Martin Wins Greatest Advance

BALTIMORE—A contract representing "the greatest advance ever made in one set of negotiations with Martin Co." was signed here last week after a ratification meeting in which only three "no" votes were cast out of 6,500 UAW Local 738 members present and voting.

Vice President Leonard Woodcock, UAW aircraft director, estimated the immediate money value of the agreement at more than 13c an hour, not including the effect of factoring into the base rates a 15c cost-of-living float.

In addition, he said, some 40 contract improvements were won in such vital areas as seniority, sick and maternity leaves, shift preference and representation provisions.

came when John Barnette, Local 738 bargaining chairman, announced "the full union shop has been won at last."

Other highlights of the settlement include an immediate wage increase of 6c to 15c, plus another 3% (but not less than 7c) in July 1959; sweeping insurance gains for both workers and dependents, costing 1½c an hour; higher minimum and beginner rates and faster automatic progression, adding another 1c; paid sick leave, costing 1.3c, and more generous vacations, 0.8c.

New labor grade rates range from \$2.05 to \$2.97. Escalation will be on a 1c for 0.5 basis, rather than the old 0.6 factor.

Woodcock congratulated the local for "breaking through the

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But the biggest ovation from the members who jammed the Baltimore Raceway grandstand Parmette Long Parmette Parmet



PLEASED EXPRESSIONS—and why not?—are worn at signing | yet available as this issue of of Martin Co. pact (see story at left). Wielding pens are UAW | Solidarity went to press. How-Vice President Leonard Woodcock, center, and Dan Siemon, ever, reports from individual company vice president. Region 8 Director E. T. Michael looks on. locals indicated that only a

Negotiations between the UAW and the Big Three auto companies resumed today (Monday) after a fortnight's suspension which took the union another long stride toward a decisive edge in timing.

UAW members continued, through a sixth

straight week, their history-?making display of solidarity and discipline by working Ag Imp Locals without a contract, by paying dues without a checkoff and by lining up solidly behind the | UAW program in secret-ballot strike votes in plant after plant.

Total dues figures were not small minority of workers failed to pay in June.

Workers Speak

The strike votes, conducted as meticulously as federal elections, pages). At press-time the chain-

Big Three total (155 out of 220 locals): 162,717 yes; 11,273 no: 93.5%.

General Motors (98 out of 126 locals): 99,780 yes; 8,721

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Back Bargainers

CHICAGO-Members of UAW Local 6, who work in the International Harvester plant in suburban Melrose Park, backed up their national negotiating committee by a strike vote of 1,564 to 62. Robert Jones, local president, reported as Solidarity went to press.

"This overwhelming vote of confidence proves that workers in the farm implement industry are as determined to win the union's 1958 demands as are our members in the Big Three auto plants," UAW Vice President Pat Greathouse, agricultural implement director, declared.

Local 6 was the first local in the I-H chain and the second major unit in the industry to take a strike vote. Members of Caterpillar Tractor Local 974, Peoria, Ill., rolled up an 11 to 1 margin last month.

UAW to GOP Pollster: Get GM to Try Vote Test made a mockery of companyinspired "surveys" of worker sentiment (see story on this sentiment (see story on this sentiment). At press-time the chain-

promised to be bound by the outcome.

to accept a similar vote, un- tract May 29. der impartial auspices, as an indication of workers' wishes.

Last month Rep. Charles E. Chamberlain (R., Mich.) announced that a "poll" taken among his constituents in the Lansing-Flint area showed that 75% of the auto workers in the district favored a two-year extension without change in the contracts negotiated in 1955 between the UAW and the major auto companies. (This parallels the "offer" made by the Big Three prior to the termination of the contracts).

Our Votes Secret

tors workers—said that "the re- GM workers." More than that, the union with the strike votes taken We Asked Vote

> "These votes, which are conducted by secret ballot after adequate notification that they are to be held among all UAW members with seniority including those laid off, show that more than 90% of the GM workers are prepared to strike, if necessary, to win improvements in the contract negotiated in 1955," said Woodcock, who is director of the union's GM department.

Even the corporation "would seem to have little confidence in what any survey, including yours, would show were the sen-In a letter to Chamberlain timents of GM workers," he not-

The UAW has challenged a made public yesterday (Sunday), ed, "because it had turned down wide results were: Michigan Congressman to test UAW Vice President Leonard a UAW offer on May 29 to let his "opinion poll" against un- Woodcock - noting that auto a secret vote conducted by the ion strike votes and has workers in the Congressman's Honest Ballot Association dedistrict are mostly General Mo- termine "the precise wishes of

has urged the legislator to among GM workers since the At that time the UAW proinduce General Motors Corp. | corporation cancelled its con- posed to have its members polled on whether they were in favor of accepting the GM offer to extend the 1955 agreement without change for two years, or whether they favored extending it for an additional 30 days to allow further bargaining and to refer any unresolved economic issues to final and binding arbitration at the end of the 30-day period.

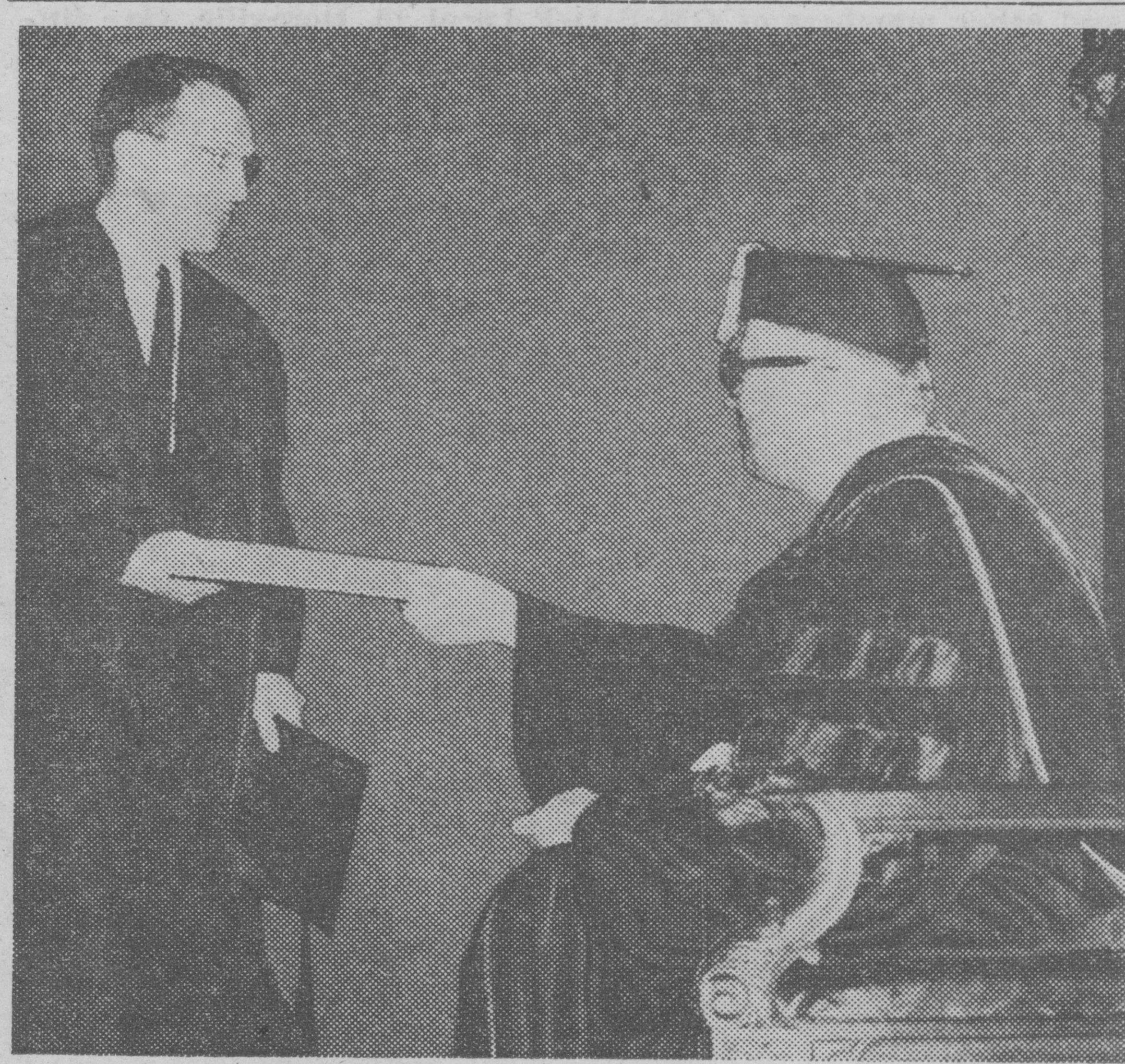
> The union had also offered at that time to sign a twoyear extension if a majority of the members voted in favor of it, but if, on the other hand, a majority favored the union's proposal, the corporation would equally be bound to follow it.

"That offer, as you doubtless know, was rejected by GM," Woodcock said in his letter.

"In view of the widespread publicity given your private survey of auto workers in the 6th Michigan district and the facts it purports to show, we would urge you to use your good offices with GM to persuade the posal of May 29.

"In this way, the corporation, the UAW and you would be fully and accurately informed of the

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MASTER OF ARTS degree with honors goes to Theodore corporation to accept the pro- Ruhig (left), chairman of the stewards council of International Harvester Local 6, Chicago, and a veteran trade unionist. Awarding the degree is Lawrence A. Kimpton, chancellor of the University of Chicago. Ruhig studied under a grant from the Ford Foundation's Fund for Adult Education. He did so well in his studies that the university is encouraging him to go on for his Ph.D.

Jobless at Peak, Stories Cheery

WASHINGTON—Unemployment hit a 17-year high last week amid a wave of Eisenhower administration-inspired stories that things were really getting better all the time. The jobless rose 533,000 to a total of 5,437,000, worst since 1941. The U.S. commerce and labor departments explained, with a slightly injured air, that the increase was due to the

entrance of students and new graduates into the labor force. It is true that the total did not reach the 6,000,000 anticipated a month or two ago, and that factory employment actually showed a rise of 150,000. Even so, non-farm jobs were 2.1 million fewer than in June 1957.

Also, 260,000 unemployed workers exhausted their insurance benefits in June, 23,000 more than the previous month.

delegates that employment at Local 1315, told conference

district 98 representative, re-Carl Burtner, York, Pa., IAM prosperous farm implement established last year — was attalks with the Oliver Corp., about to enter 1958 bargaining m each of the three unions was en by speaker after speaker as

Herschel Davis, administrative | conference, besides Local 1315, sion with management. The already had one bargaining ses-

early meeting" since the con- IAM Local 1633,

Shelbyville,

of strike action, should such vote better than 97% in favor med the local union hall to Delco Remy Local 662 jamthan 5,100 members of GM

vote was 4,981 to 133.

the union's GM department.

hearing a report from Ernie

a step become necessary. The

Members balloted after

to 6 to strike.

next few weeks.

pires Aug. 31.

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York contract expires Aug. 1.

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5 the Allied Industrial Workers.

Association of Machinists and

International Stronational

Ing Conference's latest meeting

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- here.

The importance of this inter-

The conference is made up of

These contracts, as well as

lanta, GM Local 34 (Chevrolet and Fisher Body) voted 2,105

UAW Vice President Leonard Woodcock spoke. Nearby in At-

ished balloting. Vote followed meetings for all shifts at which

and other members of GM-B-O-P Local 10, Doraville, Ga., fin-

THE VOTE TO STRIKE, if necessary, was 2,118 to 24 after these

are all due to expire within the Moran, assistant director of

ealled for central negotiations ANDERSON, Ind. -- More UAW's Oliver Department, also Greathouse, director of the %L6 SI 240A Local 1315, Charles City, Ia., extract between Oliver and UAW chaired the meeting.

management calling for "an Walter Warren, president of the latter had sent a letter to south Bend, Ind. Pat Greathouse, reported that and Locals 296, 1095 and 1096, assistant to UAW Vice President include Local 884, Springfield, O.,

UAW locals affiliated with the Battle Irom ported that IAM Local 243 had Shelbyville, Ill., and by AIW York, Pa., Cleveland, O., and national representatives from tended by IAM local and inter-

held since the conference was The meeting — the third to be pletely depleted, Marrs said. dealers' hands have been comboth in the factory and in people. Moreover, inventories firm had even hired a few new holding up well and that the the Charles City plant was

Glenn Marrs, president of

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authorization by 3,345 to 205. UAW Vice President Leonard Woodcock (insert), director of the GM department, reports on negotiations. Members voted strike A MASS MEETING of GM Local 933 (Allison engine div.) members at the Murat Theater in Indianapolis,

Philadelphia.

gust 1 and 2.

MIDƏA

four plants expire July 26, Au- eision.

employing 20,000 workers.

tions on another front last

The UAW swung into negotia-

School participants will inboard in a new men's residence Life Science building and will Students will attend classes

director, and Roy Reuther, citi-

ey, Brendan Sexton, education

Secretary-Treasurer Emil Maz-

elude, according to Berndt, UAW

renship coordinator.

sentative.

gaining unit may now file indi-ing bonus workers at this plant

As a result, 47 checks for back lost through "down time."

own, but management appealed ently identified as Harry

The arbitrator ruled in favor Local 79, East Moline, III., was

involved pay for "down time" for bonus workers who had to

decided by the Kansas Supreme Court which ruled in the

years ago by members of UAW Local 570 has finally been

Court Lights Lantern

WICHITA, Kans. — A grievance filed more than three

Coleman Workers

The grievance, reports Region 5 Director Russell Letner,

Ind.; Local 92 and Local 813, other bonus workers in the bar- a matter which has been plagu-

306, Detroit; Local 1122, Gary, —have deen issued. In addition, The high court's ruling settles

cil, is leading the union team. the Supreme Court which last our apologies to Brothers

Matthews, UAW vice president which reversed the arbitrator. I tive who also participated in

tion, operators of four plants wait through no fault of their Grogg, however, was inadvert-

der way with the Budd Corpora- workers had been required to of the Deere department.

month when meetings got un- of the local, since the bonus sam Grogg, assistant director

taken to arbitration on April

pay and the grievance was

Coleman lanterns, refused to

Co., maker of the famous

The employer, the Coleman

things caused by poor company

townnotor service and similar

Get bay for IDOWn Time

tary of the Kentucky CIO, and Ben Butler, state agricultural commissioner. Dr. R. B. Atwood

plement council, at recent meeting in Louisville, Ky. They are William Billingsley (left), secre-

SPEAKERS are greeted by Stephen Olsen (right), president of the UAW's agricultural im-

procedural cards, blue prints,

stand around waiting

Meeting in Detroit, Norman the ruling to the district court, Lehnert, Region 4 representa-

The present three-year con- month reversed the lower court | Grogg and Lehnert,

and director of the Budd Coun- The UAW then appealed to the negotiations.

.25. 1955.

scheduling.

WOrkers' favor,

(below), president of Kentucky State College, also addressed the conference.

The locals involved are Local pay—ranging from 5c to \$202.17

tracts with the corporation's and upheld the arbitrator's de-

in the new and air-conditioned advanced classes, Sessions end session will include one week of

held at Purdue, The two-week

basic courses and one week of the summer school has been This will be the eighth year

Aug. 16.

ison, regional education repre-

Ray Berndt and David Hutch-

nounced by Regional Director

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University, West Lafayette, Ind.,

held on the campus of Purdue

INDIANAPOLIS-The Region

3 summer school will again be

for some time, Letner said.

vidual suits to recover wages

Henry Timbrook, president of

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Shown with UAW Vice Pres-

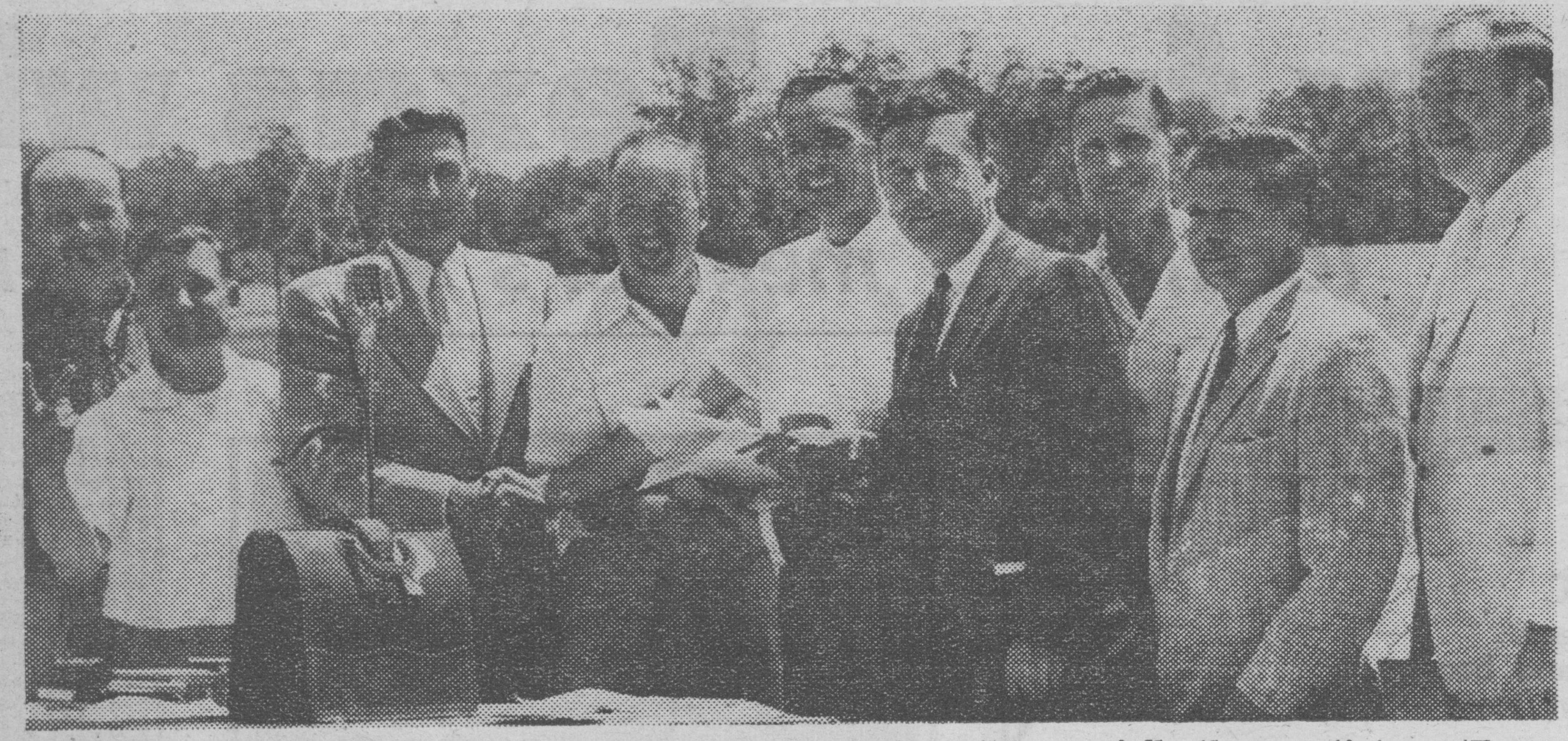
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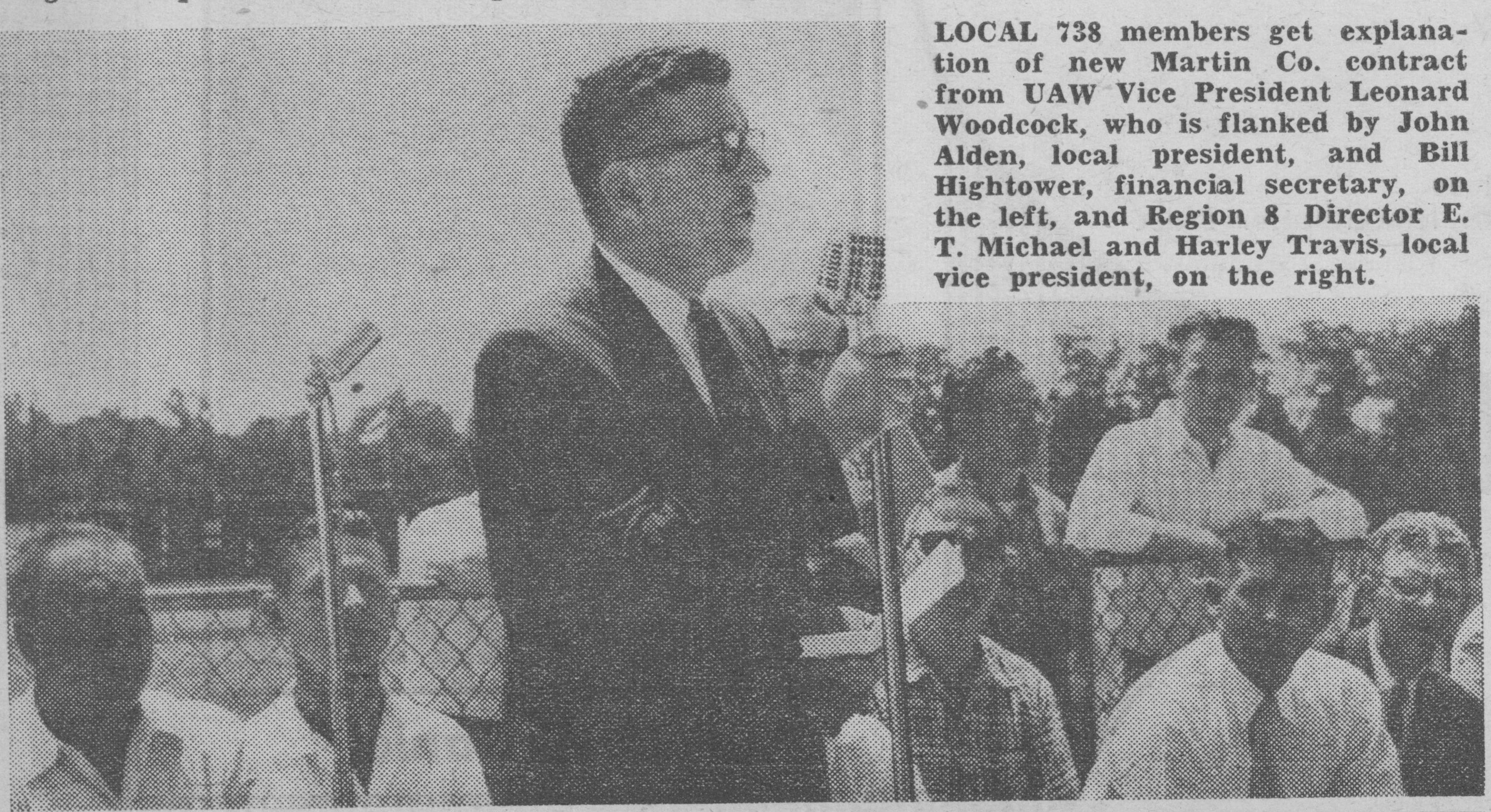
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THE NEW MARTIN CONTRACT would make anybody smile, especially the negotiators. (From the left) Jackson Moore, bargaining committee vice chairman; Marvin Holler, secretary; Region 8 Director E. T. Michael; John Alden, Local 738 president; John Barnette, chairman; UAW Vice President Leonard Woodcock, director of the national aircraft department; Bill Hightower, local financial secretary; George Frongillo, aircraft department representative, and Red Malott, Region 8 representative. (Other pictures and story on page 1.)



Ryan Aero Workers' New Pact: Big Pay Boost, C-O-L Won Back

here have three reasons to be happy with their new two-year contract:

1. It recaptures the cost-ofliving escalator clause lost in 1956 and the money that goes with it.

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Ryan due to expire until July 8, net-Aeronautical Co. workers ting each worker an additional \$24 on the average.

> creases of up to 27c and many this year of 17c to 27c an hour, other benefits.

The 3,000 workers, members of Local 506, ratified the new agreement with a 95% vote of approval, reports Vice Presi-2. It was put into effect June | dent Leonard Woodcock, di-16 although the old one wasn't rector of the union's aircraft

'Full House' Still Beats A Pair, Local 354 Finds several jobs and improvements in the seniority and arbitration clauses.

SALISBURY, Md.—Sometimes, The wage re-opener is especexample.

laying off about half of its 500 workers.

The bluff didn't work. The local bargaining committee. fortified by a 99.9% strike vote, played its "full house:" it refused to enter into a "no increase" contract.

Management, its bluff called, caved in two hours before the deadline.

Here's what the kitty came to for each Local 354 member:

• An immediate general pay boost of 6 to 9c.

health security benefits.

contract negotiations resemble ially significant, according to a poker game more than col-Region 8 Director E. T. Michael, lective bargaining. Take the ex- because the company's business perience of UAW Local 354, for is seasonal. A manufacturer of gasoline dispensing pumps, it committee was assisted by rep- clude the recession, the union's WOOD-RIDGE, N. J.—Curtiss-Its contract with the Wayne suffers a decline during the resentatives of the national air- program for prosperity, com-Pump division of Symington summer and fall, with peak pro- craft department and Region 6. Wayne Corp. was expiring July duction usually between Janu-1. Management held fast to a ary and May. The re-opener "no wage increase" position and, permits the local—for the first Ex-Senator Against on the expiration date, bet time—to bargain for wages durheavily on its "pair of aces" by ing the peak production period. | Colorado Scab Law

> "The local's achievement is doubly gratifying because Salisbury is more than 100 miles from the nearest major industrial center and thus suffers a degree of economic isolation." Michael pointed out. The town is on Maryland's rural eastern

"The re-opener will give the membership an opportunity to 'double up' its wage gains with two sets of negotiations in one contract year," he added.

• About ½c in additional The local bargaining committee, headed by Paul Somers, Lo-• A one-year contract with a cal 354 president, was assisted wage re-opener on Jan. 1, 1959. by Region 8 representatives.

pact.

3. It provides for wage in- vide for a general wage increase have been paid had the c-o-1 provisions remained in the contract in 1956; re-establishment of the c-o-l clause; a top rate in the region, UAW members industry," the committee of \$3.02 for factory jobs and a hire-in rate of \$1.86 an hour; an automatic pay increase effective June 15, 1959, of 3% or North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 7c, whichever is greater; a seventh paid holiday; upgrading of several jobs and improvements

> The 3% boost next year will actually bring 8c an hour or more to 85% of the workers, Woodcock said.

DENVER-The road is getting rockier for the big business interests trying to foist a "right to work" bill on Col- | regional office in Atlanta. orado.

Newest opponent to the Shurdown compulsory open shop law is Ed C. Johnson, former U.S. Senator and one-time governor of the state.

He announced formation of the "Citizens Committee for he said, is to bring on a full study of the "hush-hush campaign" to finance "right to work" committees in Colorado.

Martin Pact Details

BALTIMORE, Md.—Here is the Martin Co. settlement at a glance (story on page one):

1. Full union shop.

2. Immediate wage increase of 6 to 15c an hour.

3. The present 15c cost-of-living allowance is frozen into base rates.

4. A deferred raise of 3%—but not less than 7c—will go into effect in July 1959. There will also be a wage re-opener to negotiate further wage increases in June 1960, with the right to strike.

5. Double time for Sunday as such and time-and-ahalf plus holiday pay for work on holidays.

6. Automatic progression reduced from 17 to 16 weeks.

7. Improved vacation plan (night shift premium included):

Years of Service	1,000 Hours	Worked 1,500
1	5 days	7 days
3 (Jan. 1)	7 days	10 days
12 (Jan. 1)	10 days	15 days

8. Jury duty pay up to 10 days a year.

9. Three days' sick leave a year, which can be carried over to a succeeding year. Unused sick leave payable at layoff or retirement.

10. Improved insurance:

	Employe	Dependent
Daily hospital benefits	\$ 15	\$ 13
Hospital fees	400	250
Surgical benefits	300	200
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Maternity benefits increased up to \$130. Major medical pays 80% of all expenses up to \$5,000, after normal coverage is exhausted and \$100 expenses have been incurred.

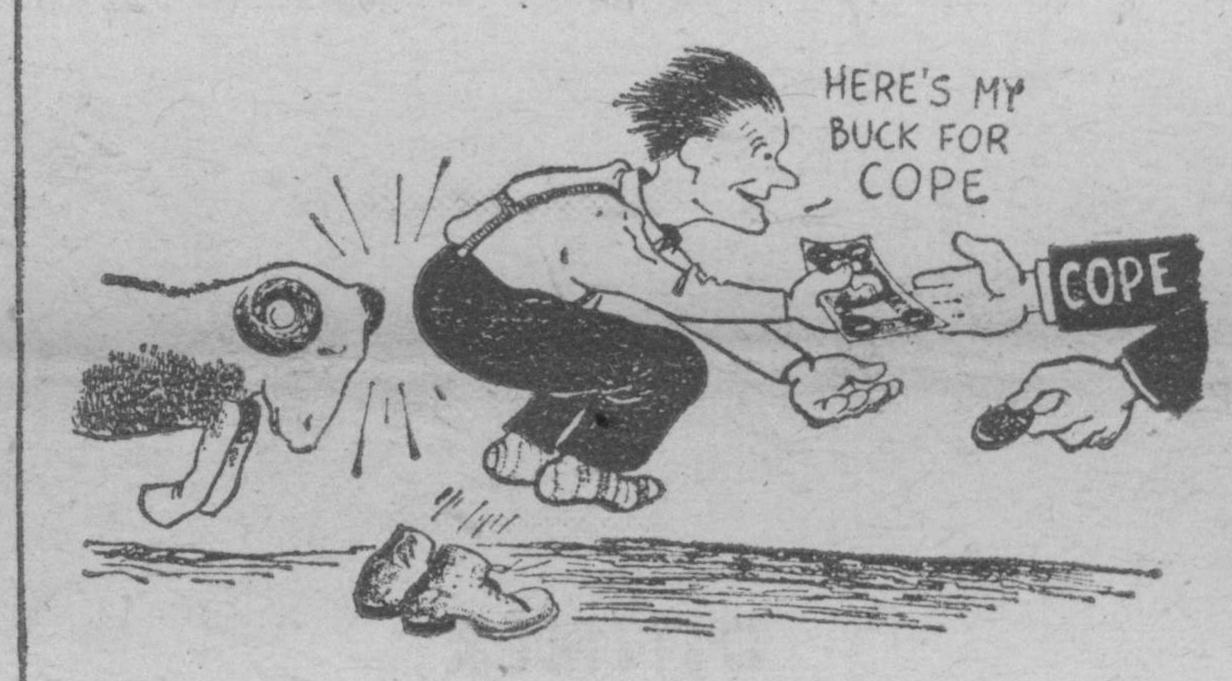
11. Maternity leaves after 10 months' service.

12. Other leaves of absence provisions liberalized.

13. Improved shift transfer plan.

14. Seniority defined as length of continuous service. References to training, efficiency, skill and ability are omitted.

15. Reprimands withdrawn after 12 months' clear record.



department, and are already enjoying the benefits of the Region 8 School pact. Key benefits negotiated pro- Starts July 27

including the 16c in cost-of- time to register for the Region efforts and resources — was living allowances which would 8 summer school, Regional Di- the foundation on which this rector E. T. Michael reminds settlement was built. area locals.

will study in a university setting when classes open July 27 on the

This means that in addition to the UAW instructors from the region and from Detroit. students will be able to take courses under instructors from the university's economics, business administration and religion departments.

The local union's negotiating summer school students will in- To South Bend munity services, political action, pany, has announced purchase right to work laws and problems of an earth-moving equipment of the aircraft and missile in- business. dustry.

> Students will register July 27 at Cobb Hall. The registration fee is \$40 for the week-long sessions. Make your reservation by calling or writing the regional office in Baltimore or the sub-

ARLINGTON, Tex. — General Bend, Ind., C-W plant. Motors' big B-O-P assembly Management spokesmen deplant here was shut down again | clined to say whether the transfor a two-week period beginning fer would mean more jobs at June 30 "to adjust inventories South Bend, where C-W manu-Freedom to Bargain." Its aim, | for Buicks, Oldsmobiles and factures aircraft engine parts in Pontiacs," according to man- a plant leased from Studebakeragement. The plant had also Packard Corp. been closed down the weeks of June 2 and 16. The workers in ELKHART, Ind. — UAW womthis plant are represented by en's auxiliary 340 will sponsor a Local 276.

Teamwork Did It

BALTIMORE, Md.—In an open letter to members of Local 738, published the day after the new contract with the Martin Co. had been ratified, the local's negotiating committee expressed a keen awareness that the UAW's time-tested formula for bargaining close coordination of local, BALTIMORE — There's still regional and national staff

"We believe we have a con-This year, for the first time tract second to none in the wrote. "We could not possibly campus of the University of have used any more help than we received from the national aircraft department and our regional office."

> The Martin Co. is a leading producer of aircraft and missiles.

C-W Moves Work

Wright Corp., an aircraft com-

C-W bought the Wooldridge division of Continental Copper & Steel Industries, Inc., which makes a line of self-propelled, rubber-tired earth scrapers and other earth-moving equipment.

A C-W spokesman said operations of the Wooldridge division. located in Sunnyvale, Calif., will be transferred to the South

family picnic this month.



soling a lady from Texas wins

local 893 member's wife gets menu



"We have two children, Bobby, who is two years old, and Leslie Ann, 10 months. Bobby presents my biggest problem in meal planning as he does not care for strong-flavored vegetables or many kinds of meats.

"I fix the children's main meal at noon and ours at night.

"Another problem I recall when we were first married was that my husband didn't like vegetables in any way, shape or form, except corn. To make a long story short, I fixed them anyway and he eventually learned to like almost everything.

"I have found that good nutrition has paid off for our family — neither of our children have had colds in ages. Bobby had his last one a year and a half ago and Leslie Ann never has had one. They both are healthy and active—and happy (I hope!).

"I studied home economics at Oklahoma State University for a year, but changed my major and received my B.S. degree from the school of commerce there in 1953. Then I worked in Oklahoma City for two years where I met my husband who was stationed with the air force at Tinker Field. We have been married three years.

andrey Maniel

when I was small.

"Women's magazines, newspaper articles and my cookbooks have given me a lot of ideas.

"In planning the contest menus, I got out a copy of the 'Basic Seven' food groups, wrote down the foods we enjoy the most and did my planning from that point, trying to combine interesting color combinations, textures and flavors.

"Unfortunately, due to the hectic household schedule we maintain, I'm not able to spend as much time cooking and experimenting in the kitchen as I would like to.

"My husband, Veral, is an electronic technician at Chance Vought aircraft, Local 893, and also attends night school at Arlington State College, majoring in engineering.

ns second prize BREAKFAST sliced bananas nenu contest award cinnamon toast scrambled eggs coffee-milk LUNCH barbecued hot dogs on buns baked beans relish plate-olives, pickles, green onions, radishes BREAKFAST DINNER baked apples ready-to-eat cereals beef liver with tomato sauce bacon parslied new potatoes coffee-milk baby lima beans pear-cream cheese salad LUNCH spice cake egg salad sandwiches coffee-milk buttered beets dill pickles, olives oatmeal cookies milk DINNER beef pot roast-potatoes, onions zucchini squash cabbage-green pepper slaw BREAKFAST butterscotch pudding coffee-milk tomato juice French toast bacon coffee-milk DINNER braised chicken stuffed baked potatoes cauliflower with cheese sauce tossed green salad BREAKFAST hot rolls-butter, jelly pineapple-grapefruit juice devil's food cake-peppermint icing waffles coffee-milk bacon coffee-milk SUPPER fruit salad bowl UNCH blueberry muffins-butter egetable soup baked custard imento cheese sandwiches coffee-milk (whole wheat bread) atmeal cookies DINNER tuna-noodle casserole French style green beans sliced tomatoes on lettuce (French dressing) cherry cobbler

"P.S. I forgot to add that I especially like to fix foods that can bake in the oven or on top of the stove, requiring little watching. It leaves me free to do other things. The more I can put in the oven at the same time, the better I like it."

coffee-milk

Editor's Note: The "Basic Seven" of nutrition Audrey referred to in her observations are these (along with the amounts of each that an individual ought to get every day).

- 1) Butter or fortified margarine (two to three tablespoons)
- 2) Green and yellow vegetables (one large serving)
- 3) Oranges, tomatoes, grapefruit or raw cabbage or greens (one serving)
- 4) Potatoes and other vegetables and fruits (one or more potatoes, two servings of others)
- 5) Milk and milk products (adults—one pint; children—3/4 to one quart; expectant or nursing mothers—one quart)
- 6) Meat, poultry, fish and eggs (one serving of meat, poultry or fish; one egg a day or at least four a week; dried beans, dried peas, nuts or peanut butter)
- 7) Bread, flour and cereals (two slices of bread or the equivalent with each meal)

you need an outdoors apron, too

Planning any cookin' outdoors this summer?

Whether it's at a picnic, a backyard barbecue or a reunion, an apron comes in handy when you're bending over that charcoal furnace or pit. No sense smudging your clothes. Yet you want something to wear that's rugged and outdoorsy.

Free leaflet E-2552 just may be the answer if you've been thinking about making yourself an outdoor apron (see photo). The materials it calls for are mattress ticking (13% yards, 36 inches wide), red poplin (3% yard), red rickrack (15% yards) and some thread.

With this leaflet, it'd be pretty hard to stray. Directions are complete down to cutting and seam size. They take you through step by step.

The six-page leaflet also has complete instructions for making gloves and a four-piece place mat set. They're cut and sewn from mattress ticking, too.

The place mats require one yard of ticking and six strand floss. For the gloves you'll need 3/8 yard of ticking and double fold bias tape. The mitt pattern, incidentally, is full size so you can trace it for cutting.

Oh, and by the way, there are instructions for making an apron for the old man, in case he gets that wild, irresistible urge to flip hamburgers, too. His apron'll set you back $1\frac{1}{8}$ yards of ticking and $\frac{3}{8}$ yard of poplin.

If you want the leaflet — and remember, it's free—just send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Solidarity's consumer department, 8000 E. Jefferson, Detroit 14, Mich.

Hey, Doc! Look Who's Leading Inflation March WASHINGTON — Every-

one knows the cost of living is going up—but who knows exactly how and why?

An item-by-item study of U.S. Consumers Price Index figures since 1953 shows that medical care tops the inflation list.

Higher doctor bills, drug prices and hospital insurance charges (not to mention hospital rates themselves) have hiked the average family's costs by 19%, compared to an 8½% rise in the ject to violent changes. index as a whole.

Zing! Add 19%

Doctors are charging 18% more for office visits, 19% more for obstretrical care. It costs 12% more to lose your tonsils; for some reason your appendix is a relative bargain, up only 5%.

U.S. Reports

WASHINGTON (PAI)—Strong support for labor demands that the unemployment compensation system be improved as a means of helping the economy is contained in a report by the Department of Labor.

The report shows that almost \$2 billion was paid out to the unemployed during the first five months of 1958.

Of the total payments to jobless workers, more than \$1 billion went to workers insured by the federal-state system of unemployment insurance, while costs. Most of the increase came just over \$104 million was paid in public construction such as railroad employes covered by the highways and public housing. unemployment insurance program administered by the Railroad Retirement Board.

Healthy Outside

efit payments in May was due to employment improvements in outdoor activities and seasonal

state revenues from unemploya billion dollars.

Hospital rates are up 35% and so is hospital insurance. The drug rise has been 11%.

These and other figures were taken from the index by The Machinist, official publication of the IAM. Among the other categories:

Housing: Up 9.1% for home-owners, 12% for renters. Utilities and fuel rose 9% — but home furnishings dropped 4%.

Food: Up 8.1%, but sub-

Transportation: Up 7.2% on the average, with bus and streetcar fares showing a 30% leap. New car prices, which were at their lowest for the five-year period in 1955, according to the index, have since zoomed 17%.

Clothing: Thanks to the • fact that the workers who make the cloth have had their wages frozen, for lack History Series of union organization, since 1950, prices have risen only Now Concluded

Recreation: Movies are up 30%; newspapers (this is recreation?) 19%; TV and radio prices have actually dropped a bit.

Public Construction Up

WASHINGTON — Construction activity—one of the barometers of the economy—went up during the first half of 1958 in dollar value, but dropped slightly in physical output due to increased



Painting by UAW staff artist John Gelsavage

This 24th installment com-Pictures" series. It has drawn much favorable comment from readers and from other editors, some of whom have reprinted the material.

Plans for displaying the original paintings are pected to be announced women. shortly.

The paintings were excuted John Gelsavage, UAW staff artist. The accompanying articles were written by Howard Lipton, also of the UAW staff.

Labor History in Pictures—24

THE 20-year split in labor's ranks ended in December 1955, the historic merger of the AFL and CIO. Merger of the pletes the "Labor History in | two great union federations marked a new and important landmark in American labor history.

> Its emphasis was not on size, although the size of the labor body was most impressive—141 international unions with a combined membership of about 16 million. Rather, ex- | it stressed service—making progress for working men and

Elected president was George Meany, who had headed the AFL. UAW President Walter P. Reuther, who held the top CIO post, was elected president of the seven-million-member | industrial union department, largest single branch of the new federation.

Numerous efforts had been made in previous years to bring about such a merger; each had failed. One reason: the insistence of the negotiators on solving all problems before arriving at unity.

Under the leadership of Meany and Reuther, however, the respective AFL and CIO merger committees concentrated on the major goal of achieving federation. Problems were not set aside; there was agreement that efforts would continue without letup to find the answers after the merger took

When the historic moment arrived, Meany and Reuther together raised a single symbolic gavel (above) and brought it down to mark the new labor unity.

Flanking them were (left to right) James B. Carey, IUE president; New York Gov. Averell Harriman; William the fact that "industry is not Schnitzler, secretary-treasurer of the AFL-CIO; Al J. Hayes, bearing a back-breaking burden IAM president; Jacob Potofsky, president of the ACWA; David Dubinsky, ILGWU president; David J. McDonald, Steelworkers president and Harry Bates, president of the Bricklayers and temporary chairman of the merger conven-

Insisting that the merged federation's emphasis must not be on "bigness" or "great power", Meany told the convention, "Let us think in terms of the simple philosophy of those who founded this movement, of advancing the cause of workers."

Calling for an "organizational crusade such as this country never has seen," Reuther added:

"We have not achieved labor unity based on stagnation. We have achieved labor unity to provide new, dynamic forces out of which we can build a stronger labor movement. The organization of millions of unorganized workers is the key jured person of a like standard to the question of economic justice."

And emphasis on the need for federation leadership in such vital areas as civil liberties and civil rights was pounded home by UAW Secretary-Treasurer Emil Mazey.

"The preservation of civil rights is vital to the progress of the people of our nation and to the labor movement," Mazey told the delegates. "We cannot hope to achieve our full goal "We are told," he said, "to unless we can maintain free speech, a free press, free assemblage and the other basic freedoms guaranteed us under

> Much of the labor history now being made is the outgrowth of the merger convention's stress on the rights and freedom of workers everywhere.

Workmen's Comp Still Weak Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell said the decline in ben Mitchell said the decline in ben of the payments in May was due to

WASHINGTON -- Despite industries. However, a total of the fact that it is nearly 50 236,000 covered workers ex- years old, workmen's compenhausted their benefit rights in sation coverage in this country still leaves much to be de-During the first five months, benefit expenditures exceeded tional conference on labor ment insurance taxes and inter- health services held here by est on their reserves by almost the American Labor Health a kind of struggle for limiting Association.



ORGANIZING KIT, comprising mimeograph, typewriter, etc., is presented to Honduran North Coast Federation by the UAW. Celeo Gonzalez, secretary-general of the federation (left) and Santiago Pineda, corresponding secretary, accept equipment from Barney B. Taylor, former UAW staff-member who is now U.S. labor attache in Honduras.

Jerome Pollack, UAW social security program consultant, told delegates the blame rests on legislatures' still-old-fashioned views about employer responsibility and on doctors' knuckling under to insurance companies.

"At every point there has been the employer's liability" despite in workmen's compensation costs," he said.

Hold 'Em Down

He pointed out that 13 states still limit their medical benefits tion in New York city. in these cases and do not permit any extension of them by those administering the coverage.

"The idea of giving injured workers the best possible quality of care is still not regarded as an objective of workmen's compensation legislation," he said.

"The laws are very careful to say that an employer shall not be liable to pay more fees than prevail in the same community for similar treatment of an in-

of living." Pollack also noted "there have been pressures on attending physicians to deny or belittle the work origin of a disease or injury and to belittle the extent of disability to help the insurance company to beat down claims."

wait for a new generation of physicians, but the time of gestation has been remarkably long the Bill of Rights." and I fear unless some steps are taken, the new generation may wind up somewhat resembling the old one."

LOOKS THE SAME as auto negotiations, and up to now the results have been the same, too. This scene, though, is at Caterpillar Tractor. Co., with the UAW team on the far side of the table. Included are (from right) Harvey Pearson, assistant director of the Caterpillar department: Marshall Hughes, administrative assistant to vice president Pat Greathouse; Greathouse, who's agricultural implement director; Russell McBride, chairman of the Local 974 bargaining committee, and George Eisfelder, local president.

Goldfine: He's No Angel Except By Comparison with Ike's Pals

All of a sudden a guy named Bernard Goldfine is a big national issue because he paid a lot of bills for a guy named Sherman Adams, who (except for the title) has been President of the United States since January 1953.

There is a great moral outcry about Goldfine, on the grounds that he used his friend Sherm to get himself out of various jams with federal agencies and such.

This is especially painful because Sherm, a rockribbed New England Yankee, has been the symbol of (you will excuse the expression) integrity in the Eisenhower administration.

Meet Bernie

It is very pleasant for union members and other liberal, New Dealish folk to find Sherm in trouble. He wasn't exactly an engaging fellow even when he was governor of New Hampshire.

But let's get one thing straight about Goldfine. He may have been a bum in his dealings with the higher-ups, but he was a pretty good guy in his dealings with the lowerdowns.

It is hardly a secret that Goldfine owned and operated a number of textile mills. As an owner he had cause to meet representatives of the Textile Workers Union of America (not to be confused with the crooked textile union, formerly AFL, now headed by George Baldanzi).

No Apology

One example will illustrate Goldfine's attitude. The George Mabbett mills, long a respected, high-qual-

FOR MORE JOBLESS PAY

ity operation, went out of business. The management fulfilled its obligations to the workers in terms of severance pay, etc. Goldfine subsequently acquired the property. Without any legal obligation to do so, he reemployed all the workers with their seniority and other rights unimpaired — though it would have been to his advantage to shop the market for younger people.

Now this is no apology for whatever Goldfine may have had to do with Adams. But who could make as good a case for the dozen influencepeddlers who got gold stars for misbehavior? For instance:

March 1953 Republican Chairman Wes- A Fink Is a Fink ley Roberts resigned after A Fink disclosure of Kansas state lobbying activities.

got a medal.)

case pending.

Strobel resigned as public friends." buildings commissioner after charges he used his office to Urge FEP Programs clients.

Yates contract declared in- ed to be done. valid because Adolphe Wenzel acted as Budget Bureau consultant while an executive of First Boston Corp., a financial agent.

February 1956 — Edmund Mansure resigned as general services administrator after disclosures of alleged favoritism in awarding Nicaro, Cuba, nickel mill contracts.

June 1956—Robert Mac-Leaish resigned as Farmers Home Administrator after

to his wife's firm.

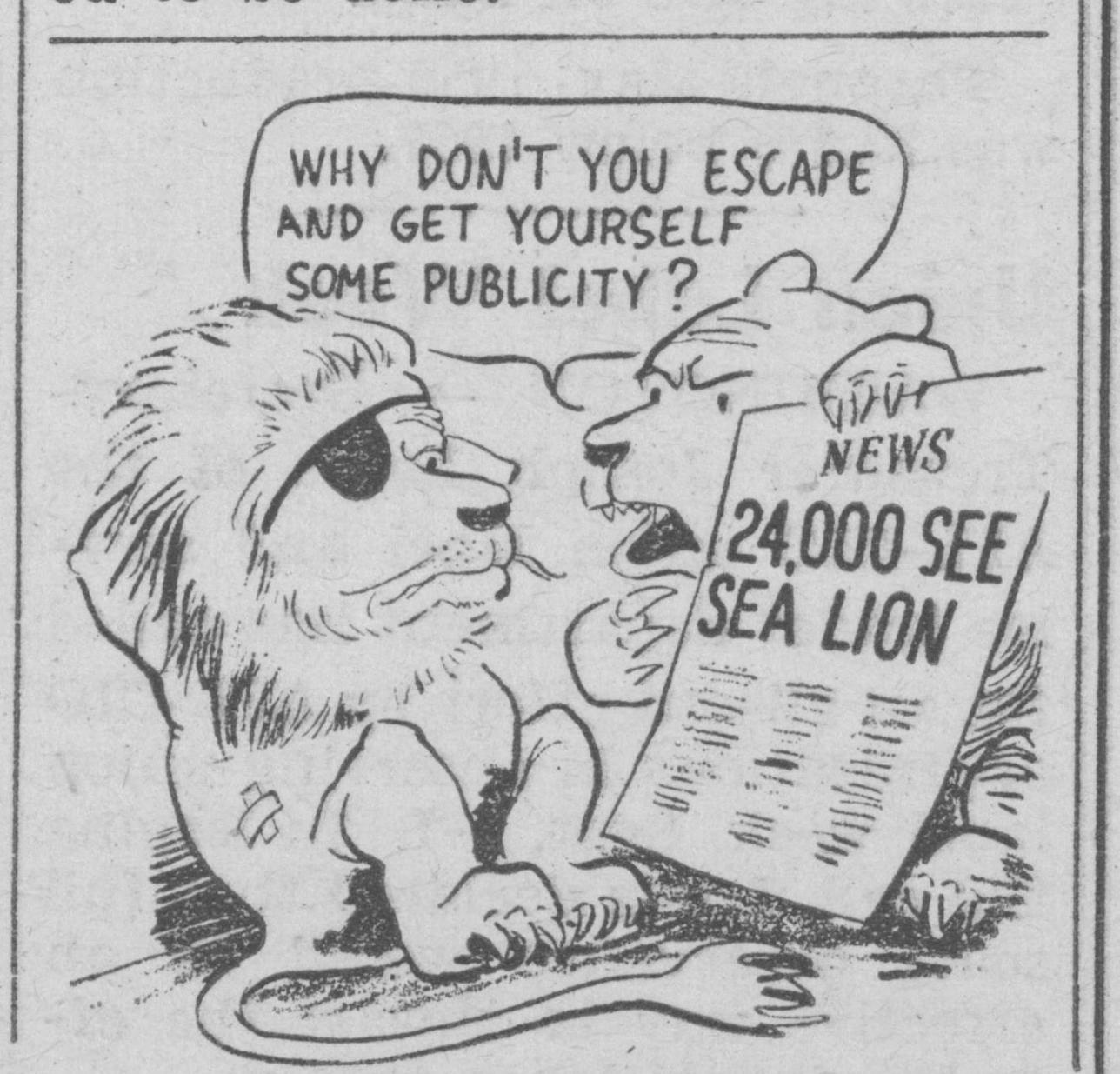
Porter sold \$100-a-plate din-Republican Leader Joe Martin, whose influence was said to be vital in securing passage of natural gas bill.

February 1958—Chairman John Doerfer and three other FCC commissioners were challenged on government expense accounts after being entertained by broadcasters.

Buchwald of the New York sugar refining, from bridge bim? Herald Tribune got a provoca- building to the manufacture of This chap, whose torment is as-July 1955 — The late tive report on the very latest steel or glass. Harold Talbott resigned as slang from Frank Sinatra. "The Air Force secretary after most frequent word Mr. Sinatra Our Worst Enemy? charges of using office to uses is 'clyde'," said Buchwald. By mid-1958, the Times recharges of using office to "'Clyde' can stand for anything. ports, trade and aid efforts

nal revenue commissioner to his favorites is 'fink.' 'A fink,' rather than economic reasons. Says Rep. Lee Metcalf (D., head a casualty company he said, 'is a loser. Fink comes that had a \$5,500,000 tax from a strikebreaker named Fink who killed his friend during a strike. So to me a fink is November 1955 — Peter a guy who would kill his own

further interests of his pri- | WASHINGTON-A committee | vate engineering firm's on government employment policy set up by President Eisenhower in 1955 has recommended November 1955 — Hugh that training programs be in-Cross resigned as Interstate stituted "to strengthen and sup-Commerce Commission plement the nondiscrimination chairman after Senate probe policy" of the federal governof his intervention in a Chi- ment. The report said that cago transportation con- progress was being made in fair employment practices in the government service but November 1955 — Dixon- that considerable work remain-



Look, GM: Full SUB Is Easy If You Try

OSHAWA, Ont. — A key supplier of General Motors of Canada—operating here in the long shadow of GM's plants —has met the UAW's full SUB demands, possibly the first 2 to do so.

The firm is Houdaille, a subsidiary of the American Hou-

daille - Hershey where the UAW also holds bargaining rights.

An eye-catching portion of Local 222's package victory here In these trying times the must have caused GM to cast! a quick and furious glance over proposals.

Easy, Too

in his "bank" are raised from Three plants today.

By agreement, he now doesn't have to report personally at the SUB office but may make application by mail.

charges of personal miscon- Hungry Folks duct. January 1957 — Assistant Lean to Reds Secretary of Defense Robert Lean to

Tripp Ross resigned after Communist economic pene-Army contract was awarded tration into every nook and cranny of the globe probably February 1958 — Texas constitutes today's most seri-GOP Committeeman Jack ous threat to the free world. This basic fact has been reemner tickets to honor House phasized in a survey made by N.Y. Times correspondents in 50 countries covering noncommunist underdeveloped areas as well as solidly anticommunist countries.

> While political considerations and a near-sighted view of economy hold top priority If with the foreman he's agreed when the U.S. Congress discusses foreign aid or reciprocal trade, the Soviets are going -ahead at full speed to make economic help a serious ideo-

PARIS, France—Reporter Art ranging from oil prospecting to Or how much you really owe uchwald of the New York

solicit private business. (He If he wants someone to pass the have given the communists a Check Adams' Teeth salt, he says, 'Pass the clyde.'" foothold in at least 19 coun-Buchwald continued, "Mr. tries. Nikita Khrushchev is October 1955 — Coleman Sinatra has many words for quoted as saying that his coun-Andrews resigned as inter- people he doesn't like. One of try values trade for political term "clean as a hound's tooth."

trade easy for nations which anyone else.

Ine Poor Laa! _

union poets are at their bus- ve its shoulder—for across the U.S., lest—and in order to offend co GM is holding firm so far no one we publish no one. against meeting the union's SUB | However, the following bit was drawn to our attention by George (Scotty) Campbell Houdaille workers here now of the skilled trades departwill receive 65% of their gross ment. It comes from an old pay plus \$2 for each dependent, British labor manual and has mum credits a worker may have special application in Big

Who is the worst-paid man

today With haggard look and hair

gray, Who's blamed when things do not go right,

Who gets no rest by day or

Though never having been to

He must possess the widest knowledge

On rates of pay and hours of labor And how to keep peace with

one's neighbor Of income tax and how to pay

What's best to say, and when to

The how and which and why and when

Of all the problems known to men.

He's sold the men or been weak-

When for the men he tries to cater He's called a blinking agitator.

The Soviets offer to build Who is this chap? What! Don't

sured,

Is no one else than your SHOP STEW ARD!

WASHINGTON - A Congressman from the sheep country And while the Iron Curtain | Mont.), "One origin of the excountries are making aid and pression is in the west, where we check the teeth of a hound need it, the economy of the we suspect may have killed United States, leader of the sheep. If he has, there is wool free world, sputters along, un- in his teeth. Investigators able to keep itself going at | checking Sherman Adams' teeth full steam, let alone help might well find some vicuna wool in them."

Memo to Jobless: Are \$\$ Due?

Some unemployed workers are still missing out on extra benefits to which they are entitled by law. Most of them fall into two groups:

1. Veterans who entered the armed forces between June 24, 1950 and Jan. 31, 1955.

2. Workers who have reached retirement age (65 for men, 62 for women) but who have not "officially" re-

The veterans may have as much as 26 weeks in additional unemployment compensation coming to them, provided they have exhausted their state UC and have not drawn on their special veterans benefit previously.

But application for these extra benefits must be made within three years after discharge or within three years after July 26, 1955, whichever is later. Note that the latter deadline is less than two weeks away.

Unemployed workers of retirement age are eligible for social security payments in addition to UC benefits in many cases. Also, the social security law permits workers to draw their federal pensions in any month when their earnings are less than \$80.

If you think you are in one of these groups, inquire at your local union or write to Clayton Johnson, UAW compensation de part ment director, 8000 East Jefferson, Detroit 14.

gamble than the nags.



30-Year GM Worker Martin Gains Blasts Curtice Claims Continued from Page 1

blasted statements made by pointed out, including \$2½ bil- setting a new and improved General Motors president lion before taxes in 1955. "In pattern for 1958 in aircraft." Harlow Curtice in letters the GM got a 76% reduction, but I Diego, Calif., workers at Ryan GM top executive sent to got nothing," he added. workers about negotiations.

The reply to Curtice was written by Albert E. Meyer, a 30-year seniority worker now in production control at the corporation's Delco-Remy plant at Anderson, Ind.

ments used by Curtice to back wonder why we quit buying? up GM's take-it-or-leave-it at- And a Watch titude at the bargaining table, the 48-year-old Meyer wrote:

"You say my wages caused car price raises. In the last 10 years my wages went up 62% compared to GM profits of 260%.

Eight Years and Out

"Whom are you trying to kid? Mentioning heavy auto industry unemployment, Meyer said in his letter to the GM chief- Wear Your Dues Button! June 30, 1960. tain:

"We had an employe in our department with eight years' service. He has two children, and had just bought a new home. He also bought a new 1957 Chevrolet. He had a side job so he ments.

"He is now walking the streets, unemployed. But wages are up 62%, compared with profits up 260%, in the last 10 years."

Meyer explains to the GM president that he had bought his own first new car in 1948. A again bought a Chevrolet in Even the daily newspapers, nor-1956. This was a Bel-Air model mally the firm allies of man-\$2,338 in eight years.

Trade-In Tale During that time GM had

A UAW rank-and-filer has made exorbitant profits, Meyer west coast settlement levels and 1953, when taxes were reduced.

> When he bought his 1956 model car, he said, the dealer gave him an \$800 trade-in on his 1954 Buick. This year, however, the dealer wanted the car plus \$1,800 in cash.

"So I will keep my 1956 Chev- Reopener in 1960 Noting the economic argu- rolet," Meyer wrote. "Do you

profit after taxes, raises prices.

this year," Meyer added. "If I ever read in the newspapers my watch caused cars to be raised in price, I will send you back the watch, I promise you."

(A fortnight earlier, in San Aeronautical Co. also exceeded the coast pattern by recapturing a cost-of-living escalator clause and the increase it would have yielded since it was lost in 1956, and winning additional wage hikes up to 11c.)

Region 8 Director E. Michael also took a leading part in the negotiations, along with S-P Gets Going "Remember - that with 92% John Alden, Local 738 president; still John Barnette, William High- Last in Industry tower, Jackson Moore and Mar-"I receive my 25-year watch vin Holler. Also helping was a

June 30, 1961 with a reopening will continue until a new pact (with the right to strike) on is written.

Time on Union's Side could keep up with the car pay- AS BIG INTEE RESUME

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Ford (34 out of 55 locals): 32,342 yes; 929 no.

30,959 yes; 1,623 no.

hearted treatment — since no culprits were identified.

Apparently the papers found it hard to believe that companyclaimed "damage" could be done UAW Solidarity Pays! without detection.

Give a Buck to COPE Yet?

Fill in this coupon, clip and mail with your COPE buck to:

> UAW Citizenship Department 8000 E. Jefferson Ave. Detroit 14, Michigan

Name	***************************************
Street	***************************************
City	Local

(You will receive an official receipt. If you are a UAW member, your local union will get credit for your donation.)

When negotiations recessed just before the July 4 weekend, both sides acknowledged that virtually no progress had been Chrysler (23 out of 39 locals): made toward agreement. But ately 6,500 S-P workers. company statements revealed Equally fruitless were sporadic an increasing edginess as the Not Union Made he said. After buying three company charges of "sabotage" Spokesmen for the corporations NEW ORLEANS—When cops Buicks in the next six years, he in the form of damaged cars. angrily denied the nearly- were called in to investigate unanimous view of industry theft of a \$1,500 diamond out of publications that time was on a gold-plated golf putter plan-

> Meanwhile, June production (except for Chrysler) was slightly higher than had been planned, according to Ward's Automotive Reports. Dealer stocks were cut less than expected; it is estimated that nearly 700,000 unsold cars are still on hand.

Through May, 1958 production was 33.7% below 1957.

Union Label Week

WASHINGTON -- Secretary-Treasurer Joseph Lewis of the bears a pecuniary value. This is necessary to the confidence AFL-CIO union label and servlice trades department has called for an all-out effort by AFL-CIO fit, and necessary to the organizations in observing union | tranquility of my own mind." label week, Sept. 1-7. In issuing the call, Lewis declared that full letter refusing the gift of a scale observance would be an set of china from the wife of effective way to thwart the ef- | a Baltimore book dealer. forts of anti-labor forces.

Reform Air Safety Setup: Woodcock

To keep 'em flying, not falling, requires a complete reorganization of federal flight control agencies, UAW Vice President Leonard Woodcock, aircraft director, said last week.

Air collisions in the last year have "stunned the nation,"

Woodcock declared, and have? underlined "the pressing need for an immediate and comprehensive reorganization of those agencies which have responsibility for the enforcement of flight regulations."

Woodcock charged the 'overlapping, obsolete, multi-agency system of air transportation control" with a major share of the responsibility for the acci-

Future in Peril

Civil Aviation Authority and Civil Aeronautics Board on the one hand and the apparent IF YOU GAVE TO COPE one hand, and the apparent lack of any overall authority over the four branches of the armed services compound the UAW Challenge: risk factor," he said.

"The future of air transport is in peril as long as there is a reluctance to acknowledge the need for a single agency which would have authority to administer the scheduling, define the airlines, radically overhaul ground control, approach and takeoff systems..."

The UAW vice president endorsed the Monroney bill to establish a Federal Aviation Agency, putting full responsibility for air safety in a single body. This measure, he said, "constitutes the logical first step toward the vitally-needed modernization of our air control system."

Negotiations for a new consub-committee on wage inequi- tract are underway at Studeties comprising John Berosh, baker-Packard, last auto firm Nelson Hill and J. B. Standifer. to begin. The current contract expires Sept. 1. Talks opened The new contract runs until July 1, recessed until July 8 and

> Region 3 Director Ray Berndt, who also heads the Studebaker - Packard department, told the company that collective bargaining objectives include improvements in the annual improvement factor, substantially better and other goals approved at the union's special convention in January.

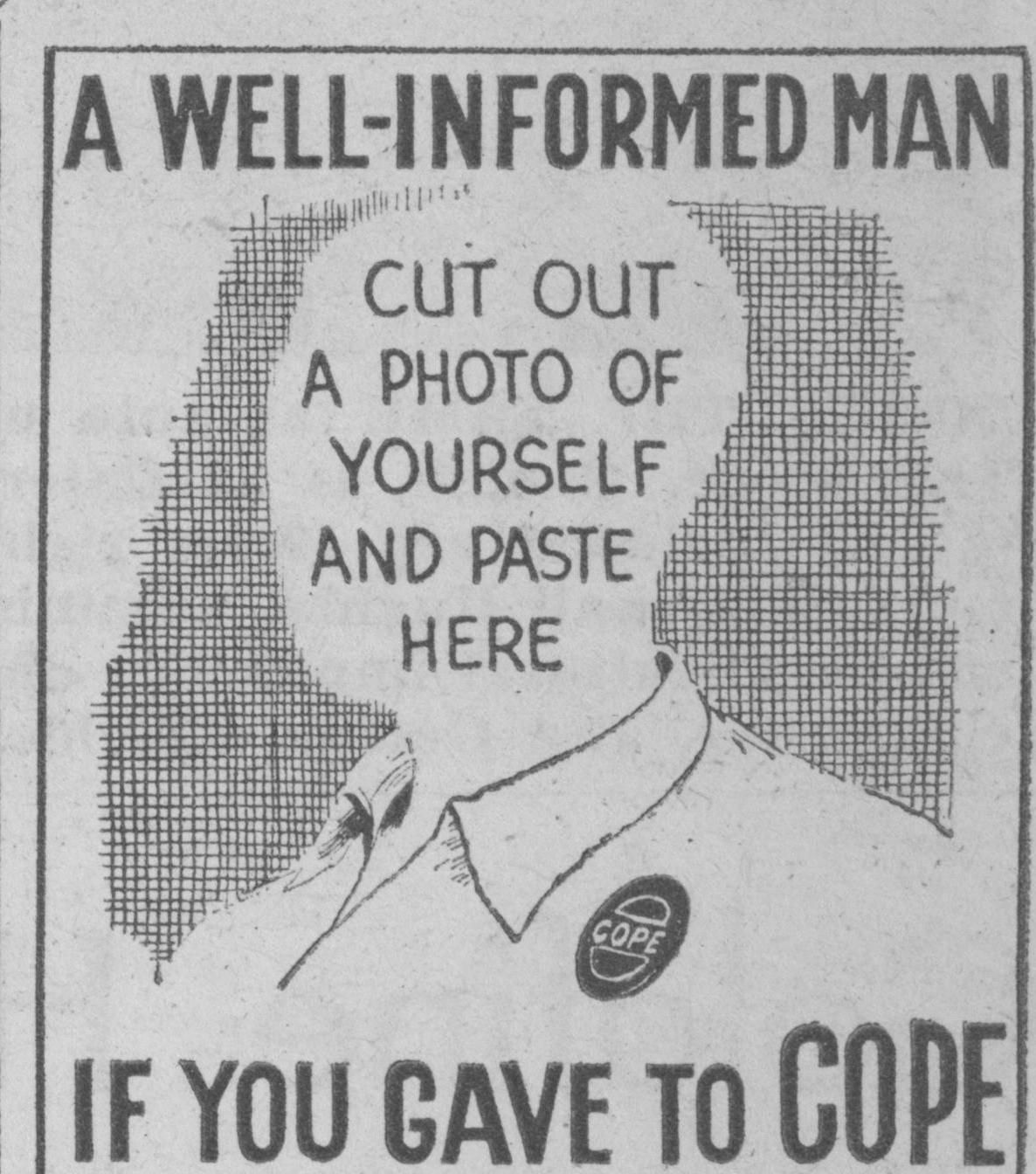
Negotiations affect approxim-

without power accessories, cost-ing \$3,379, a price increase of kept secret leaked out. After the leaking, one enterprising reporter phoned the manufacturer to ask whether the diamondstudded, gold-plated putter was union-made. Came a stunned silence, then a voice saying, "Are you kidding?" Then, the receiver slammed down.

No Cows, Either

"It is a law, sacred to me while in a public character, to receive nothing which of my country, it is necessary as an example for its bene-

-Thomas Jefferson, in a



Let's Have Vote

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wishes of the union's membership in GM plants."

Why, Congressman!

Woodcock also reminded Chamberlain of UAW President Walter P. Reuther's appearance before the House Banking and Currency Committee last April at which time the Congressman —a member of that committee —had discussed his plan calling for a one-year contract extension.

"It was only in response to a direct question from Mr. Reuther that you somewhat reluctantly revealed that Mr. Harlow Curtice, president of General Motors, had rejected your proposal, since it included the proviso that the corporation reduce the price of its automobiles by \$100," Woodcock wrote.

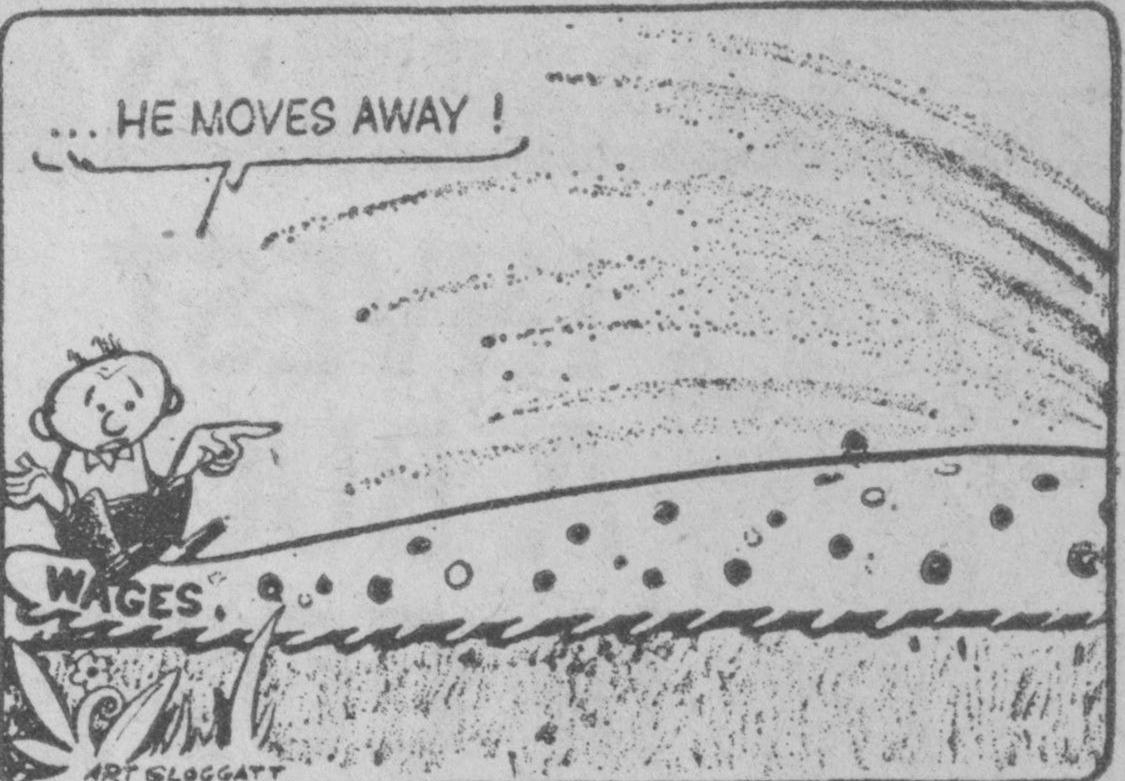
Here to Stay

LONDON-Great Britain's national health service program has entered its second decade. Originally advocated by the Liberals, put into law by the Socialists and mostly administered by Conservatives, it is now regarded as a basic feature of British life, even its opponents conced-SUB protection, profit-sharing ing that it has "justified itself and yielded very good results."

UC for All Vets?

WASHINGTON - A bill to provide unemployment compensation benefits for peacetime veterans of the armed forces — similar to those received by World War II and Korean ex-GIs - has been approved by the Senate labor committee. The bill calls for \$26 a week for a maximum of 21 weeks.





N.Y. Daily Mirror

The inchworm