is safe.

The unit, acting with the support of the local executive board, adopted a resolution denouncing management for seeking to move while the building was still undergoing repairs. It said stairs and walls remain major hazards.

Hartford Times Pledges No Threats

The Hartford Times has agreed to post a notice promising not to threaten its employes with economic reprisals because of Guild activity. The agreement settled an unfair-labor-practice charge brought by the Connecticut Guild in the course of an organizing drive . . . New Jersey's two Guild locals, North Jersey and Hudson County, are exploring the possibility of merger; four-member committees from each local will meet to weigh the move.

New Wire Service Aide To Focus on Organizing

New York City—The Wire Service Guild's representative assembly voted Feb. 7 to hire an assistant to Administrator Ray Mann. The assistant will direct "particular attention to organizing" free riders.

ANG President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., who attended the meeting, offered ANG facilities to train the asistant when he is hired.

The assembly appointed 11 regional organizing chairmen to press the campaign. ANG Director of Field Operations J. William Blatz participated in discussion of the free-rider problem.

In other actions, the assembly:

- Pledged support to the United Telegraph Workers in its current bargaining with United Press International.
- Directed Wire Service delegates to this year's ANG Convention in June to introduce a resolution "condemning practices by management and unions that promote racial imbalances."
- Asked ANG to discuss ways in which the local might invest its defense fund in order to gain a higher rate of return.

Guild Upheld, Vote Ordered In Wilmington

Rejecting the Wilmington News and Journal's claim that its 21 deliverers are independent contractors, the National Labor Relations Board last month ordered a representation election on a Philadelphia Guild bid to represent them.

The NLRB ruled that the company has retained "the right to control the basic manner and means, as well as the result, of the deliverers' work," the board's basic criterion for determining that someone is an employe.

The election will be held Feb. 17.

The board pointed out that while the drivers own their trucks, they "retain practically no independence in their operations" and have little possibility of increasing their earnings by changing "the established method of operation."

The company, it noted, determines territories and drop spots, leaving the deliverers "no room for the exercise of true discretion." And, it added, the company exercises "necessarily close supervision of the deliverers to insure proper and timely delivery of the paper."

The board pointed out that three of the deliverers apparently did not even operate under the formality of a written contract. In any case, it said, work practices showed they were not independent.

Delivering the Message

More than 400 Los Angeles unionists march at Sears, Roebuck & Co.'s Hollywood store in a mass demonstration promoting the newspaper unions' boycott of Sears, one of the leading advertisers in Hearst's struck Los Angeles Herald-Examiner.

L.A. Boycott Pressed

400 Unionists March at Sears

Los Angeles, Calif.—More than 400 unionists mobilized by strikers at Hearst's Los Angeles Herald-Examiner staged a boycott demonstration at Sears, Roebuck & Co.'s Hollywood store Feb. 1. Demonstrators ringed the store, receiving wide television and radio coverage.

Sears was targeted as one of the largest remaining advertisers in the struck paper.

The Herald-Examiner's advertising linage continues to decline as the strikers press advertising-boycott activity. December linage fell to 1,641,493, down 307,337 lines from December 1968.

The first round in the Guild's move for arbitration over Hearst's failure to pay alternate retirement benefits was fought Feb. 3 as hearings began before arbitrator Thomas Roberts. The case involves the arbitrability of retirement benefits for strikers who were age 65 or had 25 years' service when the strike began.

Additional contributions to the Los Angeles Guild strike fund totalled $1,242. Recent contributions include the following:

Boston Guild	$400
Chicago Guild	950
Kenosha Guild	25
North Jersey Guild	175
St. Louis Guild	250
San Francisco-Oakland Guild	300
San Jose Guild	100
Stockton Guild	50
Terre Haute Guild	75
Washington-Baltimore Guild	25
Sioux City Guild	100
Chattanooga Guild	25
Hawaii Guild	100
Brockton Guild	50
Peoria Guild	50

The latest donations bring total contributions to $173,654.

Music Man

Los Angeles, Calif.—The Los Angeles Herald-Examiner strike has its own Music Man.

Guildsman George Heussenstamm, a district manager, spends 20 hours a week on the picket line and most of the rest composing avant-garde classical works.

Four of his compositions were played at the Composers' Forum in New York late last year, and Heussenstamm appeared on an FM radio program and lectured at two colleges at the time. Recently he was commissioned to to write a 12-minute "Museum Piece" for the opening of the Pasadena Art Museum.

Except for a few violin lessons as a boy, Heussenstamm is self-taught.

Hearst Ad-Boycott List

The following national advertisers have most consistently supported Hearst by advertising in the struck Los Angeles Herald-Examiner, according to the Herald-Examiner Joint Strike-Lockout Council.

SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO.

J. C. PENNEY

THE MAY CO., with department stores in these cities:
- Los Angeles—The May Co.
- San Diego—The May Co.
- St. Louis—Famous-Barr
- Baltimore—The Hecht Co.
- Washington—The Hecht Co.
- Pittsburgh—Kaufmann's
- Akron—M. O'Neil Co.
- Jacksonville—May-Cohens
- Cleveland—The May Co.
- Portland, Ore.—Meier & Frank
- Youngstown—Strouss-Hirshberg
- Hartford—G. Fox & Co. and Brown Thomson Inc.
- Denver—May D. & F.

GENERAL TIRE & RUBBER CO.

FIRESTONE TIRE & RUBBER CO.

GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO.

B. F. GOODRICH TIRE CO.

AMERICAN TOBACCO CO.: All brands, including Lucky Strike, Pall Mall, Herbert Tareyton, Montclair, Carlton, Half & Half and Colony cigarettes; Bull Durham tobacco, and La Corona, Bock y Ca., Antonio y Cleopatra and Roi Tan cigars.

KRAFT FOODS: All products, including Miracle Whip dressings and spreads, Parkay, Deluxe and Miracle margarines, Kraft cheeses, and other dairy foods.

GENERAL MOTORS CORP.: All divisions, including Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, Vauxhall and Opel automobiles; A.C. spark plugs, Delco auto batteries and radios, and Frigidaire home appliances.

Toronto Papers Quash Stories On Mass Firings by Advertiser

Toronto, Ont.—The Toronto Star and Telegram refused to print stories about the dismissal of almost 200 maintenance workers by one of their biggest advertisers, the Toronto Guild's official publication charged last month.

Both an interpretive piece written by Telegram reporter Marc Zwelling and a spot-news story filed when one of the fired employes visited City Hall were suppressed by the Telegram, said the Guild publication New Lead. A similar story filed by a Star reporter was also suppressed, the New Lead said.

The editor of Toronto's third paper, the Globe & Mail, confronted with the New Lead story when he testified before the Special Senate Committee on the Mass Media, said his paper had decided to run something on the firings only in the context of an over-all piece on similar dismissals involving newspaper and government employes.

The stories concerned dismissals accompanying the contracting-out of maintenance work by the Eaton Co. department-store chain. The Eaton family owns "a large chunk" of the Telegram, the New Lead noted.

The Zwelling story reported that only from 10 to 20 percent of the dismissed employes were being hired—at lower pay—by the company to which Eaton maintenance was being contracted out.

Zwelling was told his story had been killed by the Telegram's "Eaton censor," the New Lead said.

The Globe & Mail was not criticized in the New Lead story, but Editor Richard J. Doyle told a Senate Committee hearing in Ottawa that his paper had not printed anything on the Eaton dismissals yet because it decided "the real story" was in the context of similar contracting-out moves elsewhere. He said it was planning to publish a piece when all the facts were in.

Globe & Mail Publisher, James L. Cooper, confronted with a copy of the New Lead story by Sen. J. Harper Prowse of Alberta, charged that the Guild was not completely neutral in dealing with maintenance-staff dismissals because it was involved in a similar problem affecting its own members at the Star.

'Hearst Award' Goes to Star

Toronto, Ont.—The Toronto Guild's New Lead last month gave the January Hearst Award for Journalism a la Spanish-American War" to the Toronto Star.

The New Lead reported that a five-column picture, run Jan. 12 with a caption stating that it depicted Biafran refugees "running like rabbits from the collapsing battle front," was actually taken in 1968, according to an Associated Press tag received with it in the Star newsroom.

"The culprits covered their tracks by cropping the picture and flopping the negative," the New Lead said.

Stamp of Success

Cleveland Press Guildsman Bernard B. Noble holds plaque received from the Cleveland Newsphotographers Association in recognition of the selection of his picture of President Eisenhower for the Eisenhower Commemorative Stamp (inset). The picture, taken at Eisenhower's Gettysburg farm in 1963, was chosen from among thousands submitted for the recently issued stamp.

Picket-Line Fines Upheld

IEB Rejects 13 St. Louis Appeals

The International Executive Board last month rejected the appeals of 13 St. Louis Guild members fined for crossing picket lines during a Paper Handlers' strike at the St. Louis Post-Dispatch last April.

The board upheld an appeal by one member and reduced the fine against another to a reprimand.

The board, approving a report of its Appeals Committee, dismissed appeals by Jack Rice, L. Brewster Jackson, Charles Bunce, Emory S. Evans, Jerome P. Curry and Curtis Matthews on the ground that they did not state any or a sufficient basis for the appeal.

It rejected appeals by Frank E. Eckhardt, Frank E. LaRue, Jr., Willie F. Hopson, Doyle Grant and Macelo Robinson as lacking merit. And it turned down appeals by John B. Riordan and Gary R. Chapman, rejecting their contentions that the picket line at the Post-Dispatch's radio station was a secondary boycott and that the Guild was not entitled to sanction it.

It allowed an appeal by James E. Sprehe on the basis of his statement that he did not cross the picket lines, and it reduced the penalty against Thomas S. Yates, Jr., to a reprimand on the basis of his statement that he had advance notice the strike had been settled.

In other actions, the board referred to the International Elections and Referendum Committee proposals by the Boston and San Francisco-Oakland locals for changes in ANG election rules.

Boston asked that the rules be modified to allow it to continue a system of balloting under which ballots are distributed in the shops and returned by mail.

San Francisco-Oakland urged the elimination of a requirement that local election committees issue a list of names and addresses of those to whom ballots are mailed and the formulation of a rule facilitating the issuance of duplicate ballots.

The board named International Chairman James B. Woods and President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., as delegates to the International Federation of Journalists Congress in Stockholm starting June 7. Canadian Regional Vice President Glen Ogilvie and International Representative Robert J. Rupert were named to represent ANG at the Canadian Labour Congress's convention in Edmonton, Alta., starting May 18.

Soaring Prices Erode Guild's Wage Goals

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same amount of goods and services.

Adjusting the wage goals to compensate for the increase in U.S. productivity would raise them to $389.21, $259.48 and $194.60, respectively.

ANG's wage goals are based on increases in the cost of living and productivity since 1946, when a goal of $100 a week was set.

In Canada, application of the cost-of-living plus productivity formula produces an even higher figure than in the United States; $503.32 for key top minimums, $251.66 for all other adult jobs.

On Jan. 1 it took $1.28 in Canada to buy what $1.22 would have bought a year ago and what $1 would have bought in 1961.

An accelerated jump of six-tenths of one percent in December drove the U.S. Consumer Price Index to 131.3. As a result, goods and services that cost $10 in the index's 1957-59 base period now cost $13.13.

The 6.1-percent increase in the index marked 1969 as the most inflationary year since 1951, when the index rose eight percent.

And a seven-tenths of one percent increase in the January U.S. wholesale price index indicates that the inflationary spiral is continuing at an accelerated pace.

Guild bargaining gains have suffered from the increased prices. A newspaper employe earning $100 as 1969 began would now require $106.10 just to stay even. An employe earning $200 would require 212.20.

December marked the 11th consecutive month in which the purchasing power of the average U.S. worker shrank, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Real spendable earnings (gross pay minus taxes and losses from inflation) for a worker with three dependents fell to $77.69 weekly, down 33 cents from November and 1.1 percent from December, 1968.

Perlik Pledges Co-operation To Pressmen

ANG President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., last month pledged the Guild's continuing co-operation with the International Printing Pressmen's Union in a message to the union's new president, J. Frazier Moore.

Moore was elected by the Pressmen's executive board for an interim period following the death of President Anthony J. DeAndrade of an apparent heart attack in Washington Jan. 20. Perlik sent a message of condolence to the Pressmen, and both Perlik and J. William Blatz, ANG's director of field operation, attended the funeral.

"We pledge our fullest co-operation and assistance in the never-ending quest for economic and social justice for our respective memberships in the publishing industry," Perlik said in his letter to Moore. "We renew our plea for the unity and the strength that will enable all workers, in our industry and outside of it, to obtain their full measure of the bounty this nation is equipped to produce.

"We treasure the presence of the IPP&AU in this struggle and assure you of the Guild's continued commitment toward co-operation, solidarity and trade-union morality."

100 Attend Coast Institutes

Problems and challenges of "The Guild in a Changing Society" were examined by 100 delegates from 10 West Coast locals at two ANG regional weekend institutes and a local seminar this month.

The institutes, the third and fourth in ANG's 1970 series, were held Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 in Vancouver for Pacific Northwest locals and Feb. 7 and 8 in San Diego for locals of the Western District Council.

An abbreviated version of the institute program was presented the evening of Feb. 4 in San Francisco for members of the San Francisco-Oakland and other Northern California locals.

The next two institutes will be presented in Washington, D.C., Feb. 21 and 22, sponsored by the Empire State District Council, and in Philadelphia March 21 and 22, sponsored by the Middle Atlantic District Council. The institutes are open to all Guild locals and members.

The institutes include discussions of the young worker and his union, press responsibility and employe rights and protections, and recruitment and training of minority-group members for jobs in Guild jurisdiction. They are being conducted by ANG Director of Administrative Operations Ellis T. Baker and Research and Information Director James Cesnik.

ANG Secretary-Treasurer Robert M. Crocker, who went to the coast to check on arrangements for this year's ANG Convention in Seattle, attended the West Coast meetings and reported to the delegates on the state of the union.

He, Baker and Cesnik also met with leaders of several Los Angeles Guild units and ANG International Representative Dick Pattison at a dinner meeting Feb. 5 to discuss forthcoming contract negotiations.

Delegates to the Western District Council meeting contributed $90 to a collection for Los Angeles Herald-Examiner strikers and adopted a resolution calling upon California locals to support the enactment of a State Assembly bill to prohibit professional strikebreakers.

Declaring that the absence of such legislation has enabled Hearst to continue publishing in Los Angeles, the resolution said enactment of the bill would "serve immeasurably to bring the senseless impasse at the Herald-Examiner to an end."

The council re-elected Harlin D. Smith, Jr., of Sacramento as president, Carl Nolte of San Francisco-Oakland as first vice president, Gene Turner of Stockton as second vice president and Robert L. Jones of Bakersfield as secretary-treasurer. It set its next meeting for May 2 and 3 in San Francisco.

Seattle Seeks 60 In Suburban Unit

Seattle, Wash.—The Seattle-Tacoma Guild has filed a National Labor Relations Board petition to represent 60 employes of three suburban newspapers.

The Guild is seeking bargaining rights for employes of the Kent News-Journal and the Renton Record Chronicle, both triweeklies, and the Auburn Globe News, a weekly. All three are owned by the Valley Publishing Co.

Expose of Fortas Wins Broun Award for Lambert

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istic enterprise in years and was in the finest tradition of Heywood Broun."

"Mr. Lambert's article was straightforward, to the point, and completely factual," they said. "It served as the basis for news stories around the world from the day it appeared in Life magazine.

"Not only did the article result in the resignation of Justice Fortas from the United States Supreme Court but it also led to a far-reaching re-examination of ethics in American public life—a re-examination which led to new regulations involving the financial holdings of judges.

"The Lambert article also contributed, in our opinion, to the close examination given by the press to the nomination of Judge Haynsworth to the United States Supreme Court and the subsequent rejection of that nomination by the Senate."

The judges said Hersh's articles "turned the My Lai incident into an international story and one of the most important stories to come out of the war in Vietnam."

In accepting the award from ANG International Chairman James B. Woods, Lambert said he had "some bad nights worrying about what would happen to Judge Fortas and the court," but he felt "the long-term gain to the nation was worth it."

The Hersh story, which Woods said "came on like gangbusters," drew a citation from the judges, who added that they were "particularly impressed with the way he pursued the story in spite of extremely limited resources."

"There were many excellent examples among the entries of the exposure of wrongdoing on local and state levels," the judges said, stating that they were "impressed with the way newspapers throughout the country, particularly smaller ones, were pursuing such stories and righting the kind of wrongs Heywood Broun perceived in our society."

The chairman of the Guild's Broun Award Committee, former ANG International Vice President Richard P. Lane of Memphis was ill and unable to attend.

Mountainous Task

Heywood Broun Award Judges pore through record total of 111 entries. From left, Sidney Epstein, assistant managing editor of the Washington Star; Julius Duscha, director of the Washington Journalism Center, and Robert E. L. Baker, assistant to the editor of the Washington Post.

Perlik Hits Subpenas as Threat to Independent Press

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partment was taking steps to assure that no further subpenas would be issued without a prior attempt to reach agreement with the media involved on their scope.

Earlier a department spokesman said the rash of subpenas that had alarmed the media was the result of "a breakdown in the established pattern of pre-subpena negotiations." He indicated the department would not press for all of the material it had sought.

Time, Life and Newsweek magazines disclosed last week that federal authorities had subpenaed unedited files and unused pictures dealing with the Weatherman faction of Students for a Democratic Society.

Later in the week New York Times Guildsman Earl Caldwell was served with a subpena requiring him to bring notes and tape recordings of interviews with Black Panther leaders before a San Francisco federal grand jury investigating the Panthers.

Caldwell, acting with the Times's support, refused to honor the subpena, and the government delayed indefinitely its attempt to haul him before the grand jury. The Times said it would seek to quash the subpena if Caldwell were forced to appear.

Earlier the Columbia Broadcasting System received a federal subpena for both used and unused videotape of a program on the Panthers. And Chicago newspapers have been bombarded with similar subpenas in connection with the Weatherman demonstrations last October and the police raid on Black Panther headquarters in December. The Panthers have also served subpenas in connection with the December raid (GR, Jan. 23).

While several of the news organizations said they were complying with the subpenas, their executives voiced concern over the growing practice.

The Western District Council resolution condemned "in the strongest terms its outrage can command" both the government's issuance of blanket subpenas and the practice of giving false press credentials to police agents covering "radical and militant events."

Terming the practices "deceitful and unconstitutional," the council said they have resulted in newsmen whose livelihood depends on "public confidence and source confidentiality" being subjected to "ridicule, mistrust and hostility."

Denouncing attempts to turn newsmen into "surrogate police agents," it said they can only discredit "the men and women of the working press, who seek only to perform their duties and earn their livings in a manner more honorable than those who wish to use them as tools of repression."

The New York Guild resolution denounced both the issuance of blanket subpenas and the infiltration of the Saigon press corps by government intelligence agents last month as attempts to intimidate the press.

The representative assembly called on ANG to co-operate with other organizations and individuals in opposing what it described as "a clear violation of the Bill of Rights" and "dangerous interference with the rights of a press and the people's right to know."

The Guild's unit council at Time last week asked management for an open meeting to air company policy on the subpenas. But Editor-in-Chief Hedley Donovan rejected the request, saying it would serve "no useful purpose" in the light of a memorandum management had issued on the subject.

In New York some 75 members of Media Mobilization and the Media Project, composed of employes in newspapers, broadcasting, magazines and book publishing, demonstrated at CBS Feb. 3 calling on the company to resist the subpenas.

The next day Media Mobilization launched what it described as a nationwide petition campaign to resist the subpenas.

Ernest Dunbar, a senior editor at Look magazine who is chairman of the New York Chapter of Black Perspective, an organization of Negro newsmen, protested the subpena on Caldwell, who is a Negro.

At the Wall Street Journal 23 reporters signed a petition asking their editor's assurance that the paper "will not allow itself to be put into the role of government investigator or lend unintentional support to political organizations, as these other news organizations have done."

Donovan and CBS President Frank Stanton issued public statements indicating that future subpenas might be contested. Donovan said Time would resist "fishing expeditions" for irrelevant information; and Stanton said CBS would contest demands for "unrestricted access to reporters' notes, notebooks and other materials not published or broadcast."

Newsweek was seeking to delete the names of confidential informants from the subpenaed material. Editor-in-Chief Osborn Elliott said the magazine would "resist by all the means at our disposal any unwarranted uses of the subpena power."

And J. G. Tresvant, president of the Chicago Newspaper Publishers Association, said the group is preparing to quash a subpena in a test case to establish guidelines for obtaining material from the media.

Text of Perlik Statement on Newsmen's Subpenas

Following is the text of ANG President Charles A. Perlik Jr.'s statement on the government's subpenas of newsmen's materials:

The announced retreat of the U.S. Justice Department from the advanced position it staked out in its recent series of blanket subpenas for newsmen's raw notes, tapes, films, photographs and files must not be permitted to obscure the threat such demands pose to the right of the public to be served by a free and independent press in a democratic society.

For whether these demands are made by the government—as by the Justice Department investigating the Black Panthers in San Francisco—or by private persons—as by the Panthers themselves in Chicago—they endanger the mutual trust between newsman and news source that is essential to continued access to the news and threaten to turn both reporter and photographer into unwilling agents of interested third parties.

Seven and a half months ago, on June 26, 1969, the annual convention of the American Newspaper Guild, reacting to the first drops of what later became a shower of promiscuous subpenas, condemned such practices and noted that "enlightened publishers have in the past refused to permit use of their files for fishing expeditions by law enforcement agencies, including in some cases the FBI."

"Publishers," the convention declared, "should resist any attempt by the courts or law enforcement agencies to use newsgatherers as arms of the court in such manner as to impair their usefulness as newsgatherers.

"Though jobs in the news industry do not relieve anyone of the duties of citizenship, those duties carry protections under the Bill of Rights which should permit a newsgatherer to protect both the ethics of his craft and his own future ability to practice it."

And in a Code of Ethics adopted at its first annual convention in 1934, the Guild affirmed the newsman's obligation to "refuse to reveal confidences or disclose sources of confidential information in court or before other judicial or investigating bodies. That position was reaffirmed by the 1959 Convention.

As the only national organization of working newspapermen in the United States and Canada (where the Toronto Guild local recently fought a subpena served on one of its members), the American Newspaper Guild and its locals have sought through the years to maintain the confidentiality of news sources and the independence of newsmen from outside interference, both in the interest of its members and of the public's "right to know."

The Guild will continue to oppose challenges to these basic democratic protections from whatever source: government, private persons or publishers themselves.

To this end, I have directed the Guild's legal counsel and its Collective Bargaining Department to determine how these protections can be further safeguarded through the Guild's collective bargaining agreements with employers and, if necessary, through new legislation.

So that the Guild can make this determination on the basis of the broadest possible knowledge and experience, we invite newsmen in the United States and Canada, whether Guild members or not, to inform us of such challenges as they arise.

Meanwhile, the Guild herewith notifies publishers that it does not recognize newsmen's resistance to such infringement of their legitimate activities as grounds for discipline by their employers and that it will fight any effort by employers to impose such discipline.

On behalf of its 32,000 members, the Guild calls upon publishers to inform the Guild and their employes of any further attempts at such infringement from whatever source and to co-operate with the Guild and their employes in resisting such infringement.

Finally, the Guild calls upon President Nixon to personally, publicly and unequivocally repudiate the precipitous and irresponsible demands of the Justice Department which, if permitted to go unchallenged, would subvert these basic protections of a free press in a manner unprecedented in our history.

Honderich Urges Curb on Canadian Chains

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aren't interested in labor news.

"You are saying there is a conspiracy of silence on labor news because the working press of Canada is inhibited by their publishers," suggested Sen. Keith Davey, committee chairman.

"Yes," Williams replied. "The publishers don't have to give directions."

Two university professors testifying before the committee also voiced concern over chain ownership.

Donald Cameron, professor of English at Fredericton University in New Brunswick, proposed the dismantling of newspaper monopolies such as Irving's and urged government loans to help set up competing newspapers.

Earl Beattie, professor of journalism at Western Ontario University, attacked the London (Ont.) Free Press as a "quasi-monopoly" that slants news against labor. He advocated the "democratization of newspapers" by letting staff members control their policies as a method of separating newspaper operations from their owners' financial interests.

Walter Blackburn, publisher of the London Free Press, denied that his paper holds a monopoly position, citing among other "competitors" the Gazette, a student publication at Western Ontario.

But D. B. Scott, editor of the Gazette, wired the committee a vigorous denial that his paper offered the Free Press any competition. Terming the Free Press a "complete monopoly," Scott said the Gazette, with a controlled circulation, "can only publish that which the Free Press refuses to publish."

While opposing ownership of newspapers by nonmedia conglomerates, Blackburn said he saw no reason to curb chains "provided they don't get down to one chain, and I prefer not to get down to two chains."

John Preston, publisher of the Brantford (Ont.) Expositor, said Canada's three major chains would all be after his paper were it offered for sale.

"If we were to hold up our hand and say we were for sale, we would be trampled to death," he declared.

Denial of monopoly power also came from Graham W. Dennis, publisher of the only two newspapers in Halifax. Dennis said his papers compete with each other for news and write their own editorials, although he conceded that he is the final authority for what goes into their news and editorial columns.

St. Clair Balfour, president of Southam Press, said there is not sufficient newspaper concentration in Canada to warrant remedial legislation. He said his chain owns papers with 18 percent of the nation's circulation.

Balfour said Southam had turned down a chance to buy the Red Deer Advocate in Alberta last year because it already owned three papers with 77 percent of the province's circulation and was opposed to regional concentration.

The president of an FP chain publication, Richard S. Malone of the Winnipeg Free Press, urged a relaxation of restrictions on joint operations as a means of preserving competing newspapers.

Most of the publishers whose testimony touched on press councils favored their establishment. But there was less agreement on what form they should take.

Honderich advocated the formation of provincial or regional councils, declaring that "when we consider that 90 of the 113 Canadian daily newspapers publish without a local competitor, the need for an independent tribunal to which the public can appeal becomes obvious."

Frank Swanson, publisher of the Calgary (Alta.) Herald, favored regional councils but maintained that they should be established by the industry rather than the government. Southam's brief, supporting a council on the British pattern, also warned that it should not be set up by the government.

Blackburn also supported the idea of regional councils, and Aurele Grattan, vice president of the French-language Ottawa paper Le Droit, said he favored a national council but thought provincial councils would be more acceptable to Quebec journalists. Vancouver Sun Publisher Stuart Keate said a council would be a "useful nuisance."

Malone said he was opposed to the idea of a press council, as did James B. Lamb, publisher of a Thomson newspaper in Orillia, Ont., who said he did not believe that "any council of any kind can be a substitute for the conscience of the individual publisher."

Dennis, whose Halifax papers are non-Guild, was chided by Sen. Charles McElman of New Brunswick for paying salaries "25 percent below the minimums paid by the Toronto Newspaper Guild." Dennis claimed that Halifax salaries are "close to Toronto's" but conceded that the paper's lone Negro reporter and other newsmen had departed for Toronto papers.

Three members of the embryonic Canadian Society of Professional Journalists asked the committee for help in establishing a code of standards to govern qualifications for newsmen entering the industry.

Frank Drea of the Toronto Telegram, Rae Corelli of the Toronto Star and Jeff Carruthers of the Ottawa Journal urged establishment of the standards as a means of improving the quality of journalism.

Drea said the Guild has neither "the time nor the inclination" to tackle the problem of setting up such standards, stating it was primarily concerned with economic matters and divorced from management. The society has an advantage over the Guild in that it can employ management talent to set standards, he said.

License to Write

Dr. W. Walter Menninger, a member of the U.S. National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence, wants newsmen to be licensed in the same way as doctors and lawyers.

Menninger suggested in a speech to the National Press Club Feb. 4 that a system of certification administered by state boards of newspapermen would weed out "individuals who are totally inept."

He said reporters and commentators may lack a basic understanding of such issues as minority frustrations and may be inaccessible to the man on the street.

The Story That Wouldn't Die

Victoria's Readers See Double

Victoria, B.C.—When publishers speak, it's big news in Victoria—particularly if they attack the Guild.

The Victoria Daily Times thought that testimony in which Vancouver Sun Publisher Stuart Keate scored the Guild before the Special Senate Committee on the Mass Media was of such importance that its readers should have a chance to read it twice.

They printed a 5½-inch story Jan. 26, then ran the identical story next day with another 11½ inches tacked on. They had followed the same practice earlier by running duplicative stories on testimony by FP Publications, which owns the Times—the first 10 inches long and the second, next day, 45.

When the Guild testified in December, the Times contented itself with a single story, 10 inches long.

Keate charged that the Guild had departed "very far" from the precepts of Heywood Broun, its founder and first president, by taking in noneditorial employes.

Declaring that journalists have become "an outvoted minority" in the Guild, he said "the logical but unlikely resolution" of the situation was for journalists to "break away from the Guild and form their own association."

Keate conceded that the Guild had achieved important gains in salaries, hours and vacations.

Victoria Guild President Roger Stonebanks, moved to rebuttal by the double dose of Keate's testimony, submitted a letter to the editor pointing out that journalists are "by far the largest single craft" in the Guild and that votes seldom are divided on craft lines.

Stonebanks pointed out that Broun himself advocated expansion of the Guild into an industrial union embracing noneditorial employes.

The improvements cited by Keate, he said, "have come in large part from the Guild's own strength, which in turn can be attributed to a base greater than that of a journalists-only union."

St. Louis Guild Photo by Howard Vogt

St. Louis Citation

Frank Suroff, treasurer of the St. Louis Guild for the past 17 years, receives his local's "Guilder of the Year" award from Martin Goldman, chairman of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch Unit. ANG International Chairman James B. Woods and President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., participated in presentation of the awards to Suroff and Russell Maxwell, Shriners' leader who received the local's Page One civic award for his work on behalf of underprivileged children.

New Plan for Tucson Papers Ends Rate Fixing, Profit Pool

Tucson, Ariz.—The jointly published Tucson Citizen and Arizona Daily Star will lose the benefits of profit pooling, rate fixing and market splitting under a Federal Court order handed down Jan. 26.

Judge James A. Walsh, who found the two papers guilty of antitrust violations two years ago, ordered them to modify their joint operating agreement within 90 days to provide for separate advertising and circulation departments.

Judge Walsh also ordered the Citizen to divest itself of the Star within 21 months and submit terms of the sale to the Justice Department.

The ruling ended five years of litigation that resulted in a Supreme Court decision outlawing price fixing and profit pooling by jointly published newspapers and precipitated a pending Congressional bill that would nullify the court's decision by legalizing them.

Under a revised operating agreement approved by Judge Walsh, each paper will have its own advertising staff, but Tucson Newspapers Inc., their joint agency, will employ a third staff to sell combination ads.

The Justice Department had urged complete separation of advertising staffs, for both separate and combination ads. It was understood that the individual staffs will have only a single salesman and an advertising manager each, with all other salesmen working for the joint agency.

Each paper will set its own advertising rates, and the rate for combined ads must be calculated by subcontracting cost savings from the sum of the two rates.

The resulting rates are expected to produce a saving of 22 percent of the rate for single ads compared to the present saving of 64 percent. Advertisers cannot be required to buy combination ads.

The papers will have separate circulation, sales and promotion departments but will retain a common carrier force.

The joint agency publishing the two papers must assign income and costs to each paper in accordance with standard accounting procedures in place of the old profit-pooling system. But profits from a joint Sunday paper to be published by the agency will be split 50-50.

The divestiture order requires that the Star be sold to a publisher who will continue its publication under separate ownership. The Citizen must submit the names of all would-be buyers to the Justice Department when it transmits terms of the sale.

The department will have 30 days to file objections to the sale.

...Newspaper Bill

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letter to senators, urged that the bill be rejected as one "fraught with danger for the public."

Legislative Director Andrew J. Biemiller said the bill would enrich publishers while tending to reduce job opportunities in advertising and business-office departments.

ANG opposed the bill in testimony before both the Senate and House antitrust subcommittees.

GE Contributions Reach $5,232

Contributions by Guild locals to the General Electric strikers rose to $5,232 last week with a $50 contribution from the Buffalo Guild and $25 from Toronto.

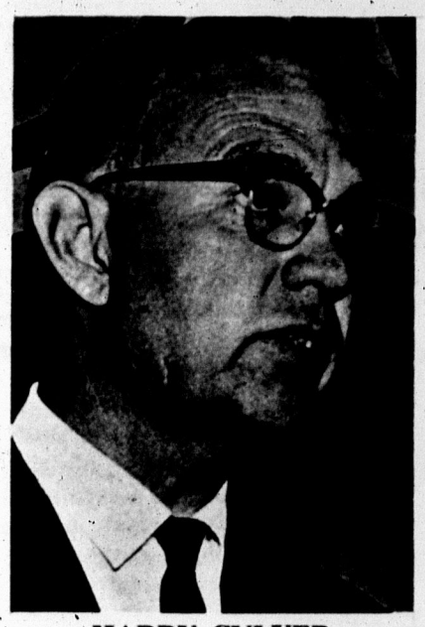
The three-month strike was settled last week with ratification of a 40-month contract by members of the International Union of Electrical Workers and the United Electrical Workers.

The settlement, valued at over $42 a week by the unions, provides $21.20 in general wage increases, up to $8.40 in cost-of-living adjustments, additional wage increases for skilled workers and pension, health and vacation improvements.

Guild Loses Vote At Yonkers Daily

Yonkers, N.Y.—Circulation employes at Gannett's Yonkers Herald-Statesman voted to decertify the New York Guild by a vote of 25 to 1 in a National Labor Relations Board election Jan. 30.

The Guild had been certified by a single vote in 1967 but was unable to get a first contract.



HARRY CULVER

Guild Service Wins Award For Culver

ANG's 1970 Guild Service Award winner is Harry Culver, twice president of the Wire Service Guild.

Culver, a state-capitol staffer at United Press International's Oklahoma City bureau, was named the winner last month during the International Executive Board's meeting in Washington. The judges were ANG Vice Presidents Joseph B. Downey and James G. McMahon and Administrative Operations Director Ellis T. Baker.

The judges cited Culver's "long and varied record of leadership in his local, as negotiator at both AP and UPI, national organizing chairman, vice president, secretary-treasurer twice, president twice and delegate to the last eight ANG conventions."

The Guild Service Award is given annually for outstanding service to the Guild at the local level and is intended to recognize and encourage the development of local Guild leadership. The winner receives a scholarship of up to $1,000 for a course in trade-union education.

The judges said Culver's "tireless and determined work" as national co-ordinator of last year's Associated Press strike, the Wire Service Guild's first, "went far beyond the call of duty."

"He worked up to 22 hours a day," the judges said, "and, in addition, walked the picket line every day.

"Subsequently, Culver served as cochairman of the Guild's strike-strategy committee at UPI, where a settlement was won only after a national strike vote."

In each of his assignments, the judges said, Culver has "brought characteristic energy, devotion and painstaking attention to detail, and in our judgment, his performance exemplifies the kind of achievement the Guild Service Award is intended to recognize and encourage."

Culver has been a newsman with UPI since 1950, when he joined the Guild.

Honderich Calls for Curb on Chains

Ottawa, Ont.—Declaring that Canadian chain ownership has reached a point where it "could endanger the free expression of public opinion" and full disclosure of the news, Toronto Star Publisher Beland H. Honderich called last month for steps to restrict their growth.

Honderich told the Special Senate Committee on the Mass Media that all future acquisitions of a newspaper by another newspaper or chain should be subject to approval by the Restrictive Trades Practices Commission, which he said should have the power to restrain takeovers resulting in undue concentration.

Honderich, who was the Toronto Guild's first president before being elevated to management, said the dangers of chain ownership were not generally so extreme as to justify efforts to break up or reduce existing ones.

But he did advocate breaking up the K. C. Irving chain's ownership of all five English-language dailies in New Brunswick. The Star's brief said that Irving, the province's leading industrialist, has "created a private empire of New Brunswick, complete with its own official press."

Honderich also told the committee that the government should either force newspapers to surrender television stations or make television outlets available to competing papers.

Expressing fear that the Toronto Telegram could use its television profits to put the Star out of business, Honderich said a competing newspaper without a television license is "at a potentially fatal disadvantage."

The Canadian Labour Congress, in a brief to the committee, also called for legislation to reverse the trend toward media monopoly. It urged consideration of government subsidies and other devices to stimulate the establishment of new dailies in one-newspaper towns.

Voicing concern at the tendency of monopoly power "to corrupt," the CLC said it was particularly concerned about joint ownership of newspaper and broadcasting facilities and ownership of the media by corporate conglomerates.

CLC President Donald MacDonald and Jack Williams, the CLC's public-relations director, said the Canadian press fails to give labor sufficient attention. Williams said reporters writing stories know their publishers

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Senate Passes Newspaper Bill By 63-14 as Floor Fight Fails

The "Newspaper Preservation Bill," allowing jointly published newspapers to fix prices and pool profits, passed the Senate by an overwhelming 63-to-14 vote Jan. 30 despite a last-ditch floor fight by opponents.

An attempt to soften the bill's impact by amendments was beaten back, and the bill will go to the House with its provisions for antitrust exemptions virtually unaltered.

The House Antitrust Subcommittee held hearings on the bill last fall, but Chairman Emanuel Celler said the committee is still awaiting financial reports from 24 of 44 papers engaged in joint operations. He said getting them was "like pulling teeth."

An amendment by Sen. Thomas McIntyre, New Hampshire Democrat, to eliminate the antitrust exemption for newspapers affiliated with chains or broadcasting stations, was defeated by 63 to 13. Another amendment to tighten the definition of a failing newspaper went down, 61 to 16.

And a provision that would have allowed advertisers and other aggrieved parties to file civil antitrust suits against jointly published papers up to the date of the bill's enactment was amended by 62 to 20 to provide a cutoff date of last Nov. 4 and to nulify all but individual suits, barring class actions.

Sen. Roman L. Hruska, Nebraska Republican, contended that the provision as originally drafted would invite "nuisance suits."

Earlier Sen. Philip A. Hart, chairman of the Senate's Antitrust Subcommittee, moved that the bill be tabled until there is enough time to judge the results of a court order eliminating price fixing and profit pooling between two jointly published Tucson newspapers.

Hart argued that many of the joint operations are highly profitable and could continue to show a profit if placed under the restrictions finally ordered last month in Tucson. Citing a joint operation in Madison, Wis., that has achieved a profit rate of 16.4 percent and another in Lincoln, Neb., that has achieved a rate of 22 percent, he termed the bill "a poverty program for the rich."

Hart's motion was rejected by 67 to 18. Opponents objected that some newspapers might be driven out of business if there were delay in granting them the benefits of price fixing and profit pooling. And they contended that the plan might work in Tucson but fail elsewhere.

Hart and other opponents of the bill contended that publishers heading into joint operations have exaggerated their financial difficulties and that the difference in the editorial views of jointly published papers "erodes" under the impact of joint commercial success.

"The only reason the bill is still alive is the enormous political clout of the media barons whose profits would be bolstered by it," McIntyre charged.

"Some members of Congress who have come out against the bill have paid the price of substantially reduced coverage in the media outlets owned by these companies," he said. "The message hasn't been lost on many of their colleagues."

He said the bill was "a sad commentary on our failure to perceive the growing concentration of our mass-communications media."

The AFL-CIO, in a last-minute

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$50 Increase Is Won At Hammond Times

Hammond, Ind.—A new three-year contract between the Hammond Times and the Chicago Guild will provide increases of $50 in key top minimums and parity for women's-department reporters.

An earlier offer providing increases ranging from $18 to $47 and continuing women's-department reporters $5 below the reporter top had been rejected by the unit, which authorized strike action.

The contract increases the top minimum for display advertising salesmen $50 to $245.75 in steps of $18, $16 and $16. The first raise is retroactive to July 1.

The top minimum for reporters is also increased $50, to $237. The top for women's-department reporters is increased $55, bringing it to parity at $237.

The top for advertising and layout clerks is raised $45, to $217.25, the top for clerks is up $27, to $146.50, that for copy boys and typists rises $23, to $125.50, that for subeditors is raised $50, to $279, and that for deskmen and rewritemen is increased $50, to $242.75.

The minimum space rate for stringers is increased 10 cents per 11-pica column inch and 12 cents per 14-pica inch, to 35 and 42 cents, respectively.

The night differential is increased from $2 per shift, to $2.50, and the service requirement for four weeks vacation is reduced from 10 years to eight.

Daily hospital benefits are raised from $27 to $39 effective July 1, 1971.

Ottawa Guild Decries Club's Ban on Women

Ottawa, Ont.—The Ottawa Guild last month assailed the National Press Club's refusal to lower its barriers to women as "blind discrimination . . . as reprehensible as racial or religious discrimination."

Six women introduced the motion of condemnation at a membership meeting Jan. 25, a day after Press Club members voted 58 to 53 to continue their ban on women reporters and radio and television broadcasters.

The condemnation motion won overwhelming support from the 50 Guild members present—all men except the six who introduced it. It asked the club to reconsider its decision.

Stanley Knowles, House leader of the New Democrats, suggested in Commons that the Press Club be evicted from the government-owned building it occupies on the ground that its ban violates the 1960 Canadian Bill of Rights. But Justice Minister John Turner said the Bill of Rights does not apply to the internal management of private clubs.

All members of Parliament hold honorary membership in the club except Grace MacInnes of British Columbia, the only woman MP. Knowles urged MPs to boycott a forthcoming Press Club social event in view of the club's stand.

Toronto Guildsman George Bains, writing in the Globe & Mail on the Press Club dispute, declared that "the place, as everyone who belongs to it knows, is a working convenience more than it is anything else, and a denial of membership is a denial of equal conditions."

Vallejo Daily Closed Down, Transformed Into Weekly

Vallejo Calif.—The Evening News-Chronicle, one of two Guild-organized papers in Vallejo, is scheduled to cease publication as a daily today and transform itself into a weekly.

Gibson Publications, which owns the News-Chronicle and the morning Times-Herald, did not say whether any of the San Francisco-Oakland Guild's 37 members at the two papers would lose their jobs as a result.

The suspension, originally scheduled for Jan. 9, was moved up to Jan. 16 and then to today. The paper is slated to begin weekly publication Feb. 25.

Assistant Publisher Richard L. Payne published a full-page ad last week in which he blamed unspecified "union demands" and higher production costs for suspension of daily publication.

The papers, headed by former state Sen. Luther E. Gibson, have been organized by the Guild since 1943.

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