



UWUA NOW WOOING IBEW MEN EXPELLED BY TRIAL BOARD

Brown Says IBEW Complies

Local 1324 has met all of the requirements of the Taft-Hartley act for recognition before the National Labor Relations Board, is the gist of a letter received in February from Gerald Brown, Regional Director of the NLRB who has been conducting hearings in San Francisco on the petition for a bargaining agent election among PG&E employees.

"The material which you have submitted for purposes of compliance with the requirements of Section 9 (f), (g) and (h) of the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947 (Taft-Hartley) has been received," Brown said in his letter "The . . . Board will consider your organization in compliance with Section 9(f) of the act until October 31, 1949 when your fiscal year ends."

Section 9(f) is the requirement for filing financial statements. In

IBEW Installs First Alaska Traffic Light

The first traffic light in Fairbanks, Alaska, and probably the "farthest north light on the North American continent" was installed recently by members of IBEW Local 1533 of that city.

"Being a small local with few out-of-the-ordinary events to report," said W. P. Laughlin, Local 1533 business rep., "we are proud that there were IBEW members in on this very important local occasion."

regard to Section 9 (h) which requires an affidavit on communistic connections, Brown said the NLRB would consider IBEW in compliance until January 24, 1950 unless there was a change in the present officers of the local. New officers of the union would be required to sign affidavits to keep the union in good standing.

UWUA CALLS COPS TO QUELL MEMBERS WANTING TO TALK UP

San Francisco UWUA Local 133 almost lost its pants, along with those of Natl. Rep. Shedlock at the meeting held last week (on Feb. 8) when the membership took over procedure.

Shedlock was so put out that he ordered the cops called to put the union men who were interested in a democratically run meeting out of the meeting. Natl. Rep. Anderson, who was delegated that onerous task, went out and came back to report that the paddy wagon would be along in about 10 minutes. It didn't show up!

CITES CHECKOFF

The fuss started when Al Tiegel's right to be present at the meeting was challenged by Shed-

lock on the ground that he was prominently identified with Local 1324. Tiegel pointed out that he was a paid up member of Local 133 because the UWUA insisted on collecting dues from him through the "check-off."

Shedlock then stated that he could remain but would be permitted no voice in the proceedings. The members present then moved and seconded a motion that he be permitted a voice. Shedlock then attempted to have the order set aside through the Chair, on the grounds that his rights as a national officer superseded those of the local chairman and the membership.

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Say Charges Were Not Justified

The UWUA was trying last week to cultivate the very officers whom they recently tried "in absentia" in their kangaroo court, and whom they have so soundly castigated in their handbills and records of the NLRB.

Several former officers of Local 241 have been approached by UWUA National Representative Edward Shedlock himself and urged to come back into the local on the premise advanced by Shedlock that perhaps their trials were unwarranted.

TRIALS WERE HASTY

The UWUA's top man in this district told two ex-241 officials that the trial board's decision was undoubtedly hasty and would not have been so severe had the official been present to defend himself.

Utility Facts is in possession of facts showing that Shedlock is working very actively to bring back into the UWUA fold any of its ex-officers who were expelled.

He told one such officer that he was willing to meet with any of those expelled with a view to having the UWUA executive board restore them to good standing by reversing the verdict.

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He is also reported to have said that he investigated the charges himself and found that many of them were not justified.

The desperate plight of the UWUA's effort to stay alive was pointed up by Shedlock's attempt to put the onus for instigating the trials on his brother National Officer Clem Lewis, whom he said had now been ordered out of the district and into Southern California.

Several of the expelled officers who have been approached with offers of forgiveness have given IBEW Local 1324 leaders a full re-

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UWUA ATTACKS LABOR BOARD

The National Labor Relations Board itself was attacked in a bulletin distributed last week by the UWUA, in an effort to justify opposition to the IBEW's petition for an election among PG&E employees.

In hearings to date before the regional officer of the NLRB in San Francisco the UWUA has used the occasion more for a sounding board for propaganda directed against the officers of Local 1324 than for the presentation of evidence which will permit an election to be held and the issue of "who wants who" to represent them determined.

The UWUA bulletin said that "The possibility of an election always exists, since the NLRB does not and will not check authenticity of pledge signatures. They merely check names submitted against payroll lists and do not concern themselves with questions of fraud, misrepresentation or even forgery."

POLICY

In the past the CIO has fared as well as any union group in procedures before the NLRB. It is

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Dues Hearing Is Postponed

Hearing on a petition to prohibit the PG&E from collecting dues from IBEW Local 1324 members and turning them over to the UWUA has been postponed for one week and will begin in San Francisco Superior Court before Judge Melvin I. Cronin February 15th.

Last week the judge granted the union a temporary restraining order which prohibits PG&E from collecting and impounding dues from IBEW members.

UTILITY FACTS

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Local 1324



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Dues

Dues are the lifeblood of any union.

It has been said that the dues you pay into your union are the cheapest investment the laboring man can make. For proof of that statement you need only to look around your community or neighborhood and assess the situation of the man or woman without the benefit of a union. It will be found that invariably such people are either not making as much as you are being paid for comparable work, or are working longer hours and more days for the pay they get.

But the advantages of unionism go beyond mere economics.

Today the stake you have in your AFL union is one of the most important bulwarks you have against the threats to your personal freedom.

The many laws, tax laws, social laws, and labor laws enacted by the last Congress to stifle the worker's freedom to organize or to pin him down economically are proof of the need for worker organizations capable of acting on a state and national scale against encroachments on the rights granted to you in the Bill of Rights.

The State and American Federations of Labor are working day in and day out against such encroachment. A portion of your dues money goes to those organizations to pay for that aspect of their many functions in your interest.

The courts have recognized that your union, to continue to operate in your interest, must have and is entitled to the dues monies of bona-fide members. The PG&E has been enjoined from further deduction of dues from your pay check. It has been enjoined from paying such dues to the UWUA.

Dues payment is now on a voluntary basis. Get them in to your IBEW unit now so that the fight for your right to democratic unionism may continue at the present successful pace!

Military version of the giant Lockheed Constellation airliner is known as the Air Force C-121, its principal use being in cargo carrying.

To Push 30-Hour Week When Needed

As soon as the present easing off of the post-war boom shows signs of becoming another depression, the AFL will strongly push the 30-hour week.

The AFL's last convention adopted the 30-hour week proposal of the IBEW International President Daniel W. Tracy who was also the principal advocate in the AFL movement for the shorter week to spread work during the depression of the 30's.

IBEW LOOKS AHEAD

"We don't know how long present employment will continue," Mr. Tracy has said, "but we must be prepared to work toward a shorter work week when the Marshall European Recovery program and rearmament are no longer necessary to carry us along."

The California State Federation of Labor has also gone on record approving the 30-hour week as a depression hedge and urges all locals to write it into contracts when necessary and possible.

The IBEW itself has already made some progress with the shorter week proposition in both building trades and industry contracts.

Intolerance

A Committee to Combat Intolerance has been set up by San Francisco Central Labor Council, AFL.

In its first public statement the committee said "President William Green, of the American Federation of Labor, has steadfastly opposed bigotry, pointing out that discrimination in any form—religion, race or nationality—threatens democracy upon which free organized labor depends for its survival."

"Our committee has an ambitious program and it deserves the support of every AFL union in our council, and we urge every union to give full co-operation to the work of this important body."

1,500 New York Clerks Bolt CIO for the AFL

1,500 New York City Wannamaker Clerks recently left the CIO in a body and joined up with AFL Retail Clerks International Association.

That news marked a growing string of victories in recent weeks by AFL over decadent CIO groups.

The Wannamaker group was accepted into the Clerks union only after the general membership, shop stewards, and the general executive board of the union had approved the action, thus spotlighting the democratic manner in which most AFL unions are conducted.

IBEW UTILITY MEN MAKING BIG ORGANIZING GAINS IN NEW YORK

The IBEW won several NLRB elections held recently in the East, thus chalking up new gains for the progressive union.

An election among production, maintenance and distribution employees of the Niagara Hudson Power Co. at Syracuse, N. Y., found the IBEW certified as the bargaining agent after winning in the balloting by nearly two to one. Actual count was 537 to 513. **BIG GAIN**

In a statewide election on the Niagara Hudson system, District 50 of the United Mine Workers took a drubbing later when 4,068 employees from every section of New York marked their ballots for the IBEW versus 1,913 who voted for "no union." District 50 leaders had urged their members to vote for the latter because they had been ruled off the ballot for failure to sign the non-communist affidavits.

At the Hazard Insulated Wire Works where the NLRB conducted an election among office and clerical workers on the union shop, 70 voted in favor of the provision and only 12 against. Among the production workers the vote favored the IBEW by an even more preponderous score—612 for vs. 5 against.

N. J. WIN

In an election at the big Kearny, N. J., works of the Western Electric Co., the IBEW ran on the ballot against three contending unions—the CWA, TWOC-CIO, and WEEA—and got the largest vote.

In the run-off election the CIO did not even appear. IBEW polled 6,822 votes vs. 5,450 for the CWA.

IBEW Apprentices Finish Job Training

Nine Electrical Workers' inside wiring apprentices were last week certified as journeymen in the trade and have joined the ranks of their fellow craftsmen as skilled workers.

Apprentice training is an important part of IBEW's progressive unionism. Not only does the joint union-employer program enable the IBEW to build good will with the industry through furnishing it with competent help, but it enables the union to protect the jobs of its members from the designs of untrained, inexperienced men who often are too eager to sell their skill (?) for just what it is worth.

IBEW Intl. Secy. J. Scott Milne in a recent speech before a joint meeting of union officials and employers pointed out that high journeyman standards could make the International a stronger union. He urged both the union officials and employers present to give their support to the apprentice training programs.

Frisco Offices

Officials of Local 1324 remind the membership that an office for the convenience of members living and working in the San Francisco and San Jose districts has been opened at 85 So. Van Ness in San Francisco.

Inquiries on all matters pertaining to the current organizing campaign may be obtained there, and all other normal union business, such as the collection of dues, etc., transacted there.

Premature

Recent reports of price declines in some foods have been widely played by the press, and already there is talk that a general price break all along the line may not be far away.

Trade unionists, along with everyone else, devoutly hope this is so. But we cannot help recalling that prices shot up 25 per cent from June, 1946, to August, 1948—and the recent decline is less than 1½ per cent.

What is more, it is by no means certain that the present price cuts will continue. Meat prices, for example, are customarily lower in winter than in other periods of the year, and the price may very well turn up again this spring.

Department store sales have also been much featured in the news but the price cuts offered have, for the most part, been limited to less desirable merchandise.

Trade unionists welcome these price cuts. But any rejoicing done now may be premature. The time for shouting is not here, yet.

Atomic Workers Victors On Vacation Pay Issue

Oak Ridge, Tenn.—The AFL's Atomic Trades and Labor Council has announced a favorable decision from the Board of Arbitration on the issue of computation of vacation pay for atomic energy employees of the Carbide and Carbon Chemical Corporation.

The decision of the arbitrators gave to M. J. McDaniel the award providing that in his case, as well as in all other cases involving Carbide and Carbon, the company would be required to include the differential in shift premium pay to all employees receiving shift premium pay in the calculations for vacation pay. This means that approximately one week's pay will go to about 800 workers.

Many a woman who can't add can certainly distract.

UWUA GETS IBEW BID TO DEBATE ISSUES

Another bid to officials of the UWUA for a discussion of PG&E issues became a matter of public record this week when "Chuck" Hughes, IBEW Representative, reiterated the oft-expressed willingness of himself and officials of Local 1324 to appear at UWUA meetings and answer any and all queries.

Further, Hughes said that Ed Shedlock and all other UWUA representatives were welcome to appear at any time before IBEW meetings.

"With matters vitally affecting the livelihood of the worker at stake," Hughes said, "his interest should be paramount to any other consideration. The IBEW has faith enough in its PG&E program and in the judgment of the PG&E worker to lay its case before him in open meeting. It has this faith because the program has been developed out of the composite views of thousands of utility workers throughout the state and nation."

This expression of policy is in direct contrast to UWUA's efforts to toss out of meeting any Local 1324 member who attempts to get up and speak on current issues.

UWUA's Shedlock has himself stated that he would meet with Local 1324 officials but not in front of the membership.

Such maneuvers follow the pattern of top-level dictatorship that led to the original bolt from the UWUA.

Break Ground on Antioch Plant

With the officials of nearby communities and AFL unions present, ground was broken at Antioch last week for the big \$50,000,000 PG&E steam power plant.

Bechtel, Inc., which has the main contract, reported that sub-bids for the excavation had not yet been let by the PG&E but action was expected shortly. Preliminary work will consist chiefly of staking, line running and clearing with a few AFL Laborers, Teamsters and Engineers employed.

PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT

The job is expected to provide work for several thousand AFL building tradesmen at the peak of construction. IBEW Local 302 of Richmond will have jurisdiction over the electrical construction done in the plant. Prevailing rate for electricians in the area at the present time is \$2.50 per hour.

Several IBEW Local 1324 members, including Brothers Mayhew and Davis, were present at the groundbreaking ceremonies which were also attended by most of the top PG&E officials and by Steve Bechtel, of the Bechtel, Inc.

More Homes for Low and Middle-Income Families—AFL

Washington.—The AFL last week launched a drive for a greatly enlarged federally supported program to build homes for low-income and "middle-income" families. The 15-man Executive Council approved of a program dealing with both home-building and rent control at its meeting here.

On housing, the AFL calls the Administration housing bill "an improvement over the Taft-Ellender-Wagner housing bill," and lauds the provision calling for construction of 1,000,000 public low-rent units over the next seven years, tho the AFL resolution indicates that this goal can be reached in four years.

However, the AFL "cannot accept" the Administration bill "as the solution to our housing problem because it contains no provisions for middle-income families," who make up about 37 per cent of all U. S. families. These are the families with incomes between \$2000 and \$4000. The AFL calls for direct federal loans to large-scale rental and cooperative housing, available to public agencies, cooperatives, non-profit and limited dividend corporations, and private builders who can conform to rent schedules of about \$50 to \$30.

The "so-called economy house," promoted by home builders' association and the Housing and Home Finance Agency as a substitute for the program proposed by the AFL, is no solution, the resolution charges. If these "economy houses" really are built in substantial numbers, they "may well become the slums of tomorrow."

The AFL Council also called for: **CENSUS, RENT CONTROL**

1. A housing census in 1950, taken along with the usual population census. Facts and figures about housing shortages and rent costs are woefully incomplete, at present, and the AFL wants Congress to appropriate funds for a census.

2. Extension of the rent control law for a two-year period, or until Congress or the President decides it's no longer necessary. The AFL also wants the new bill to give the Administrator power to sue for treble damages and to seek criminal prosecution of repeated and willful offenders. The "rent advisory boards" should be reorganized to insure effective labor representation, and a national advisory committee including organized labor should be set up. The 15 per cent voluntary lease provision should be ended. "Recontrol or extension of control to those geographic areas and classes of rental accommodations whose exemption has seriously weakened adequate rent controls," particularly new construction, permanent accommodations in residential hotels, motor courts, trailers and trailer spaces.

Duquesne Electric Workers Get Raises

Utility workers employed at the giant Duquesne Power and Light company, who repudiated the UWUA to chose the IBEW in system elections held last fall, have ratified an IBEW contract providing for back-pay and increases in wages averaging 8 per cent.

The contract also contains many improvements in working conditions. Increases of 12 cents an hour were obtained for all classifications.

RAISES PLUS

In addition to the 12-cent raise, Hot Stick linemen will get 5 cents, making their increase total 17 cents. Line Crew leaders or sub-foremen will get an added 10 cents; Hot Stick line crewmen an added 5 cents; Welders, Pipefitters, and Bricklayers, 11 cents additional; Larry operators and hot operators, 10 cents extra; and the Equitable Unit (auto mechanics), 5 cents in addition to the general 12 cents raise.

The new IBEW contract covers employees working in the physical, clerical, steam, heat and gas sections of Duquesne in addition to many other types of workers.

Garment Workers Gain Settlement in Dispute

Philadelphia.—An agreement has been reached, in a controversy involving 400 employees, between representatives of the Philadelphia Pleaters, Stitchers and Embroiderers Association and the Waist and Dress Joint Board of the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union (AFL).

Terms of the settlement, which extends the expiring agreement for one year, are:

A \$3 weekly increase for all employees of the members of the association. The increase is retroactive to Dec. 17, 1948.

Authorization of increased payments to unemployed workers from the industry's Fair Income Fund, maintained by contributions from the employers.

Appointment as impartial chairman of the industry of Dr. George W. Taylor of the University of Pennsylvania, former chairman of the War Labor Board.

GRIN or GROAN

Our school teachers are expected to teach economics, but from what I've heard of some wage rates, the only ideas they could possibly have about money are purely theoretical.

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Less time would be wasted in union meetings if some of the speakers would tell what they know instead of what they think.

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Influence is something you may think you have until you try to use it.

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Miss Blue—"I think the most wonderful thing in the world is marrying the man you want."

Mrs. Black—"You're wrong. The most wonderful thing is marrying the man the other girls want."

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"I never saw a woman so anxious to get married. You shouldn't be so obvious about it."

"I have to be. I am at the in-between age."

"What do you mean by in-between age?"

"In-between eager and desperate."

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You shouldn't go through life looking for something soft; you might find it under your hat.

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Worry is like a rocking chair, it will give you something to do but it won't get you anywhere.

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So far as usefulness is concerned the nickel has gone the way of most of the other buffalo.

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An experienced stenographer is one who knows how to keep the boss from ending a sentence with a proposition.

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About the only way to avoid the high cost of living is to stop living.

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Policeman—"Did you see the number of the car that knocked you down, madam?"

Woman—"No, but the woman in it wore a black turban trimmed with red and her coat was imitation fur."

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Jackie—"Mom, when we have company for dinner tonight, do I have to eat my pie with a fork?"

Mother—"Yes."

Jackie—"Well, may I have a piece now to practice on?"

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Little Dorothy had been promoted to the third grade and a few days later she met her second grade teacher.

"Gee, Miss Sullivan," she piped, "I hate to leave you. I wish you were smart enough to teach me this term."

UWUA Attacks Labor Board

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doubtful that a policy of criticism of that body by the UWUA is in line with NATIONAL CIO policy.

The UWUA smear is undoubtedly an attempt to influence by indirection a decision of IBEW's election petition.

The signatures on all IBEW pledge cards are authenticated by competent witnesses. Forgery of signatures is punishable by existing forgery and fraud statutes.

All the IBEW and Local 1324 seeks from the NLRB is an opportunity for the employees of PG&E to decide through the ballot who they want to represent them.

Ireland is now meeting 75 per cent of its sugar demand from home-grown sugar beets.

Know the Facts!
Here's WHERE and WHEN to ATTEND MEETINGS

UNIT No. 1—MARTINEZ

2nd and 4th Monday of each month, I. O. O. F. Hall, Martinez, 829 Ferry St.

UNIT No. 2—REDWOOD & SAN MATEO

2nd and 4th Monday of each month. Community Hall, Belmont, 8 p.m.

UNIT No. 3—SAN FRANCISCO

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. (Day Workers) Building Trades Temple, AFL—Progress Hall, 14th and Guerrero Sts., 8 p.m.

Last Monday in each month. (Night workers).

2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month (Executive Board), 85 South Van Ness, 8 p.m.

UNIT No. 4

2nd Thursday of each month, Odd Fellows' Hall, Cotati, 8 p.m.

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DEAN BEAN Recording Secretary
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DONALD HARDIE Treasurer

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TAKE OVER

The Chair went along with this poor example of democratic procedure, and adjourned the meeting on the ground that a parliamentary emergency existed.

At this point it was democratically moved and seconded, and carried, that a new chairman be appointed and the meeting be continued.

The minutes tell the rest of the story:

Moved, seconded, carried Broth-er Riave to act as chairman.

Moved, seconded, carried that all former officers of Local 133 and the rank and file generally of Local 133 be released from any liability or damages by the presently constituted Local 133 and its national administrators, and

Further, that the present officers and national administrators of Local 133 be authorized to notify all their legal representatives to immediately drop the lawsuit brought by Local 133 and its administrators against Brothers George Cavanaugh, Joe O'Rourke, William Kennedy, Al Rowe, Henry Linden and all other John Does.

Moved, seconded, carried that the conduct of the previous meeting of the evening be condemned by Local 133 as undemocratic and detrimental to the present organizational drive of PG&E workers.

Moved, seconded, carried to adjourn.

J. Russel Evans,
Recording Secretary.

Several UWUA members who were present signed IBEW membership cards after the meeting.

Building Service Union Negotiates 12½c Raises

One dollar a day raises across the board for the workers in 40 office buildings have been negotiated by officials of Local 18, AFL Building Service Employees.

The old contract expired February 1st. The new one, calling for 12½ cents an hour raises for all classifications, runs for one year. It provides for the five-day 40-hour week and standard fringe issues.

AFL Workers Get Oregon Pay Boost

Chalk the first union pay boost won in Oregon in 1949 up to the AFL Building Trades Unions of Portland.

IBEW electrical workers got hourly wage increases of 35 cents making their scale \$2.35 per hour. The industry scale in the Bay Area for IBEW electricians is \$2.45 per hour.

Lathers, carpenters and bricklayers have signed contracts calling for increases of 25 cents.

IBEW and Sign Group Agree on Pensions

Seventeen firms in the sign industry operating in the San Francisco - Richmond - Oakland district have joined the growing list of employers subscribing to IBEW's pension fund, Business Manager S. E. Rockwell of Oakland Local 595 reports.

Rockwell said that the Bay Area companies were the first in the industry on the West Coast to sign contracts containing clauses providing for the IBEW standard employer contribution, of one per cent of wages. The contribution goes into the Brotherhood's pension fund and is being written into all new IBEW contracts.

The agreement was effective January 1, and has provided for union shop conditions since 1937. Wage rates for electricians in the industry are \$2.45 per hour.

Electricians in the building trades in San Francisco area have had the benefits of the pension plan since 1946 when the electrical contractors of the area started contributing one per cent of their gross payrolls to the IBEW fund.

Tracy on Board To Aid Minorities



DANIEL W. TRACY
IBEW President

A board to investigate cases of discrimination against minority groups in the United States has been set up by the National Civil Service Board. Daniel Tracy, president of the IBEW, is the only appointee from the ranks of organized labor.

The group will hear appeals of persons or organizations who think they are being discriminated against because of race, color, religion or politics.

Tracy said that despite the heavy press of IBEW business he had a limited amount of time to apply to outside interests, but that he felt that the undertaking of the new board was very important and that it would get the time needed to get the task done.

AFL Auto Workers Local Wins Favorable Contract

AFL Auto Workers have successfully concluded a strike against the Brown - Morse Manufacturing Company of Muskegon Heights, Mich. A blanket wage increase and one of the best insurance plans in the state and which will be financed by the employer was won in negotiations.

NLRB Election Hearing Off

The hearing on IBEW petition for a bargaining agent election has been postponed due to the illness of Mr. Paul St. Sure, attorney who has been handling the interest of the PG&E before the NLRB.

To date, in the week of hearings held, most of the hearing officer's time has been taken up by UWUA red smears of Local 1324 officers and working members who are all employees of PG&E, despite the fact that 1324 officials have signed anti-communist affidavits and are in conformance with requirements of the Taft-Hartley act.

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port of their conversations. The gist of their replies was that even if there was a possibility of a change in the National UWUA policy which brought on the bolt, it's now too late to return. They feel that they can get vindication from the false and vicious charges leveled at them by the UWUA only through an IBEW election victory.

Uranium, of atomic energy fame, is too scarce to use as fuel or power.

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