Board Vote Supports for Striking Menadons AFL Workers After Leaders Make Appeal

A personal appeal for support by the president of a striking AFL Local in Menadons brought a pledge of full support from the US Local. The appeal was made at the board meeting last night. As a token of the federation's union's backing for the striking workers, the board voted to resolve the affair, and a copy of the resolution was sent to their president for their information.

Leaffets Hit GE Threat to Seniority

The threat posed to the seniority policies of the UAW members by the company's "collective bargaining" policy was stressed this week in two Leaffets distributed by the US Local to the workers. A leaflet issued by the union to be given to the employers in Menadons states that the "GE is now ready to start a fight, and we want to be prepared."

From that point, the leaflet went on to show that seniority had to be restored in order to maintain the rights and privileges that had been granted to the workers. The leaflet was distributed to the workers by the union's leaders who were present at the meeting.

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UE Crushes Raids in 5 More Shops

UE had gained 304 and OLED raids in 5 more shops during recent raids, bringing the total to 17,000 raids in all. These raids were in response to the growing number of UE workers organizing for better wages and working conditions.

UE's biggest victory was scored in Chicago where Local 1110 ran up a whopping 12,000 raids in just 6 hours. This victory was achieved by the UE's organizing committee, which had worked tirelessly for months to build the necessary support among workers.

UE also scored significant victories in New York, Philadelphia, and Los Angeles, where it gained 10,000 raids in each of these cities. In all, UE gained 50,000 raids in 17,000 raids across the country, with the number of raids continuing to rise daily.

UE Strikes Bank Company Attacks

In response to the threats made by Bank of America, which has threatened to fire union organizers and shut down UE offices, UE has issued a strong statement calling for solidarity among workers.

The statement reads: "Bank of America is attempting to silence UE's organizing efforts by threatening to fire union organizers and shut down UE offices. We will not be intimidated and will continue our fight for workers' rights. Join UE today and support our organizing efforts!"

UE is calling on all workers to support its organizing efforts and to stand together against corporate attacks. UE will not be intimidated and will continue to fight for workers' rights.

Field Day Prizes

Field Day is an annual event organized by UE Local 17,000 to raise funds for UE's organizing efforts. Prizes are awarded for the best team in each category, as well as for the best individual performances.

Prizes include:
- First place: $100 cash prize and a trophy
- Second place: $50 cash prize and a trophy
- Third place: $25 cash prize and a trophy

Prizes are awarded in several categories, including:
- Team category: Best team in each category
- Individual category: Best individual performance in each category

Prizes are awarded at the Field Day ceremony, which takes place on Saturday, June 12, at 10 AM.

UE Stewards' Role and Union Gains Aired over WTRY

A roundup of the duties of a UE Local 301 shop steward, and a comparison between conditions in the UE Schenectady works before and after UE's recent organizing drive, was broadcast from WTRY. The show highlighted the impact of UE's organizing efforts on the lives of workers.

Stewards' Role

The show featured interviews with UE stewards from various UE locals, discussing their roles and responsibilities in the workplace. Stewards shared stories of their successes in improving working conditions, as well as the challenges they face in their work.

Union Gains

The show also highlighted the gains made by UE workers after the recent organizing drive. Workers shared stories of their successful bargaining efforts, including the recent contract negotiations that resulted in significant improvements in wages and benefits.

Youngster Tells 'What Union Means'

A 12-year-old son of one of UE's members, W. V. W., told his story to the UE membership meeting. He explained how his father, a UE member for as long as he can remember, had taught him the importance of the union.

WV: "I learned about the union from my dad. He taught me that the union is important because it helps workers to get better wages and benefits. He told me that the union was the only way to make sure that workers get treated fairly."

WV's father, who is also a UE member, added: "It's important for our kids to understand the value of the union. It's been a real benefit to us, and it's something that we all need to work hard to preserve."
Local Files Mass Grievance Asking Higher Pay and Better Conditions for Toolmakers

UE Local 903 this week filed a mass grievance on behalf of all toolmakers in the GE Schenectady works. The special grievance filed with works management stated that the tool and die workers are "dissatisfied with their present wages and conditions," and it called on the company to enter into a "good faith" bargaining program to correct the situation.

Management was reportedly taken aback by the union's move, and negotiations are expected to begin shortly.

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NEW STEWARDS. Eight new stewards and women were sworn in at the convention held at the American Hotel by the United Electrical Workers. The new stewards are: (1) Edward Phillips, Jr., 803 West 143rd Street; (2) George Smith, 409 West 143rd Street; (3) Edward F. Hahn, 413 West 143rd Street; (4) Edward F. Hahn, 413 West 143rd Street; (5) Edward F. Hahn, 413 West 143rd Street; (6) and Noreen Wright, 413 West 143rd Street. All of the new stewards are pictured above.

U.S. SURVEY REVEALS:

Work Forces Many Women To Give Away Their Kids

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GE SAYS TO USA:

STOP THE SPEED-UP!

"IN THE SUMMER, girls fall out each and every day from exhaustion... Several girls in our department have disabled arms and had to be taken off the machines."

This indictment of today's speed-up is made by a GE woman worker at the Cleveland GE Lamp Plant. This UE member was only one of several women from the plant who spoke up at the UE National Women's Conference and bitterly attacked the speed-up.

Said another UE member:

"We are expected to put out 9,000 to 10,000 lamps a day. If you go to the washroom more than twice and if the boss catches you he asks, 'Why are you taking so many rest periods?' You're only allowed two a day. We tell him 'it's hot,' and he says 'it's all in your mind.'"

The experience of these two GE workers in Cleveland is typical of women and women workers in GE plants across the country. It is GE policy carried out by its managers and foremen to get the maximum work out of GE workers.

GE Speed-Up Means GE Profits

There is no mystery why GE, like other companies, speeds up workers, Speeds-up means profits, GE made $416,000,000 in 1952, almost $200,000 on every employee and over $2,500 on every production worker. This is a lot of money and explains why GE pays little attention to the health of its workers. The union is the only defender against the company drive for speed-up and profits.

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