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CONVENTION PASSES IN REVIEW

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Progressive Course Charted at 23rd
ILGWU Convention in Atlantic City

Victory Crowns Great
Montreal Dress Strike

Establishes Record for Length of Deliberations-
Hears Long List of Nationally Famous Speakers-
Plans to Bring 100,000 Unorganized Workers in
Cotton Garments and Knitwear Under Banner of
ILGWU.

The Twenty-third Convention of the ILGWU, the longest
on record with respect to sessions held and the most prolific, with
regard to resolutions presented, opened at Atlantic City, N. J.,
in the afternoon of May 3, 1937, and came to a close, nine die,
in the early afternoon hours of May 15, lasting practically twelve
full days.

The opening session was preceded
by a colorful parade that "captured" the Bandwagon of this fa-
mous resort. Seven thousand union members from locals in adjoining
territories, with Philadelphia es-
pecially well represented, formed
at the railroad station at 1:45 P.M.
and behind a half dozen bands
marched to the Hotel Claridge to
act as a guard of honor to the 137
delegates. The delegates fell into
line and were escorted to the As-
sembly. This parade will go down in the
history of the ILGWU as the "morning
parade." Observers reported
that two decades of conventions
had failed to record a single dem-
stration of such zest, spontaneity.
Everybody was white "oversize"
caps, everybody carried a red 11/2
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Extracts from Pros. David Dubinsky's Keynote Speech

...We have a right, fellow delegates and guests to this convention, to take pride in the fact that despite this greater opposition of the employers during the past couple of years, our ILGWU and the International Ladies Garment Workers Union have emerged in a stronger position than ever before. Our leadership and our rank and file have shown great determination and have not been swayed by adversities. We have been able to mobilize the forces of our union and to secure important concessions from the employers.

...I am happy, therefore, as I stand today on this platform, to extend the fullest congratulations to the members of our union. Our organization has grown in strength and we have shown our determination to fight for the rights of the workers.

...In conclusion, I want to express my appreciation to all those who have contributed to the success of this convention. I am confident that with the support of our union members, we can achieve even greater goals in the future.

As Convention Parade Swung Into Boardwalk

The parade that marked the Opening of the Convention Swung into the Boardwalk at the Hotel Majestic. Left in the picture are 70,000 delegate delegates and guests. The ILGWU Legislative Representative, Vice-President Nagler, National President David Dubinsky, First Vice-President, Longi, and Associate Vice-President Harry Warden.

The Parade was joined by the Mayor and his entourage, who rode in open carriages. The crowd was estimated at 75,000 people.}

The white house WASHINGTON April 16, 1937

Dear Mr. Dubinsky,

I have heard with interest of plans for the Twenty-third Convention of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union to be held in Atlantic City.

It is a matter of real satisfaction to know that this great union has been so well organized that it is now ready to take the lead in the fight for higher wages and better working conditions. This is an important and vital task. The success of this union is due to the active and energetic leadership of its officers and members. It is a union that can be proud of its past and looks forward to a bright future.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Mr. David Dubinsky, President, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, 15 East 65th Street, New York, N. Y.

This letter from President Roosevelt in which he sends his 'Hearty Felicitations and Warm Personal Greetings' was greeted with tumultuous applause by the delegates present. It was read by President Dubinsky from the platform of the Convention.
Governor Herbert H. Lehman
GREETs Convention in Letter

Long Letter Praises Achievement Of the Union

The following message from Governor Herbert H. Lehman, who has been visiting the State Labor Relations Board in Washington, D.C., was received by the Times today:

"Mr. Dear Mr. Mayor:

I greatly appreciate your invitation to address the convention of the International Garment Workers' Union now in session in Atlantic City.

As I explained to you, however, much as I would like to attend, it is impossible for me to do so. The Legislature adjourned an hour before all other matters had been disposed of. In the future, the conclusion of the sessions is determined by the date on which the Legislature adjourns. Therefore, I cannot make any plans until I receive a definite date. If you would like to see me, I will be there on Monday, May 28th.

I hope this message finds you well. Please extend my regards to your wife and family.

Yours truly,

Governor Herbert H. Lehman"
Dubinsky Outlines Union Policies in Keynote

(Continued from page 2)

From our own, experienced, we know how difficult it would have been to organize the workers in the apparel garment industry if several unions were to have organized. Conducted strikes, negotiated with employers to tri to enforce the agreements in it. It is clear that there is no room for more than one union in fashion in the mass, production industries and the perpetuation of the old system of craft unions in the mass production industry, as the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor has been instituted among, would stop the march of trade union progress in these industries. American industry has adopted modern methods, modern forms, and the labor movement cannot remain at a standstill and be left behind these modern forms of organization.

Unfortunately, the advent of the Committee for Industrial Organization and the nationwide drive for unionization which it has undertaken to the mass production industries, has resulted in a serious rift and division between the Federation and the unions affiliated with it. You will hear from the report which the General Executive Board is submitting to you at this convention, we have done everything possible to prevent this division and it will be up to you to judge and pass upon the wisdom of our course and of the course of the General Executive Board in the days when we were relatively weak and not as yet as effective as a labor organization. This spirit of idealism and genuine progressiveness has taken root, and the generation of the early builders has gone. The ranks of the International Garment Workers' Union today are filled, workers of every race, language and group which make up the blend of races of our country. We are an integral part of every community we live in, and work side by side with every constructive and progressive group in our communities. But our vision of idealism and our sense of brotherhood with labor elsewhere have not been dimmed by the years of struggle and sacrifice to build up our own strong and resources. In the best sense of the word, we, as a world organization,getElementsByTagName

One of us, our heart beated in union with the labor aspirations and hopes organized workers in all parts of the world. We are proud to receive our contributions to struggling labor everywhere—to the needy garment workers of Poland, to the coppers from the bloody tyranny of Stalin and Fascism in Europe, as well as to the organizing funds of the American steel workers, automobile workers, coal miners, and construction workers. Our Union, we are glad to declare, was among the first American unions to respond to the call for aid from the workers of Spain, whose liberties and free institutions are being attacked with unspinkable savagery by hard-won hired mercenaries and reactionary bands. We hate, we are proud to admit, dictatorship and oppression in every form and manner and in this we are striving to perpetuate by practical example the fine traditions of genuine Americanism which is best expressed in a strenuous opposition to tyranny and oppression.

"Follow delegate. We come to this convention with 242,400 members. This number includes 13,600 newly organized workers. This increase in membership served to more than make up the loss of the

ISIDORE NAGLER Nominated for Reelection

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"There are no reasons for the success of our movement to be good for the good. We have always been the leaders in the fight for better conditions and wages. We have always been the leaders in the struggle for justice and equality. We have never failed to stand up for the rights of the workers and we will continue to be the leaders in the struggle for the rights of the workers."
Hochman Seconds Dubinsky Nomination

"The test of leadership is offered," Hochman emphasized, "in the ability to rise to an occasion; this President Dubinsky has amply proved throughout his career as leader of our Union; he has never failed to demonstrate the qualities of true leadership."

General Manager Julius Hochman is Shown Above Reporting on "Trends in the Dress Industry." He was Chairman of the Powerful Resolutions Committee, and Delivered Several Talks at Chairman of the ILGWU Educational Committee.

"We have fought throughout our movement, to second President Dubinsky's re-election on behalf of our Dress Industry. We have fought for the interest of our entire membership, not to the behest of the dress manufacturers, but to the behest of our Union."

"In 1923, I believe it was, when headquarters moved to New York, we elected the office of secretary-treasurer of our Union. There, we have been fighting for more than a secretary-treasurer; we are fighting for something more than a secretary-treasurer."

"I believe that the time has come when the leadership of our Union must be the nucleus of the entire membership."

"We are united in our devotion to the interests of our membership, to the interests of the trade, and to the interests of our organization."

"Hochman Reports"

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"The leadership of President Dubinsky is of great importance to the welfare of our Union."

"I am not so sure that we have gone through this crisis as gloriously as we have."

"We are living in an extremely interesting period; one marked by rapid change and breath-taking developments.

"We must, in the present conditions, in which we see ourselves just a few years ago, between 1923 and 1928, the times in which Dubinsky was first secretary-treasurer, and then became President of the International Union."

"This is the most important period in the life of our organization."

"22" presents Resolutions on Spain

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Spanish Ambassador Lauds ILGWU for Assistance in Union Must Share in Industry Tasks

M. de Las Rivas Grows Long Ovation in Plea for Legal Democracy

Every one of the delegates to the great convention hall stood up and applauded the plea for legal democracy as Mr. de Las Rivas, in a glowing talk, introduced the Ambas-
dor of the Spanish Republic, Don Federico de Las Rivas. Mr. de Las Rivas, invited to speak on behalf of the Spanish people, who are fighting for the pres-
servation of their liberties against dictatorship and exploitation by the fascists.

Mr. de Las Rivas told how Spain not only has the men risen in protest, but also the women, who, in the vote, gave the winning majority for the overthrow of the dictatorship.

He pointed to the fact that the Spanish women have not only voted for democracy, but have also taken part in the struggle for its realization. He cited the example of the women of the Basque Country, who have shown the world that women can play an active part in the struggle for freedom.

Mr. de Las Rivas stressed the importance of international solidarity in the struggle for democracy.

The delegation of the Spanish government was received with great enthusiasm.

The union leaders were equally impressed by the speech of the Spanish envoy.

UNION MUST SHARE IN INDUSTRY TASKS

"The government of Spain," said Mr. de Las Rivas, "has always been mindful of the importance of the workers in the development of the country. For this reason, the government has always been at the forefront of the movement for the establishment of workers' councils.

"The workers of Spain," he continued, "are not only interested in the establishment of workers' councils, but they are also interested in the establishment of a workers' council in this country.

"The workers of Spain," he concluded, "are determined to work for the establishment of a workers' council in this country, and they will not rest until they have achieved their goal.

Mr. de Las Rivas was received with great enthusiasm by the union leaders.

In conclusion, Mr. de Las Rivas expressed his confidence in the future of workers' councils in this country.

The meeting was adjourned with a vote of thanks to Mr. de Las Rivas for his speech.
New York Mayor Pays a Visit; Gets a Great Welcome

His Honor

Mayor Fiorello H. La Guardia The Mayor Has Known the ILLGWU for a Long Time and Fully Supports the Convention on the Political Platform.

On the same afternoon when the Spanish Ambassador spoke before the Improved Club, Fiorello La Guardia, an old friend of the ILLGWU, dropped in on his way from Washington, and, after having been entertained at the Chelsea Hotel by a special committee and by President Dubinsky, talked to the delegates for a half hour. He characterized La Guardia's speech. He said, in part, "It is, of course, the International for the last twenty-five or twenty-five years. We have grown together, and have been thrown off the streets at the same time when your pictures were thrown off the chairs.

In the last settlement, the agreement was signed in the City Hall. As I stated at the Madison Square Garden meeting, in my speech.

No information is available. It is surprising to see, the complete lack of knowledge possessed by the delegates representing the craft.

For every city, there is a [illegible] social intelligence. Forceful negotiation, without intelligence, could not have helped us. Who can anybody say. Very often, we had the opportunity of knowing more than the representatives to all the meetings and more knowledge of the facts. I think the workers would be better off."

"Another thing: During the negotiation, you are the ones who base your "mind - getting the broadest possibilities for the people they represented. That was their objective and they stick to it. They weren't writing in their notebooks, but they were writing in their minds. They were looking for ways to improve their conditions."

"Now, then, the whole planning will become complicated unless we have uniformity of conditions. If we struggle to maintain New York City to the point where it will be difficult for white and high wages, the same conditions must be maintained in the United States where there's a free choice."

"It is quite sick and tired of封建ism advertisements and statements by the people who are trying to drive out the people in the garment industry when they say, "Come down to our State where the wages are lower."

"Our State is, of course, the United States where there is a free choice."

"If you object to the high and progressive labor organizations, you are correct, but progressive labor organizations must be on the defensive as well as on the offensive."

"As many of you know, I am affiliated with cheap politicians and others, because they say "I have a job, too." I am charged with organizing the labor unions. I am depressed, but I have a job to do. I am charged with organizing labor organizations."

"It is, therefore, necessary to be working hard, from a new stand, through federal

New York Mayor Pays a Visit; Gets a Great Welcome

N. T. Coat, Suit
Imperial Chairman Greets Convention

Former N.R.A Code Enforcer
Impresses Delegates

Sol A. Rosenblatt, Imperial Chairman of the Cigar and Tobacco Industry, Invited by the Arrangements Committee of the Convention on the Imperial of New York City, A container of Ideal cigarettes, it is safe to say that Imperial has an amazing correlation. "Your great organization in my opinion - and I have it publicly support - is the future of the cigar industry. We are the leaders and the growth and the development of the automobile industry make this statement. We were sitting in a little cafe conversing about Mr. Murphy, of Michigan, and Mr. T., who was a member of the automobile industry, and, well, new things have piled down. We have the opportunity of getting these things together. Everyone is better off. Everybody is back in the trade."

"We were also thrilled by the speechees Mr. Johnston, the others made, when they told you it is not true that all Italians are for wholesale assassination. It is not true that all Italians believe in the creed of any blackmail and heroism."

Arтуро Giovanniotti, Bard and Orator, Thrills Convention

Introduces by President Dubinsky

"I want to set down your name in the memory of our fathers as a man of real ability." Giovanniotti said and added, "I don't know how you arrived at the National Labor Federation. I know that we are being watched by a very intelligent man and that he is smart and honest. I know that you are a great man and that you have a great deal to contribute to the new wave of the American labor movement."

Arтуро Giovanniotti, who has appeared and talked every convention of the I.L.L. for the past dozen years, today talked theory from the platform of the International. The convention of his congratulations to this historic occasion of the Union's past struggle and of its future aspirations."

"I want to set down your name in the memory of our fathers as a man of real ability," Giovanniotti said. "The end of the day is more important than the beginning." Giovanniotti concluded: "I do not come here to congratulate you as much on the great road you have made during the last five years in the very early days of the enemy, not so much to speak to you about conditions that you fought for and obtained through your cooperation and through your solidarity, not to speak of wage cuts which you raised from a mere pittance, from a handful of a slave to a living wage, from bosses and crooks that were garment stewards in laboratories for human life and human honor."

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Mayor La Guardia Gets the Glad Hand

New York's Popular Mayor Was Greeted by an Official Welcoming Committee When He Arrived to Address the Convention. But Scources Turned Out As an Unofficial Escort.
Sessions Were Prolonged and Absorbing....

The Cland-Cameraman Wandered Around the Hall Taking Little Snaps Here and There. Together They Build a Picture That Gave the Spirit of the Routine Sessions.

New York Cloak Joint Board

Few Speeches But, As This Study Shows, Kept a Close Eye on the Proceedings. The Cloak Joint Board Table, Traditionally in the Front and Center of the Hall, Was An Active Spot. (Upper Left) Vice-President Samuel Perlmutter Stops at the Cloak Joint Board Table. Vice-President Negley Is About to Look Up from His Notes On a Resolution Which Is Under Discussion. (Center Left) She's Put Her Model Camera Under Her Pocketbook and Listens Intently While President Dubinsky Discusses Some Business of Special Interest to Her Delegation. This Convention Was by Far the Most Photographed in the History of the ILGWU. Practically Every Angle Was Recorded for Posterity.
INTRODUCTION

Abraham Katovsky

POLISH Needleworker CHAMPIONS

We traveled from the 40-hour week to the 36-hour week. We will have a little extra work, but the whole situation is changing.

Though his Life was Desperate of following hours. Received When Attacked by Thugs. Vice-President Abraham Katovsky of Cleveland Was Well Enough to Full the Convention for One Session. He was Roundly Cheered.

Our labor movement has over ten thousand women members in the United States and Canada. The women are gaining in strength.

On the issue of the national movement, the Polish labor leaders are united. The Polish labor movement is strong in this country and abroad.

General Secretary Joseph Baksy

NEAR NEW YORK

I am writing to express my deep gratitude and appreciation for the support you have given to the Polish labor movement. Your efforts have made a significant contribution to its growth and development.

Joe Biden

THE WORKMEN'S CIRCLE LEADER GREENS ILGWU

Secretary General Joseph Baksy

POLISH Needleworker CHAMPIONS

R. Charney Vlandek, General Manager of the "Forward" and Hersz Hermelhaft, Head of the Needle Trades Union of the Convention, in Cleveland.

The autonomy of the municipal governments was thus established.

The trade unions are strictly independent organizations.

The struggle is for the sake of the whole labor movement. The unions are fighting for the rights of all workers.

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Sees Great Growth for Mass Production Unions—

Pleads for Labor's Greater Share in Government

—Ultimately There Will Have To Be A United

Labor Movement, Dubinsky Says.

On Wednesday morning, May 12, the first day of the twelfth national

convention of the Congress of Industrial

Organizations, President John L. Lewis

addressed a banquet to the members of

the Executive Board and the leaders of

the organization. He was introduced by

President Dubinsky as "the man who

has watched the struggle of your or-

ganization and its members. It has been

in the long years of reported Activity

offered to lead any assistance that might

be possible, and with you, we express our pride in the accomplishments of your Union in re-

cent years."

He told of the growth of the mem-

bership, the expansion of the influence

and the greater degree of service which

your Union can render to those who

seek its help and uphold its belief in the

accomplishments and its principles.

"I am completely here today to addres-

s you as the representative of the great
group of American workers who have as-

sembled themselves in the name of the

movement which had its begin-

nings in the Seattle General Strike of

1919..." Just a day or two after that ex-

pression of that convention, a small
group of men met in the hotel just up the

boardwalk a few paces, and took counsel

with the others. Your organization was

represented by your distinguished presi-

dent in that period, and from that informal

meeting went the later formal meeting in

the city of Washington, when the

members were assembled, unity of action

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One of the Big Hits of the Convention Was "ILGWU Illustrated," the Picture Book Giving Photo Flashes of the History. Accomplishments of the "Key" to Atlantic City

Mayor Charles D. White of Atlantic City Sent This "Key to the City" to President Dubinsky on the Convention Opening Day.
Lewis States at Atlantic City Convention

Executive Secretary Umye Gets 'Jarred'

"The UNION of LEWIS' thousand of those workers have now joined the CIO, a great union has been formed in the steel industry. Wage contracts have been negotiated upon a broad scale, and more wage contracts are being negotiated in the steel industry, and it is believed that, if one wants to bring an industry to modernity and progressive labor movement and if a labor movement which will benefit them and their workers and their strength and their workers in their common front and prevent them from selling their destinies to the unions." The Committee for Industrial Organization in other industries has been enormously successful in organizing tremendous numbers of workers. There is a trend now. New unions are being formed, charters are being issued, and the CIO is entering upon what might be termed the second phase of its organizational activities. Regional officers are being set up in the major industrial centers and charters are being issued to organizations in various industries as contract with our policy for some time of concentrating our efforts in certain major basic mass-production industries.

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CIO PRINCIPLE ONLY PEACE BASIS SAYS LEWIS

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now is no longer, work that labor, under new inspiration is in the making. In fact, for that the first time in the memory of most of us, we can see ahead a program that is not an enhanced effort, not only for the benefit of all Americans. I have no desire to interrupt that march or to bring forth any further efforts of labor by stopping the work of organizing by the CIO to negotiate or iron out our differences with the American Federation of Labor and the Federation of Labor wage rates. It is not my belief and position that it is willing to concede the principles for which the Committee for Industrial Organization was formed.

The simplest appeal upon which peace, owing to this can be said is that the CIO has work for all Americans. I stand for an increased participation by labor in the life of the country. I stand for a greater efficiency and productivity of the industries. I stand for an increased opportunity for all Americans. I stand for a more democratic system. I stand for an increased participation by labor in the lives of the country. I stand for a greater efficiency and productivity of the industries. I stand for an increased opportunity for all Americans. I stand for a more democratic system. I stand for an increased participation by labor in the lives of the country. I stand for a greater efficiency and productivity of the industries. I stand for an increased opportunity for all Americans. I stand for a more democratic system.

When that Stirring Parade of Active Locals Representing Many Thousands of New Members Went Before the Platform From Seamen's Delegates Rvss to Their Feet and Chants, The Parade Was a Prophecy of a Much Longer Parade at the Next Convention When There Will Be Delegates Representing 100,000 Workers As Yet Unorganized in the Field.
CIO Declaration Adopted by 23rd Convention

In conjunction with the CGB report and the resolutions presented to the 23rd Convention, the CIO has also considered the significant advances made in this Convention. Among these is the work of Joseph L. Walker, President, of the CIO, and the session on the Constitution of the CIO on Wednesday, May 11, 1937.


2. The CIO Declaration made by the 23rd Convention.

3. The CIO Declaration has been adopted by the 23rd Convention, and is as follows:

"In order to promote the interests of the working class, we hereby declare that the CIO is committed to the following principles:

1. The right to organize and to bargain collectively for the benefit of workers, is a fundamental human right.

2. The right to strike is a necessary means of obtaining redress for grievances.

3. The right to a decent wage is a fundamental human right.

4. The right to a safe and healthy working environment is a fundamental human right.

5. The right to education and training is a fundamental human right.

6. The right to freedom of speech and assembly is a fundamental human right.

7. The right to vote and be represented in the government is a fundamental human right.

8. The right to equal treatment under the law is a fundamental human right.

9. The right to participate in the political process is a fundamental human right.

10. The right to peace and security is a fundamental human right.

We, the representatives of the CIO, hereby declare that we will work towards the realization of these rights, and we call upon all workers to join us in this struggle.

Signed, the representatives of the CIO."
Delegates Endorse Supreme Court Reform

Memorialize Congress; Hear Vincent In Strong Address

A strong address by Merle D. Vincent, legislative representative of the ILGWU at Washington, D. C., and the endorsement of a memorial to Congress calling for Supreme Court Reform were the highlights of the afternoon session of the Convention on that issue on May 13.

"Brother Vincent's address fol¬

ows:

"The liberation of labor from the economic oppression appears upon the horizon. You have made novel sales in recent years. During the present administration the door has been opened and the oppor-

tunity furnished for a more rapid progress toward objectives which are infinitely in view of the giving only to secure to labor but security to every group in the national community.

"Obstacles Remain

"That progress, however, has been made only through struggle. The road has not been an easy one. Obstaciles still remain to be overcome. Perhaps, the chief ob-

stacle is one which might not be an obstacle at all but ought to be an aid and assistance to the constructive economic and social legislation. I speak of the Supreme Court.

"Indeed, however, if being one of the three main branches of govern-

ment, it has been the obstructive agency to thwart enactment of laws made by Congress in some economic conditions which have be¬

come intolerable in this country, I want to take this time to bring these oppo¬
tence of the President's court reform plan who say that an attack is being made upon the Judicial process, who say that an attack is being made upon the Judicial process, who say that an attack is being made upon the Judicial process.

"The President's plan to recon¬
mend his plan to Congress, we are taking an appeal from the non-emergency and constitutional position of the Supreme Court to the Congress itself.

"Endowed Power

"At a time when millions of a "Soup" at its Dramatic Best

Popular Labor Song, "Soup," Given Visual and Hilarious Inter-

pretation by Young ILGWU Group at East New York Labor and

Education Center in Brooklyn.
Convention Supports Clinkermaker Demands

Lines Up Solidly For Wage Increases and 30-Hour Week

Full support for the New York Clinkermaker organization in its campaign for a new contract to succeed the one expiring June 1 was voted by the Convention when the Committee of the Convention recommended in its recommendation: Specific mention is made of the 30-hour week and wage raise. The Convention demostrated a universal awareness that anything of financial power of the International will be placed behind the clinkermakers in the eventuality of a general strike.

The proceedings discussed clinkermaker support follow:

"Your Committee gives its wholehearted endorsement to the demands of the great organization of the clinkermakers in the New York market as it is now working under the newly signed and the recently renewed collective bargaining agreements which were entered into between the New York Clinkermakers' Union and the manufacturers concerned. These agreements during the existing period provide for 30-hour week and wage increases in accordance with the general movement in the industry. In the event the companies refuse to renew the agreements, your Committee not only supports the demand for the continuance of these agreements but will support the clinkermakers in the eventuality of a strike as an act of solidarity with the workers of the industry."

The clinkermakers have been working under the three-agreement plan which was signed last May by the unions and the manufacturers. The agreement covers the manufacture of watches, clock movements, watches, clocks and other similar products. The agreement includes a provision for a 30-hour week and an increase in wages.

The Convention resolves that when the current agreements expire the working conditions for the existing contracts shall be continued and when new collective agreements are signed the same shall provide for a 30-hour week and wage increases in accordance with the general movement in the industry. In the event the companies refuse to renew the agreements, your Committee not only supports the demand for the continuance of these agreements but will support the clinkermakers in the eventuality of a strike as an act of solidarity with the workers of the industry.

Supreme Court Memorial Sent

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"Your Committee calls upon this Convention to rally behind those cardinal demands of the New York Clinkermakers' Union and their family and trade and their general welfare. Your Committee, if victorious, will mean the organization and your Convention to rally behind those cardinal demands of the New York Clinkermakers' Union and their family and trade and their general welfare. Your Committee, if victorious, will mean the organization.

HILLMAN STRESSES CLOSE TIES BETWEEN AMALGAMATED - ILGWU

Greeted by spontaneous applause last night when he said that the workers and ILGWU could never be permitted to evade a strike when the Amalgamated and the ILGWU, President Sidney Hillman of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America addressed the Convention on May 11. He discussed the problems faced by the CIO in the organization of the mass production industries, and as chair of the Triade Workers Organizing Committee, revealed that 68,000 textile workers had been organized in less than six weeks.

In introducing President Hillman, his President's Council Special Delegate, said: "When the President introduces the speaker, we introduce the President of a union that is closer to our Union and closer to our hearts than any other organization within the American Labor movement.

For many, many years there was a close relationship and the best spirit of cooperation between these two unions. We were partners in many activities, many undertakings. Our two unions were always known as the two unions within the labor movement and when the President was on the Amalgamated side, the members of the American Federation of Labor had the closest relationship and closest cooperation that the AFL ever had with any labor movement. It was generally realized that these two were the most important factors in the close relationship of the industries in which they are engaged, work. It is therefore to the interest of the ILGWU to see the continued close relationship between these two organizations. Therefore, it is our responsibility to see that these two organizations continue to be close to each other."
of the fact that I had committed the unfortuniate offense of having been born in Boston. On the back of this last, on to Americana, we must be permitted to believe that James Reed, when about to be, decided to choose America as the place of his birth, while I, given the same free selection, picked Boston.

"Mr. Reed's decision that he has nothing to do with the control and management of the Nell Donnelly Manufacturing Company would also have carried more weight if we were not acquainted with the public record of Mr. Reed's relations with the Donnelly concern. I did not charge Mr. Reed with managing the sales force or being the manager in charge of production. But everyone who is familiar with the prostrated litigation, for instance, of the Donnelly firm during the NRA period, when it attempted to get preferential conditions and special privileges for itself as far as work terms and work pay were concerned, knows well that Mr. Reed was certainly everybody knew, that the sales-pulling policy of the Donnelly firm is reflected in the local trend of antagonism in which labor which Mr. Reed has displayed in recent years.

"Mr. Reed claims that he never worked in the Union during the last Presidential campaign, but he was only outraged by my nomination by the American Labor Party and the Democratic Party in New York State as a Republican presidential candidate, which was an offense both to the Democratic Party and to all decent American people as well as to the Republican Party. Mr. Reed may, perhaps, just as well do as not to run for the next election, as the American people seem to be losing interest in his candidacy, Mr. Landon. The American people apparently regard him as a flimflam man and don't want to have anything to do with him any more."

Teresa Anglero
Sees Education As Labor Goal In Puerto Rico

Head of Island's Union Bows Message From Puerto Rican Needle Trades Workers.

This is a part from a speech by Teresa Anglero, Secretary of the Needle Trades Local of the 11,000 workers in the needle trade industry, on May 9, 1961, before the United States Senate, and the most ardent appreciation of the Needle Trades Local needle workers for all the interest and good will you all have shown to improve worker conditions on our island.

Our Island, 300 miles long and 20 miles wide, has already a population of 3,000,000 people. About 90% of the population have no schools, and the most ardent appreciation of the Needle Trades Local needle workers for all the interest and good will you all have shown to improve worker conditions on our island.

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'Declares Laborer's Brains Needed In New York City Industry.'
Delegate From Donnelly Firm in Kansas City Pleads For ILGWU Help

Convention Appropriates $100,000 For Campaign to Unions and Kansas City Women

By J. T. Hill, special to the News, Kansas City, Mo.

The ILGWU is appropriating $100,000 for a campaign to Kansas City women to urge them to join the union. The money will be spent on advertising in the city's newspapers and on poster campaigns in the downtown area.

The funds will be used to pay for advertising in the city's newspapers and on poster campaigns in the downtown area. The union hopes to reach as many women as possible with the message to join the ILGWU.

The campaign will be focused on informing women about the benefits of union membership, including better wages, improved working conditions, and better job security. The union will also highlight the success stories of members who have benefited from their membership.

The union has already started making plans for the campaign, and is working with local unions to ensure that the message is clear and effective. The union hopes to see significant gains in membership as a result of the campaign.

In conclusion, the ILGWU is committed to ensuring that all women have access to the benefits of union membership. With the help of this $100,000 campaign, the union is confident that it can reach many more women and help them make the informed decision to join the ILGWU.
Selmor Garment of St. Louis Signs Union Agreement
Novelty Frocks Also Joins Union List

Unconstitutional work in St. Louis, held up for two weeks while the ILGWU convention was in progress at Atlantic City, was resumed at full tempo this week, according to sources received from Meyer Perlstein, at the union's Southwestern headquarters in the city.

In a letter to President Dubinsky, David May 31, Perlstein writes:

"World today closed shop agreement with Selmor Garment Company, with 157 people. Also signed agreement with Novelty Frocks, a smaller shop, with 54 people.

"Conferred twice with National Underwear Corporation which has been on strike for several months. Reaching to reach settlement."

Wm. Green Denies Lewis Charge in Letter to Dubinsky

Before the adjournment of the Wednesday, May 13, session of the Convention, President Dubinsky received a telegram from William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, in which he took sharp exception to some remarks in the speech of John L. Lewis, delivered on that day before the ILGWU delegation.

President Dubinsky refrained from commenting on the matter from President Green, but read the telegraph to the convention at the morning session on Thursday, May 14. It follows:


"Dear Dubinsky, President, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union Convention. Chelsea Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J. I was assured when I read a report of the address delivered by President Lewis of the United Mine Workers of America at the convention of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union yesterday, which quoted him as saying that I had demanded that Governor Murphy of Michigan 'not permit any settlement of the strike with the UMW or the United Automobile Workers.' That statement is false and because it is false I prefer to believe that Mr. Lewis lacked proper understanding of the telephone conversation I held with Governor Murphy when he made it. I regret emphatically that this charge has been made with all the power at my command the other allegation made by Mr. Lewis as reported in the press, that General Motors could probably get the support of the president of the American Federation of Labor. I offer as an answer to this unwarranted allegation any man's report of service in the cause of organized labor. I append to this foregoing denial a protest against a statement made in the address by others, that the lack of unity in the labor movement did not seem to be such a bad thing. Such a statement would not be made by an average of the labor for division, discord and hatred can injure labor when the opposition of hostile employers fails. I plead for unity, solidarity and cooperation with the ranks of the labor and I am willing to render any service that lies within my power in an effort to bring about this result. (Signed)"

"WILLIAM GREEN, President, American Federation of Labor."
HILLMAN STRESSES CLOSE TIES BETWEEN ALGAMAGATED-ILGWU

(Continued from Page 15) Lord Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, where close to a million and a half textile workers are working, and not affect the industries you and I represent. We have an organized labor movement in the field. In three States, Georgia and the two Carolinas, we have 45 to 50 labor unions. And I will tell you that the men and women who are in those unions are ready to do all and give all.

"People have said that the textile industry is a declining one. Well, we are operating at full speed for fifty weeks a year. Just the other day, out in South Carolina, we have an industry with large interests operating every minute and country places. But already we have signed an agreement with the Viscose Company, employing over thirty thousand workers. Over sixty thousand workers have been covered by agreements in five weeks. And we are not going to stop. We are not going to do less. We are not going to do more. We are going to do the same."

"There are men in this country who, in 1931, when I left the privileges of being associated with a short time with the Relief Commission and the United States Employment Service, in the new opportunity which has come to us. I have visited in this country. I have seen the desires of the past, the hopes that the men and women of labor have, and the economic security, political freedom, and peace of mind that we have to fight for."

"I have not the good fortune to work and make the best of them. The great majority of the labor groups are lined up today, and I will say to you that I am not looking forward to you in the future to participate in this great work. I will work with you as we have worked in the past, and I feel that I am not the one to say that I am not interested."

"Yes, we are working and organizing, and we are working close together with many delegations that are coming to the athletic arena tomorrow, in order to get the support of the community. It is a great opportunity for all of us. We are fighting for a better and better life for the workers in these communities."

"I am not going to predict how much more we are going to accomplish that task, but when the million and a half textile workers will be employed, we will have the maintenance of a high standard of living."

"I have had many interesting experiences in the labor movement and of, certainly, that much of it is the history of our organization and I have known the history of our organization. We have always worked for the good of the working class in this country. We have always worked for the good of the working class in this country."

"The little fellow who wants to grow up and be an educational director is the one who feels like he has a voice."

"I have been in this educational work for fifteen years and I have seen the growth of the Union. In this convention, some time next week, as a part of the report of the General Executive Board, you will hear that we are planning to establish a labor college for the training of leaders."

"The feeling of the delegates about the educational work of the Union was indicated by the reports that the Board of Directors has announced that there would be no lessening salaries and that the Union would go on an expanded program."

"President Dubinsky, after petitioning to the fact that it had been impossible to bring more than a few exhibits to give the Convention an idea of the extent and importance of formal class work, introduced Mark Starr, Educational Director."

"Brother Dubinsky pointed out that the Department has succeeded in getting 15 per cent of the membership to participate in weekly meetings, and 5 per cent of the Union. He said he hoped to have the students to divide this figure. He said in part:"

"We are educationalists. Our Department does not have to address you from platforms only because the educational work in the theatres, the basketball teams, our publications, speakers have been such that we would be bringing souls to New York in a way that you can see."

"Our story from the floor is that we have more opportunity and we have more opportunities for real educational work."

"The thing that I have to say today is that we are part of the people and we have a burden of faith in our hands."
Unions Vital to America, Says McGraw

Assistant Secretary of Labor in Charge of the Convention Plates Affirms Trade Union Incorporation.

In an address broadcast from the convention, Assistant Secretary of Labor in Charge of the Convention, Edward F. McGraw, affirmed that trade union incorporation is an essential element in the development of industrial peace. "The time has come when the union movement must not only hold the line of defense, but prepare for the offense," said McGraw. "We must not only be a buffer between labor and management, but also a force for the betterment of both." He went on to say that the trend towards union incorporation is a positive step in the direction of greater industrial stability.

Serious

A French-Canadian Laborite Elites ILGWU Delegates

Montreal Central Body Chief Tells of His Part in Dress Strike Victory

Post-of-speech by Roan Tugman, chairman of Montreal Central Labor Body, who described the recent Montreal union victory delegation to New York City. Tugman detailed the efforts of the recently concluded struggle in the dress industry in this city, where, he said, the workers were able to win the fight. He also related the story to the delegates:

"Your note that I have your valuable commodity, so I think, is one that is just in its infancy. I suppose you have been able to bring solidarity forever inside of the City of Montreal and the Province of Quebec in the past. I am a little at a loss, and really just would like to express my regards to words my thanks for such a gorgeous care you took for this little one and the way you have gotten this bill today. I didn't think we would see so much trouble from even tonight's results, it was surprising, and I am not sorry. Of course you don't know how many I am when I see you, that's all, and First of all, those that should have come to you, you would try to do. Then the employers, seeing that that failed, got together, and they tried to depose the "foreign syndicates." You made a speech, said Miss Pritchett and Bernard Shaw that you and the factory workers, in the past, that is nothing with them, but they couldn't call on me that because I was right at the centre of the factory, you wouldn't do so. That didn't trouble us at all. We got down to business just as soon as we could, to the extent that the government, for the first time in our city, has come to the aid of the workers, and it is a government work. That got one.

The first thing, you know we had to keep the prices within six to eight hours, the Act of Conspiracy would have prevented you from going ahead. When I read that, along with the fact that until that time the workers in the dress industry, and it is a government work, and it is a government work. That got one.

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GUN LAW IN HARLAN

By Henry Zor

Harlan County, Kentucky, is spoken of as a lawless place but there is law in Harlan. It is the law of the coal operators and their representatives, "You shall not organize a trade union under pain of death."

The nation learned in blith and minute detail from the Senate civil liberties committee how the coal operators of Harlan control their law. It saw the law enforcement officials of the boysy-江西 Kentucky county admit they were agents of the coal operators and not the Commonwealth and it saw, too, how miner after miner was made the tool of the sheriff of Harlan County, flagship in the symbol of the New York Cops.

Many of the capital's most respectable people were shocked at what they heard about Harlan. Many of those same people were hurt and most behind the consistent refusal of employers to obey the/cgi law. They were bound behind the United States Committee for Congreese in its attempt to hamstring that law.

NATIONAL LAW

The nation's law says that employers must not interfere with the rights of labor to organize and bargain collectively. The law of Harlan says that common disunion is another person without the sanction of the court. Both laws have been and are being applied.

That it is the same persons who will violate both laws, the law of the land is a heinous in an unappreciated part of the Senate committee's report. An investigator's report shows in detail the less-than-moral control of the coal mine of Harlan and it shows that a large part of the nation is owned by capital outside the county.

At appropriately named Lynch in Harlan County, for instance, there is the huge United States Steel subsidiary, the U.S. Coal and Coke Co. The private arsenal of that company, according to its account, consists of 15 rifles, 65 Winches and two guns of un-\n\n
The 'Plan of Harlan Law' is the law of the coal operators was shown by Sheriff T. D. Middleton. He said that he had been "called upon" by the miners to come to Harlan and there to the miners to come to Harlan and there to the miners to come to Harlan and there to the miners to come to Harlan and there to the miners to come to Harlan and there to the miners to come to Harlan.

Sheriff's Deputies

When the sheriff's cab left the town in 1924, after having promised the United Mine Workers to "clean out" Harlan, his first act was to arrest the deputies of the coal company's predecessor and to have the coal operator of the county condemn those deputies by signing an administration by signing a blank.

Within three years Haliburton was exceeded by 200,000 and used for his own personal funds the tax money of Harlan. He had custody according to the law of his office, to every penny of the safety moneys of the Harlan County. He had custody of the Harlan mine, but he had custody of the Harlan mine and he had custody of the Harlan mine.

"That's why," said Mr. Howard, a grocer, and his wife, Hart W. Mikes, a member of the Baptist church, who said that she had been killed by the church on February 22.

MURDER YOUNG WOMEN

There were three Mathew Mikes. He, his brother, and his God-fearing children and the Baptist church, who told him that he was a "bad man." They killed him by the church on February 22.

Lawrence Howard, a grocer, and his wife, Hart W. Mikes, a member of the Baptist church, told him that he was a "bad man." They killed him by the church on February 22.

The committee has furnished an excellent example of how justice would treat its workers if it were the Coal Operators in Harlan can go further because they are hidden in the hills and operate in a region where neither the government nor the coal operators can be reached. They have no police, no organization, and no protection.

CIVILIAN LOCAL NO. 44, VOICES SOLIDARITY WITH KATOVSKY

The malicious assault upon President Abraham Katovsky, from which he is now severely wounded, was a direct attack on the solidarity of the labor movement.

Dayton, Ohio, February 4, 1937 - The last membership of the Cuyahoga Labor Committee, the group of socialists who gave aid to the workers of the labor movement, was named yesterday by the United States Steel Company and the Cuyahoga Labor Committee, from which he is now severely wounded, was a direct attack on the solidarity of the labor movement.
Cold Steel" Unsheathed in Flint

A Daily Occurrence During the "Sit-Down" Strike in Chevrolet Town—Only the Strikers' Discipline and Good Humor Availed Bloodshed in Flint During These Historic Days.

A note of Conspicuous and proper prop- ects, for example, that a bulletin has been drawn up on the tactical principles involved in the suppress- sion of "riot." It gives a revela- tory picture of the typical military plans for labor disputes.

From Gas to Tanks

From blast furnaces to gas, from tanks to aircraft, it covers the quickest and most painful weapons for one in disrupting pop- ular sovereignty. A thorough piece of work, its spirit can be ap- proached from an early lick of strateg- ical success, reading. "Never fire at the head of troops. The aim should be for the heart."

The fact that there are no so- cieties, the bulletin states, as many professional organizers, as many anarchists, as many satisfac- tory, as many interested, as many reliable leaders, who with the obsession of the cult, will seek the field of prey on the one hand, and, on the other, with the Hatchet of the rat, down the darkest shades, so absolutely necessary that the man shall not be will to the extent even of per- mission from him to be a victor for a single day.

Thus, striking the tone for politi- cal distinction, the people who chart that men are composed of moral towards through their com- mon efforts of being in the vast, because as the most timid are to be found in the rear, it advises that people should be dispensed to refuse from which various point of view men can be made at the rear.

No Black Ice

Most masterpieces of Napolitan can still be studied in the accom- paniment of military agitators. Working on the thesis that "temporizing with

Bringing Union Protection to Colored Workers of Atlanta

Nigeria Cotton Garment Workers in 5 Atlanta, Ga., Shops Have Coined Under the Banner of the ILGWU to Seek Union Conditions.

The success of this drive will mean complete unionization of the shops. Town by town, district by district will be the result of the battle of sitting in every industrial worker available. It will mean the reinstatement of hundreds of sup- portive factories that have recently come South in an attempt to re- cover from wage and hour reduc- tions rapidly being enforced by or- ganizations in the North and Mid- West. In addition to establishing a national union for these workers which will form a basis of organization that will help and lead to the establishment of the Southern garment workers because of much paid wage.

Not only have the workers won the CIO in the South, but the leaders of public opinion of the North and West, they have guaranteed the hope of raising the eco- nomic and educational standards of the entire South. The Southern press has already given a hearty welcome to the TWCO. Politicians, preachers, businessmen and even some union officials have shown that the salvation of the textile industry under responsible leadership, the long-looked hope of the South.

Convention

The old TWCO has been com- pletely absorbed by the TWCO and the new CIO has given a per- mission to the purposes of setting up a completely new textile workers' organization. The officers and staff of the old TWCO have worked into the new set-up and will be retained upon a basis of ability and achievement, because drive was started with the knowledge that every indication of being capable of "sweeping clean."

Sound

Efforts are being made to put in motion a union whose name has been established, because the ex- perience of the past has taught that this is the only way of maintaining the shop in the textile industry. A union of the same nature as the present one, promissed to be nothing but a simple, low-salary, low-filler, which will allow the pertinent per- sonally absolutely necessary for the TWCO can only come from an organi- zation adequately financed.

The TWCO is the place in the newest march of labor sides by sides with the feel and union, glad of the opportunity to serve and genuine in the knowledge of its contribution to the outcome of its achievement.
Significant Decisions Adopted by 23rd Convention

Mr. and Mrs. President

Mrs. Dalykay thanked the Delegates from the Platform One afternoon that She was Sure Both She and the Union Had the Right Man.

To Return Per Capita to the present per capita tax to the IGULW.

Proportional Representation

To instruct the GEB to study the question of proportional representation with regard to representation and to determine whether or not the principles of democracy may be given the most thorough application and the rights of the membership at the same time be properly protected.

GEB for 1937-1939 Term Elected

Ex-Vice-President Samuel Levineshuffle Performes Installation Ceremony

Nominations for President and First Vice-President began late in the afternoon of Friday, May 14, the climax of the convention. David Diamond was nominated by Vice-President Theodore Kipper for his third term as President of the IGULW and this nomination was seconded by Vice-President Julius Hochman.

Next in order came the nomination for Second Vice-President, and for this post Julius Hochman was nominated by Vice-President David Diamond and seconded by President Theodore Kipper.

The nominations were seconded by John Griffin, assistant manager of Local 93. There being no other nominations, Executive Committee cast the vote of the entire convention for Local 93 as First Vice-President of the IGULW for a second term.

In quick succession the nominations for eight GEB members for markets and districts outside of New York were made. The following were nominated: Abraham Karpovsky, Cleveland; Morris Blumen, Chicago; Rose Penaert, Montreal; Jacob Konik, West Coast; Samuel Nied, New Jersey; Julius Reinhart, Pennsylvania; Philip Kramer, Boston; and George K. Bell, Philadelphia.

There being no other nominations Secretary Hochman proceeded to cast the entire ballot for the election of these eight candidates as members of the General Executive Board.

Advising for New York Members

The nominations for New York GEB members were taken up the following morning, Saturday, May 15. Twelve were to be elected but fourteen were nominated, and a ballots therefore became necessary.

President Dubinsky then appointed an election committee consisting of Dr. Hoffman, Mr. Grossman, Mr. Schlesinger, and Mr. Pearlstein. These were distributed to the delegates and, after a canvass of the vote, the following results were announced: Vincent of the election committees.

Natifie, Brooklyn, 413; Chicago, 432; New York, 424; Brooklyn, 424; Wender, 424; Kramer, 424; K. Feldman, 424; S. Feldman, 424; S. Feldman, 424.

President Dubinsky then declared the first twelve candidates, as members of the GEB for New York, duly elected and instructed them to proceed with their work.

SPAIN DONATIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED

Delegates in the cause of Spanish workers, among whom members of Local 22 members will be among the leading forces of "Action," took on the cause of the "Rally.

Each of the six in this convention will be given by the committee in charge of the mission to contribute to the relief fund.
NEWLY APPOINTED UNITED STATES SENATOR FROM TENNESSEE TELLS INDEPENDENCE DAY BLESSINGS GREETINGS FROM SENATOR WAGNER.

Newly appointed United States Senator from Tennessee, T. S. George W. Berry, in a letter from the Senate, says:

"I am delighted to pay my con- grats to you, Mr. Chairman, as one of the greatest legal minds of the country. I am sure we all feel a sense of pride in being associated with you in the important work of defending the rights of the people of this state. I wish you all the best of health and happiness in the future."
Matthew Woll Makes Plea for Labor Concord


"The one thing more than anything else that we are not going to be thrown into that casteism merely by holding to an ides. In fact, when doing as will be bringing greater comfort than otherwise.

"We are sworn to principles in ideology, to ideals and we forget that we are sworn to principles and in ideology, to ideals. We are sworn to principles and in ideology, to ideals. We are sworn to principles and in ideology, to ideals. We are sworn to principles and in ideology, to ideals.

"One of the main engines of the movement is the CIO, the one that has made the whole labor movement possible, the one that has made the labor movement possible, the one that has made the labor movement possible.

"I am delighted to have been with you. Your meeting here is a victory for the men and women of our country. May I hope that when you adjourn, there will arise from you that hope and in optimism—so well illustrated in your Executive Board's report, that the laborers, garment workers' union is able to fight labor, but rather to unite the forces of labor.

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Chairman Almteyer Speaks on Social Security

Getting the Fine Points on Social Security

Our 48-ers Present a "Ship" To the Convention

Perlstin and Kreindler Will Lead Baltimore Crash Strike

Fifty-Eighters," Old Guard of 1910, Honored

Viewing It Formally, It Was a Tribute to President Dubinsky. The Delegation from Local 48 brought the "Good Ship ILGWU" to the Convention Platform and Appointed the President "Pilot." But Before the Occasion Was Over, Tears Were in Everybody's Eyes When President Dubinsky Re-called the Past—the Lean Veterans of Local 48 Had Played in the Early Days of the International Women's Union. The Committee Resolved an Ovation in Behalf of Their Local. Every Man On the Committee was a Veteran of the Table. Basile Desti, Manager of the Local, is at the "Mike." Edwards Maltz (Wearing Necktie—Headed the Committee The "Ship" Was Made of Flowers and Carried An Almost Life-Sized Portrait of President Dubinsky in Action.
Spirella Corset Workers Win Union Shop

42-Day Sit-Down Writes Heroic Pages in History of ILGWU

By Jennie Matyak ILGWU Organizer

Spirella corset workers at Emeryville, California, have made the Union shop and Union conditions, following a 42-day sit-down strike, that wrote another heroic page in the history of the ILGWU.

In a small town where it was at first thought that public sympathy could not be expected and in a State where Unionism has been a sort of official sin, this group of workers found the resources of the community, and a strong movement in the house of discretion that made the workers respond to the message of the ILGWU organizer. Most of the workers had other dependents on their small wages and some were living from hand to mouth in the hope to negotiate for a Union shop contract to protect them, they'd be about as safe as a balloon in a gale.

That sort of summed it up. They asked for a Union shop; the firm refused, and the lines were cleared for action.

Situation

The type of action was forced under certain peculiar conditions. Spirella corset are expensive garments and the finished goods are not stored in store. The individual buy- ers are spread all over the town and village in eleven Western States. The livelihood and conditions of 32 workers depended on the success of the strike; but great publicity and public sympathy would be necessary to win it. A sit-down strike was decided on.

At 1 P.M., March 17, the workers covered their machines and sat down. That night they slept on bare benches and the floors. The next day some food and blankets were brought through the windows. All honor to the local townpeople. The strike and the elementary virtues in the demands of the workers caught their imagination and sympathy. The community sent soups, bread, ham and stew—easy enough for dessert. Cuts were been, and the long gill was on.

Happy Easter

The firm planned its hopes on Easter Sunday. And there was an Easter egg hunt right in the shop. Songs began to be sung that they'd stick in the shop until the Fourth of July and until Christmas. If necessary. A splendid turkey dinner was sent in by a kindly friend in the community.

Three workers came and went. Meanwhile every "Ray" paper had covered long stories favorable to the strikers. Customers were beginning to be affected. The firm offered a ten per cent discount. That must have looked good to the money spenders. The firm came in and made sweet speeches but didn't get sweet answers. One of the men had friends in the town and was told that the stock had arrived at the home, they left for one night and came back the next morning.

Sit-Downers Stand Up for Turkey Dinner

One of the most inspiring things about the Spirella Sit-Down Strike was the way it captured the sympathy and support of the community. The firm figured the girls would get hungry; but the Commissary Worked Steadily, Delivering "the Rations." A Good Friend of the Union sent in a Turkey Dinner One Day, and Did the Girls Fall to... They Did!

"Moving Day" After 42 Nights in the Plant

Note the Happy Smiles on the Faces of These Spirella Stewarts as They Pack Up Their Bedding After Their Long Sit-In Strike. They're Happy to Be Going Home and Happy Yet That They've Won a Union Shop Contract Signed, Sealed and Delivered.

Alex Rose Stresses Political Action

Alexander Rose, vice-president of the Hat, Cap and Millinery Workers' International Union, appearing for Max Ehrlich, who was confined to bed, stressed the importance of independent political action and the advancing political consciousness of American labor in a short talk before the convention; May 1. Some of his remarks follow:

"In the name of my President, Max Ehrlich, and in the name of the combined Hat and Millinery Workers' International Union, I bring you a most sincere and fraternal greeting.

"Your organization has a formidable record of accomplishment. For many years you have confined only to the side streets of American life. Our brand of trade unionism was not popular with the American labor movement but of late we note that the type of trade unionism that represents is sweeping the country and, at last, our type of trade unionism is marching on the main highway of America.

"May I, at this time, make the prediction that just as our philosophy on the question of economic and industrial activity was accepted by the American labor movement, so, I predict, the time is very near when our conceptions and our philosophy political action will also be accepted by American labor.

"We know that a great many successes in the economic field must be attributed to political developments in our country. We also know that it is through these developments in our country, organized labor, through its New-Yorker League and through its New York affiliate, the American Labor Union, that we have had a great deal to do with the. Of course labor has learned the force of political power, it is never going back. Logical and historical development has led to an independent political labor party on a national scale."
Victory Crowns Great Montreal Dress Strike

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News of the Montreal Dress Strike Victory Brought the Convention to its Feet. Arrival of the Canadian Delegation and Visitors on the Platform Was the Signal for a Prolonged Ovation. (Left to Right) M. Candido Boschat, Member of the Quebec Parliament; Speaker Head Postmaster of the Montreal Central Labor Body; Vice-President Rose Pesotta; Bernard Shaw, ILGWU General Organizer.

The manufacturers adopted the usual tactics. Through their fake union they opened a weak agreement. But like all fake unions they had no real workers. An effort was made to get a creative political situation which fell to the ground in the face of the millionaires' foremen, their pressure on strike and the sympathy of the community. But the important thing they did not succeed on strike and there were no promises being made.

The solid front of the manufacturers as represented by the Dress Manufacturers' Guild split into two factions, one of them disbanding. The ILGWU still hoping to beat the Union, and the other continued that industrial stability could be insured only by dealing with a responsible organization like the ILGWU.

Early in April negotiations were made between the manufacturers and a collective agreement signed for some 10 shops. This agreement was made under the banner of the Dress Manufacturers' Guild, but its effect was to blight the trade by creating a monotonous, uniform, after the introduction of a new design the work would stop and the workers would go back to the old.

The Military Workers sent in one of their best organizations. The office staff and the French workers worked endless hours. The bravery, courage, discipline and spirit of the workers was constant and ensured the success of the strike. The strike lasted for six weeks, during which period there was no violence and the strikers' camp was maintained.

French-Canadian Pickets

Delegates Watch ILGWU League Playoffs

By MILL SPIRES
NEW YORK TIMES ANNEX
FINAL BASEBALL HONORS

The final round of play in the men's and girls' divisions for the Ushinsky and Hochman trophies was held at Atlantic City on Sunday, May 8, one of the many entertainment features provided by the Cultural and Recreational Department for the delegates and guests at the convention. The girls' game between Local 91, New York, and Local 111, Philadelphia, served as another wet-out for the Philadelphia cutters who were married under the microscope to the boys from New York. The hometowners were slow getting started and did not rally Local 91 for the last minutes of the game, but once they hit their stride there was no stopping them. They won handsomely.

The boys, dominated by the slick running play of Ethel, Frank and Joe Egan, and John Manis, all members of Local 11, produced a great game. Every player in the game looked like a star, but the special mention for brilliant play is due to Ethel, Fletcher and Lionel of Local 11 and Ethel's brother, Al Bronstein of Local 11.

Trophies Awarded

The following afternoon during the regular convention sessions, President Dubinsky awarded the Ushinsky and Hochman trophies to Managers Greenberg and Mote of Locals 311 and 102 on behalf of their teams. Both responded with glowing speeches about their teams and the unity, their importance in the life of their unions.

ILGWU PICKED TEAM BOWS TO HATYOHOK SOCCER CLUB

A picked team of the outstanding players of the ILGWU Soccer League in New York made its debut in big time soccer on Monday, May 9, at Hampshire Field, Brooklyn, when they matched wits with the strong Hatyohok soccer club. It would be nice to report that they triumphed over such a high class aggregation, but even a dugout fight couldn't bring home the bacon. They went down to defeat by the score of 4 to 1. The real difference is not a true indication of the closeness of the struggle. At the end of the half the ILGWU were down 2 games, holding their opponents to a 1 to 0. But at the change of goal following some bad breaks due to the fact that the boys were not accustomed to playing together they allowed three goals in 8 minutes. Two of them were on corner kicks which, with a score of 2 to 0, were disheartening to the goals left them at 4 to 1. The real difference is not a true indication of the closeness of the struggle. At the end of the half the ILGWU were down 2 games, holding their opponents to a 1 to 0. But at the change of goal following some bad breaks due to the fact that the boys were not accustomed to playing together they allowed three goals in 8 minutes. Two of them were on corner kicks which, with a score of 2 to 0, were disheartening to the goals left them at 4 to 1. The real difference is not a true indication of the closeness of the struggle. At the end of the half the ILGWU were down 2 games, holding their opponents to a 1 to 0. But at the change of goal following some bad breaks due to the fact that the boys were not accustomed to playing together they allowed three goals in 8 minutes. Two of them were on corner kicks which, with a score of 2 to 0, were disheartening to the goals left them at 4 to 1.

Baseball Season Opens

On May 22nd

With all eyes turned towards the convention, it was decided to hold the opening of the Baseball League until Saturday, May 22, at the private tennis courts of the Queensboro Plaza Tennis Club.

N. Y. Truckers Reach For Title

The score of the first games was tied at Central Park, West 100th St., against the Queensboro Plaza Tennis Club.

There Was Plenty of Action at Garden Pier, Atlantic City, When the New York Truckers Tangled With the Philadelphia Cutters for the ILGWU Badminton Championship. The First Part of the Game Was Tighter Than a Dress, Contractor. But Soon the Truckers Got Their Basket Goosey, Stepped on the Gas and Wheeled Home the Victory.

The ILGWU Celebrates May Day at Randall's Island Mass Meeting

Thousands of ILGWU members named in the giant Municipal Stadium at Randall's Island and May First to commemorate the International Holiday of the working class in solidarity with the workers in all the free lands of the world.

Spectators packed, red, yellow and red sweaters and a note of virulent color to the stands and a splendidly mounted the entertainment, while speakers (one to the ILGWU) drove home the May Day message in addresses celebrating the gains of labor in this country and calling for an advancing tide of success in the cause close to the heart of international labor.

Music and speeches were broad cast over Station WNYC and were heard in all parts of the East. For Dreemakers' Union, Local 25, May Day meant a double celebration. The local actually took part in the May Day Parade in the morning and then brought its delegation to the stadium.

The ILGWU Salutes May Day
That the 23rd Convention would be, in point of numbers, the biggest the ILGWU ever had held, was a foregone conclusion. Already, by March, our own census figures showed that the Union had gained nearly 45,000 since 1934, and that it was maintaining its pace unchecked.

It was left to the Atlantic City gathering itself to reveal to the general American community that the great organization of the women's garment workers had become a real force not only in the world of labor but in the general fabric of our national life. Less than a generation ago, a feeble, groping band of immigrant workers pathetically trying to climb out of the sub-cellars of industry, it has now welded together with steel-like solidarity a mighty army of workers, disciplined, union-conscious and militant, which today has few counterparts in the entire network of organized labor.

In more than one aspect, the Atlantic City Convention resembled our Chicago convention of 1934. That great gathering, the first in line of "Victory conventions," listened with hatred breath to an account of achievement that electrified our membership. Small wonder, the Chicago meeting, from the first drop of the gavel, was turned into a triumphant session, jubilant and vibrating every hour it lasted with a sense of newly acquired power and vitality.

But that was the sunny NRA period, friend and foe alike said. What of the rainy days ahead, how would this freshly-acquired bulk stand up under the clouds of adversity? Would it wilt under the impact of a boomerang that was so freely predicted? Would the pendulum swing back as the first mighty crest recedes?

The Atlantic City assembly of the ILGWU gave the answer to this troubled question. The Ladies' Garment Workers not only held their 1934 status, clung to and defended all gains made in 1933 and 1934, but have gone into new fields and made definite inroads into such "enemy" territory as cotton garment and wash trade districts, recruiting tens of thousands of new union adherents and lifting their organizational morale to heights previously unscalable. And the story of this further progress, quite naturally, furnished to the Atlantic City convention the atmosphere of spirit which radiated through every speech, illuminated every act and thought and converted it into another "Victory convention," a designation it fully and unqualifiedly merits.

Some friendly critics might be inclined to observe "sabotage" at Atlantic City, as in Chicago three years before. There was, relatively little discussion from the floor, or, to make it simpler, little debating. Such commentaries were likely to add that at former ILGWU conventions the floor of the oratory was considerably higher and debate far more profuse and torrid.

Which, by surface judgment, is quite true. In the days of the Union's weakness, the first and foremost acts of sanitary oratory would raise up in ceaseless stream which, in a sense, served to compensate the delegates for the dominant industrial and organizational environments that cast shadows all around them. In fact, the less unity there was in our ranks, the weaker was the best of our organizational pulse, the wider would be the depth of oratory burst at our conventions and submerge, at times, everything in sight.

When the period of action, of militant, sledgehammer campaigns, however, arrived a few years ago, this super-discussion era suddenly and logically, came to an end. This was much to be done to afford length, and often futile, discussions. The concrete results of achievement began to obliterate the necessity of hair-splitting and to remove the jaws of bickering. Everyone in the Union worthy of his or her salt was pressed into action and joined the march of the union by its act of action and thought in the presence of events in our Union in the past few years.

It would, of course, be idle even to suggest that the ILGWU has reached its zenith at this moment.

First, we are still far from being a one-hundred-per-cent organized industry. By general understanding we have yet no less than a hundred thousand workers in the cotton garment and in the knitwear shops of the country, to bring into the fold of our Union. This is a big order, let there be no misunderstanding on this score. Let's not forget also that these tens of thousands of cotton garment and knitwear workers, employed as they are in cities of non-unionism and by employers who have for years resisted at every move at their command contractual relations with the ILGWU, may prove not an easy task to be converted to our cause.

But, as clear and as glowing as the sun is shining on this glorious spring morning, we are "going places" in the ILGWU, and are going at a fast and branching pace. Even before the curtain fell upon our convention in Atlantic City, we were thrilled with the victory of our Montreal dress workers, a victory which seemed hard to visualize but a scant few weeks ago. Two days after the convention adjourned, the biggest underground factory in the East, in Fall River, Mass., for twenty years a non-union stronghold buttressed by a company union, concluded an agreement after a two-weeks' strike. Already, as we write, every agency and district headquarters of the ILGWU is seeking for the final lap in this grand task to make our women's garment industry the best regulated and most completely controlled industry in the world in the work terms of its hundreds of thousands of workers are concerned.

**ILGWU "CAPTURES" ATLANTIC CITY BOARDWALK AS CONVENTION OPENS**

**WELCOME DELEGATES CANDER**