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One of the main recommendations for which UIE-CIO has worked is the establishment of a national and international chapter of UIE-CIO. The national chapter, which is now under the leadership of William Stewart, is charged with the task of coordinating the activities of the various local unions and with the promotion of the union's cause throughout the country.

The UIE-CIO, under the leadership of its national officers, is working tirelessly to bring about a just and equitable settlement of the labor-management conflict, and to preserve the hard-won gains of the workers in the industrial field.

UIE FAILS TO TELL FACTS TO MEMBERS

As the UIE-CIO fights against inflation, it also fights for the preservation of the pension field. The union is committed to the principle of a just and equitable settlement of the labor-management conflict, and to the promotion of the welfare of the workers in the industrial field.

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Although UIE-CIO is only two weeks old, it has already left its mark on the industrial map of America, as it promised with other CIO unions in the pension field.

Two new developments were started by UIE-CIO in the fight for company-paid pensions. They are: (1) coverage pay as a regular part of the pension plan. This means that anyone who leaves the employ of the company before reaching eligibility for a pension gets a check sent to him at regular intervals. (2) UIE-CIO launched a Government Series E bond program high interest rate as a form of savings.

One of UIE-CIO's goals is to provide company-paid pensions for all workers under UIE-CIO contract. A good start has been made in this direction, and if UIE-CIO is successful in negotiations with CE this summer, UIE workers, too, will have pension paid completely by management.

CIO representatives in the nation's capital, along with representatives of AF of L, Railway Brotherhoods and other labor leaders in the United Labor Policy Committee are joined in battle against the onus on us of all working people-inflation.

The Conference, in full of 1962, passed the new famous Defense Production Act, the legislative foundation for controls. It was passed because of the emergency created by Communist aggression in Korea. Now the American people and the Congress have found that the Defense Production Act is the key to curbing prices effectively.

The Defense Production Act is before Congress for study and change. American Labor is fighting waste and waste for real price controls-and for a price rollback to June, 1950.

An emergency meeting called by CIO two weeks ago in Washington brought together delegates of CIO locals from all over the country. The delegation unanimously adopted a statement of principle which carries the sentiments of American Labor regarding the whole defense program.

"Today, we are in the midst of a program for the mobilization of our brains, industrial and agricultural resources to defend the free world against Communist aggression."

"This threat to the democratic world is an emergency of the first order."

"Our program is mobilizing our resources in being ignored by the ravages of inflation."

"Inflation has raised the American public of an estimated $77 billion in buying power. It has increased the cost of our defense effort by 2.5 billion."

"Clearly, inflation is a vital, inherent menace against which American must unite." (UIE-CIO News, May 9, 1962, p. 1.)

"The CIO anti-inflation rally, meeting in the city of Washington on June 9, 1951, called upon Congress and the Administration to adopt a militant program against the economic menace of inflation, a program which should be a milestone, the following points:

(a) Extension and strengthening of the Defense Production Act. ... to include the following:

"A proposal for consumers through effective control of food prices, rollback where appropriate, and national production of all perishable goods.

(b) Effective enforcement of price controls with an upgrading of special interest groups.

(c) No retreat from real price rollback.

(d) Extension and expansion of rent controls.

(e) A fair and equitable wage stabilization program.

(f) Preservation of an improved tax law providing an equitable distribution of the tax burden, and a closing of the avenues of loopholes through which wealthy individuals and corporations evade their tax responsibility.

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"Last week, UIE issued its regular monthly publication, "Electrical Union News."

Over half of that paper was devoted to a holding of the General Electric Eastern Relations Division. But there wasn't a single word by way of a report on what happened at the UE monthly meeting last Monday.

Some 45 members attended the evening meeting. Two delegates who represented the local when UE had a delegation to Washington reported on the civil rights they received. These delegates were William Stewart and John Green. They were a part of a UE delegation of about 150, who went to Washington expressly to lobby for price control. But since UE is the union that is to be its delegate couldn't have little influence. UE's own international newspaper reported that UE spent more time mourning to have the United Nations troops roll out of Korea than it did on any other of the important matters to before Congress. That is well in keeping with the Communist line.

The committee to select an under-16 for the UE business agent reported. The committee selected two men to study with Andrews for a three-month period. At the end of this time, according to the report, the best qualified man will become business agent, and the other will be an assistant business agent. The two candidates are Josephine Pilk, now an Executive Board member from Bldg. 46, and Longstreet, Bldg. 375. The membership accorded this news, but there was a disgruntled vote, led by a prominent UE Board member. Apparently there is no discussion in the ranks.

UIE-CIO reports these facts, because UIE-CIO believes the members have the right to know.
GE's BOULWARE REPLACES JANDREAU

Aid has come for the ailing Leo Jandreau from the customary source—the General Electric Co.

It came as no surprise to IUE-CIO that the UE boldly and bluntly reprinted the most recent letter written by Lemuel R. Boulware, GE vice-president in charge of employee relations. Last week's "Electrical Union News" devoted over half of its space to this letter.

IUE-CIO has said, and will continue to say, that the General Electric Co. Employee Relations Division has always been bent over backwards to come to the assistance of the UE, the so-called union which still holds bargaining rights in a few GE plants.

It is to Mr. Boulware's advantage to bargain with UE rather than with an honest-to-goodness trade union.

Mr. Boulware has never made any bones about his hatred of IUE-CIO. To the contrary, he has indicated on many occasions that UE is the union for him.

A good example of this took place last September. IUE-CIO had to negotiate for over two months, and then had to strike GE in order to win a contract, a 10-cent hourly increase, and a wage reaper. Two hours after IUE-CIO representatives signed their contract in Washington, in the presence of officers of Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, UE signed almost the same contract in GE's New York office—and UE didn't have to bother with long negotiating sessions.

But this latest letter penned by L. R. Boulware takes first prize. Has Mr. Boulware taken Vic Pasche's place as propaganda agent for UE? Or could it be that he's going to fill the vacant position as business agent of UE in Schenectady?

One fact is obvious. L. R. Boulware is just as worried about UE's inevitable collapse as are James Maltes, Julius Emepak, and Albert J. Fitzgerald.

All of these "gentlemen" know that UE's very lifeblood comes from Schenectady. UE has so few members that once Schenectady goes IUE-CIO, UE must go out of business. IUE-CIO is so close to filling a petition for the Schenectady GE Works that even Mr. Boulware took his pen in hand in an effort to give aid to UE.

Mr. Boulware claims that IUE-CIO's demands are taken verbatim from the present UE contract. Last week, IUE-CIO made public these demands. Schenectady GE workers had the opportunity to read them. Schenectady GE workers know and the UE knows, and Mr. Lemuel R. Boulware knows that there is nothing in these demands which has been taken from the UE contract.

There is no logical explanation for UE's signing a walkout two-year agreement with GE. So now UE, with Mr. Boulware's aid, tries to condemn IUE-CIO for acting like a union, and trying to improve the contract.

On another occasion, back in 1948, L. R. Boulware dared to interfere in a local union election by writing a letter, and reprinting it in the form of a full-page newspaper ad entitled, "A Plague On Both Your Houses."

Now IUE-CIO says to GE and UE—a plague on both your houses! A plague on the collusion which keeps UE in business despite the Communist influence in that union—a plague on company unionism, ad company union contracts.

The 70,000 GE workers under IUE-CIO contract have had enough of GE double talk. IUE-CIO expects the company to attack this union—no company likes a militant, fighting union.

But on the other hand, and let the company take note, IUE-CIO has no intention of taking this arrogance from the company sitting down!