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wide solidarity that will protect Schenectady. Today under the IUE's threat, members have been whipped up by so many conditions that many think the old order in the street and green kid is inside.

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These are the kinds of real issues that are at stake. These issues of Schenectady workers and their families—issues that have to be decided as a matter of survival for the membership and for the IUE as a union.

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The Voice of GE Workers, Local 301, Schenectady, N. Y.

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STALLING HELPS THE COMPANY

On Tuesday Local 301 leaders presented the petition for an election to the National Labor Relations Board office in New York.

Filing of the petition followed the Monday membership meeting when the members confirmed the action in the plant of the previous week when more than 12,000 people signed petitions endorsing the move and voted in favor of the recommendation of Officers, Executive Board and Shop Stewards.

This action of Local 301 members was the greatest expression of support for any major project in the entire history of our Union.

Despite stories designed to detract from this expression of the membership, the vote in favor of the proposal was made in the face of long arguments against it by the two top National Officers of UE.

After the petition was filed, Local leaders called on the UE National Office to abide by the membership decision as expressed in the meetings Monday and consent to a quick election.

A quick election is in the best interests of the members. A prolonged campaign plays into the hands of the company.

Therefore, if UE National Officers put legal roadblocks in the way of an election they are helping the company. If the outsiders stall an election they are working against the best interests of GE workers.

At the same time UE will be displaying its own bankruptcy. For if UE had a program, a solid approach to the problems, it would not have to stall.

Plenty of Talk — But No Solution

Despite more than six hours of give-me-a-break speeches by IUE-CIO officials in the past week, they still have not offered a solution to the need for a change in the status quo among GE workers.

The only type of unity they seem to know is "programmatic" and that has been rejected by all major labor organizations in the past five years. Every big Union has rejected this type of "unity" before it was presented to the membership. And when the membership considers the split the support for the proposal was overwhelming.

UE's double-talking may gloss over the severe threat it has received through the disabilities movement. But this double-talk does not present a united front against the company. This is a dangerous situation in which we are in a position to defeat anti-labor legislation and to put a premium on the support of the people. All it does is frustrate the people.

But apparently that is what the outsiders want. For they know that in a clear campaign where the issues are clearly defined the facts are overwhelm-

UNITY OF 73,000 GE WORKERS

Higher Wages

Better Conditions

EAT, LIVE, WORK, EXIST IN THE TRUE SPIRIT OF FREEDOM

LESS DISENGAGEMENT, LESS DISCRIMINATION, LESS HATE

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ACTION SHOTS FROM THE MONDAY MEETING WHEN MEMBERS CONFIRMED LAST WEEK'S SHOP VOTES

[Images of people speaking and crowd]

Scene as members voted to confirm action of last week when more than 12,000 members voted and signed petitions in the plant endorsing affiliation with IUE-CIO.
All Seniority Protected In IUE-CIO GE Contract

When Local 391 members finally join IUE-CIO, all the gains we have acquired in the past will be fully protected. This is especially true for piece-work earnings and seniority.

1227 Quits UE

In an attempt to get in the door, the UE workers sold the idea that the monopoly membership was a "better deal" for Local 391.

That is a fantastic, delusional idea that the monopoly bankruptcy of UE/1227 has always been a part of the story. But the end of the monopoly meeting was turned over to the members of UE, and they turned it over to Local 391.

The UE workers at Local 391 are the real workers of UE, and we will never give up our fight for better working conditions.

Bargaining Session To Be Held Here

A meeting of the IUE-CIO Negotiating Committee has been held in Schenectady. Local 391 has been invited to attend the meeting and participate in the negotiations over Local 391 for CIO benefits. The UE workers at Local 391 are seeking a better deal for Local 391 workers.

Placement Victory

The Placement Committee has another victory in the case of William Cooper. He was offered a job through the Placement Committee from March 26, 1956. In April, the company notified the local that Cooper was accepted for the job.

The Placement Committee is pleased that the time has arrived for new members to join.

For help on...

- Laid Off
- Unemployment
- Insurance
- Compensation
- Plan
- Optical Plans
- Discount Plans

See Your Shop Steward

CAPT. H. M. HENDRICK, Class "B"

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 1956

WE WOMEN ARE FOR UE!....
YOU HAVE A BIG STAKE IN THE RESULTS!

No woman in Local 201, UI have won benefits because we are part of a national union that has fought for us and YOU!

Thats why we are cordially inviting you to attend a meeting for all women workers to be held:

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 1984
10:30 am - N.Y. Hall
201 1/2 BROADWAY

Come and hear our reason for staying with UI, the only union that has a national program for women.

Come and hear the WCB facts about how UI women throughout the country fought for and won wage increases, equal seniority and upgrading.

James J. Mather, Director of Organization, 23 James Egan, National UI Executive will be present to discuss with you the National UI Program for Women!

N.Y.HALL - 201 1/2 BROADWAY

SIGNED:

Helen Zineman
Bessie Garber
Clara Paeroff
Gladys Maguder
Bernice Smith
Bernice Griffith
Betty McGinn
Samuel Magruder
Camille Mangini
Theodore Perlmutter
Mildred Leuka
Celia Breslow
Eldred Weiss
DOROTHEA BROWN
Bessie (sp) Brown
Abba V. Rose
Geraldine Corcoran
Garland Mees, Chief

7:30 PM
TUESDAY, MARCH 23

This is a Women's Meeting

GERTRUDE DAVIS
Gertrude D. Davis
(50)
The IUE-CIO Contract Is Running Out—
DON'T LET THEM SCRAP YOURS

This Is What IUE-CIO Showed You
In Their Paper Last Friday

Don't Let Them Take It Away!

Exposed IUE-CIO Deciet

The local IUE-CIO leaders know this. They are already resorting to deceit to conceal the weakness of the expiring IUE contract. Their newspaper of last Friday showed Schenectady GE workers are left out the part that opens the door wide for GE to take away the protection Schenectady workers have in UE.

This attempt to fool Schenectady workers with a half-truth about a matter that vitally affects the job security of every GE employee exposes the empty claim of Casey, Jeddon, and the rest that a hurry-up election will protect GE workers. The truth is just the opposite. The way to protect jobs and conditions is Schenectady is to fight to keep the protections of the UE-GE contract.

UE intends to do just that. UE has been in Schenectady for years, improving the earnings and conditions and protecting the jobs of GE workers here. UE will be in Schenectady for a long time to come, fighting to protect and improve the seniority rights, job security, earnings and conditions of workers in the Schenectady plant, in a democratic rank-and-file Union, run by and for the membership.

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