Draft Head Plans

UE-GE Conference

Local 301 has taken the lead among GE locals in opposing the company’s rigid policy of making it a vesture to shorten the same job and ship even though he performs or is willing to take another equally good job.

Leo Laneri, Frank D’Amelio and Ed Wallingford went to Washington to discuss the company’s policies with Reps. Lane B. Hummell, U.S. representative for Schenectady.

They complained that the GE policy of telling a vesture he was free to resign if he was willing to accept another equally good job. Lewis B. Hummell, U.S. representative for Schenectady, said he would investigate the issue.

Committee Plans Leadership Course

A course in Community Leadership is being planned by the Educational Committee in accordance with an announcement by Ray Martin, chairman of the committee. In the coming week, the course will be open to all members.

Details of the course will be published in the Apr. 18 Electrical Union News.

Veterans Aid the Fight on Discrimination

This is the Schenectady delegation sent to the Veterans’ Conference at Chicago.

Contract Proposals

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301 SENDS VETERANS TO CHICAGO MEETING

A delegation of five members representing Local 301 at the Chicago meeting of the national UE’s to form a new type of veterans’ organization to emphasize the problems of Negro, conservation, and veterans of other minority groups.

The Schenectady group included: Dorey Bresnahan, Joseph Tschinkel, Steve Exner, George Veerman, and Horace Perrins. The meeting was called because of the need to attack job discrimination because of race, creed, or national origin, housing discrimination, race issues in education, voting restrictions, isolation of civil rights, police brutality and nepotism.

Strong Union Contract is Only Defense Against Speed-up, Rate-Cut Plan of CE

The plans of the General Electric Co. to reduce the standards of their employees became clear every day, Leo Janeski, business agent of Local 301, warned union members on the eve of 1946 contract negotiations.

"In the office, the company has started to lay off employees," he said. "These terminations will speed up at the end of the month." They could cut off a few careers and increase the rate to increase the productivity of the company. The company wants us to cut our rates.

Andrew Peterson

Veterans’ Training Urged by Peterson

Andrew Peterson, president of Local 301, urged that GE and other Capital Region firms start apprentice training and on-the-job training courses for veterans, at a recent Albany meeting.

The meeting of labor and management representatives was called by A. J. McVey, chairman of the U.S. Employment Service.

McVey said 15,000 unemployed veterans have registered with USES for jobs in the Fogg County League. There are 6,000 veterans registered in Schenectady, Albany and Rensselaer counties.

Peterson pointed out that veterans are faced with the problem of low pay even when they manage to obtain jobs.

"Many companies offer a GE salary for the same job he used to have and make an allowance for the fact that now he has a wife and family to support." All employees should establish training courses, as provided by the GI bill of rights. Then the veterans are trained for a better job and get a living wage while he is learning.

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Local 301 Broadcasts Are Now Popular Feature in Union and Community Life

From the union hall to the streets, the Local 301 radio broadcast is now a regular feature, reaching both union members and the community at large. The program, titled "Local 301 News," airs every Thursday and Saturday, providing updates on union activities and community events.

Veterans' Training Urged by Peterson

Milo Lathrop

Veterans' training is urged by Peterson to help veterans transition to civilian life. Peterson emphasizes the need for programs that provide educational and vocational opportunities for veterans.

NEEDS A NAME

A club is in need of a name. The club plans to hold a meeting to discuss the possibilities. Interested individuals are encouraged to attend.

Laugh of the Week

A humorous take on current events, written by a union member.

CIO Backs National Cancer Fund Drive

The CIO has endorsed the National Cancer Fund Drive, encouraging union members to contribute.

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It's Their First Lesson — But Just Watch Them Next Week

A story about children learning to read in the union hall.