United With Other GE Workers in IUE-CIO
We Can Continue to Improve That Record

As we approach the election next Wednesday, the entire membership of Local 301 is solidly behind the move to unite in IUE-CIO. This was confirmed Tuesday, the day before the NLRB set June 30 as our election date.

At their meeting the Shop Stewards pledged themselves to fight back the anti-union campaign of the NLRB. Local 301 has consistently shown the desire to fight back the UUE.

With that support, we will be able to sit down in front of management and enforce our demands for a substantial wage increase, for guaranteed paychecks, the year-round... for improvements in working conditions and insurance... for a better vacation plan... for an additional holiday... for Equal Pay for Equal Work for Women... and all other demands that are so important. The results of the election will be announced. We will be able to do something about putting an end to GE's policy of moving away jobs from Schenectady and its policy of forcing out the local.

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UNITE THE GE CHAIN

VOTE
IUE-CIO LOCAL 301

Riveters Nail UE

Last Thursday another local voted unanimously to get out of the UUE and unite in IUE-CIO. At a meeting attended by more than two-thirds of the entire UE... Riveters on hard-pressed River Plant, members of IUE Local 301 voted unanimously to join the UE and affiliate with IUE-CIO.

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IUE-CIO Wins Bldg. 40 Case After Outsiders Flop

Membership is Local 361 pays. And the latest GI worker to find out just how much a pays is Claude Dykman, 48-year-old, and his brother, brothers of the AFL-CIO.

Libel Suit Filed Against UE

The suit is filed against the labor leaders of the strike. Mike Jiminez and John Decker, the two leaders of the strike, are charged with libel. The suit was brought by the U.F. workers of Local 361.

Phony from New York City...

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Turbine Worker Repudiates UE

Another UE worker recently repudiated UE for $10 a week. One of his former co-workers, a UE worker, said he was repudiated because he was not a member of UE.

301 On the Job

Mig. 210: Chipper is in Bldg. 40, and he's been working there for several weeks. He's been there for three years.

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Erie Next! Hearing July 1

The U.S. has ordered a hearing for July 1 on UEC-CIO claims against the GE workers. The GE workers were at the hearing.

Cables: New York City...
Leader-less UE Repudiated in Turbine

The claim that Turbine workers support UE has met a rude shock, as an article in the local paper indicated. Turbine workers have never been able to get a meeting in Turbine—nor any place close by, for that matter—or to get a union chartered, a union charter, or a union vote. But last week Local 301 called a meeting in Turbine to address the issue of the UE. Over 2,000 people attended, and the hall was packed to the rafters.

Halfway through the meeting, the UE leader, who is now supporting UE, reported that the UE members in Turbine were trying to prevent the meeting from taking place. The UE leader said that the UE members in Turbine were trying to prevent the meeting from taking place.

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Unity of 100,000 GE Workers Means Higher Wages and More Job Security

The following 50 GE locals are united in UE-CIO:

- Kansas City
- St. Louis
- Indianapolis
- Chicago
- Cleveland
- Detroit
- Philadelphia
- New York
- Los Angeles
- San Francisco

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Bill Kelly
"Don’t worry about Turbine—IT’s CIO."

Julie Mitchell
"All but one in 9 to 5 are IUE-CIO."

Doug Gray
"246 is 99% IUE-CIO."

Leonard Cohen
"71 Turbine is almost IUE-CIO."

Joe Allee
"Turbine supports us overwhelming."

Donald Dill
"We’re already signed IUE 100%."

Jim Brown
"Just added is 89%. IUE-CIO."

Jim Novak
"32, 48, 64 and 65 at least 99% IUE."

Al Calder
"We’re fighting with Leo Jemth."

George Griffin
"Trade unions are IUE-CIO down the line."

Dan McCauley
"We’re behind this move 100%."

George Parent
"We’re changing IUE June 50."

John Miller
"95%, IUE-CIO."

A. Benenato
"Survey shows General Operators 95% IUE."

Bill Garson
"We’re ready to unite in IUE-CIO."

Julia Savran
"Turbine won’t sign contracts on UE."

All Krugler
"102 is going IUE-CIO."

Harry Cohen
"Workers not IUE-CIO."

Alex Boccaccio
"Workers will vote IUE CIO."

Ed Davis
"We’re going back home in CIO."

Guy Britt, Sr.
"Very good acetate for IUE-CIO."

Bucky Pesino
"17 will vote 100%."

Lucy Croy
"Crown operators voted IUE-CIO."

Al Duffrin
"CAP is upset IUE-CIO."

This was the scene in Local 301 headquarters as the second shift Stewards hit their meeting. The second shift Stewards did the same as the first shift and pledged a 99% majority for IUE-CIO Local 301.

Keep up-to-date on developments in the campaign. Hear IUE-CIO Local 301 on your way to and from work every day. Tune your car radio to WPBR and WTRV.

3500 QUITTING IUE-CIO
BRIDGEPORT GE WORKERS
ACT TO RETURN TO UE

An NLRB petition was filed today by UE Local 211 for 3500 production and maintenance workers in the General Electric Co.'s Bridgeport plant. The following telegram was received by Ernast W. Kopper, UE Local 301 President:

I AM PLEASED TO UPHOLD YOU IN YOUR DECISION TO FILL THIS PETITION WITH THE MIRACULOUS EFFECTIVE WORKERS IN THE BRIDGEPORT WORKS. AFTER TWO YEARS OF MANIPULATION AND VIOLATION OF IUE-CIO, THE BRIDGEPORT WORKERS MUST REACT TO THE THREAT TO THEIR EARNINGS. THEY ARE PROTECTING THEIR RIGHTS TO ELECT THEIR REPRESENTATIVES UNDER THE NLRB. THE THREAT TO THEIR EARNINGS MUST BE MET WITH A STRIKE.

Michael Marcanetti, Pres. UE Local 301

CIO'S SETTLEMENT WITH GE TELLS US WHAT TO DO

Two CIO unions bargaining for General Electric workers have already accepted GM's 4% to 5% offer. They are the CIO Steelworkers, which is the bargaining agent in GE Midwest, Ohio, and the CIO Auto Workers, which is the bargaining agent at the GE Jet Engine Plant in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Cagey has been promising "unity" in CIO, but while the IUE-CIO has been forced to accept this offer as "the worst in three years," the two largest CIO unions have accepted it.

This is the opposite of unity and strength. It pulls the rug from under the Cagey raid which was based on the premise that GE Schenectady workers would get more by going CIO.

There is no right in CIO today. Worst of all, there is no unity.

Only UE offers all GE workers the fighting unity that made possible the gains of the past 18 years.

VOTE UE LOCAL 301

No Contract

No Union

UE Local 301

SE on TV - Tonight & Tomorrow - WRGB 7:30 to 7:45 P.M., 6/28/54
VOTE UE 301 TOMORROW!

Today, our jobs, wages and working conditions are protected by the UE National Contract and the UE Local 301 supplements until April 1955.

Tomorrow, we reject and repudiate those who are trying to lead us into the jaws of the company by asking us to give up our contract, our plantwide seniority, our piece rate protection, our units and our union.

Today, we are re-building our democratic union, defending our Constitutional right to decide on strikes, contracts, settlements and financial affairs.

Tomorrow, we reject clique control, push button stoppages, contempt for the membership, outside interference in union affairs by the company, politicians and other individuals and groups.

When we vote UE Local 301 tomorrow we will be voting for our contract, an end to rate discrimination and for an honest fight for jobs and full employment.

Schenectady will mark the finish of company-inspired raiding by the UE-CIO.

Vote UE Local 301 tomorrow to end raiding and disruption in Schenectady and throughout labor.
WE'RE VOTING UE LOCAL 301 TO PROTECT OUR WAGES, OUR SE

WE COMPARED THE CONTRACTS!

WE OLD TIMERS KNOW...

WE BELIEVE IN A DEMOCRATIC UNION

WE NEED UE'S PL...
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Stay United in UE!

Unionwide Seniority
UE Has Proved Itself

There are plenty of reasons why the overwhelming majority of Schenectady GE workers will vote UE Local 301 tomorrow.

"Because a vote for UE is a vote for the union which has improved and protected our wages and conditions for 18 years."

"UE is the only union whose contract with GE guarantees plant-wide seniority — and in these days of layoffs, that's going to mean the difference between working and unemployment for a lot of us."

"UE isn't afraid to take on the fight for jobs and against the company's runaway program — and UE has proved that it can win that fight as it did in Easton-Georgetown."

"UE's contract protects the pay of both day workers and piece workers... The UG-EIO contract provides the company with its chance to cut wages all the way down the line. It's no accident that UE shops have by far the highest wages in the GE chain."  

"UE has led the fight for equal pay for women workers and against all forms of discrimination, regardless of whether it's discrimination because of color, nationality, sex, creed, or political belief."

"UE is a rank-and-file controlled union free from Carey-style 'push button' control."  

"UE won't cower before the McCarthyites any more than it will cower before the company."

All good reasons and all adding up, as they did in 1950 and 1951, to a landslide victory for UE LOCAL 301.
"We Speak
From Experience . . . "

We're Voting
IUE-CIO!

We, the signers of this message, all have 20 years or
more service with the General Electric Company in Schenec
tady. Our total combined service is 17,734 years. This
is our message to the entire GE Schenectady works, based
on the combined experience we have acquired during those
years in the plant. In addressing this message to our fellow

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GE workers, we do not claim to have any greater knowledge or wisdom than those who work with us but who have not been in the plant as long. In fact, many of us did not benefit from the extra schooling and education that many of you have.

But we do remember when...

- You would be discharged for smoking on company property.
- Wage cuts of up to 10% an hour were forced on us.
- Our vacations which we had earned were taken away from us.
- In order to get a job we had to actually buy it.
- Women were paid only 50c an hour.
- Laborers received only 55c an hour.
- Prices would be cut on the job and you had to compete with your co-workers to see who would produce the most in order to keep your job.

Yes, we remember those things and many more.

Conditions such as those were the things that spurred us to organize.

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Let’s Get
Real Unity!

Unite the
GE Chain
in IUE-CIO

happened to the UE when it tried to take on a company that was really cracking down. The best examples of this are General Cable in Rome and International Harvester.

At Rome UE waged a 36-week strike and wound up going back to work for less than what was offered before they walked out. The same was true in Harvester—because the workers were split the company had no trouble in defeating the workers and injecting their demands. Now the workers in Harvester and General Cable do not have strong seniority protection and other gains they deserve.

Over the past 16 years we have fought—and fought hard for the UE. But for war time now we have realized that the National UE has not been doing a sincere job for us. Particularly regarding unity. Rather than really fighting for unity of UE workers, the UE National Officers have opposed it—in order to maintain their own selfish positions.

The only solution for Schenectady UE workers is to unite the same as we did 16 years ago—and bring all UE workers back under one roof.

As sincere and honest Trade Unionists, we heartily endorse the decision of Local 301 to once again unite the GE chain so that we can continue to make the gains we were making between 1938 and 1948.

Our answer to the increasing cuts-downs of the Company is unity of all GE workers in IUE-CIO.

What’s the Future in a Union that is Collapsing Financially?

Secret Reports Reveal Desperate Situation

Threatening UE Members As Expenses

Exceed Income By $249,771.57!

Printed inside are financial statements from the UE National for the nine months during the period June 1952 through June 1953.

These reports show that during those nine months the expenditures by the UE International exceeded income by $249,771.57. The monthly breakdown of this shocking situation is as follows:

June 1952
July
August
September
October
November
January 1953
April
June

$ 2,612.00
$ 23,290.99
$ 19,090.95
$ 20,784.56
$123,165.02
$ 27,122.03
$ 4,038.31
$ 4,032.78
$ 25,624.93
$ 249,771.57

Obviously,UE can no longer protect its members.

If they must strike, they cannot expect the support needed to win the strike... If they need aid in the form of concentrated service, they cannot be sure the service will be forthcoming... If they need to do a job of organizing in their own area to protect their rates and conditions, they must see scab shops and scab conditions extended because the organizational support is not at hand... and if the company threatens to "run away" to the South, the UE member is helpless to prevent it.

Why does this situation exist?

It exists because in the past four years, more than 430,000 members have quit UE and joined UE-CIO. As a result, UE has but a mere handful of members left. And more and more of them are quitting every day because they see that UE can no longer do a job for them, and because they have found that they can have strong, dynamic American Trade Union representation in IUE-CIO.

The UE
BANKRUPT FINANCIALLY AS WELL AS POLITICALLY!

See Inside
Here's Why UE Can't Organize or Back Up Demands for Better Conditions