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BOSTON DRESS STRIKE
Enters Third Week;
Fight Lines Intact

Showing Matchless Spirit In
Repelling Police Brutality
And Hired Thuggery
—Enlist Wide Public Support

With two weeks of strike history to
the credit of the Boston dress trade,
the leadership of the National Ladies
Garment Workers' Union is
making ready to dig in for a long
fight through the all-out
efforts of employers to
bust the strike.

But Boston has been thoroughly
attacked by the splinter milliary of
the picket lines that have encircled
the shop area. Despite continual
assaults and progressive
attacks by both the police and
hired thugs, several pickets have
been injured in the current
clashes and efforts to work
throughout the shops.

Dress Pattern
Strikers Begin
Single-Shop Settlements

Open Office At Hotel
New Yorker

The strike of the dress pattern
makers, Local 21, in its third week,
is now at its height, with single
shops striking in protest
at the headquarters at Delancey.

Gold and Silver Linings
of the Men's Strike

The picket lines of the men
who pattern the fashions for
the men's houses in the Big
Dress Industry of New York
are being held by union
shops and combined
hiring agencies. Two
men have been injured
and several others have
been arrested.

Manager of Technical at Local 21
announced that it is the intention
of the strike committee to
continue the single-shop
settlements.

Strikers Have
Right to be Heard

Strikers have been
informed that they have
the right to be heard
by the National
Garment Workers' Union
and have been invited
to participate in
the meetings.

Pres. Dubinsky Greets Uviller
on Dress Arbiter Appointment

Immediately following the
official duties of the
National Chairman of the
New York Dress Industry,
President David Dubinsky
welcomed the Arbiter with
the following message:

Mr. Harry Uviller,
513 Berrys Avenue,
New York City.

Congratulations to you
upon your appointment as
impartial Arbiter in the
Dress Industry. While we are
sorry to lose you from the
Cloth Industry, we are glad
that you have been selected
by the employers' committee
and we extend our
wishes for success in
the new duties assigned.

David Dubinsky,
President International Ladies
Garment Workers' Union

Under your direction, we
will work for a fair and
just settlement.

On behalf of our organization, we
extend our support and
confidence in your
ability to bring about
a peaceful solution to
the problems.

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Wage Scales Stay; Some
Raises Granted; Workers Ratify New Pact

After seventeen days of
negotiations between the
representatives of the
Chicago Dress Joint
Board of the ILGWU and the
Dress Manufacturers' Association
of Chicago, an agreement
between both parties was
reached on Friday, March 6,
which assures peace in the dress
industry.

At the final session, the
employers withdrew their demand
for a 15% reduction in wages, substituting
the continuation of existing
agreements for several hours
and a new contract for
one year.

The scales of various other
grades will be raised 5%.

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Chicago Dressmakers Avert Big Conflict; Contract Renewed

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As Industry, Machinery

It was also decided to establish an industry-wide machinery which would control settlements of piece prices and would also be charged with the authority to enforce strict observance of scales agreed upon. The agreement also clarifies relations between contractors and jobbers or manufacturers who do part of their work outside their premises.

Vice-President Morris Bliss presented Wednesday, March 4, at a special meeting of the Chicago Joint Board, a tentative report of the conference with the Association and received the full approval of the delegates. The following are the members of the General Conference Committee which concluded the agreement: principals with the Chicago Dress Makers' Association.

"Morris Bliss, manager, and M. A. Goldstein, secretary treasurer, Chicago Joint Board; Leo A. Axelrod, chairman, Harry Mintz, vice-chairman; Abe Shulkin, Happy Home; Albert Rosen, Roy Glassman; Meyer Goldstein, Elie Boren and Alice Hiltunen of Local 102; Rebecca Evenshild, Joseph Berkman; Leo Lavender; Joseph Katz, Meyer Hycan; Abe Rabinowitz and N. Carl.

The agreement was ratified at the Chicago Boulevard Auditorium, Thursday, February 27, by 5,600 workmen..."The greatest meeting Chicago ILGWU has ever had," according to a dispatch from Blais.

Dubsay, Wire Dispatches

President Dubsay wired to the meeting at New York, New York, the following message: "Congratulations membership of the Chicago ILGWU Leader Addresses Great Union Gathering.

Blouse Union Fixes Labor Costs To Maintain Union Wages.

In an effort to check a downward tendency in workers' earnings, which have been abruptly reduced by recent union victories and employers and contractors for their contracting shops, the Blouse and Garment Makers Union, Local 25, elected, through its new manager, Vice-President Charles Kricheter, brought the employers and the contractors in the industry together at a conference in February 15 for the purpose of fixing "bottom" prices for the various grades of the business.

The policy brought forth a definite price scale which carries a guarantee of minimum earnings for the workers. It was, naturally, agreed that the manufacturers and jobbers may not ask less than $12.00 for the $12.95 per dozen; nor less than $14.60 for the $13.25, nor less than $16.70 for the $12.95.

These wages are to be reported not as average prices but as bottom labor costs.

To Be Enforced Everywhere

This arrangement was met, as in the past, by the Office of the Department for enforcement to the numerous blouse shops in the locality. 

Honor Roll Fund Drive Officially Ended

The General Office of the ILGWU wishes to announce that the campaign for the raising of the $50,000 Fund for needy labor institutions has now been brought to a close.

The Fund is still about $3,000 short of the goal designated by the Chicago Convention: Most of the locals and joint boards have come through splendidly with their quotas, many of them getting over the top" of their allotments. Only a few have been delinquent. Final contributions are still coming in to the Office and are being tabulated.

The General Office extends sincere thanks to all ILGWU divisions which have responded so nobly to the call for this Fund. These members of the locals have shown how proudly of the splendid cooperation they have given in this campaign to help our friends in the Labor movement.

A full listing of contributions to this Fund will be published in the forthcoming issue of "Justice."
Heading Union Drive in Art Flower Shops

The Campaign to Unionsize the Artificial Flower Shops in New York is in Full Swing. Joseph Turin, Manager of Local 142, in Center; Heads Executive and Price Committees of the Flower Branch of the Local in Campaign to Unite Union Terms to This Group of Workers.

ILGWU Label Dep't Bulletin

By CHARLES H. GREEN, Director

The first order for union labels is in.

President Shubinsky managed to work out something for some work for the Label during a busy day, on March 4, in Philadelphia. The result of his work was the first label order from Southland Flock, manufacturers of cotton and silk dresses, of that city.

The firm agrees for a period of not less than six months to buy and sell on all cotton garments made in all its shops, the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union's label. The firm's initial order for 100,000 labels is in.

Brother Shubinsky of Philadelphia was instrumental in bringing about the arrangements with the firm.

Several other cotton dress manufacturers have also placed their orders for the label. Among them are The Atlas Dress Co., Inc., of Huntington, Texas. More about this firm appears in another column of the paper.

Now that the orders are in, the officers of other cotton dress shops should be inspired to intensify their efforts to persuade the firms under their jurisdiction to meet the opportunities that the union label can be made a most effective weapon in the fight for unionization of the entire cotton dress industry.

There is already a real demand for union label dresses in all parts of the country. The writer has in his files more than 200 inquiries from Central Labor Unions, Labor Auxiliaries, and retailers asking where Union Label dresses can be bought. Those who write replies and the manufacturers who speak for will continue their purchases to Union Label dresses, provided that Union Label dresses are made available to the retailer. Up to now retailers have been able to tell this huge army of buyers that there are no Union Label dresses but once the union label is made available, the retailer will stock Union Label merchandise in preference to garments that do not bear the label.

Thus, the non-union manufacturer of cotton dresses will be put at a tremendous disadvantage, for after all, the retailer is in business to please his customers and many thousands of his customers will demand Union Label dresses.

President Dubinsky's letter to the cotton garment locals announcing the launching of the union label has brought forth several enthusiastic replies. Typical are two letters from the Coast.

H. Zacharin, manager of the San Francisco Joint Board, writes:

Your communication referring to the union label in the Cotton Department was welcome news to our membership, to whom it was communicated at the last general meeting. We will immediately start the work of selling the label at 25c per cent. Right away we will get a great deal of cooperation from the Union Label Section of the Central Labor Council, which are quite active in promoting the Union Label campaign.

We expect Father Pelletier here next week, and I will confer with him as to steps to be taken to help us.

E. Sack, manager of the L.A. Joint Board, writes:

I have no objection to the use of the union label, I will carry out your instructions. I will have our Joint Board appoint a special committee which in turn will communicate with the Cotton Label Branch of the Central Labor Council. We will also try to secure contact with the manufacturers with whom we have contractual relations, to use the label.

The Cotton Branch, in addition to work, has been able to secure from all the classes are:

1. Loyal direction of work to be done by unions in areas: Catalpa will 1, 2, 3 Registration of and segmentation by saleswomen.

2. Employment of members only, and in good standing.

3. A determination of the method of selling the label.

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The way to a solution of this problem which affects some 60 plants in this market area, now, in course of establishing a standard applicable to all our shops.

President Dubinsky, who on March 4 attended our Joint Board meeting and familiarized himself with all of our complaints, attended a conference between the Union and the Association that same evening. All of our troubles were discussed at this meeting, in detail, with the result that we now expect considerable progress to be made.

Quick Returns

We are quite happy with the way the campaign is going as we sold out in a week and sold out in five days. We are now on the roll with more orders coming in from all parts of the country.

Our organization staff, with Bro. Joe Schwartz at the head, has done splendid work. The result has been so successful that we are now able to continue the campaign.

Brooklyn Unions Organize to Combat Labor Enemies

The Brooklyn labor unions have organized a new committee to combat labor enemies. The committee has been formed to stop the activities of the Brooklyn Labor Council, which it is claimed has been responsible for the activities of the Brooklyn Labor Union, a group of labor unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, as a provisional organization.

By: Joseph Turin
Manager Local 142, ILGWU.

A campaign to organize and enlist the thousands of artificial flower workers in the New York City into the union was begun in February by the Flower Section of Local 142.

Local 142 must look to work among at least ten thousand workers, some of whom are working to be worked with only as carefully as possible. The union promises minimum wage ranging from $1.50 to $2.50, limitation of hours to 52, no employers' fines, no patriotic fees in the various contracts. The union agrees to consider the work prices, equal distribution of work; a two-week trial period; control of outside production, and retraining of paroles and outside labor. The unions' agreement is limited to the period of time and one-half for overtime and local holidays was left for arbitration.

At a meeting the day after followed the March 4, it was voted to hear every effort to ward unifying the rest of the industry. The new clause in the agreement, which the union is calling for all accessories to be made in its shops, has driven the concern to an impasse to carry on their work.

Already groups of members have been formed to work in cooperation with non-union flower houses to draw manufacturers, and to report the progress to the union. All members in this group are also members of local unions with very good records.

An incident which occurred in one of the flower houses is being made for the labor of the union members of this shop walked out. A day later, the employer called for the men, stating that his appointment was made. The firm informed the union that it was considered a foreman for the Business Agent himself. A meeting was called in the shop, and after a talk by the Business Agent, the question was put to the men and the workers were willing to join the Union. Nearly all of the workers asked to be members of the Union. The boss's answer was: "Well, I'm ticked, but give me the union label."

Local 142 will celebrate the signing of the third agreement by a Ball and Show on Friday evening, March 20, at the Columbia Hotel, 30th Street. Music will be furnished by Joe Casey and his band and the affairs and radio will appear.

Tickets are $1.

Serenading Their Boss in Torchlight Parade

300 Workers on Strike Against Selfish Dress Firm, in Philadelphia, Serokeee The Employer a Night Performance in Front of His Residence in Swanky Part of Town.

By Samuel Otto
Manager Joint Board.

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Enforcing the Agreement

For nearly three years, the full enforcement of the fundamental principles of this agreement has been a matter of wish than of reality. The interested trades are interfered with a good deal as a result of the agreement and we are obliged to talk to the men without fear of the law being enforced.

President Dubinsky has promised to act in the same way in the case of any violation of the agreement.

We are now enacting up with this agreement and are going full steam ahead.

Dr. Billikopp Imperial Chairman

Registering as our first achievement by the action of the Joint Board, the acceptance by Dr. Jacob Meiss as permanent imperial chairman of the Philadelphia area.

Dr. Billikopp is a well-known figure in the labor movements, having for years handled important labor questions, and was president of the local for many years.

The new chairman, together with our president, will be very helpful in the work of the local.

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Boston Dressmakers Enter Third Strike Week; Lines Intact

A number of strikers were injured by the police and "guards." Another prospect for peace, at a conference with Associated Dress Manufacturers, dress contractors, on March 6, proved abortive after which Kramer and Halpern issued a statement that the Boston joint board and the leaders of the strike are proceeding before Judge Frederic B. Greenhalge, which began on March 6.

Boston Raincoat Strikers Win

By M. H. Barker

On February 6, the workers of the Service Manufacturing Co. and the Union, Mrs. Weiser, the owner, had agreed to bargain collectively with her workers or their representatives. Prices have been steadily cut, hours have increased.

After remaining jobs for 14 days, and thanks to the militant picketing of our members in bitter cold weather, we succeeded in signing up this shop to our Union standards with an increase of 15 per cent to all piece workers. Without the employee's union, the agreement expired on August 23, 1926, which is the date when the nonunion enterprise expire with our manufacturers.

San Francisco Chinatown Underground Sweatshop

The following is quoted from a story in the San Francisco Press and Call of February 14.

In the depths of a Chinatown shanty box lies an incident of the State Labor Department.

They swoop down on a sweatshop covered with wrack and rags, their close on charges of unsanitary conditions.

Down Dark Stairs

Led by Captain Foy of the police and deputy commissioner for the State Labor Department, the detectives from the shanty in which the garment manufacturing plant of the Wong Long & Loan Co. was located.

Down a dim, dark stairway, they came out of the darkness, their club-like sticks and cudgels were drawn. The warrant was served on the landlord, a white-haired Chinese, the proprietor.

The Union's

In answering the question of the San Francisco Public Health Department in closing unsanitary shanties, Clarence Drayton, director for the SLGW in San Francisco, declared that while the closing of all unsanitary structures is highly desirable to labor, it should not be inferred that the SLGW is unsympathetic to the Chinese.

The Union is opposed to the conditions under which the Chinese garment workers are forced to work. Miss Murray continued, "I have spoken to many Chinese leaders and persons interested in the Chinese in Chinatown yet have made this point clear to them. It is imperative, in the interest or all concerned, to end the exploitation of the Chinese labor soup."

The warrant was served on the landlord, a white-haired Chinaman, with no desire to drive the Chinese out of industry or those who desire to drive the Chinese out of their homes. Our International, I am sure would be glad to place Mr. Murray's report in the hands of those who are interested in the Chinese workers."
NEW DRESS ARBITER APPOINTED

Harry Uviller, Needle Trades Expert, Gets Unanimous Approval for Important Post. New Agreement Provides for Contractor Limitation and Direct Settlements with Jobbers To Take Effect Soon.

Harry Uviller, highly regarded garment trades expert, has been appointed to the important post of Imperial Chairman of the Dress Industry. He will also assume the duties of head of the Arbitration Board provided for in the new agreements. With his appointment, the new machinery to make Contractor Limitation and Direct Settlements with the Jobbers effective is rapidly being whipped into shape.

General Manager Hochman expects the period of transition, inevitable in changing the whole industrial set-up to come to a close shortly.

Harry Uviller, New Dress Imperial Chairman

Wide experience and a comprehensive knowledge of problems peculiar to the needle industry were brought to his new position by Mr. Uviller. He was for 10 years the general manager of the American Clock and Watch Manufacturers' Association and is credited with making innovations, and an attitude of impartiality that tended to maintain peace in our social industry.

Through close ties to dozens of Mr. Uviller has represented his associates in collective bargaining. He was to no small measure in the redefinition of the piecework system to the cost and shift budgeting and is regarded as an expert in the evolution and application of piece-rate systems.

Wide Experience in Industrial Problems

Aid from his impartiality and his ability to think, an industrial problem through to a decision that takes human as well as logical factors into consideration, it is estimated that his experience in the complications of contractor limitation and direct price settlements with Jobbers will prove of great value.

In announcing the appointment, March 30, Mayor LaGuardia said: "The Agreement is an agreement between employers and employees in the dress industry contains many novel features and will require considerable administration. The arbitration board under the bilateral agreement and peace in industry, it is obvious that the position requires some with the help of the arbitration board. He also has a wide experience in labor and has directed the negotiations. After having given the entire attention under consideration I feel that it will be for the future of the Union.

Beatie, comes to our Dress Union from Hungary. Where bloody hatred has crushed the labor movement, where privilege rules, where workers are ground down by a military despotism and privilege offers patriotism instead of bread to toil, with the other 21 nationalities Under the banner of the international and Dress Joint Board, Beatie has discovered a higher patriotism - the patriotism of class. In our union all the latter. Whether they come from the frightful reaches of Scandinavia or the tropical fields of Puerto Rico, are citizens of the country that will take hold itself across all the artificial barriers of race, color and creed. It is the country of the working class and its boundaries shall be the entire earth."

ELINOR HERRICK
On "Voice Of Local 89"

On Saturday, March 21, Mrs. Elinor M. Herrick Regional Labor Board Director Will Be Local 89's Guest Speaker On Its Radio Hour

LUIGI ANTONINI
First Vice-President ILGWU Will Continue His Weekly Messages in Italian

Musical Numbers Will Be Rendered By Nationally Known Musicians

Time In Every Saturday, 10 to 11, In the Morning At Station WEVD (1050 AM) New York City

BEATTIE, Special Operator

Your Full Share...

By Luigi Antonini

The day for the inauguration of the new system of price settlements between the unions and the management is at hand. I wonder if all members realize the time has come for each one of us to witness the full share of work for the Union.

The officers of the Union are letting up the machinery to enforce the provisions of the new agreement. How are they going to do the job? Not by force to rush here. I can say of this time that a lot of work will have to be done by the workman himself. Each person has to be convinced that the benefits of the new agreement will be to his advantage.

Hochman Welcomes Uviller Choice

General Manager Hochman, in commenting on the appointment, said: "I think that the industry is extremely fortunate in being able to install a man of the caliber of Mr. Uviller as Imperial Chairman. His wide experience, impartiality and intimate knowledge of our industrial situation set him well for the job of aiding the arbitration board."

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Critics, however, do not always criticize in good faith. A typical example of what was shown to me in an article published a few days ago was a letter written to the newspaper, devoted to the interests of an organization which is still of some consequence to historians of the better labor movement. The author of this letter, however, is an anti-salaried man. He says: "George Bush has never made an effort to help the industry and promises such an experience would make an ideal man for this important position."

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"22" Ready For 20,000 at Armory Ball

Free Trip To U.S.S.R. Just One of Prices Worth $2500 To Be Given Free On Saturday, March 28.

RUDY VALLEE MUSIC

Have you got your ticket? Have you got your costume? What price do you think you'll win?

These are the major questions among the members of the dance and sister units as discussion of party and industry problems is uppermost in every college mind. To talk about the Local 22 Masque Ball and the social activities for the women's Affairs, 50 Street and Park Avenue on Saturday evening, March 2.

With $2500 prices including tickets to the Soviet Union and Puerto Rico, its sweepstakes and promotions, and Rudy Vallee music and "Swanee" entertainment to insure a gay time, there is plenty of reason for the talk. As this issue of "22" goes to press, the demand for tickets has developed and with this in mind the Armory Ball will go down in history as "Good Time Evening."

There's nothing in getting your tickets in advance. Buy them now and pay less. Use the Federal tax if you wish to get them at the door. The tickets will cost a quarter more.

Hundreds Planning Winning Costumes

Behind the scenes a great deal of planning of costumes is under way. The prizes will be given to local members wearing costumes representative of their countries of origin and for local and international activities. The planning has been intense and the loyalty of the members is well known.

Apart from the "top" prizes of tickets to the Soviet Union and Puerto Rico, there are other prices including free vacations at Winter, Spring, and Fall, World Exhibitions, and Europe. The winners will be chosen by a committee of judges.

Today marks the occasion called the biggest play night in the United States. History may be created from all shop chairman, building chairmen and in Room 664 Joint Board. The decorations will continue to the last minute before.

Various committees are working at top speed to give the members a night's entertainment.

Dancing Will Be Rhythmic Delight

Rudy Vallee and his orchestra will furnish the proper rhythm and vigorous rhythm that will make dancing a delight. There will be entertaining interludes created out of "The Robo-
dance" with Vallee as master of ceremonies. Portions of this event will open the Grand March of the Costumes. It is from little bits taken out of the ladies' stores going to have a different state at this time. The best groups for the big prizes, scenes of union activities, are being chosen by the various groups for the big prizes, scenes of union activities, are being chosen by the various union activities for the big prizes.

Dancing will end about 2:00 a.m. after which there will be other activities for the after-dancing group. Those who wish to visit the Soviet Union and Puerto Rico will be able to see the local trade of those countries. In the USSR the

LOCAL 22 SPORT SOUBS

Athletic Director

GEORGE FORGETS Riff? You mustn't swing a riff like Mike West, George, but you must learn to keep your concentration on your opponent's play. The last jazz concert George Eisenhower saw a point against a riff running. As soon as you see a player coming your way, you must stop. George, if you have learned to stand up and keep the ball, you've already done something. Just keep your concentration and play to your potential. At least you've become a real follower. Anyhow, you're getting better—but remember that third for a long roll. Keep it up, Lucy.

ADVISORY: I'm always forgetting to get my advertising forms. For instance, you're not up to date. If you fill out everything about all sport activities coming into the Armory Ball, Educational Department, 22 West 66th Street. And next time you have an "empty" evening "come on down to the game. We'll fill you up for you—and you'll have a whale of a good time—well, maybe and a whale, but at least we won't have a whale of a good time—and even then they'll have a whale of a good time—and even then we'll have a whale of a good time.

BEHEMOTH BRAHMS: Our two favorite lug-gear and grunts are George Eisler and Max Hoffman. The other day Max practically threw me out of the wrestling mat and the glories out of George by getting a double headlock and squashing George's back flat.

PLAY BALL: The scene this evening is the green on the field. They're taking the choosing. Down from under the seats at Uptown Grove, Horse, men-sing, and baseball hits it all. The Ivy crop is pretty good but we've signed contracts for our varsity handball team to play in the big game.

Our Own "Child Labor"

Lucy is still fussing. They are making a correspondence course from Lucy Kemn. She slammed another bomber in the regular, in the day game today. There are no fences over which to send the ball away. But Lucy just in on the big hit about hitting at short and doing well. The winter will see labor relations in a country where a worker's country is in a hurry. To Puerto Rico the winter, apart from lasting life on a non-biased tropical life, will visit our own store. Carl Zimmerman, manager of Local 22, will be well known to Puerto Rican because of his record work and visits there.

Included among the other prizes are three, two-week vacation trips to the Brookland Labor College, a scholarship to the New School for Social Research, varying envelopes of stamps, and a line of film equipment.

Make sure to get your ticket right away.

From Kremlin Walls to Tropic Puerto Rico—FREE


ORCHID TO ANN ZANZAWKY

And a size 14 label on her cotton. And a size 14 label on her cotton. And a size 14 label on her cotton. And a size 14 label on her cotton. And a size 14 label on her cotton. And a size 14 label on her cotton.

RICH FISH: Lil West, Bill Allen and Bonnie Prendorff were pretty poor swimmers not too long ago. Today they're not as good as they come and they are fast material for the swimming team. Everybody that came in the pool is a poor fish. Come on down and learn. You'll get two dividends out and health.

RAISING A RACKET: This is a little secret—but I guess I can let it out now. I'm on a stilts hunt for several outdoor tennis courts for our members. Meanwhile get your racket up out of the hall and start finding it under the summer curtains and main's sun lamp and come down in Friday tennis class.
La Guardia Voted
Thanks for Help
In Past Renewal

The following resolution was adopted at the meeting of John S. La Guardia of Metropolitan District of Unions in New York, N.A.W.U., held on March 6, 1936, at the Hotel Statler, 161 West 42nd, New York:

WHEREAS, the new collective agreement between the Dressmakers Union and the employers' associations was negotiated with the personal interest of Mayor Fiorello La Guardia; and

WHEREAS, the new agreement has been instrumental in bringing the parties together and in the accomplishment of the objectives which were broken off and;

WHEREAS, with his ability and assistance, the resolution of the parties to bring the dress manufacturers to the realization that the United Dressmakers' Union is necessary, and that a general strike, precipitated by the employers, would have seriously disturbed the city and paralyzed the industry in this city;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Joint District Council of the Dressmakers Union shall communicate to the delegates of Locals 12, 22 and 12, 44, to which is a part of the Drive, the N.Y. Dress Joint Board, and of the delegates of the locals in Long Island, Buffalo, Erie, Warren, Wyoming, Westmoreland, Westchester, Orange County, N. T., Stamford, Bridgeport, New Haven, City, New Haven, South River, Reading, and Pawtucket, present to the Joint Councils of the Department of the LOWU, and to be represented in all interested communities by the appreciation and thanks to Mayor Fiorello La Guardia for the part he has played in bringing about the conclusion of a new collective agreement in the dress industry;

Local 12 voted against this resolution.

"22" Announces Resolution Stand

The following appearance of opinion for the party was passed by the Executive Board of Local 22:

This resolution is in the best interest of our Local, the executive board of Dressmakers' Union, Local 22, L.ango, and is in full accordance with the resolution of the resolution of the resolution of the joint council of the dress industry, and has pointed out the help received from the Film Fiorello La Guardia, Mayor of the City of New York:

WHEREAS, the intervention of Mayor La Guardia made possible the realization of negotiations when they were broken off, because that intervention proved to be an influential factor in convincing the representatives of the employers' associations that the demands of the dressmakers were just, thus eliminating the necessity of calling a strike which would have brought damages to the industry and would have disturbed the life of the city;

WHEREAS the resolution of Mayor La Guardia has been highly appreciated by many of the dressmakers who accorded him a great welcome when he attended and spoke at the resolution of the new agreement meeting in the cloakmakers' squares club, February 21;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Council of the Hamilton Democratic Union, Local 22, express to the Huy, Fiorello La Guardia, Mayor of the City of New York, their hearty thanks for the part he played during the negotiations for the new collective agreement in the dress industry, and confirm the resolution of the representatives of the dressmakers who, for his intervention, came to our assistance, and have given this resolution in this particular instance.

GIUSEPPE D'OLIBER,
General Secretary

Chronic Kickers in Peaceful Pose

Here's our first view of Local 22's soccer team with hair and uniforms neatly shaved. As soon as the season opens, they'll be parting the other team's hair with their feet and doing all the other dandy things that make a soccer kickster a form of legalized mayhem.

Local 89 Commends
Mayor La Guardia For Help

At a regular meeting, held on February 28, 1936, of the General Council of Local 89, composed of members of the Executive Board and the District Advisory Board, the following resolution of thanks to Mayor Fiorello La Guardia was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, Brother Louis Appell, General Secretary, in his report on the conclusion of the new collective agreement in the dress industry, has pointed out the help received from the Film Fiorello La Guardia, Mayor of the City of New York:

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GIUSEPPE GIULIETTI,
General Secretary

Hochman Reports
To Joint Council

A comprehensive report of the negotiations that led to the new agreements and an analysis of their precedents made to the Joint Dress Council, March 6, at the Hotel Statler, by George Mane, 1012, Jacob Hochman. Because executives and members of the local unions had been involved in all the stipulations of the previous agreements, reports will continue, Hochman said. He would begin the discussion and review each item according to the precedents set by the two previous contracts and the new agreements. In addition, the two agreements with the Employers' Association in New York will be reviewed.

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Cleveland Local 200 Stages Great Affair

Outstanding Event in Northern Ohio Labor

By Albert Bickley

Local 200 held its first season dance, floor show, and card party on Saturday night, February 23, in the Sons of Italy Auditorium in Cleveland. This hall is one of the largest in Northern Ohio and it was so crowded that dancing was difficult at times.

The music was furnished by Frank Mattie and his 10-piece orchestra, experts of and specialists in Italian music, regarded among the most popular Broadways in Cleveland.

An artistic floor show was presented by the pupils of Madame Depauvilliers studio. This was out

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mance through the efforts of Ernie Blackwell, whose son participated in this group. Everyone thought the dance was excellent and well received. We hope to have this group with us again in the future.

Brothers Bickley, Fort and three some were dispersers of the beverages that evening. They served every little thing between 8:00 and 1:00. The floor was bright and the music harmonious as all through the evening was beautiful in every way.

The following were on the arrangements committee: Emmit Sprague, Chairman, Mary Prousa, the Phogrho, and Robert Paul who were for the second best gate started very shortly with the same teams that have already made records for their models. For the songs to your joy to be further particulars.

 Joker "HIGGINS"

There is no use in this present condition for Arbitration with McGurr

But there is one thing left for us to do - STRIKE!

That's what I want now!!

You can't arbitrate

Four Pucks a Week into a decent wage.

Get the Idea? Come on, you have to start dreaming again.

James Higgins

Jehman

Here, you. what's the idea? CLEAR WITH ME.

O.K. let's get going. Book those sports tomorrow morning.

That's what I want, then you won't have to tell them you are stealing.

MCGURK

NOT NECESSARY TO BE PRESENT.

View President Katorski and his staff personally as well as the delegations from every local in Cleveland, helped us to make the event a complete success.

Walter Johnson, chairman of the area committee of a large delegation from the city and county and the district, and the official and the opposition, did not insert it, that while we do not claim the best local union in the United States, we do contend that we have the best looking, from any point of view.

We want to thank all who had any part, no matter how small, for their splendid cooperation in making this affair one of the outstanding labor entertainments in Northern Ohio. We cannot find words properly to express the praise due to the committee for their energetic labors in making this affair not only an educational, artistic, and financial success, but a financial gain as well. The spirit of harmony which prevailed throughout the event was beautiful in every way.

The contributories to our good friends, President Bickley, Vice-President Katorski, and the Cleveland Joint Board, a Western Pennsylvania, Local 18 of New York, the Wisconsin branches, the local excursion officers, and several Cleveland merchants. In behalf of Local 200 we want to thank them for their splendid cooperation.

News item: Brother Harold Schultz, chairman of Local 200, re-

signed his post at the last meeting. Brother Charles Ulmann was unanimously elected to serve in his place.
...In the "Little International"

Union Out To Organize Big New British Cloth Shop

A drive to unionize the Independent Textile Company of New Britain, Conn., by the Connecticut ILGWU State organization under the direction of Benj. Moses and Minnie Cederholm, union organizers, has shown results. The shop, which has show rooms in New York City, is an active member of the downtown organization. It has persistently refused to grant union work terms and therefore is warding off the efforts of the union.

Moses and Cederholm have not given up their efforts but are continuing to keep up an active correspondence with the workers in the shop and are trying to get more show rooms in New York to join the downtown organization.

Union Wins 7-Week Strike

Peterson Dress Company Grants Full Unions Tenants

The strike of the children's dressmakers employed by Peterson Dress Company & D. & Co., 1148 Street Road, Paterson, N. J., has been ended after nine weeks by a grant of union recognition. The shop had been the subject of a long and arduous settlement by the union and the shop owners. The latter refused to make the grant, but after several weeks of negotiations, a settlement was reached.

Fun, Play and Study in Atlanta

By Ann L. Daniel

While most of the members of the Atlanta, Local Union No. 1, had been on strike for over seven months, the workers in the shop had been working during this time. The workers had been working at reduced wages and under conditions that were considered to be unfair.

The strike was settled after several weeks of negotiations and a grant of union recognition was made. The workers have been granted a fair wage and the conditions of work have been improved for them.

Newark Local Host To ILGWU Players

The Central Democratic Group of the ILGWU and the Thalians of the Palatine Bungalow are sponsoring the opening of the evening of March 5 to 11. E. A. Shcrer, under the direction of William J. Glenn, assistant director of the International, will show their Brothers and families an exciting entertainment at the Palatine Bungalow.

Brooklyn Coop

One Year Old

The Independent Consumers Cooperative Society, 556 Railroad Street, Brooklyn, New York, operating the Cooperative Laundromat, has completed its first year of operation. A First Anniversary Banquet and Dance, sponsored by the society, was held on April 6, at the Hotel Oriental, New York. The society, which was started with a capital of $500, now has a membership of over 1,000 families. The co-op has been successful in its endeavor to provide a place where the working class can meet and socialize.

Union Long Branch Dressmakers in Revolt

Lone Union Shop Sets Up Committee

Steady progress among the unorganized dressmakers of Long Branch, N. J., is reported. In the organization campaign launched several weeks ago by the Eastern Out-Of-Town Departmental, there are signs that in town at least a dozen shops making almost everything in the dress line, from house dresses to expensive silk gowns, are now being operated under union conditions. The N. P. Dress Shop, owned by Eugene W. Green, is working for a Long Branch job.

According to information given out by organizer Anna Mahn, who aided by organizer Taller, has been working in Long Branch for some time—the girl workers in the shop have come into the organization committee. They are visiting at homes the girls working in union shops, urging them to join the Union, and are also taking care of the distribution of literature. Particularly gratifying are the results so far obtained by this committee of volunteers among the workers of the Monmouth Mfg. Co., a subsidiary of the Standard Mfg. Co. of New York City. The firm is the same Monmouth Mfg. Co. which has long been claimed, in a statement while the workers were still out of work, that they had achieved union recognition in Long Branch. The workers were not granted union recognition, but the efforts of the shop owners were said to have been substantial.
Underwear War Fights "Slack" Odds

By Samuel Shore
Manager Local 82

In common with a number of other branches of the industry, our trade is now going through a rather difficult period. A normal fall season has been extended for a number of reasons, both the heat of which has been extreme, and the extended cool weather. The cold snap which occurred earlier this year affected every district in the United States, and was so unusually long, has

...and we missed the January pickup in production, but we have continued to work all through February with virtualy as much as for our members, and we have not lost a single job, and in spite of this the industry has not been doing as badly as one might think.

...for some of the reasons why this has been. For instance, there is a certain amount of slack back for both industry and the workers, and, despite the fact this industry has not been doing very well, it will still be in business when the market turns around, and this is the kind of business that we want to have.

...and the prices are now coming down, the prices have been going down in the last few weeks, and the wages are going up. But...
Akron ‘Sitters-In’ Are ‘Walkers-Out’ Now

By Rose Peotelle, V.P.

(Vice-President Peotelle was asked to present a program of the Girl land assistance to the Goodyear rubber factories strikers.)

“To the strikers’ hall,” I told the cab driver, steering a taxi.

“Wait till I sell the office to tell you what Akron is like—strangers and strikers, members of the Cook & Jacob shop, young clerks, stenographers and just sympathizers. And, when you come out of the office, you must pass the mills, and they are just across the street from the strikers’ hall.”

That’s what the people of Akron call the situation where the Good year rubber factories plant is located. It is just across the street from the strikers’ hall.

The situation is now filled with the name of the “coal strike.”

A large refrigerator has been set up in the office, a refrigerator already secured away. Stacks of potatoes and onions are piled up between and within a few hours with refrigeration, with sacks of potatoes and onions are piled up between and within a few hours... (continued)

Milwaukee Local No. 188 Greets New Manager

Valentine Party Draws All Members

Milwaukee Dressmakers’ Local 188 was introduced to its new manager, Brother Joe Daniel, at a meeting held on February 16 at Miller’s Hall, by General Organizer Abraham Plotkin, who came for this occasion from Chicago.

The meeting was followed by a Valentine party which turned out to be one of the finest gatherings ever held by the Milwaukee dress organization. After short speeches by Plotkin, Deul and Fyksen, hagen, the local group of IUGW players gave a comic opera on the theme of "Aunt Susie." Under the direction of Motter Gumpere, Mary and Josephine Boffin and At Ham led in the singing.

Shortly after assuming office, Manager Daniel issued a list of the members of Local 188, which read as follows:

In the last few months the local union has been led and managed by your local officers: Charles and Martha Hall, to the best of their ability. They have kept up the union spirit among the members of the local.

They have stood together with employees as well as possible. It has been a hard job to keep together with employees as well as possible. It has been a hard job to.

One Good Reason Why Gas Pickets Have Failed in Akron, Ohio—Against the Rubber Unions—何 We Won it in France 18 Years Ago.

A Gas Bomb-Proof Picket In Akron, Ohio

Harlem Labor Forum Backed by Big Groups

One of the successful methods of preventing labor strikes is to keep the workers informed. The recent successful strike in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is one example. The workers were well informed and ready to resist when the strike was threatened. The same method is being used in Akron, Ohio.

The "Invaluable" Worker

By Harold Hilliard

Manager Seattle Joint Board

A worker contacted last night by members of Team No. 8 of the United Electrical Workers said he was told that the company was making a "screaming" effort to get a worker who was too valuable to lose. The worker was told he would have to work harder or he would be fired.

"That would be impossible," the worker said. "I have no idea what I am doing."

The worker was told, "You can't do that with a valuable man like this."

"If I did that, John, you could have all the workers in town working for nothing," the worker replied.

"That's impossible," the worker said. "I couldn't do that with a valuable man like this."

In Fight Against Dread Labor Disease

Left to right: Charles Zimmermann, Dr. George M. Price, and George R. Robinson, at Recent Anti-Silicon Conference, Union Health Center.
A Group of Fighters From Alton, Ill.

By Edith King

Feminine suffrage applies to the labor movement as well as to the suffrage of the National Woman's Trade Union League. It is a veteran of thirty-four battle-marked years of fighting on the side of the workers. She's positive, determined, and she only can help in the campaigns in the universal movement of the world. Women are also fully justified in taking their place among the leaders. And the thousands of women in her group are in full agreement.

"Women have leadership," she tells us; "that it is not always recognized. But those women who are not recognized, are not necessarily not capable of doing the job unless they are positive that they can do it well. A woman must be determined and that just takes the job. Women must overcome that preconceived idea. There is not only a cultural movement, but a Women's Trade Union League attempt to help them.

An Asian Woman

Miss Christine Y. Lee, a woman of outstanding ability who has contributed a lot to the labor movement in the trade union movement, in her low voice but with an authoritative voice. She is not only enthusiastic, but interested. And she was contacted. I remember the first time I met Miss Lee, she introduced herself as a worker in the textile industry. "I have worked for many years," she said, "and have been trained in the art of weaving."

She has been a member of the Women's Trade Union League for over twenty years. She is the author of the book "The Struggle for Workers' Rights" and is a member of the National Women's Trade Union League Board of Directors. Miss Lee is a tireless advocate for workers' rights and has been a driving force in the advancement of women's rights. Her dedication to the cause has been unwavering, and she continues to work tirelessly for a better future for all workers.

Drawing the Compare

"Love on the Line" by Ronald Gow and Walter Greenwood

"Love on the Line" is an immortal humanitarian drama and deserves the attention of a large, friendly audience. It is set in the heart of the mining community, where the矿工s struggle for fair wages and the right to unionize. The play is a powerful reminder of the sacrifices made by workers throughout the years in their fight for justice and equality.

The Return of the Soldiers

"Little" by Edward W. Harrigan

Edward W. Harrigan's "Little" is a richly textured and deeply moving play that explores the themes of sacrifice, love, and redemption. Through the poignant story of Private Max, a young soldier who returns home after the war, Harrigan delivers a moving testament to the resilience of the human spirit.

God of the Machete

"Modern Times" by Charlie Chaplin

"Modern Times" is a film that explores the theme of freedom in a world of machines. The film follows the story of Charley, a factory worker who becomes part of the assembly line and is reduced to a cog in the system. Through his struggles, he learns to find freedom in the midst of the hustle and bustle of modern life.

The Play in a Nutshell

"A Group of Fighters From Alton, Ill." is a play that explores the struggles of the labor movement and the fight for workers' rights. It is a powerful reminder of the sacrifices made by workers throughout the years in their fight for justice and equality.

"Love on the Line" and "Little" are both powerful plays that offer a glimpse into the lives of workers and their struggles. "Modern Times" is a film that explores the theme of freedom in a world of machines. These works, along with "A Group of Fighters From Alton, Ill.", offer a deeper understanding of the human condition and the struggles we all face in our quest for a better world.
On Educational Front

Five Five-Day Institutes
Brookwood Labor College
3 West 14th Street, New York

SCHEDULE OF GROUPS AT IGLESU STUDIOS
39th St. and 6th Ave., N. Y. C.

Monday
5:30 p.m. — General Discussion — W. Weiler.
7:30 a.m. — Chemistry — Barnes — Maryman — Local 22.
8:30 p.m. — Modern Dance — Mathias — Local 22.
11:00 p.m. — Mandarin — In Philippines.

Tuesday
5:30 p.m. — Chorus Local 22.
7:30 p.m. — Fundamentals of Psychology — Zydovick, Local 22.
7:30 p.m. — Dramatics Local 22.
8:30 p.m. — Mandarin (Chinese) — Pepeuleto — Local 22.
11:00 p.m. — Mandarin Local 19.

Wednesday
8:30 p.m. — Modem Dancing — Mathias — Local 22.
11:00 p.m. — Mandarin — Local 19.

Thursday
7:30 p.m. — General Mandarin — Grammar — Pepeuleto — Local 22.
7:30 p.m. — Mandarin — Local 22.
8:30 p.m. — Mandarin — In Philippines.

Friday
7:30 p.m. — Dramatics — Fight Local 22.
8:00 p.m. — Spanish Literature — Mathias — Local 22.
7:30 p.m. — Dramatics — Mr. Gilman — Local 22.
6:30 p.m. — Social Dancing — Mathias — Local 22.

Saturday
2:45 p.m. — All Educational Groups.
11:15 a.m. — Dramatics Local 22.
5:45 p.m. — English Language.
4:45 p.m. — Appreciation of Music — Nyman — Local 22.
9:00 p.m. — Dance Local 22.

Sunday
10:00 a.m. — All Educational Groups.

Visits to Points of Interest

March 21, 2:00 p.m. — Columbus Circle.
March 24, 2:00 p.m. — 116th Street and Broadway New York City.
March 25, 2:00 p.m. — Grounds of the new High School Library at Columbia University.
March 28, 11 a.m. — U. S. Customs House.

New Books for Workers

Despite its forbidding title, "Enlightenment Against Revision," a book by a young labor lawyer that might open trade union organizations as well as students in our classes dealing with the subject of communist theory. The author, Mr. Robert S. Harris, makes geography a basis for understanding the class struggle. He writes (which, of course, includes trade unions as an important element in this struggle), "It is not only political, but also economic. The environment of the country, including the climate and rainfall, is important. It makes a difference to the worker in Russia, who is better off in the more temperate regions.

We print this paper to give it as much bad feeling as you possibly can between the foremen andl and the workers. Spread false among the sabotage that the strikes are going to be successful. Cut up every question you can it in reference to a strike here between these two industries, make them realize the final outcome of that strike, that if they go on strike they will get their jobs.

We bring this to your attention in the hope of giving you some idea of the work that is being done in this campaign. It is a very difficult and complicated one, and we feel that our efforts will be appreciated by the workers in the fight for better conditions.

We hope you will take part in this campaign as much as you possibly can.

H. Y. L.

Long Branch Pioneer Group, On Visit To IGLESU Office.
In Eastern Cotton Garment Area

By Elia Blandings, V.P.
Director, Cotton Dress Mfg. 
Trades Dept.

The two weeks that have gone by since the last issue of "Justice" appeared have been a period of intense activity for this Department. These two weeks have seen the creation of several large strikes, a considerable gain in the number of organized workers in outlying territories, and the calling of several open shop strikes to compel warehouse shops to recognize the power of the Unions.

In the last issue of "Justice" appeared the story of the Bohler Bros. A shop strike in Fall River, Mass. Where the Unions had begun a strike as "Iron Jaw" was on press. After five days the firm comes to terms with the Unions, it is agreed that the conditions existing in New York, including a wage and hour of $3 a day, will be carried over. A separate agreement was reached with the workers employed in the warehouse. This agreement, it is expected, will be a model for the rest of the industry.

The strike at the Danforth Bros. A shop in Fall River, Mass., has also ended. The Danforth Bros. is one of the largest of the eastern dress manufacturers. The strike lasted for six weeks and involved over 500 workers. The workers were demanding an increase in wages and better working conditions.

Another strike in Fall River, Mass., has been settled. The workers at the Rubens Bros. A shop, after a three-week strike, have agreed to terms. The workers were demanding an increase in wages and better working conditions.

In addition, strikes have been declared in the past few days against three runway shops. In Fall River the蜜 nit dress shop of the M. W. G. M. A. and the Mirror dress shop of the M. W. G. M. A. have been involved in strikes. The workers were demanding an increase in wages and better working conditions.

The ILGWU Chief Turns Teacher

"Easiest Place To Get Fired" in Fall River

By William Ross
Manager Local 73
Fall River, Mass.

The easiest place for a worker to get fired in Fall River is the Harris-Lea. Hundreds of workers have been fired by this shop since the strike was settled two years ago. The factory is owned by the Harris-Lea Manufacturing Company, a subsidiary of the New York and New England Manufacturing Company.

In the last two weeks, the factory has fired over 100 workers. The workers were demanding an increase in wages and better working conditions.

In addition, they released the workers from payments which they had estimated as the cause of their unemployment. But the workers are not fooled. They know that the better conditions were given them because of the employer's fear of unionism. They still have many lingering grievances which they realize they can redress only if they are strongly organized.

Although false reports and its members have been extremely busy with their strike activities, the editor and publishers of "Justice" have been doing their best to keep the workers up to date. If the non-unionists have not been neglected. As a first step in reorganization, the editorial board of the International News came to New York last Saturday, 30 strong, to work with their basketball team. When it took on Local 200's nine ball in New York, the New York press managed to cover the game by a 41-27 win.

When Victory Was Announced At Coventry, R.I., Cheered to the Echo the News That They Won Union Conditions and a Union Shop in the Davidson Brothers Undertaking Factory.
Afternoon, March 28 at Central Plaza, 11 a.m.
In Chicago—And in Boston

The ILGWU "first page" during the past two weeks has been
occupied chiefly by events in Chicago and Boston—both involving the dress industry.

In Chicago, agreement parties, accompanied by a
hysterical bargaining which threatened time and again to
be on a grave conflict, have been terminated with the withdrawal of a demand for wage decreases
by the employers and the granting of an upward rev-
olution of scale for some crafts. The high mark during this
critical period in Chicago was reached at the great meeting in the A. B. Anderson auditorium on the
afternoon of February 27, when practically every shop
in the local dress market poured out its working
population to register solidarity with the Union and readi-
tness to fight against employer aggression.

That meeting, with thousands of dress workers in attendance,
has revealed once again to the ILGWU leaders in Chicago that the seeds sown in the summer of 1933 have since grown into a mighty oak and
that the Chicago dress workers' organization is a
responsible, mobile and militant body of women, and men.

In Boston—on the other hand—on the same day
the Chicago dressmakers were rallying to the sup-
port of their leaders' stand in agreement negotiations,
several thousand dress workers walked out of their
factories to engage in an industrial battle which, for
size, intensity and color, never before has been equaled in
the New England capital.

Most of the shops emptied of labor in this first
real general strike in Boston until now were open-
shop strongholds which for a generation could not be
moved to join in the country-wide ILGWU advance for
humanized labor work conditions. Even during the early period of the NRA, these factories—dresses, cotton dresses, shoes, underwear and raincoats—failed to fall in step with the sweeping unionization
movement, choosing to remain under the sheltering
arm of arrogant, die-hard employers. Since the demise of
the NRA, work conditions in these shops, however,
have become practically intolerable and wage cuts, extension of work hours and petty persecutions have
all become daily occurrences in the lives of the
workers.

So when the International issued some three months
ago a call for organization in Boston, this large group
of workers responded with an eagerness born of de-
spair. And when the order for a general strike was
given two weeks ago, they marched out of the facto-
ries with a unanimity that amazed even the leaders of the
Union.

The fight in Boston, at this writing, has developed
into a major conflict, with the strikers showing a
flaming courage and an unbeatable spirit on the picket
lines and at the meeting halls. As in every earlier
strike in Boston in the past, the bosses' "rave in the hole"
is the policeman's club, wholesale ac-
cessories, hired thugs, court sequeusers and fines, and, last
but not least, anti-strike injunctions.

The Boston garment employers, however, for the
first time in their anti-union career, are realizing that
they are confronting an adversary that "can take it" and
break through their "no matter who" attitude and
cooly each step may be. It is the ILGWU against this
group of arrogant, narrow-minded and small-
minded bosses who are still hoping that the ILGWU
will sweep the tide of collective bargaining in the
women's garment industry.

What will come out of this battle is not dif-
ficult to foresee. Common sense—and the sense of self-
reservation—should dictate to the strike-bound Bos-
ton employers a course that will insure permanent peace,
universal labor standards and stability for all factors in their industry.

Dress "Reconstruction"—March, the time set for the inauguration of the recently agreed upon reforms in the New York
dress industry, is a timely announcement that a new arbiter, Harry Uviller, has been selected to ad-
minister the highly important impartial machinery for
New York's largest single industry.

It represents a no less happy choice for the post
could have been made. With a background of nearly
twenty years of experience in the cloak industry dur-
ing which he has had an intimate and essential part in events and development in work-systems and work-control in the cloak trade—and with an outlook on worker-
employer relations which far transcends the immedi-
ate group interests of the immediate industry—Mr. Uviller
should be the ideal man to tackle the formidable
dress "reconstruction" problems—in contractor li-
zation, installation of a price-fixing system, and direct
price settlement with jobbers—with which he will in-
citably be confronted. That he will receive the earn-
est support of the Union in these labor goes without saying.

From the Philadelphia dress market likewise comes the
good news of the designation of Dr. Jacob Bilt-
kopf as impartial chairman.

Our Philadelphia dress organization, rooted in the past
few years of hard and honest bargaining and in the
accumulation of grievances growing out of slackening
of work control in the shops to weaken union influ-
ence and to depress conditions. To resolve these griev-
ances, to heighten the grip on recalcitrant employers and
to improve simultaneously work standards in the
dress factories within the framework of the collective
agreement, the union in a recent and experienced day-
in-and-day-out arbiter is of immense value.

Dr. Biltkopf, one of the best known arbitration ex-
erts in this country, with a record of dismes-
sent as impartial chairman for the Philadelphia men's
clothing industry and as regional director under the
NRA, being in the fresh new path such skill and experience
enabled by confidence from every element in the
industry.

Label Campaign Under Way

With the signing last week of a cotton dress firm as a union
label house in Philadelphia, Pa., and of another con-
cern in the same branch of the industry in Houston,
Tex., the ILGWU campaign for the Union Label is begin-
ing to assume a new, practical phase.

The "plug" for the Union Label will have to be
made along two converging lines. First, there will be
the direct drive for signing up union firms, through
the organizational apparatus of the Union, in Union
Label houses; second, an educational publicity cam-
paign on a national scale will have to be set into
motion to create sentiment for union-label women's
wear among the ten million American wage-
earning masses.

The first steps made by the ILGWU Label Depart-
ment are quite encouraging. It appears they appear to bear
out the contention that the demand for union-label
wear is real and can with proper handling be converted
into a powerful agency for the upkeep of decent work
standards in important sectors of our industry. It, of
necessity, is an experiment worthwhile developing and
watching.

Harlem Forum Meets A Challenge

Harlem will hail with
real satisfaction the announce-
ment of the formation of a Harlem Forum
in that section of New York City.

With its tremendous thousands of wage-earners, Harlem
for a generation had been regarded by sweat-
skippers and sunday wage charioteers as a happy hum-
ble-ground believed by them to be spoiled and
paralyzed. From Harlem in former years, hard-hat labor
bosses would recruit masses of potential and
actual strikebreakers which constituted a real menace to labor standards in many organized industries. The
concentrated trade union educational drive among
the Negro workers initiated in recent years by some of
the top labor names in New York, notably the ILGWU,
and the enrollment of thousands of Negro workers under the colors of trade unionism, has changed materially the Harlem labor outlook. That very important district of the city is no more a
cesspool of labor scabbery but is lining up quite solidly
on behalf of united labor action.

Recourse, however, is not enough. Harlem has been
witnessing a recrudescence of anti-labor activity. Mass
unsavory among such outbreaks are the weekly radio
broadcasts of a certain "Father Divine," who is devo-
ing himself to regular attacks upon trade union
under the sponsorship of some commercial enterprises.
To meet this challenge, and other venal assault,
upon the fast-growing union labor movement in Negro
Harlem, the Harlem Labor Committee has now
formed a Forum from which union labor will intellec-
tually repel the pernicious mountings of the chari-
toteers and their preachers. It is the prime duty of all dis-
gagists in labor to give this Forum a new life and
the Labor Committee which is sponsoring it in its undis-
supplied support and affiliation.

$10 A Head For A
Gypsy Chiseler

From Newburgh, N. Y., comes a detec-
tive story from what the
businessmen of the nearby village of Montgomery
have assessed themselves ten dollars per capita to
raise $500 for a "dress manufacturer" from New York
who is all but ready to pitch their tent in that settle-
ment provided he can scrape enough shillings to
move to his present habitation.

This Montgomery plates-fund is supposed to be
handed over to the "dress company," as a lob to be
returned to the donee if "no labor troubles develop
during the first year of its sojourn" in that village.
We are informed that they have been turned down by men who have picked up, in this instance, a nearly bet.
As we are quite reliably informed, this "dress manufac-
turer" is decidedly of the gypsy variety. Some few
months ago, he "ran out" on the Union in New York and
opened a sweatshop in Bounton, N. J. When his work
ners struck, he pulled out stakes and has now turned up in the Montgomery settlement in the hope of better luck under the protective wing
and incidentally with the aid of the handout of the
Montgomery cadresmen.

We wouldn't have mentioned this pecuniary inci-
dent—save for the fact that it is typical of the
meandering of petty dress charlatans who are eagerly
trying to dodge the hard work of organizing by
running away from New York to squeeze out a dirty penny at the expense of labor, on the one hand, and the
gullibility of village business folk who are inclined
to take their gypsies seriously. Somehow, this rider of
a "year without labor trouble" attached to that $500
bail, the businessmen of Montgomery, does not look
a bit good to us!