Guild Obtains $225 Top, Parity As Shutdown Ends in Vancouver



Signing Off

Vancouver Sun and Province unionists stack their picket signs against the newspaper building as picket lines come down after settlement of dispute that idled 1,100 employes for three months.

Sun, Province Bow On Contract Date

Vancouver, B.C.—Six hundred Guild members returned to work last week after a three-month shutdown of the Vancouver Sun and Province with the highest key top minimum in Canada, parity for outside classified salesmen and district managers and a fifth week's vacation.

The two papers, which had locked their doors Feb. 15, accusing their craft-union employes of a slowdown, resumed publication May 15 after accepting contract terms proposed by provincial mediators.

Abandoning their insistence on "reparations" for the slowdown in the form of delayed wage increases, the publishers accepted the mediators' proposal for full retroactivity to contract expiration last Nov. 1. The Guild and four mechanical unions had previously accepted the proposal.

The settlement will raise top minimums for reporters and display salesmen $48.37 over three years, to $225.87. That figure is more than $25 above the highest key minimum heretofore bargained in Canada—$200 at the Toronto Star.

The attainment of parity for circulation and outside classified is the first such achievement in any Canadian contract.

The top for outside classified salesmen will be raised $64 to bring them to parity. And parity will produce an increase of $53.87 in the top for district managers.

The end of the dispute came unexpectedly May 8 after management had rejected a key provision of the mediators' settlement —the effective date of Nov. 1. It proposed instead to put the terms into effect Jan. 1, depriving employes of two months' retroactivity and setting back subsequent annual increases by two months.

In changing their stand, the publishers said they had not understood that, under conditions laid down by mediators Pen Baskin and Alastair Pollock, the terms were not negotiable and had to be either accepted or rejected in toto.

Noting that the unions had accepted the terms under these conditions, management said it,

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Times Ready To Suspend Publication

BULLETIN

New York City—The New York Times notified its employes yesterday not to report for work May 24 unless there is a contract settlement. The News and Post said that if the Times suspends publication they will have to consider their position.

New York City—Critical negotiations between printers and New York's major publishers remained suspended this week after a marathon bargaining session in which the two sides fell just short of agreement.

Mediator Theodore W. Kheel said he was holding further meetings in abeyance until "I learn from the parties that their positions are negotiable." The printers, meanwhile, stepped up their on-the-job chapel meetings at the New York Times to 19 hours a day, reducing work time to four hours.

The Guild's unit council at the Times denounced management last week for its "refusal to respond" to the unit's contract proposals. The resolution was adopted after Guild negotiators walked out of a bargaining session at which management said it would not discuss economic proposals until a money package acceptable to all 10 unions is agreed upon.

Typographical Union President Bertram A. Powers, reporting on the crucial bargaining session May 9, said, "Everyone tried and we came close, but not close enough."

Kheel, while saying there had

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Guild Settles Imparcial Strike; Publication Awaits ITU Pact

San Juan, P.R.—A settlement of the Puerto Rico Guild's 10-week strike against the bankrupt newspaper El Imparcial was reached May 19. Resumption of publication was tentatively scheduled for next week, dependent on a settlement with the Typographical Union.

The agreement was ratified 35 to 33 the day it was reached with the newspaper's prospective owners, a corporation headed by Sen. Miguel Angel Garcia Mendez. Bankruptcy Court approval of the newspaper's sale for a million dollars had been made contingent on settlements with the Guild and the printers.

The Typographical Union was scheduled to meet with the new company today as negotiators were joined by an ITU international representative in an attempt to wrap up a final agreement. Guild Administrator Luis Montanez, Jr., said officers of the printers expected a settlement would be reached over the weekend. If it is, Guild members will return to work May 25.

The new owners agreed to hold down economy-motivated job reductions to 34 instead of the 56 they originally sought. Of these, 18 have already been vacated by resignations. The old owners had sought to dismiss as many as 62 employes.

The strike was precipitated by the old owners' refusal to continue health-insurance coverage after they went into bankruptcy in March. When Guild members refused to work until it was reinstated, the entire staff was fired.

The settlement restores the disputed health-insurance coverage. It provides wage increases ranging from $5.50 to $17 in the second and third years of a three-

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Police Attack 5 Newsmen In D.C. Riot

Four Washington-Baltimore Guildsmen and one Wire Service Guildsman were assaulted by police while covering disorders during the May 9 antiwar demonstration.

The Washington-Baltimore Local protested strongly to police against the clubbings.

Clubbed by police while taking pictures during fighting at Dupont Circle were four Washington Star photographers—John R. Bowden, Jr., Bernard Boston, Kenneth Heinen and John P. Aikens, Jr.—and an Associated Press cameraman, Charles Tasnadi.

Three of the Star photographers were struck when police noticed them taking pictures of an arrest. All were wearing press badges. None was seriously in-

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32% Profit

Editor & Publisher's average medium-city daily had a profit rate of 32.6 percent, last year, almost four times as high as that for U.S. industry as a whole.

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David S. Schick Dies of Injuries; Guild Leader for Two Decades

Philadelphia, Pa. — David S. Schick, administrative officer of the Philadelphia Guild and a guiding hand at ANG conventions for two decades, died May 17 at the age of 63.

Schick had been hospitalized since March 16, when he was found with head and neck injuries on the platform of a Philadelphia subway station.

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It was at first thought that he had been mugged and robbed, but police later said there was no evidence of robbery and theorized that he had collapsed and struck his head on the platform. Doctors, however, had expressed doubt that injuries so extensive could have been suffered in a fall.

Schick had undergone surgery but later suffered a relapse and had been in a coma for the last several weeks.



DAVID S. SCHICK

Schick was a charter member of the Guild, helping out in its organization with Heywood Broun in New York in 1933 and later participating in the founding of the Philadelphia Local. He was the local's executive officer since 1949 and one of the most familiar figures at Guild conventions ever since.

"Few local leaders in the Guild's history have been so well-known, so highly respected and so well-loved as Dave Schick," said ANG International Chairman James B. Woods, President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., and Secretary-Treasurer Robert M. Crocker in a statement on his death.

"For more than two decades his wisdom and experience, seasoned by an incomparable wit, have provided guidance at Guild

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ANG Officers Pay Tribute To Reuther

Shock and sorrow were voiced by ANG's three top officers this week at the death of United Automobile Workers' President Walter P. Reuther.

The Guild's "deepest sympathies" were conveyed to UAW officers in a telegram by International Chairman James B. Woods, President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., and Secretary-Treasurer Robert M. Crocker following Reuther's death in a Michigan plane crash May 9.

"As a fellow affiliate with the UAW of the CIO before its merger with the AFL and as a fellow tenant with the UAW of offices in our nation's capital today," they said, "the American Newspaper Guild shares with the members of the UAW the sense of loss they must feel over the passing of the man who had devoted the best years of his adult life to helping make their union one of the world's great labor unions.

"Few men of his generation worked harder and more effectively for the common good than did Walter Reuther. His devotion to both industrial and social democracy was exemplified in his personal courage and integrity, his vision and imagination, and his compassion and consideration for others in their time of need, a consideration of which the American Newspaper Guild and its members were more than once the beneficiaries.

"We know that Guild members everywhere share our shock and sorrow at his sudden and untimely death."

The UAW loaned ANG $200,000 in 1968 to aid its International Defense Fund during the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner strike, pledging an additional $300,000 if needed. It made a similar $200,000 loan in 1963 during the New York and Cleveland strikes and turned over $25,000 to the New York Guild during a strike at the World-Telegram & Sun in 1950.

Perlik was among those attending Reuther's funeral in Detroit May 15.



Resting Place

Strikers Marisela Paez, right, and Carmen Reyes pause outside tent erected near the El Imparcial picket line as a haven for weary pickets.

Guild Settles Dispute With San Juan Daily

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year agreement, lifting the reporter top $14, to $134.

The contract also adds $3,000 life-insurance coverage, with a $6,000 accidental-death benefit.

Severance-pay claims for employes losing their jobs will be settled in Bankruptcy Court, Montanez said.

The old management originally proposed the dismissal of 50 employes out of seniority, then raised the total to 62. The list it presented included all of the Guild's unit officers and all but two of 11 unit representatives on the local executive committee.

When the Guild challenged management to prove economic necessity, it went into Bankruptcy March 5. On the same day it refused to pay a $13,000 bill for health insurance, and coverage was canceled.

Guild members stopped work in protest, camping in the plant for three days as the company squeezed out skeleton editions. On March 9 the company suspended publication and told the entire staff it was dismissed.

Ottawa Guild Aid Cited

Press Club Ends Sex Barrier

Ottawa, Ont.—The National Press Club, in the face of vigorous criticism by the Ottawa Guild and others, voted overwhelmingly this month to drop its ban on women journalists.

The club, which had voted 58 to 53 in January to keep its membership closed to women, let down the bars by 78 to 21 May 2.

"I thought we'd win, but not by that much," said newly elected Vice President Charles King, associate editor of the Ottawa Citizen. "Where all the neanderthals went after the January vote I don't know."

Among the first women to apply for membership was Ottawa Guild Secretary Eleanor Dunn, who had criticized the club for excluding women in testimony before the Special Senate Committee on the Mass Media last month.

The Guild had condemned the club's exclusionary policy as "blind discrimination . . . as reprehensible as racial or religious discrimination" following the January vote. A Guild membership meeting asked the club to reconsider its decision.

Mrs. Dunn, in a review of the women's campaign to gain membership rights, said it was "a credit to the Guildsmen at the Citizen that they supported their women coworkers when the chips were down."

"The Guild," she said, "also must be credited for giving the women the confidence that they could undertake the actions they did without fear of being fired or otherwise penalized in their jobs."

She noted that at the Ottawa Journal, where editorial employes are unorganized, there were reports that newswomen were told to "lay off" by management, which opposed the admission of women.

"As they had no protection from the Guild," Mrs. Dunn said, "they were forced into an uncomfortable position."

Council Tables Volunteer Plan

Gary, Ind.—The Midwest District Council, meeting here May 16 and 17, tabled a resolution by Chicago Guildsman Arthur Gorlick calling for a "voluntary action program" to operate in "areas usually considered within the Guild's Research and Information program."

The resolution, sponsored by the Chicago Guild and carried over from the previous meeting, was tabled "pending outcome of the Seattle ANG Convention."

The meeting heard ANG President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., report on the recent meeting of the International Executive Board and Guild programs for women's rights and minority employment.

Perlik Offers Help In Subpena Battle

ANG President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., last week offered the Guild's help to New York Times Guildsman Earl Caldwell in his legal battle to avoid testimony before a federal grand jury investigating the Black Panthers.

Perlik wired Caldwell in the wake of a Times statement that it would not join in his appeal against a ruling by Federal Judge Alfonso J. Zirpoli, who said Caldwell must testify although he did not have to disclose confidential information.

"With Nixon Administration, as reflected in Mitchell's TV endorsement of newsmen's privilege, now backing into its coop," Perlik wired Caldwell, "too bad the industry lacks the courage to stand up for these fundamental rights. Is there anything the American Newspaper Guild can do to help at this stage?"

Earlier in the week Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell, whose department has been responsible for most of the recent subpenaing of newsmen's notes and film, said he'd have no objection to a law protecting their confidentiality.

Mitchell made the surprising statement in a television interview with Mike Wallace of the Columbia Broadcasting System—one of those recently subpenaed.

Asked whether he would like to see the passage of legislation protecting the confidentiality of newsmen's materials, Mitchell replied, "I would have no problem with that."

The attorney general said he thought such a law might "impair the administration of justice" in some instances but said "the confidentiality of the activities of reporters would add to the dissemination of news . . . and I think in the long run, in balance, that might be for the benefit of our community and society."

In San Francisco last week, Judge Zirpoli, who issued the Caldwell ruling last month, extended its protection to two reporters for the Panthers' weekly newspaper.

In New York, meanwhile, Gov. Nelson Rockefeller signed a state law protecting newsmen from forced disclosure of their information or its sources.

Rockefeller, whose counsel helped draft the bill, said it "clearly protects the public's right to know and the First Amendment rights of all legitimate newspapermen, reporters and television and radio broadcasters."

Subpenas continue to descend on the media, however. The latest was issued by a U.S. District Court in Chicago last month for complete tapes of a CBS interview with former President Johnson.

It was obtained by Sherman H. Skolnick, a legal researcher, in conection with a suit against the National Archives and Records Service, which Skolnick claims is withholding information on the assassination of former President Kennedy. CBS is fighting it.

Court Action Sought On St. Louis Fine

St. Louis, Mo.—The St. Louis Guild has filed suit to collect a $45 fine against Sheila Moseley, a Guild member who crossed picket lines during a Paper Handlers' strike at the St. Louis Post-Dispatch in April 1969.

Fines levied against 73 other members have been paid, except for three appealing them to next month's ANG Convention.

Pickets Shut Bay Area Newspapers

San Francisco, Calif.—A picket line posted by dissident Teamsters shut down the San Francisco Chronicle and Examiner for two days last week, idling hundreds of Guild members employed at the San Francisco Newspaper Printing Co.

The stoppage began May 14 when roving Los Angeles Teamsters, engaged in a wildcat strike against a new national freight agreement, began picketing sites in the Bay Area, including the joint printing company that prints the two papers. The newspaper drivers, members of the Teamsters' union, refused to cross the picket lines.

The afternoon Examiner failed to publish May 14 and 15, while the morning Chronicle was unable to publish May 15 and 16, except for token xeroxed editions.

The printing company furloughed its employes when it suspended publication but said they wouldn't be paid during the shutdown. Many continued to report for work, however, and the San Francisco-Oakland Guild is demanding that they be paid.

Pickets did not appear at the papers' editorial offices, which are in different buildings, and editorial employes continued to work.

The printers held a chapel meeting May 14 and picketed briefly with signs stating they were locked out.

The picket lines came down throughout the city May 16 when a tentative agreement was reached, providing amnesty for 10,000 Los Angeles Teamsters fired after they joined the strike.

Picketing was resumed elsewhere but not at the printing company when the plan for amnesty, proposed by San Francisco Mayor Joseph L. Alioto, was rejected by Southern California employers, although it was accepted by Northern California truckers.

Last month a Teamsters' strike at the Oakland Tribune shut down the paper for several hours when Guildsmen and other unionists respected picket lines.

Move to Oust Guild Filed in Alexandria

Alexandria, Va.—A petition to decertify the Washington-Baltimore Guild as bargaining agent for editorial employes of the Alexandria Gazette was filed with the National Labor Relations Board last week.

The Guild challenged the eligibility of several employes at an NLRB conference May 20.

The Guild won bargaining rights at the Gazette in 1968 and negotiated an initial contract last year. The decertification petition was filed after the Guild served notice of negotiations to renew the contract, which expires July 2.

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ACLU, Mediation Chiefs to Address Convention



WALTER A MAGGIOLO



JOHN DE J. PEMBERTON, JR.

John de J. Pemberton, Jr., executive director of the American Civil Liberities Union, will address the Guild's annual convention next month in Seattle.

Pemberton, who has been the Civil Liberties Union's chief executive officer for the past eight years, has been invited to discuss the ACLU's position on media problems, including newsmen's privilege and police interference with news-gathering activities.

Pemberton, who is a former chairman of the Minnesota Advisory Committee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, is scheduled to address the convention on Thursday, June 25.

Also scheduled to speak is Walter A. Maggiolo, director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service's office of mediation activity and former general counsel for the service. The day on which he will appear has not yet been set.

The convention will be held in Seattle's Washington Plaza Hotel starting June 22. It will be preceded by an International Executive Board meeting June 19.

An orientation forum for freshman delegates will be held on Sunday, June 21, followed by an opening reception at the Boeing Co.'s development center with Boeing and Aeromechanics Division 751 of the International Association of Machinists as hosts. Delegates will have an opportunity to inspect a full-scale mock-up of the giant SST transport.

International Chairman James B. Woods, President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., and Secretary-Treasurer Robert M. Crocker will address the convention's opening session Monday following a welcoming address by Ben L. Cheney, president of the host Seattle-Tacoma Guild.

The traditional convention banquet will be held Tuesday evening; the program will include entertainment by a troupe of Gilbert and Sullivan performers. An all-Washington menu featuring roast beef will be served.

The convention outing Wednesday will take delegates and their families on a Puget Sound boat ride to Blake Island, where an Indian-style village salmon barbecue will be served at a re-created Indian village and entertainment will be provided by Indian dancers and drummers.

Convention chairman Sally Mahoney said a program of visits and entertainment is being prepared for delegates' families. It will include a fashion show and luncheon Thursday at the Windjammer restaurant at Seattle's Shilshole Bay Marina. An orientation session for wives will be held on Monday.

An ANG staff conference dealing principally with organizing procedures, processes and technigues will be held at the conclusion of the convention, on June 27 and 28, Perlik has announced.

Home-bound delegates are being offered an opportunity to stop off for two days in Las Vegas on a two-day tour sponsored by ANG and the American Travel Association.

36 in Buffalo Press Trudeau to End War

Buffalo, N.Y.—Three dozen Buffalo Guildsmen May 8 asked the Canadian Government to press President Nixon for the immediate withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Southeast Asia.

Five days later, many of them came to a Guild membership meeting and pushed through a motion directing local delegates to next month's ANG Convention to introduce resolutions opposing expansion of the war beyond the borders of South Vietnam and calling for withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Indochina by the end of the year.

The petition to Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau was signed by 29 editorial employes at the Buffalo Evening News, six at the Buffalo Courier-Express and one at the Magnificat, a Catholic paper.

They presented it to the Canadian consul in Buffalo, who promised to forward it to the Prime Minister.

The newsmen said they were appealing to Trudeau because they found normal channels of protest of "little or no value." The petition asks the Canadian Government, as a member of the International Control Commission for Indochina, to "use its very special relationship with Washington" to achieve the withdrawal of U.S. troops.

The antiwar resolutions were adopted without a dissenting vote by approximately 30 members attending the meeting, although two later asked to be recorded in opposition.

The meeting directed that copies of the resolution be sent by special-delivery mail to all Guild locals with a request for their endorsement.

'Midnight Special'

On the Guild Track to Seattle

San Francisco, Calif.—Northern California Guildsmen are offering ANG convention-goers a chance to travel to the Seattle Convention next month in the almost vanished style of yesterday—aboard a private railroad Pullman car.

The car, which will be exclusively for the use of Guild delegates and their guests, will run from the San Francisco Bay Area to Seattle and return via the Southern Pacific and Burlington Northern railroads. It will be linked to regular passenger trains.

Carl Nolte, president of the San Francisco-Oakland Guild, is organizing the trip. He said the train will leave Oakland at 7:40 p.m. Friday, June 19, and arrive in Seattle the next afternoon. The return trip will leave Seattle following the convention at 8:05 a.m. Saturday, June 27, and arrive in the Bay Area the next morning.

The rail trip will be an all first-class operation, Nolte said. The Southern Pacific train includes a diner and bar-lounge car. The private Guild Pullman has sleeping accommodations ranging from old-time upper and lower berths to a luxurious compartment.

The prices range from $59.50 one way in an upper berth to $77 one-way in the compartment, with other fares in between. Fares are comparable to air fare from the Bay Area.

Passengers can take the train either way, but Nolte said there must be 24 passengers in each direction to operate the trip.

"The private car," he said, "is one of the last Pullmans built in this country. It is named for Samuel King Tigrett, a now defunct railroad mogul. The car used to run on the famous Chicago-St. Louis streamliner 'Midnight Special.' There is even a song about it."

Reservations may be made by writing Nolte care of the Guild, 433 Natoma St., San Francisco, Calif. 94103. A $25 deposit must accompany each reservation.

Why is he doing this? Said Nolte, "Either Heywood Broun or Edna St. Vincent Millay—I forget which—put it best: 'There isn't a train I wouldn't take, no matter where it's going.'"

Northeast Charter Flight To Convention Planned

Albany, N.Y.—A charter air flight from Boston and New York to the ANG Convention is being organized by Charles Robie Booth, Guild unit chairman at the Albany Times-Union and Knickerbocker News.

He has asked Guild locals in the Northeast interested in the flight to write him at 39 Beach Ave., Albany, N.Y. 12203 or call him at area code 518, HO 3-3131, extension 359.

Madison Adopts Antiwar Stance; Providence Tables Similar Move

The Madison Guild last week called on President Nixon to withdraw American troops immediately from Southeast Asia, but the Providence Guild tabled a motion opposing the Cambodian invasion and supporting student demonstrations against the war.

The New York Guild's five top officers called upon Congress to take immediate action to bring about a "just peace as quickly as possible in Southeast Asia" and to adopt a program of action to "end the violence at home."

The Madison resolution, adopted unanimously at a local membership meeting, described the invasion of Cambodia as "an illegal usurpation of Congressional prerogatives" and called upon the President to "channel moneys from this wasteful war effort into programs of social and environmental rehabilitation at home."

The resolution said the Vietnamese war "is likely to result in further civil chaos" and is responsible for the current inflationary effect "on the pocketbook of the working man."

In their statement, the New York Guild officers, including President George McNickle, Executive Vice President Thomas J. Murphy and Secretary-Treasurer John E. Deegan, said they were "shocked" by the shooting of four students at Kent State and "joined the rest of the nation in mourning the killings of innocent boys and girls on a college campus."

In Providence, a motion opposing the Cambodian action, supporting related student demonstrations, deploring the Kent State shootings and asking other unions to take a similar stand was proposed at a local membership meeting but was tabled by a 62-to-40 vote.

In Albany, meanwhile, a number of Guild members joined a union demonstration at the State Capitol May 15 in support of President Nixon's Vietnam policy.

76 Newsmen in Rochester Criticize Gannett Silence

Rochester, N.Y.—A majority of the editorial staff at Gannett's Times-Union and Democrat & Chronicle signed a petition this month urging the papers to break their editorial silence on the U.S. invasion of Cambodia.

There were 76 signers of the petition, which implored the publisher "to take an explicit stand" on the invasion and the "resulting chaos on college campuses." Two days later the papers did so.

The campaign began after Penny Erdle, serving a two-week stint on the editorial board, began circulating the petition following the board's failure to act on her proposal that it speak out on the invasion and the subsequent death of four students at Kent State University.

Since January, Gannett has included two newsroom staffers on its editorial board on a rotating, two-week basis. They have both voice and vote.

The staffers' petition asked management to recognize the "importance of student strikes in relation to the national temper, regardless of whether you advocate or abhor them."

Two days after the employes presented their petition the papers ran editorials surprisingly if mildly critical of U.S. policy in Cambodia. Secretary of State William P. Rogers served as a Gannett director before his appointment; his wife succeeded him.

On the day the petition began circulating, four editorial staffers sent letters to management criticizing the papers' silence.

29 Join Protest

D.C. Newsman Dissents

Washington Star Guildsman James Doyle took to the letters column of his paper to criticize its Vietnam editorial policy this month—and 29 of his colleagues, in effect, joined him.

His unusual letter was printed May 8, on the eve of the massive Washington demonstration against the Cambodian invasion. Doyle wrote:

"As a member of the Star news staff I protest the tone and content of your recent editorials. Your quick endorsement of the invasion of Cambodia and the demeaning adjectives you have reserved for critics, from Seaman Roger Priest to Chairman William Fulbright, is no contribution at all to an understanding of events.

"It is always said that a good newspaper carefully distinguishes its editorial opinions from its news content. I have found the Star to be more diligent about that separation of function than many other newspapers. But the Star's editorial policy needs to be one that a Star reporter can respect, even should he disagree.

"Under the Nixon Administration I have not found any of my own freedom of expression or action threatened, yet I find the atmosphere in the nation more and more oppressive. At the Star I have found no interference with my functioning as an honest reporter, yet I find the editorial atmosphere more and more depressing."

An editor's note appended to the letter reported that a copy of Doyle's letter had been placed on the newsroom bulletin board the night before and that by the next morning it had been signed by 29 other members of the staff.

Chattanooga News-Free Press Aims Antitrust Suit at Times

Chattanooga, Tenn. — The Chattanooga News-Free Press is pressing a 10.5-million-dollar antitrust suit against the Chattanooga Times, accusing the Times of trying to drive it out of business.

The suit for triple damages was initiated this month in the wake of a February consent decree under which the Times agreed to discontinue the Chattanooga Evening Post, in response to a Justice Department suit.

The News-Free Press suit charged that the Post was established in 1966 "for the purpose of eliminating the Free Press as a competitor." It said the Times had sought to create a newspaper monopoly by selling advertising and subscriptions at "unreasonably low" rates.

"The Free Press has been forced to operate at a loss and its ability to continue publication has been placed in jeopardy," the suit declared.

Times Publisher Ruth S. Golden denied the charges "categorically" and expressed confidence the Times would be vindicated in court.

The News-Free Press said the Post was operated at a loss of seven million dollars over the four years it was published. Its operation was made possible, the suit said, by six million dollars advanced from a trust established by the will of Adolph S. Ochs, late publisher of the New York Times and founder of the Chattanooga Times.

In addition to charging "unreasonably low" advertising rates, the suit accused the Times of selling space to selected advertisers at rates lower than its published ones, of inducing advertisers to leave the News-Free Press by charging less for combined space in the Times and Post than for space in either and of requiring classified advertisers to buy space in both papers.

The Times and the News-Free Press operated under a joint printing arrangement from 1942 to 1966, when the News-Free Press terminated the arrangement. The Times, a liberal morning paper, then established the Post as an evening competitor for the right-wing News-Free Press.

The Times is covered by a Guild contract; the News-Free Press is not.

Medium Daily Earns Profit Over 32%

A rate of return almost four times higher than that of U.S. manufacturing industry as a whole was achieved by Editor & Publisher's "average medium-city newspaper" last year as it chalked up its eighth consecutive year of record profits.

The after-tax profit of the 55,000-circulation daily rose by 27.6 percent, to $843,000. Profit before taxes was up 26.2 percent, to $1,853,000.

The paper's owners reaped a return of 32.6 cents on every dollar of revenue before taxes, compared to an average 1969 return of 8.4 cents for all manufacturing industry. Its return after taxes was 14.8 cents on the dollar compared to 4.8 cents for all industry.

The 32.6-percent profit rate was the highest since E&P began analyzing the paper's operations in 1958. In the past decade the paper has more than tripled its net profits.

Advertising revenue of $4,502,700 was up 21.5 percent from 1968. Circulation income of $1,362,400 increased by 24 percent.

Since 1959 the paper's profits have increased 230 percent before taxes and 224 percent after taxes. In that time the average reporter top minimum in Guild newspaper contracts has increased 49 percent, from $124.15 in 1959 to $184.93 last December.



Printer Robert Em

House Unit Approves Antitrust Exemption

The House of Representatives' Antitrust Subcommittee approved the so-called Newspaper Preservation Bill this week after adopting seven amendments suggested by a representative of publishers seeking the antitrust-exemption legislation.

The bill, passed earlier this year in a slightly different form by the Senate, now goes to the House Judiciary Committee. If approved there it would go to the Rules Committee and then to the House floor.

The House subcommittee's vote on the measure was not recorded, nor could it be immediately determined if there were objections by any members of the subcommittee to its endorsing the proposal.

The bill would retroactively and perpetually grant antitrust immunity to price fixing, profit pooling and market splitting by jointly operated newspapers as long as at least one of the papers involved "regardless of its ownership or affiliations" was at the time the 'arrangement was first entered into' unlikely to remain or become a financially sound publication."

Among the subcommittee amendments are a pair that would require any newspapers that might want to begin joint operations in the future to meet a stricter test of "failing" than the bill would apply to those already pooling profits, fixing prices and splitting markets.

Another would require that any present joint operating agreement amended or renewed be filed with the Justice Department.

The bill has been opposed by ANG, the printing trades unions, the AFL-CIO, many small publishers and some large ones since it was first introduced in March 1967.

Gannett Chain Won't Buy Federated Publications

Rochester, N.Y.—The Gannett Co. has abandoned its proposed purchase of the seven-newspaper Federated Publications chain, it was announced this month.

No reason was given for cancellation of the 52-million-dollar purchase, which would have given Gannett more newspapers than any other chain in the country.

Federated newspapers include two under Guild contract: the Battle Creek Enquirer & News and the Lansing State Journal.

Judge Gives Newhouse a Victory In Battle to Control Denver Post

Denver, Colo. — Chain-owner S. I. Newhouse this month won a major victory in his decade-old fight to wrest control of the Denver Post from its present management.

Federal Judge A. Sherman Christensen ruled that the Post must offer 14,557 shares of its stock at a public auction sought by Newhouse. Its acquisition would increase Newhouse's holdings to 31.1 percent.

The ruling torpedoed management's plan for turning ownership of the paper over to its employes through sale of the stock to an employes' trust.

Christensen held in March that Post management had used company funds improperly to prevent the stock from falling into Newhouse's hands. It had bought the stock—19,573 shares in all—for $260 a share from a trust fund administered by the Denver U.S. National Bank and was selling it to the employe stock trust for $130 a share.

Post attorneys said they would appeal the decision ordering a public sale of the stock, for which Newhouse had offered $500 a share. Christensen insisted that the stock be offered in a single block, a move that is expected to freeze out possible competing purchasers.

At the $500 upset price fixed by Christensen, the stock would cost more than seven million dollars.

Newhouse currently owns 15.6 percent of the Post's stock. To gain control he would have to buy another 18.6 percent block held by the Denver U.S. National Bank and the First National Bank of Kansas City in a trust fund set up by Post founder Frederick G. Bonfils. If a high enough offer is made, legal action could be brought to force the banks to sell the stock in the interests of the trust.

Newhouse would also have to acquire an additional 213 crucial shares, and his attorneys have proposed inclusion in the auction of 776 shares sold to the employe stock trust after the date Newhouse served notice of his intention to challenge the transactions.

They also proposed that 570 shares issued before that date to Post Publisher Palmer Hoyt, Controller Warren K. Young and General Manager Charles R. Buxton also be forced onto the block.

Christensen indicated he would order the 776-share block sold but indicated reservations about ordering Young and Buxton to relinquish their share, since they were not parties to the suit.

A total of 3,670 additional shares sold to the stock trust before Newhouse's challenge would not be affected by the ruling.

9-Paper Chain Is Purchased By Dow Jones

New York City—Dow Jones & Co., publisher of the Wall Street Journal, will add nine general-circulation dailies to its holdings with acquisition of Ottaway Newspapers-Radio Inc.

Merger of the two companies was announced this month. Dow Jones will acquire Ottaway through an exchange of stock valued at approximately $36,560,000.

Ottaway owns three newspapers in New England (the New Bedford and Cape Cod Standard-Times and the Danbury News-Times), four in New York (the Middletown Times Herald-Record, Oneonta Star, Plattsburgh Press Republican and Port Jervis Union-Gazette), and two in Pennsylvania (the Pocono Record and Sunbury Daily Item). They have a combined daily circulation of 242,000.

Improved AP Health Plan Follows Guild Protests

New York City—Publishers of unorganized newspapers are fond of telling their employes they can do just as well without the Guild. Employes of Associated Press this month have new reason to know better.

Last July AP announced that the company carrying its health-insurance policy — Aetna — was increasing its premiums by more than 100 percent—and that employe contributions would go up accordingly. There was no increase in benefits.

Guild chapters reacted indignantly. One in Portland, Ore., appointed a committee that quickly discovered that the total cost of competing health-insurance plans was smaller than the employe contribution alone for the Aetna plan.

Portland sent the results of its findings to all AP chapters and urged protests. Members in other chapters began circulating petitions voicing concern over the increase and the way it was announced—with less than two weeks' notice.

Some members informed local insurance agents of the situation and suggested that their national offices send salesmen to see AP. Dozens of others swamped AP with letters of protest.

AP finally sat down with the Guild to discuss the situation—and out of the meetings there emerged last month a new Blue Cross-Blue Shield health plan that will reduce employe payments by from $3.79 to $8.57 a month while increasing benefits. Hospital coverage is increased from 70 days to 365 and coverage for physicians' fees from $90 to $150, among other improvements.

There was a postscript. The Guild proposed that AP and the union issue a joint announcement of the new plan. AP refused and published its own announcement—making no mention of the Guild's role in obtaining it.

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Vancouver, B.C.—The Vancouve press, so successful as an interim ne per that the Vancouver-New Westm Guild will be able to return local contributions unused, lived up to its day promise last week: It died.

The Express published its death at the time of its birth in Februar scribing itself as an interim publ born of suspension of the Sun and ince, it pledged to expire when the c was resolved and its staff went ba work "publishing the regular daily paper you've grown accustomed to ing."

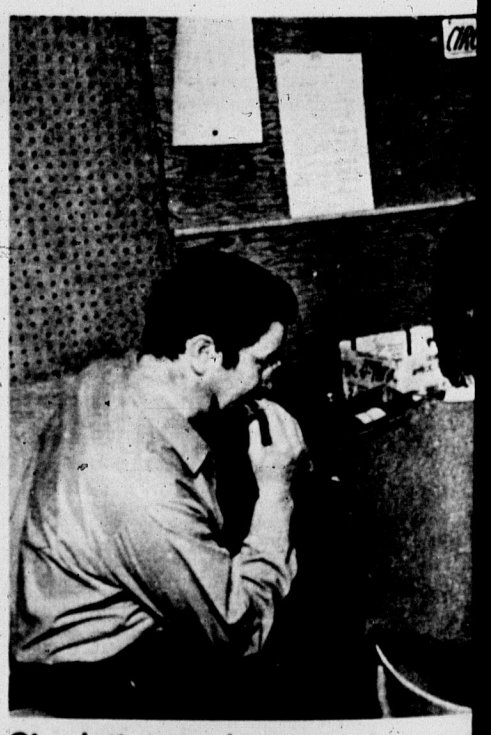
It happened just that way.

With all advertising sold out f next two issues and most of it pa the Express staff continued for a planning to produce them. But its is Tuesday, May 12, was the last. Th back to work at the Sun and Provin so fast that there were not enough left to put out another issue.

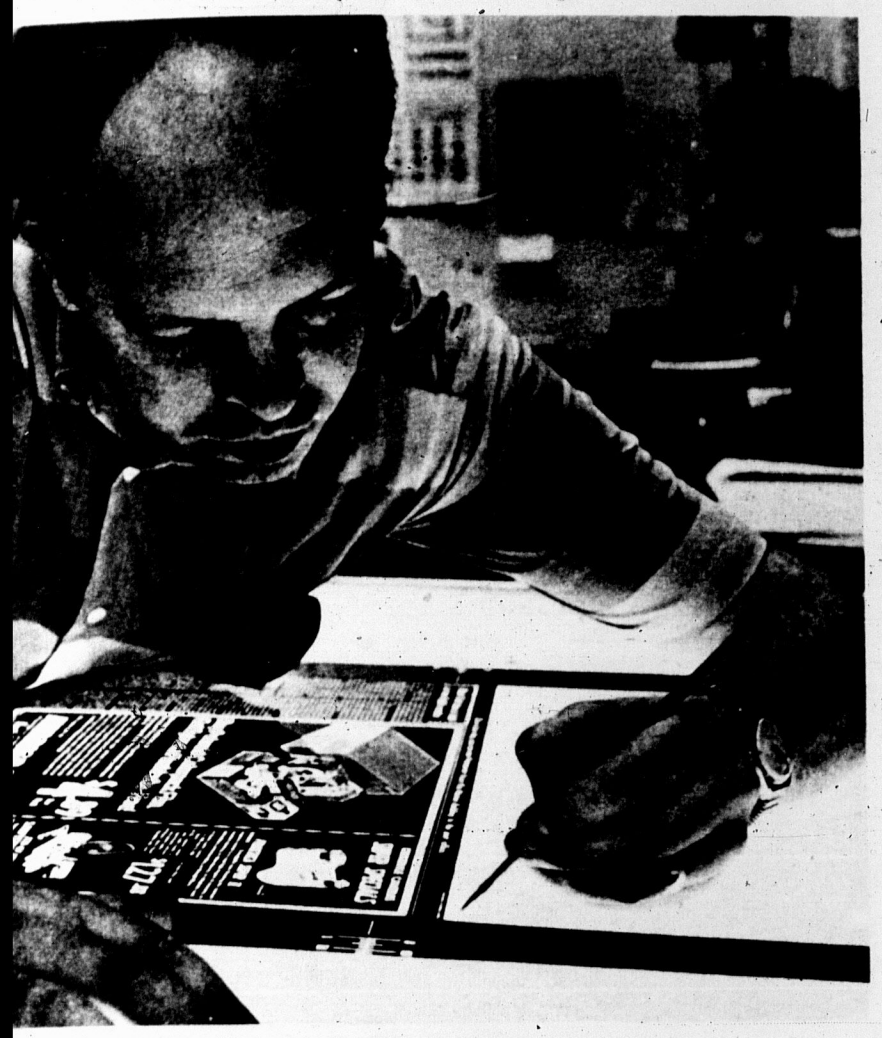
The final issue carried a picture billboard the Sun and Province had throughout the city for the past months, which said, "We miss you t The Sun." It was changed to, "We' you too," with "The Express" coveri Sun insignia.

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VETERAN SUN advertising sa George Milne, Guild treasurer for his tight-fisted, almost miserly ha of the local's funds, was even toug comptroller for the Express. His became a roar whenever an Expre vertising salesman appeared with without the full cash payment in ad



Circulation employes count revenu Johnson, Wally Langdale and



ny strips a page for the Express's offset camera.



Comptroller George Milne, left, directs the financial heart of the Express's operations. Measuring ads and preparing bills are, from left, Lance Secret (at rear), Donald Bennett, Bonnie Wright, Shirley Yaschuk, Anne Reinder (partly hidden) and Dale Rock.

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On April 2, the Guild office-turned-business-office stopped its routine to celebrate the birthday of "George Hitler" (as Guild office secretary Donna Sudak called him). George's wife, Anne, who supplied home baking daily on a "wartime austerity budget," brought a cake. Members of all unions poured into the office for the presentation—a bull whip.

One day, tired of fighting with everyone from the public-relations director to the advertising manager of a department store that had paid only $400 of a $7,500 advertising bill, Milne took off by storm.

He went to the store and into the advertising manager's office, his accounts listed carefully, and went through them one at a time. Many executives entered the discussion. Finally the spokesman for the advertising department announced, "OK. We will send you a check for next week."

Milne soto voce (in itself an achievement) said: "I can't wait that long, I only have an hour on the parking meter."

He left with the check.

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GUILDSMAN GEORGE HOLM, 26, of circulation, did bundle delivery for the Express. One morning at 7:30, some 90 minutes after he began his deliveries, his 1961 Valiant gave up. Four Guildsmen immediately rallied—Muriel McCulloch, of the Pacific Press business office, who had provided her truck and shared delivery-route duties with him, Robert Wood, Roy McLean and Ron Govier, all of circulation.

Govier was standing by with tow bar and his car to move him, first to a garage for an estimate on the repair job and, when it turned out to be $300, to his home. Wood and McLean began a search through auto-wrecking establishments for parts, and when they found them, Muriel McCulloch, with truck, picked them up, and delivered them to McLean's car pit in his carport. Wood provided tools, McLean started the repair and at 2 a.m. the next day Holm's car was A-1, ready for the delivery route the next morning.

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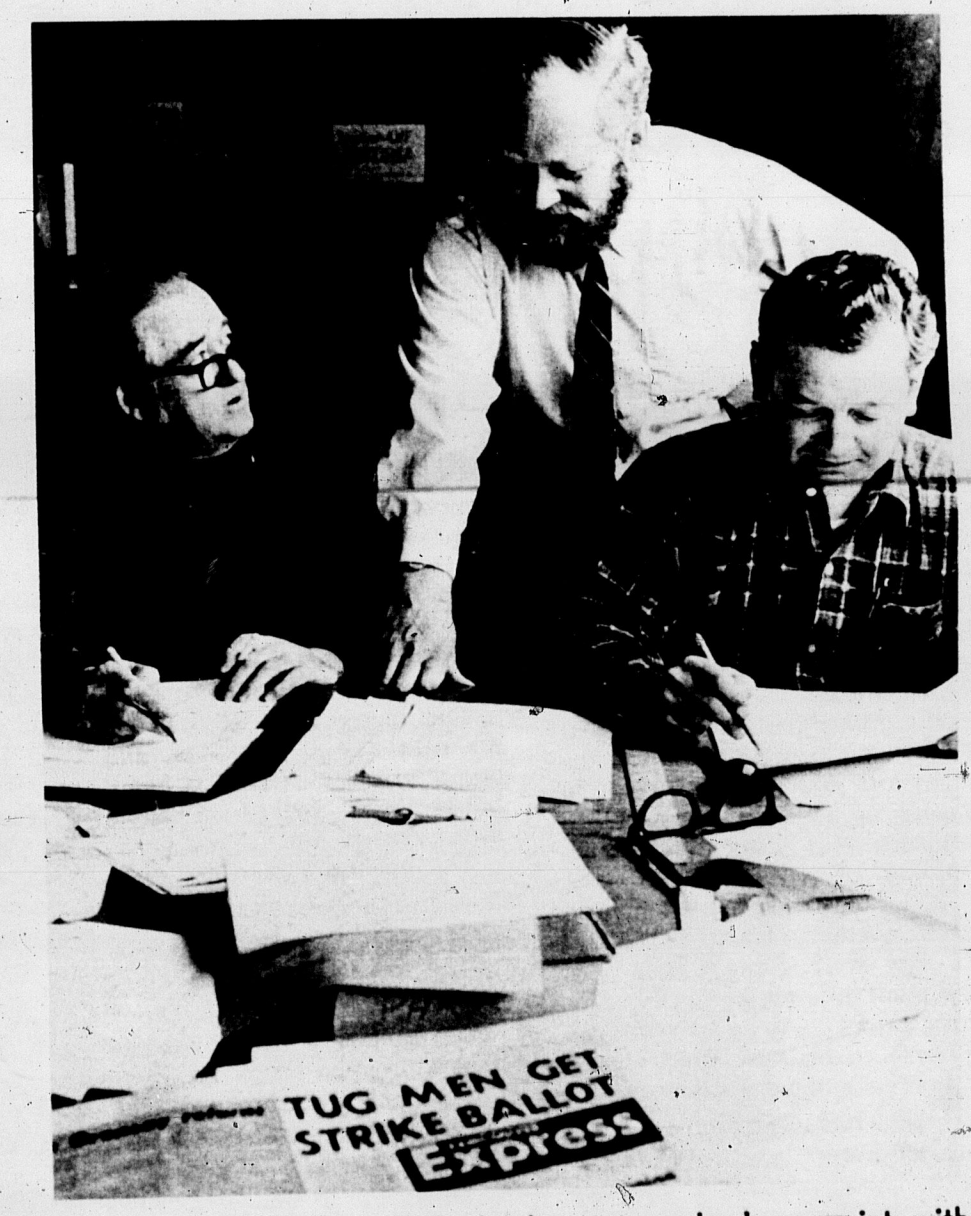
A WOULD-BE ADVERTISER came to the desk of an ad-taker in the Express office, cash in hand, and wanted an ad in the next edition. Ad taker Della Salisbury, who works in the classified department of the Sun and Province, said space was all sold out for the next four editions but she could book space two weeks hence.

The woman, in a fury, shouted: "Wait till you get back into the Sun; I'll report you to your boss."

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MALCOLM MCLEAN, Pacific Press lead maintenance man and member of the Guild executive committee, was one of the first in the Express and the last out, getting only a few hours' sleep through the hours of its birthing and its dying. He started the canteen on five-cent-a-cup coffee (scrounging where he could) and closed it down the last publication day $23 ahead.

And at 3:45 p.m. May 13, when all the signs, files, typewriters, justowriters, scrounged city directories and tables were gone, McLean locked the door and walked the four blocks to his first shift in three months at Pacific Press.



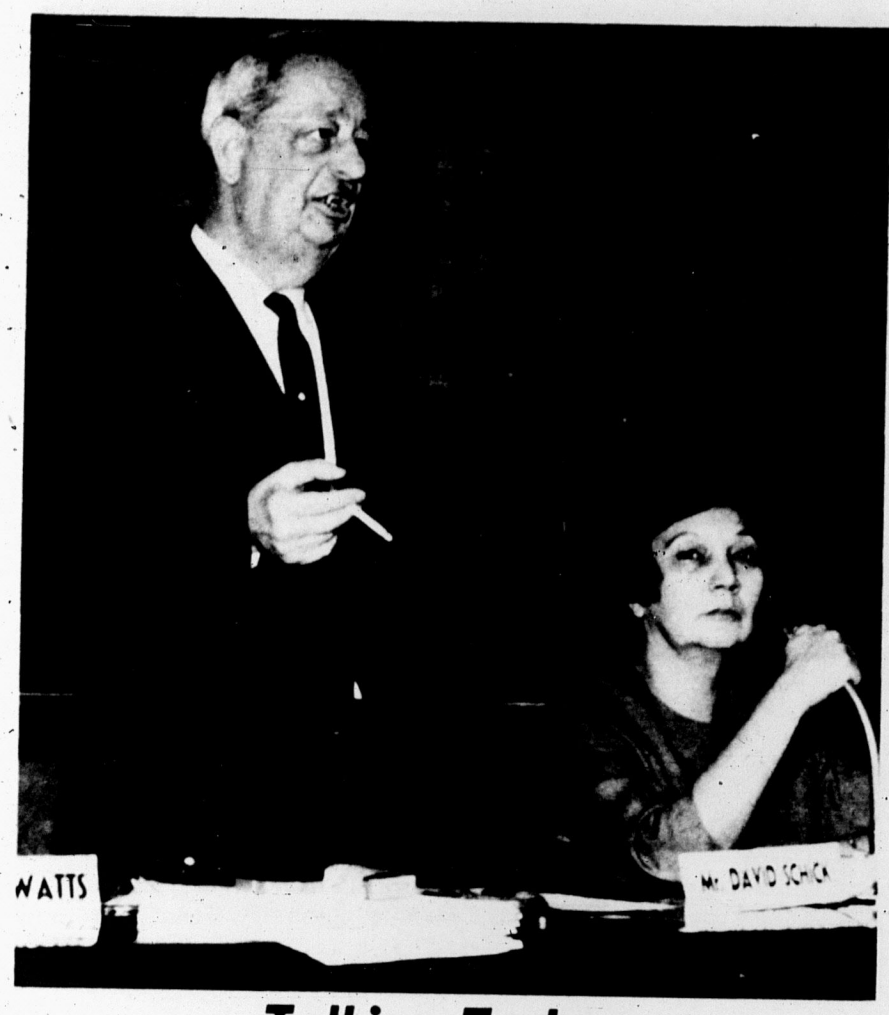
Express Editor Michael Tytherleigh, center, checks a point with Frank Long. At right, Thomas Butler.



e from the Express's booming sales. From left, Robert Wood, Jan Gail Mills. At the rear is Circulation Manager Hugh McBain.



Express photographers work in a kitchen converted into a darkroom. From left, Gordon Sedawie, Dave Buchan, Ray Allan, Gordon Croucher, Don McLeod and Kenneth Oakes.



Talking Turkey

David Schick's work for the Guild even took him abroad. Here he is shown addressing a 1963 bargaining seminar for Turkish journalists in Istanbul under sponsorship of the International Federation of Journalists in co-operation with the Guild.

David Schick Dies of Injuries; Guild Leader for 2 Decades

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conventions," they said. "At one time or another he served as chairman of virtually every convention committee, including all its major ones.

"He was ever willing to shoulder any task that was asked of him, and he carried them out unfailingly.

"To say that Dave will be missed is understatement. He leaves a void in the Guild that no one will be able to fill, an empty chair at the convention that no one can occupy. And we are all the poorer for the loss of a cherished friend."

Philadelphia Guild President William M. Brown, who has been acting administrative officer since Schick was injured, said the local had lost "its sincerest friend and most capable leader."

"His many friends and associates throughout the labor movement will miss the warmth and wisdom he imparted so freely to all," Brown said. "He will long be remembered by labor and management alike for his expertise in his chosen profession."

Retired ANG Executive Vice President William J. Farson, who had worked with Schick in the early days of the Philadelphia Local and later as an international officer, said Schick would be missed by ANG, his local and the labor movement.

"He served labor and liberal causes in many capacities," Farson said, "and was always willing to give of his time and talents to help fledgling organizations. While busy helping in the formation of ANG and the Philadelphia Local he found time to assist the newly formed Philadelphia-Camden Advertising Guild by serving on its bargaining committee.

"The upcoming ANG convention will not seem the same without Dave at the mike making a pertinent point, always in good Perlik, Farson and International Vice President Edward J. Schrode of Wilkes-Barre were among those attending the funeral May 19. The eulogy was delivered by M. H. Goldstein, veteran attorney for the Philadelphia Guild and Schick's long-time friend.

The family, asking that flowers be omitted, urged that contributions be sent instead to the Philadelphia Guild's defense fund.

Successively a reporter, union editor, organizer and negotiator for 48 years, Schick used to reminisce how the turning point in his career came at the age of 17.

Already a four-year newspaper veteran fired for the fifth time from the old Brooklyn Times, he showed up at the office one day to say goodbye to his friends, armed with trans-Atlantic passage money and the promise of a job on the Paris Tribune.

The city editor enticed him into a dice game, won his money and offered Schick his job back.

Schick took it, and soon began to devote an increasing amount of time to improving the lot of fellow reporters. He became a feature writer for the Brooklyn Eagle's Sunday magazine, helped in founding the New York Guild and then left his native New York for a job on the old Philadelphia Ledger, plunging again deep into Guild activity.

He served a stint as labor editor of the Philadelphia Record, founded and edited the Philadelphia Labor Record and was active in the Philadelphia Socialist Party as a campaign worker for Norman Thomas.

During World War II he served on the War Production Board in Washington. Afterward he became successively publicity director and editor for the Hosiery Workers and the Upholsterers International Union. In later years, while serving as Guild administrative officer, he helped edit the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Philadelphia paper.

A skilled bargainer, he helped negotiate contracts for Guild locals throughout the Middle Atlantic area while Philadelphia administrative officer. In 1953 he served on a special ANG interim committee to study the question of international approval of locally negotiated contracts, and in 1963 he traveled to Istanbul to help conduct a seminar on bargaining for Turkish newsmen.

Schick became known as the witticist par excellence at Guild conventions. A master of microphone repartee and a matchless raconteur, he was adept in his own language and capable of launching into several others when the occasion arose.

It often did. At the 1967 Convention in Ottawa he delivered the nominating speech for Farson in French after an introductory sally in English in which he identified himself as "Schick of Greater Israel—a small local but one that knows how to organize." He was wearing a black eye patch.

In 1963, appearing at the microphone in a fez, he nominated Farson in meticulous Spanish. And at an earlier convention he rendered a part of the nominating speech in Latin.

"Hiya, keed," was his greeting trademark. He was seldom without a cigarette and decorated conventions with his garb of bright shirts, accompanied by sandals. In recent years a loss of balance in the aftermath of an ear operation forced him to use a cane; he handled it, like everything else, with debonair grace.

Schick was an accomplished bridge player and almost as skilled at poker. He loved music and had a collection of classical and jazz records so vast that Philadelphia radio stations often came to borrow discs they couldn't find elsewhere.

Nearing retirement, he had bought a home in Cuernavaca, Mexico, to which he planned to move.

He is survived by his wife, Bessie, his regular companion at conventions: two sons, Dr. Lee Schick, a physicist at the University of Wyoming, and Dr. Michael Schick, a physicist at the University of Washington, and a daughter, Mariann, a student at the University of Pennsylvania.

2 Top Hearst Officials Scrutinize L.A. Scene

Los Angeles, Calif. — Top Hearst Corp. officials, including Editor-in-Chief William Randolph Hearst, Jr., and President Richard E. Berlin, paid the struck Los Angeles Herald-Examiner plant an official visit May 7.

No explanation was given for the unusual visit to the newspaper, whose advertising and circulation have been cut drastically by a 2½-year boycott by the striking and locked-out unions.

A company memo to plant security guards had announced that Hearst was coming to inspect the plant and ordered the guards to spruce up so that Hearst would return to New York with a "high opinion" of the facility.

A picket-line cameraman tried to photograph Hearst and Berlin as they were being driven into the plant grounds by George Sjostrom, the Herald-Examiner's general manager. But Hearst rolled up a tinted window.

Meanwhile, a preliminary hearing for James L. Brooks, the security guard accused of shooting Pressman Robert Vail Feb. 23, was held May 11 in Superior Court.

Vail said under questioning that the guard challenged him to come into a Herald-Examiner parking lot after he called the guard a "scab lover." Vail refused to go in but invited Brooks to come outside without his gun, he said.

Vail testified that Brooks clubbed him on the forehead with the barrel of his service revolver, which went off, sending a bullet through his chest.

The Joint Strike-Lockout Council said eight additional advertisers dropped out of the Herald-Examiner during April and reported that the annual Herald-Examiner bowling tournament has dropped the paper's name and lists only 15 bowling alleys as participants instead of the usual 30.

No movement resulted from the latest bargaining session between Hearst and the Pressmen May 14; another meeting was scheduled for yesterday. The Guild was scheduled to meet again with Hearst negotiators today.

Meanwhile the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals is scheduled to begin hearing oral arguments May 30 on a Hearst motion for a stay of a lower-court ruling dissolving temporary injunctions barring striking and locked-out Herald-Examiner unionists from picketing Hearst in other cities.

The Guild reported $1,552 in new contributions to its strike fund. Recent contributions include the following:

Philadelphia Guild	$100
San Diego Guild	27
Sacramento Guild	400
San Francisco-Oakland Guild	306
San Jose Guild	56
Seattle-Tacoma Guild	500
Stockton Guild	50
Washington-Baltimore Guild	50
Western District Council	63

The contributions bring total donations to $185,241.

So It Goes

Los Angeles, Calif.—Bosses who live in glass houses apparently shouldn't throw stones.

The manager of a mortgage company advertising in the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner found that out when he complained to police that strikers leafleting his office were parking overtime and asked that a meter maid be sent to patrol the area.

The meter maid showed up the next day at 9:30 a.m. and began writing tickets. The handbillers, who arrived at noon, didn't receive any.

The mortgage manager did.

Date Change

The Guild Reporter, which is normally published on the second and fourth Fridays of each month, will be published on the first and third Fridays in June—on the 5th and 19th—to fit into the schedule of ANG's annual convention June 22 through 26.

The normal publication schedule will be resumed with the postconvention issue, to appear July 10.

Western District Council Urges 'Restructuring' of Assessments

San Francisco, Calif. — The Western District Council went on record this month in favor of restructuring ANG's assessment schedule to bolster the dwindling International Defense Fund.

Meeting here May 2 and 3, the council recommended that the International Executive Board "press for a resolution of the Defense Fund problem through a restructuring of the Defense Fund financing by assessments."

The IEB took no action on the Defense Fund problem at its spring meeting last month. A special interim committee studying the Guild's strike-financing problem is concluding a two-day meeting in Washington today preparatory to reporting to the Guild's annual convention June 22 through 26.

The council, in another resolution, pledged full support to printers at the San Rafael Independent-Journal, which has been publishing with strikebreakers on the pattern of Hearst's Los Angeles Herald-Examiner.

The council, reaffirming its support of the Herald-Examiner strike, urged Western locals to continue their financial assistance to Los Angeles.

In its San Rafael resolution, the council noted that management has used "the same brutal and vile police-state tactics" seen in the Herald-Examiner strike, "complete with chain-link fence, thugs in uniform and badges, and dogs attacking pickets."

It accused the publisher of having "planned and deliberately provoked" the four-month-old strike "in a vicious attempt at union busting." The company has "shown its contempt for the democratic process, in effect, by refusing to negotiate, mediate or arbitrate," the council declared.

The resolution was adopted after the council heard a report on the San Rafael strike by Leon Olsen, president of the San Francisco Typographical Union.

Middle Atlantic Council Asks Per-Capita Limit

Cranford, N.J.—The Middle Atlantic District Council this month went on record in support of a Philadelphia Guild proposal that would prevent ANG from receiving a per-capita payment of more than 50 percent of a member's dues.

The proposal, which Philadelphia plans to introduce at ANG's annual convention June 22 through 26, would amend the Constitution to reduce local per-capita payments for members whose dues are not at least twice the amount of per capitas.

International Vice President Edward J. Schrode said investigation has disclosed that federal funds would not be available for construction of a Guild retirement home. The council had asked ANG to study the possibility in January.

Robert E. Bruner, director of ANG's New England Servicing-Organizing Program, and James H. Orcutt, its assistant director, described the program to the council, which has been weighing a similar one in the Middle Atlantic area.

The North Jersey Guild was host at the meeting. The next will be in Wilkes-Barre Aug. 1 and 2.

Three-Month Shutdown Ends in Vancouver

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too, would accept them so as not to place the unions "in an impossible position."

The terms were ratified by substantial majorities by members of all five unions May 10, and picket lines came down the next day. Guild members began returning to work immediately, although it was four more days before publication was resumed.

Picket signs were stacked as the lines came down, and ANG International Representative Charles Dale took the first "suspension" sign down from the plant door.

The contract terms provide improvements in vacations, night differentials and pensions, three of the major issues on which the unions and the newspapers had been stalemated.

They did not meet the company's demand for an expiration date of Dec. 1, after the heaviest Christmas advertising period, one of the major issues in dispute.

The contract terms include a full Guild shop, replacing a nine-out-of-10 provision in the editorial department. It was recommended 26 years ago by a federal conciliation board but never achieved until now.

The Guild also won $25,000 hazardous-assignment insurance for the first time.

Employes with at least 20 years' service will receive a fifth week's vacation effective this year. And the service requirement for a fourth week is reduced from 15 years to 12 in two steps.

Wage provisions call for a minimum increase of $10 each year, raising the lowest clerical rate to $101.50. Minimums in all other classifications except key ones will be increased 9.5 percent a year.

Night differentials are increased from five percent to 5½, and life-insurance coverage for male employes is increased from $9,000 to $12,000.

A joint pension plan is established for the first time, with benefits improved in several areas, including vesting after 10 years' service instead of 20.

The Sun and Province agreed to pay 50 percent of the cost of fringe benefits during the shutdown, and all legal actions by the publishers and the unions will be withdrawn. They include a 1.5-million-dollar damage suit by management against the unions and a 2.1-million-dollar action brought by the Guild for severance and notice pay following the shutdown.

The company, which had sought to seize the property of both the unions and the personal property of their officers, filed claims against 334 mechanical-department employes and sought contempt charges against the unions, had its process servers seeking to hunt down the unions' international representatives to serve writs even after the unions had accepted the mediators' proposals.

The unions had maintained an unparalleled unity throughout the prolonged dispute. They were together at the bargaining table, in 'round-the-clock sit-ins staged last fall to bring the company back to the bargaining table, in mapping a common strategy after the shutdown and in producing the unions' interim paper, the Vancouver Express.

The Express went out in a blaze of prosperity as the Sun and Province resumed publication. Its May 9 issue, with 44 pages in three sections, was the largest ever, and advertising space had been reserved through the end of May.

So prosperous was the Express that the Vancouver-New Westminster Guild last week notified Guild locals that it will return them "every dime" they contributed to the strike—in person with thanks at ANG's convention next month in Seattle.

Local President James Young and Executive Secretary William H. McLeman noted in their letter to locals that while the Express had made it possible to pay supplementary benefits and other strike expenses without tapping their contributions, Vancouver members had received more in ANG dispute benefits than they had paid in per capitas and assessments through all the local's years in ANG.

Paying tribute to the assistance received throughout the dispute from ANG President Charles A. Perlik, Jr., and Dale, they declared:

"We are proud of our own union local and proud of our sister locals throughout the Guild. Especially are we proud of our international and of being a part of it."

Final contributions to the Guild's dispute fund totaled $3,440.97, with recent contributions including the following:

Local 500, International Longshoremen's Union	$1,000.00
Ottawa Guild	200.00
Chicago Guild	100.00
Victoria Guild	640.00
Toronto Guild	505.97
Terre Haute Guild	25.00
Sioux City Guild	25.00
Denver Guild	50.00
Wilkes-Barre Guild	50.00
Kenosha Guild	25.00
Hawaii Guild	50.00
Boston Guild	150.00
Toledo Guild	50.00
Seattle-Tacoma Guild	500.00

Total contributions to the fund were $9,833.26. None of the checks were cashed, and all will be returned.



From the Members: Applause

A packed Guild membership meeting gives a round of applause to the local's negotiating team after ratifying terms of settlement ending the three-month Vancouver Sun and Province shutdown.

Times Set to Stop Publication in Bargaining Crisis

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been "tremendous progress," recessed the talks and has not reconvened them since. He said that while the two sides were not far apart, "they appear to be dug in on their positions."

Money is reportedly the key area in dispute. The companies' last published offer was for an increase of 31.85 percent over three years; Powers, termed it insufficient.

The Guild's negotiating committee at the Times walked out of bargaining May 8, with chief negotiator Harry Fisdell declaring "there is no point in the Guild sitting here and allowing you to make a mockery of these negotiations."

The unit council, directing the committee four days later to return to bargaining, demanded that the Times "negotiate in good faith" and reminded it that "any agreement reached must meet the needs of the Times Unit."

It asked the committee to report back on the results of negotiations so that the council "can make preparations to take any steps it deems necessary to secure an agreement."

Bargaining resumed May 19.

The printers cranked up the duration of their chapel meetings another 2½ hours in half-hour jumps, and the Times reported this week that it had thus far lost 874 pages of advertising valued at $4,359,300 and 106,722 man-hours of work valued at $597,115.

"The wire is stretched pretty thin, and we don't want to snap it," Powers said. "We don't want to close the paper down."

The union is allowing printers to work normal overtime to help the Times keep publishing, but on May 20 the paper encountered its longest delay—45 minutes, in printing the first edition. It was 16 pages short of the normal 96. Yesterday's paper was 24 pages short.

Pressmen's Local President William J. Kennedy has warned of the possibility of unspecified "job action" at the Times, News, Post or Long Island Press if negotiations failed to make headway.

The threat of a walkout by the News Deliverers' Union was lifted May 8 after Kheel intervened to ease a negotiating snag on loading schedules and rest periods.

But the Deliverers this week struck the Wall Street Journal, which is not involved in the current negotiations, in a dispute over the handling of deliveries from the company's new plant in South Brunswick, N.J. The Deliverers, who charged the company with refusing to bargain on subcontracting work at South Brunswick, refused to transport copies of the Journal for delivery to New York newsstands.

The Post announced a rise in its newsstand price from 10 to 15 cents May 18, blaming increased distribution, newsprint, supply and wage costs. It said the impending contract settlement "commits the Post to the highest wage increases in its history."

Washington Police Attack 5 Newsmen in Disorders

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jured, but Tasnadi's watch was broken.

Local President Llewellyn King, in a letter to the Police Department, said the Guild would seek the dismisal of any policeman who could be identified as one of the attackers.

Terming the "physical security of the press" a vital matter, King said the Guild would seek to protect it "by every feasible means, including the prosecution of those who attack newspapermen."

Representatives of the Star, along with the attacked Star cameramen, met with Police Chief Jerry V. Wilson May 15 to discuss guidelines for newsmen and police at demonstrations.

The Guild has been sending representatives to speak at police-training sessions on police-press relations. A recent session was addressed by Post reporter Paul Valentine, who was himself clubbed by police during demonstrations against the proposed Three Sisters Bridge acoss the Potomac last fall.

The local has presented written recommendations to police on redesigning press badges for greater visibility and to discourage their misuse.

It is also seeking to have police end the practice of disguising agents as newsmen. It reacted after two policemen were discovered posing as newsmen while taking motion pictures during Earth Day demonstrations April 22.

Bay Labor Council Gets ANG Backing in Appeal

The International Executive Board asked the AFL-CIO Executive Council last week to support the San Francisco Labor Council's right to suspend an affiliate for crossing a picket line sanctioned by the central body.

The IEB said the Guild had "a very deep interest" in the question because the strength of newspaper unions in the Bay Area "rests in the unity of the newspaper unions in supporting each union's picket lines, and the necessary vehicle for this unity is the enforceable strike sanction of the labor council."

An Amalgamated Transit Union division was suspended from the council when it refused to honor a Machinists' picket line at the San Francisco Greyhound terminal last year. AFL-CIO President George Meany ordered the suspension revoked in December on the recommendation of a hearing officer.

The Executive Council rejected the appeal at its meeting last week on the ground that a local AFL-CIO council cannot have power to discipline an affiliated union that the AFL-CIO itself does not possess.

'We've decided to eliminate the middleman'



DATELINE: WASHINGTON

Nixon's 'Southern Strategy' Starts to Pay Off



By WILLARD SHELTON, *Washington Guild*

THE FIRST FEW state primaries—in Texas, Ohio, Alabama and Nebraska—were enough to show that the Nixon Administration wasn't playing fun-and-games when it spoke of a "Southern strategy" designed to win Senate control in this year's elections and re-elect the President himself in 1972.

On the Senate, Republicans need a net gain of eight seats for numerical control in the 92nd Congress convening next January. By simple addition, three Democratic senators now serving are already out of office after this year.

Two retired because of age or impaired health—Sens. Stephen M. Young (Ohio) and Spessard Holland (Fla.). A third, Sen. Ralph Yarborough (Tex.), was beaten for renomination in his own party primary by a long-ago former House member, Lloyd Bentsen. (One of the reasons for that, apparently, is that all segments of Texas labor didn't turn out the full potential of workers' votes on election day.)

The departure of Holland is chiefly the loss of only an organizational vote, but this determines the committee chairmanships and affects the priorities observed in the flow of legislation. The loss of Young and Yarborough, particularly the latter, is more serious. They have been consistent liberals on domestic policy, and Yarborough is chairman of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee.

Fully acknowledging that the November elections are still five months away and that events may change things, most political observers here think that Texas and Florida, at least, may very well elect Republican senators to replace Yarborough and Holland.

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TEXAS DEMOCRATIC politics is a cannibal kingdom, divided between liberals and labor allies on one side and conservatives and reactionaries on the other. When conservatives and reactionaries vote as decent a man as Yarborough out of office for a faceless anonymity such as Lloyd Bentsen there seems a reasonable chance that a good many liberal and labor voters will simply take a walk on Election Day.

They have done precisely that twice in the past 10 years: That's how Republican Sen. John Tower has happened to win two Texas elections. The Republican Senate nominee this year is George Bush, twice elected to the House from a Houston district, son of the late Sen. Prescott Bush of Connecticut and widely known over the state.

In Florida, the presumptive Democratic nominee is former Gov. Farris Bryant. But Democrats haven't been winning statewide Florida elections in recent years: The governor is Claude Kirk, Republican, and the senator most recently elected is the GOP's Edward J. Gurney.

Former Circuit Judge Harrold Carswell's abrupt resignation from the federal judiciary to enter the senatorial primary threw GOP affairs momentarily into confusion. But Carswell developed an illness removing him from the campaign for three or four weeks, and the White House steadfastly continued to support Rep. William C. Cramer, an eight-term House veteran from St. Petersburg and a fierce campaigner.

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OHIO SEEMS genuinely in doubt, despite the fact that the GOP Senate nominee bears the magic name of Robert Taft, Jr., and the Democrat is a previous unknown, Howard Metzenbaum. Putting things bluntly, Taft is simply not really effective in meeting the voters (he was beaten once before for the Senate), and Metzenbaum showed in a primary against former astronaut John Glenn that he is a brilliant operator.

There are enough shaky Democratic seats around the country to keep Senate control next year, in any case, at least doubtful.

The second part of the Nixon "Southern strategy," to promote the President's 1972 re-election, may have already succeeded. At least former Gov. George Wallace ran behind Gov. Albert Brewer in the Democratic gubernatorial primary. Wallace has an absolute need of the governor's mansion as a base for a second Dixiecrat Presidential foray.

Brewer and Wallace still face a June runoff, but Alabama Democrats have never picked the second-place candidate in a runoff, and Wallace did badly all the way in the first primary.

In Presidential terms, the "Southern strategy" calls for a solidly Republican South to combine with the normally Republican Midwest and put the GOP in power for a long time. Of course, the people can fool the strategists in almost any election.

Rings Upon Her Fingers, She Says No to Trudeau

Honolulu, Hawaii—Can a lady refuse a Prime Minister?

Honolulu Advertiser Guildswoman Janice Wilson, 23, who caught the practiced eye of Pierre Trudeau, Canada's bachelor Prime Minister during a press conference at the Honolulu airport May 10, did just that.

"I suppose you want to hear all about my love life," Trudeau said when Mrs. Wilson sought to be recognized.

"I have an hour if you'd like to tell me about it," she replied.

"I'll tell you about mine if you'll tell me about yours," he declared.

After the news conference, Trudeau, 50, told Mrs. Wilson he'd like to ask her for a date.

She replied nervously that she couldn't because she was married.

"Then why are you keeping your rings hidden under your notebook," Trudeau said.

DAY BOOK

International Executive Board, preconvention meeting, June 19, Washington Plaza Hotel, Seattle.

37th Annual ANG Convention, June 22-26, Washington Plaza Hotel, Seattle.

Middle Atlantic District Council, summer meeting, Aug. 1 and 2, Wilkes-Barre.

Empire State District Council, summer meeting, August 22 and 23, Kingston.

Editorial

The Rich Get Richer

That some newspapers are increasing their profits by as much as 26 percent is cause for wonder among those who characterize newspapers as a dying industry.

It is also a matter of interest for Guild members whose pay increases were closer to six or eight percent last year.

Editor & Publisher's yearly survey of three anonymous dailies disclosed, for example, that a 250,000-circulation big-city daily recorded a 1969 profit rate of 23 percent of revenue before taxes, almost three times the rate for all U.S. manufacturing industries.

The average profit rate for all U.S. industries in 1969 was 8.4 percent before taxes and 4.8 percent after taxes.

E&P found that its 55,000-circulation "average medium-city newspaper" had a before-tax profit rate of 32.6 percent, some 288 percent higher than that earned by U.S. manufacturing industry as a whole.

Before-tax profits of a third, 96,000-circulation daily analyzed by E&P were 20.3 percent of revenue.

These profit rates are merely a continuance of a performance steadily achieved over the past decade.

Since 1959 the "average medium-city daily" has increased its profits 230 percent before taxes and 224 percent after taxes. The average reporter top minimum in Guild contracts increased 49 percent during this period.

The big-city daily increased its profits 94.4 percent from 1960 through 1969. The average reporter top minimum rose 50.4 percent during this period.

There is nothing, from year to year, to indicate that these dailies are not typical of the industry as a whole.

They are certainly not too far afield from 1969 profit increases of 68 percent recorded by the Toronto Star, 22 percent by Knight Newspapers, 16 percent by Gannett Newspapers and 19 percent by Lee Enterprises.

While the average profit rate for U.S. manufacturing industries before taxes fell from 8.8 percent in 1968 to 8.4 percent in 1969, a decline of 4.5 percent, workers in major industries won wage increases averaging 7.1 percent.

But in the newspaper industry, whose profits have increased so dramatically, the average reporter top minimum in Guild contracts increased only 8.7 percent last year.

If newspapers can generate profits almost four times the average rate for U.S. manufacturing industry as a whole, newspaper workers shouldn't be bashful about asking for a bigger share of the pie.

1968 Rerun

Police attacks on newsmen covering antiwar demonstrations in Cambridge, Mass., last month left observers of similar police attacks on newsmen during the 1968 Democratic National Convention with a sense of *deja vu*.

In Cambridge, as in Chicago, newsmen were beaten indiscriminately even as they displayed press cards. In one case, a UPI newsman was pulled from a telephone booth and beaten.

In Chicago, police said they couldn't tell newsmen from demonstrators. But how will Cambridge police explain pulling someone from a telephone booth? In Cambridge, as in Chicago, police attacks on newsmen smacked of a deliberate attempt to suppress evidence of what was happening.

One would have thought the events of 1968 would have been a lesson for the 1970s and that more could have been expected from the Cambridge police than a replay of the Chicago "police riot."

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