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UE on the Air
WPTR — 7 P.M.

The Facts in the Coming
NLRB Election

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ELECTRICAL UNION NEWS
THE VOICE OF LOCAL 301
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NLRB Orders GE Vote Within 30 Days

UE Defeats CIO In Chicago Votes
UE overwhelmingly denied the United Auto Workers, CIO, at the International Harvester Company's Rock Island, Ill., plant. This is a National Labor Relations Board election. The two were hailed by UE, 1,200 for UE, and 14 for another.

The union vote is one of the largest in the world, and the results of the election will be closely watched by labor leaders. The CIO is strong in this area.

UE scored another NLRB victory over CIO in Chicago the same day. In a similar election at the General Electric Division of Bay City, Mich., the results were 2,400 for UE, 200 for the CIO, 100 for two other unions.

The election of American Surety of Chicago's paid organizers were appointed for several months to these two Chicago UAW units on May 26. The union was defeated by a lead of 1,700, of 2,800 cards cast.

UE announced that it is working to win a majority of the nation's employees to UE, and said it would appeal the decision to the National Labor Relations Board.

UE Beats IAM At Jamaston
UE Local 301 scored a victory against the International Association of Machinists in a strike at a Wisconsin machine company.

The two unions are vying for the support of the workers at the company, which makes precision machine parts. The IAM has won the support of the workers, and UE is seeking to win them over.

UE 301 on Air
UE 301 is scheduled to go on the air on Monday, May 20, at 7 P.M. The program will feature a series of interviews with UE leaders and members.

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Long Stall By Board
Ends at Last

The NLRB finally came out with the order of elections at GE plant in Schenectady. The board has been stalling for months. The elections are scheduled to begin on May 20.

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UE Raises Labor Standards in Canada
By New GE Contract; Cuts Work Week

An unusual accord of the new contract signed by the UE with Canadian General Electric underlines the victor's position in the recent UIE strike there.

The Canadian UE contract was a remarkable victory and pioneered toward a shorter work week. While the UIE contract had a week of 46 hours and 8 hours of straight time at Canada's, the new GE contract cut the 8-hour week by two hours, and guaranteed 8 hours straight time for all employees in the foreseeable future.

The victory of the UE is unusual in that the company's board, despite its 2-to-1 vote, still had to accept the UE's demands. Then UE had to fight both the board and the management, but there was no further strike, and the agreement was finally reached.

UE-301 Will Defend
Job Rights of Workers

Meeting in Toronto awarded 'full' in employees' job rights that GE workers will be condemned to the same fate threats to those employed at the plant were made by the company. While the strike has not yet been settled, the work week has been reduced from 46 to 44 hours, and the 8-hour week has been guaranteed. The UE has also secured a 24-hour notice to return to work, and a 90-day strike notice.

More Pay, Shorter Week

Pursuing the battle of change

A new contract with General Electric in Canada, UE Local 431 reached an agreement with Pioneer Vickers Canadian Company's GE subsidiary at Toronto. The agreement provided for an 8-hour work week, cutting the work week by two hours, and guaranteeing a 24-hour notice to return to work.

Pensioners Meetings

The UE-501 Pension Organization has scheduled a pensioners' meeting at a yet-to-be-determined time.

Negra Workers Back
UE Election Campaign

Plans for the widest possible participation of Negro members in UE's 301 election campaign and to the activities of the union were discussed Thursday night at a meeting called by Negro members of the union at 611 hall. President William Wills, a Negro, attended.

The Negro members' part of the campaign is expected to be a major factor in the success of the UE's election campaign.

313,000 Fewer Jobs in Average Week

In '49 in New York State Than in '48

There were 313,000 fewer people employed in New York state in 1949, according to a recent report by the Federal Government.

Waders' Job Rate
Raised Through 301

In many cases, members of the union were called to the meeting by the company, who threatened to release them if they did not return to work. The UE has also secured a 90-day notice to return to work, and a 24-hour notice to return to work.

Bldg. 46, Works Press To Get Equal Over Time

Technicians and machine operators in the building of tool room, through Bldg. 46, Works Press to equal time, are now eligible for equal time. The technicians were previously eligible for only half time.

PHILADELPHIA UIE MEETING

More than 600 workers at the Philadelphia General Electric plant, found that the meeting was not held according to the agreement made with the UE.

Have You Paid Your Abridged Dues?

The United Electrical Workers have been ordered to pay a weekly dues to the UE. The number of members is approximately 300, and the dues are payable in advance. The UE will hold a meeting to discuss the matter.

When to Vote

The board of directors of the United Electrical Workers has been notified of the new contract negotiations.
**Demand That the NLRB Stop Stalling the GE Election**

The National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) has the authority to conduct elections for the purpose of determining the representation of workers by a labor union. In the case of the General Electric Company (GE), the NLRB has been delaying the election process. This delay is not justified, as the company and the workers have been waiting for a fair and prompt election.

The NLRB has been asked to clarify its position on the matter and to set a date for the election. GE workers deserve the right to vote and to have their voices heard. The NLRB should act promptly and fairly to ensure that the election process is completed.

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ing “communists” at all unions fighting to help the people. But the Roosevelt Administration—also fighting for the people—did NOT engage in red-baiting. On the contrary, the New Deal, its leading supporters and PDR itself were all red-baited by big business.

The Roosevelt program called for social security, unemployment benefit, Wagner Labor Relations Act giving workers the right to join unions, taxes on the greedy—not the needy, new homes, fair employment practices without discrimination, protection of the democratic rights of the people.

UE was NOT red-baited by the Administration when the Administration was fighting the Liberty Leagues, the Manufacturers Association and the “economic royalists,” as PDR called them.

UE was NOT red-baited when it threw its support behind the Roosevelt Administration in its fight against Hitlerism. UE members joined that fight as part of the American people—not because our country was fighting alongside of Russia but because it was a fight in the interests of working people and our very democracy itself.

PRAISE FOR UE

And again UE was NOT red-baited by the Administration as it made important contributions for victory, both on the production lines and battle lines. As a matter of record, UE was highly praised for its loyalty, patriotism, and fighting spirit” by President Roosevelt, Admiral Nimitz, General Eisenhower, Under Secretary of War Patterson and others.

And after the victory, UE was NOT red-baited when its members threw their support behind FDR’s “Economic Bill of Rights” and the idea of lasting peace through the United Nations. UE took its stand—by democratic convention vote—because economic security and peace is in the interests of the people.

The policies of the New Deal were fought for by President Roosevelt and supported by the common people including the UE. There was no need to engage in red-baiting because the Administration had nothing to hide from the common people. It was fighting on their side against greedy interests at home and abroad.

But today this has all been changed.

Politicians of the Truman Administration have turned their backs on the Roosevelt policies and program. Wall Street bankers and industrialists are in the White House directing policy. No wonder red-baiting all those who fight for the people—always a big business policy—is now a policy of the Administration itself.

UNEMPLOYMENT SKYROCKETING

Today Taft-Hartley has replaced the Wagner Act. Taxes are on the steady—and the corporations pile up vast profits. Billions (over $2,000 per each American family) have been poured into a “cold war” program which lines the pockets of industrialists while millions are going jobless both at home and overseas. Unemployment is skyrocketing in all but four of the twenty nations receiving the bulk of USA funds. While in our own nation, unemployment has reached the major proportions of over 6,000,000 jobless.

While billions are spent overseas for military purposes, little or no money in our own nation goes for housing, health, education, to fight high prices or to fight discrimination against minority peoples.

UE refuses to give blind support to politicians whose policies are not in the interests of the people. UE does not support politicians who are loyal to big business rather than the people.

It is for this reason that UE is red-baited.

UE would NOT be red-baited as it is today by corpora
tions and politicians if UE gave up the fight to improve workers’ conditions and accepted Taft-Hartley policies both here and abroad.

POLITICIANS AND CORPORATIONS

Just as they have always done, the corporations scream “communist” at every person or organization which speaks out for the people. Today they are aided by the politicians...
who have abandoned the fight for the welfare of the people.
By red-baiting, they hope to cover-up their miserable record of greed, failure and desert.
This is the real reason why UE is attacked by the political forces today. Though UE officers signed so-called "non-communist affidavits," still the red-baiting continues. It is the only "argument" the bosses have, nor or had during the days of the New Deal.
The difference between 1933 and 1950 is that FDR waged war on the greed of the corporations. Today corporations are in the saddle and their politicians wage war on the people.
HYSTERIA WILL NOT FOOL THE PEOPLE
But the American people—including UE members—demand policies which are in the interests of the people and all the red-baiting and appeals to hysteria will not deceive them.
UE members continue to fight for a return to the policies of FDR and his "Economic Bill of Rights."
Our members are proud of the unequalled record of accomplishment made by UE men and women—and look forward to even greater accomplishments ahead.
The unity and determination of our members will withstand the red-baiting and lead us towards greater security, peace and a decent life for ourselves, our families and all people who work.

**VOTE UE**

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**U.S. News & World Report**
Five years have seen sizable decreases in the annual consumption of the key commodities used to measure consumer buying power. In the past five years, the gross national product has increased by 30 percent, the retail price of food has increased by 50 percent, and the price of gasoline has increased by 60 percent. Yet, the Consumer Price Index has risen by only 15 percent. The result is that the buying power of the average family has declined by 60 percent. The result is that the buying power of the average family has declined by 60 percent.
The New York Times
The way to solve the problems of unemployment, inflation and recession is to pass an unemployment insurance bill of rights. The average family should have the right to a job, the right to a decent wage, the right to a decent home, the right to medical care, the right to retirement at normal age, the right to an adequate income in sickness and old age, and the right to a good education.

**U.P. NEWS**
March 7, 1950
The International Labor Office announced today that the world steel production of 1949 was 1,032.7 million tons, an increase of 200 million tons over 1939. The European countries, with the exception of France, increased their production, and the United States produced 260 million tons of steel.
The New York Times
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**HEAR LEO JANDREAU**
**FACTS IN THE COMING N.L.R.B. ELECTION**

6:30 Wednesday (Tonight)

WPTV 1540 on Dial

**Note:** Because of a misunderstanding between Station WPTV and the union office, last week's broadcast was announced for the wrong time. The UE broadcast will be at 6:30 every Wednesday night up to the election.