"HIGH TREASON" EXPOSES UE-COMMUNIST PARTY TIE-UP!

For several weeks now, the UE has been building up a tremendous propaganda campaign to sell the book, "High Treason."

In its national and local newspapers, and in handbills and bulletins, UE has urged its union membership to read this book, written by Albert Kahn, in collaboration with Arthur Kahn.

At great expense, UE is offering this book to its members at 50 cents per copy.

One other organization has given "High Treason" a tremendous build-up. That organization, whose 11 top leaders were recently held guilty by the Supreme Court of high treason in the Communist Party, UE advertises the book as a best-seller. That is true. A record number of reprints of the book have been distributed in Soviet Russia.

And if this were not proof enough, the Communist Party, openly and blatantly at the gates of the Schenectady GE Works, is advertising other works by the writers of "High Treason," Arthur Kahn!

On June 5, 1951, the Schenectady County Communist Party distributed a pocket of three pieces of literature at the Subway Gate, and other gates to the plant. One of these pieces of literature is a pamphlet entitled "Peace and Price Cuts Too." It tells us how wonderful it is to live in Russia: where all prices are half what they are in the United States.

On the back of this pro-Russian pocket of lies is a list of books and pamphlets recommended by the Communist Party. Among the authors of these anti-American books are Paul Robinson, who has sworn loyalty to Russia of its own accord; Peter Bogdanski, editor of the Communist Party's journal in Italy; Gus Hall and Benjamin Davis, both among the 11 top Communists in this country, and Arthur Kahn, who helped write UE's favorite book, "High Treason."

Needless to say, "High Treason" is an attack on American Democracy. And while it dments our form of government, "High Treason" praises the Soviet Russian system as the ideal form of government.

This is the book UE is trying to sell to its membership.

Anyone in this country, including Communists, has the right to criticize any individual in this government of ours. But to criticize our whole democratic system is treason! The book "High Treason," high treason, and the UE is selling that to its members.

To make our American way of life better for all people, join the CIO today. Sign the UE-CIO card below for an early NLRA election.

International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers—CIO

I want to join with 70,000 other General Electric employees who have affiliated with the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers—CIO, which has won greatly improved contract conditions including a recent wage increase—the third that the CIO has won from GE in one year. For these reasons and because I wish to belong to a democratic, anti-Communist union, I hereby designate the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers—CIO as my exclusive collective bargaining representative.

(This authorization supersedes any prior authorization)

Date

Signature

Address

Department

Send your card to IUE-CIO,
202 Clinton St., Schenectady.
IUE-CIO OPENS NEGOTIATIONS WITH GENERAL ELECTRIC

On Friday, June 29, the IUE-CIO General Electric Negotiating Committee met with management to present demands for economic improvements and contract changes. The IUE-CIO GE contract is up for revision September 15.

The next meeting with management will take place July 17, and representatives of all IUE-CIO GE locals will meet in New York City July 13 to discuss negotiations.

IUE-CIO's demands are divided into two major sections, the first dealing with basic economic conditions, and the second with proposed changes in the contract.

IUE-CIO is focusing all of its economic demands on the fact that General Electric workers are underpaid in comparison with workers in similar industries, such as steel and auto. Average wages throughout the United States in these industries in 1951 were approximately $3,200 per year. According to IUE-CIO, the average rate of pay throughout the General Electric chain is $1,800 per year. In the steel and auto industries, workers' pensions are paid for entirely by management, and sick benefits and insurance plans are of much more benefit to the workers than similar plans in GE.

During the past 10 years, while GE bargained almost exclusively with GE workers, these conditions came into existence. IUE-CIO's purpose in current negotiations is to bring GE workers up to the standards which exist in similar industries.

IUE-CIO's four basic economic demands are:

1. Reinstatement of the cost of living bonus.
2. Reinstatement of the profit-sharing plan.
3. Payment by the company of the full cost of the pension plan.
4. Severance pay for workers who leave the company before the age of retirement, to pay two weeks of pay for every year of service plus an employment security fund to provide adequate compensation during temporary layoffs due to change from defense to non-defense work and vice-versa.

IUE-CIO will also demand a substantial wage increase to bring workers' wages up to comparable industries.

Contract revisions being demanded by IUE-CIO are:

Establishment of a union shop, an improved no-discontinuation clause, and lunch periods on multiple shifts. A 12 per cent cost of living adjustment for the first time, and a 15.5 per cent adjustment for the second time, as well as additional paid holidays. A Washington's Birthday and Good Friday, three weeks vacation after 15 years, and a grievance procedure to be substantially revised, including with company arbitration, certain of the insurance and pension plans, improvements in the system of computing seniority, and substantial changes in the method of computing seniority.

Details of these demands will be explained at a later date. The important fact is this: At present the UE and the IUE-CIO GE contracts with GE are substantially the same. BUT IUE-CIO is PLANNING TO IMPROVE THAT CONTRACT NOW. GE MUST WANT A FULL YEAR BEFORE MAKING ANY IMPROVEMENTS. A UNITED FRONT OF ALL GE WORKERS WILL GUARANTEE VICTORY FOR THE WORKERS. JOIN IUE-CIO FOR VICTORY!

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Date: ______________________ Signature: ______________________

Address: ___________________ City: ______________________

Mail to: International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers—CIO, 202 Clinton St., Schenectady, N.Y. (Attention: Organizing Committee)

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