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## El CIO Llegó a Panamá

### SENADORES FALLAN EN SU INTENTO

Cuando en su intento de aplastar la popularidad creciente de los Trabajadores Públicos de América-CIO, el Congreso de los Estados Unidos agregó añadiduras a todos los proyectos de ley que tenían que hacer con las apropiaciones.

Todos los empleados tienen que firmar declaraciones escritas en el cual manifiestan que no respaldarán huelgas contra el Gobierno ni adherirse a ninguna organización que acierta tal derecho, no pensaban en que esta ley tendría efecto en ellos mismos.

El fruto de su maniobra anti-trabajo los trajo la misma consecuencia que trajo a todos los ciudadanos americanos, pues ellos, como todos los otros empleados públicos fueron obligados a firmar el mismo.

Como nuestra Unión, tanto como los trabajadores Públicos Unidos de América (a quienes pensamos afiliarnos)

han manifestado que no acertamos el derecho de ir a la huelga, este requisito no nos afecta de ningún modo.

Los Senadores Ball y Russell (fomentadores de la añadidura) debido su odio al trabajo organizado han podido gastar millones de dólares del pueblo imprimiendo y circulando a estos.

No hay razón por el cual no debemos firmar a estos, porque solo son una muestra de malevosidad en cuanto al trabajo organizado. Todo miembro de nuestra Unión es advertido que deben firmar estos sin miedo.

Nuestra respuesta a este hecho y a los Senadores del Congreso Estadounidense es una organización más fuerte.

Si Ud. no se ha adherido a la Unión, no gaste otro día. Este presente a nuestro mitín esta noche en el Estadio Olímpico a las 7:00 P. M. y escuchará al Representante del C.I.O. Len Goldsmith.

### LEN GOLDSMITH RECIBIDO EN ALBROOK FIELD

Len Goldsmith, Director Internacional de Educación de los Trabajadores Públicos Unidos de América, uno de las varias secciones de la C. I. O. hizo historia en el día 13 de Julio cuando bajo de un avión de la Pan-American Airways en su misión de organizar a los trabajadores de la Zona del Canal y adherirlos a la gran Organización, CIO.

Su llegada es una de las faces por los cuales debemos pasar antes de obtener nuestros fines: Seguridad, igualdad y tratamiento justo.

Respaldado por el movimiento poderoso del CIO y la fuerza del sufragio de los siete millones de miembros del CIO, los trabajadores de la Zona del Canal miran hacia un nuevo día en relación al trabajo, como resultado de la legada de Goldsmith para pre-

LEN GOLDSMITH



Representante Oficial del UPWA—CIO

para los requisitos necesarios en la afiliación de la Unión de Trabajadores del Canal a la CIO y inmediatamente un programa para obtener mejores sueldos y seguridad de trabajo para los empleados de la Zona del Canal.

Esta es la primera vez en la historia de la República que esta gran organización ha enviado un representante para la investigación de las deplorables condiciones en que se encuentran los trabajadores de (Pasa a la Pág. 3)

### Sintonice 'RADIO MIRAMAR'

de 7:45 p. m. a 8:00 p. m.

TULIA AMINTA CAJAR

Locutora

### Lo que representamos

PUNTOS SOBRESALIENTES DE NUESTRA CONSTITUCION

#### Artículo II.—Objetivos

1) Para llevar a la efectividad la organización de todos los hombres y mujeres empleados en la Zona del Canal, sin distinción de RAZA, CREDO, COLOR U ORIGEN DE NACIONALIDAD; a una UNIDAD DE ACCION COMUN de UNION OBRERA para su mutua ayuda y protección.

2) Para extender los beneficios de arreglos colectivos y para asegurar para los trabajadores las maneras pacíficas de establecer relaciones con sus patronos. (El gobierno de los EE. UU. del Norte); formando una UNION OBRERA capaz de gestionar con los modernos agregados del gobierno de los EE. UU. del Norte, en el interés de los obreros de la Zona del Canal.

3) Para mantener una determinada adhesión hacia las obligaciones y responsabilidades bajo arreglos colectivos y de seudos.

4) Para asegurar una legislación que proteja la seguridad económica y bienestar social de los obreros de la Zona del Canal. Para proteger y extender nuestra democrática institución, derechos civiles y libertades, y también para inmortalizar nuestra herigada tradición de DEMOCRACIA.

### Saludo a los Trabajadores

Len Goldsmith

Estoy muy orgulloso de estar en Panamá y les traigo saludos de los seis millones de miembros del CIO quienes están, poco a poco, dándose cuenta de la condición intolerable bajo el cual viven los trabajadores de la Zona del Canal. Nosotros, del CIO también sufrimos bajo esta condición, pero encontramos una manera para combatirlas. Nos Organizamos.

Al organizarnos, nos dimos cuenta de que podíamos reclamar mejor sueldo, trabajamos como hombres libres con una deneidad de hombres libres.

No es fácil. Hay muchas disilusionamientos en el camino hacia la victoria, pero no fuimos desalentados y al ganar a nuestra primera victoria nos dimos cuenta de que la lucha valía la pena.

Vuestra lucha será mucho mas fácil pues la base ya ha sido quebrada y el camino está libre.

Nuestra unión, (T.P.U.A.) al cual muy pronto serán adheridos está basada en el concepto de fraternidad.

Creemos que: "Todos los hombres nacieron iguales" y que todos deben gozar de las mismas oportunidades, de vivir y de elevar a sus hijos en una plano de dignidad y conciencia.

Que es el deber del Gobierno de los Estados Unidos ver

que los principios bajo los cuales fue establecidos los Estados Unidos son respetados.

Que no hay lugar para el Bilboísmo o discriminación en un mundo democrata.

Los trabajadores Públicos Unidos de América han y están luchando para que estos principios sean mantenidos y intentan luchar para los mismos en la Zona del Canal.

Así que vosotros también puedan ganar victorias sin necesidad de ir a la huelga por medio de la fuerza de vuestra organización y la unidad de sus miembros.

Hemos logrado un gran principio. Para completar al trabajo, debemos organizar a cada trabajador en los trabajos de la Zona del Canal, para que no haya división sino fuerza.

Para terminar, prometo la ayuda de los seis millones de miembros del CIO, que son determinados en que el Gobierno de los Estados Unidos sea el patrono modelo.

Este es nuestro objeto. Con la ayuda y cooperación mutua no fracasaremos: ¡Hacia la Victoria!

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### La UTZC del Atlántico, Elige Nueva Directiva

El representante del CIO, Len Goldsmith fue recibido con gran entusiasmo por los miembros de la Unión de Trabajadores de la Zona del Canal durante una reunión regular de dicha Unión.

Luis Alejandro Víctor, actuando como Maestro de Ceremonias, en esta ocasión mantuvo en alto el espíritu de cada uno de los presentes.

Después de la inducción del Comité Directivo por el Gobernador Víctor Navas de la ciudad de Colón, el acta de la sesión inaugural de la Unión fue leída.

Guillermo Rojas, Presidente del Local Atlántico dió su discurso sobre los deberes y los derechos de los miembros de la Unión y las condiciones desfavorables que deben ser atacadas.

El Gobernador Navas dió su discurso sobre la necesidad e importancia de unidad entre trabajadores y el efecto favorable que tendrá el mejoramiento de la condición de los trabajadores en la Zona, en Panamá.

Len Goldsmith después dió

un resumen de los mejoramiento que ha adquirido el CIO en los Estados Unidos y explicó la manera en el cual los trabajadores del Panamá Canal también pueden gozar de estos beneficios. Para terminar sugirió que se pusiera a voto la afiliación de este grupo al CIO. Los dos mil miembros presentes votaron afiliación.

El siguiente es el programa el cual fue ofrecido:

1—Palabras: Maestro de Ceremonias.

2—Toma de posesión de la nueva Directiva.

3—Lectura del acta fundamental del sector Atlántico y otra del sector Pacífico.

4—Palabras del Gobernador de la Provincia Don Víctor Navas.

5—Palabras del Presidente del Sector Atlántico, Hermano Guillermo Rojas.

6—Palabras, Hermano Contreras de Coco Solo.

7—Palabras del Presidente del Sector Pacífico, Hermano Francisco Araúz.

8—Palabras del delegado del CIO, Len Goldsmith.

CADA MIEMBRO DEBE COMPRAR SU PROPIO EJEMPLAR DE "ACCION"

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## EDITORIAL—

Len Goldsmith, representante de los trabajadores Unidos Públicos de América, llegó al aeropuerto de Albrook Field el sábado 13 de Julio.

Por primera vez en la historia de la República de Panamá un representante ha sido enviado de los Estados Unidos para estudiar las situación en la Zona del Canal en cuanto a los trabajadores del "rol de plata" y organizarlos para su lucha para mejorar la condición económica y social en el cual se encuentran.

Desde el nacimiento del Canal de Panamá, el sector de trabajadores designados empleados del "rol de plata" han enfrentado discriminaciones establecidas por los ciudadanos menos demócratas. Estaban obligados a ceder al maltrato, no porque estaban satisfechos, sino porque no había manera visible en el pasado de atacar esta situación sin la pérdida del trabajo.

Hoy día, después de las luchas y las victorias de varias Uniones en los Estados Unidos, nació un rayo de esperanza en la mente de los trabajadores de la Zona del Canal. Este es uno de los varios eventos que dió vida a la Unión de Trabajadores de la Zona del Canal.

Ahora ha decidido unirse en un solo bloque para combatir al sector responsable por su bajo estado económico, mental, social y físico.

Han pasado dos y medio meses desde la fundación de la Unión de Trabajadores de la Zona del Canal, durante cual tiempo veníamos anunciando la llegada de un representante de la Unión de Trabajadores Públicos de América-CIO. Ahora, esto es una realidad. El está aquí para ayudarnos a organizar a los no organizados. Ha manifestado su sorpresa acerca del rápido crecimiento de la Unión y está hondamente impresionado por la cooperación demostrada por los miembros con quienes se ha encontrado hasta ahora.

Nos ha dado algunas ideas importantes en cuanto al unionismo de comercio y los requisitos necesarios para la amalgama de la Unión de Trabajadores de la Zona del Canal a los Trabajadores Unidos Públicos de América, C.I.O.

Ahora los escépticos se encuentran en un ramo, porque ellos son los que regaron el rumor de que nunca llegaría un representante de C.I.O. y que nosotros tratábamos de engañar al pueblo. Ahora está aquí y es aquí donde verdaderamente comienzan nuestras batallas.

## Actividades en los Muelles

Por Pulpo

La U.T.Z.C. ha posesionado a los empleados del muelle 18, Balboa. Trabajadores quienes anteriormente condenaban a la mencionada Organización, son hoy día, miembros de esta misma. Esto es una buena cena.

Los miembros de otra organización bien conocida ha dicho al escribiente que pronto seremos una sola unidad.

Todo esto ha llegado a ser debido al éxito sin precedencia del cual gozamos en el día 4 de Julio último. Le queda ahora a los miembros de la Unión redoblar sus esfuerzos para retener la existencia de la Unión. La lucha ha comenzado apenas.

Unios! Ingrénsense hoy. Sostenga a la Unión; no solo atendiendo a las sesiones sino también comprando un ejemplar de nuestro periódico.

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## RELAMPAGOS

El Departamento de la Marina (Naval Supply Depot) ha criado una Junta de Agrarios (Grievance Board). Esta Junta se compone de un representante delegado por cada sección de trabajo elegido por los trabajadores de cada departamento. Nuevo triunfo para los trabajadores en la Navy.

Ojalá el Panamá Canal, P. R.R. Army etc., rigan este camino Democrático.

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La buena vecindad no puede efectuarse de manera sincera mientras existe la discriminación racial y el odioso procedimiento del gold y silver roll.

Si la nación Norteamericana y su ciudadanos quieren ser los verdaderos exponentes de la doctrina Democrática tienen que ser sinceros.

Asista Ud. a nuestro Mítin Especial, Estadio Olímpico, Hoy, 7:30 P. M.

Conteste las siguientes Preguntas:

1. U.T.Z.C.
2. F.S.T.P.
3. C.I.O.
4. U.P.W.A.
5. W.F.T.U.
7. U.A.M.
8. C.T.A.L.
9. Nombre el presidente de la F.S.T.P.
10. Quién es el presidente de la C.I.O.?
11. Nombre el presidente de la U.P.W.A.
12. Nombre el presidente de la C.T.A.L.
13. Cuáles son las dos grandes Uniones que se han unido siempre?

## RELAMPAGOS DE STA. ANA

Vargas Vila

DE LA LINEA ATOMICA DE SANTA ANA

Nuestro saludo y felicitaciones al Corregidor de Santa Ana en su primer aniversario en el puesto, y por su atinada opinión respecto al público apostador en los torneos boxeriles.

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El retorno de los educandos a las escuelas, después de las discusiones palpitantes de la Mesa Redonda en la Presidencia de la República, ha sido placentero para los padres de familias, quienes debíamos haber tenido un representante en ese cata-pultante reunión, pero no es tarde la dicha, somos optimistas.

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La instalación de la nueva directiva de la UNION DE TRABAJADORES DE LA ZONA DEL CANAL DE COLÓN, FUE UN ÉXITO, PRIMERA EN LA HISTORIA COLONENSE. Hubo más de Dos Mil asistentes, inclusive la presencia del hermano Navas, Gobernador de Colón; Señor Goldsmith, Representante Delegado Organizador del "Congreso de Organización Industrial de los Estados Unidos de Norteamérica"; el Presidente de la Federación Sindical de Trabajadores de la República de Panamá y miembros de la Directiva de la misma, el Presidente Francisco Araúz, de la Unión de Trabajadores de la Zona del Canal de Panamá y miembros de la directiva, y algunas otras personas del Pacífico. El acto fué simpático y las palabras del Gobernador de Colón, como las del C. I. O., recibieron grandes aplausos por mas de 2 minutos

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La Unión de Trabajadores de la Zona del Canal de Panamá, ha sorprendido todas las organizaciones del mundo, y esa causa se debe, que ésta organización, en el lapso de treinta días, inscribió en su seno, más de siete mil miembros, trabajadores de la Zona del Canal.

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La Organización de la C. I. O., cuenta con mas de Once Millones de miembros. Esta entidad con diez años de existencia, sin duda alguna, a hecho más para sus miembros, que cualesquiera otra organización de la misma índole. El finado Presidente Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Apóstol verdadero de los principios Democráticos y de la Buena Vecindad, fué siempre uno de los grandes simpatizadores de esta organización, Campión contra la discriminación racial. A esta organización se debe en los Estados Unidos de Norte América, el ingreso de los Latino Americanos y Negros a las organizaciones Obreras, e igual salarios a los blancos. ¡Dios bendiga esta entidad!

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Por ventura, desde que se inició la organización de trabajadores de la Zona del Canal, hemos adquirido la justicia de ser calificados como "Empleados Federales". En tiempos anteriores se nos negaba ese derecho por nuestra calificación de NATIVE WORKER—(Trabajador CRIOLLO) con derecho de devengar un sueldo de hambre, y a merced de los jefes.

Cuando sosteníamos que todo individuo, que devenga un sueldo de las arcas del Estado de Norteamérica éramos EMPLEADO FEDERAL, (Federal Employee) y que teníamos derecho de firmar esa misiva que nos prohíbe declarar huelga contra el gobierno de los Estados Unidos de Norte América y de tomar parte en actividades subversivas contra el mismo gobierno, se nos negaba ese derecho, para evitar que nos diéramos cuenta la mayoría que éramos Empleado Federal, con derecho a mejores garantías y a mejor sueldos, que lo que actualmente devengamos; pero gracias a la C. I. O. quien cooperado a este triunfo nuestro, somos desde hace días Federal Employees.

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La buena noticia, es el procedimiento hidalgo y caballero de nuestro amigo GEORGE GREENE, jefe de la División Municipal, quien en una reunión de directores, recomendó SESENTA BALBOAS mensuales para los jubilados, y pasaje gratis a los que desean volver a su patria; más mejor viviendas para los empleados no clasificados.

Si este rumor santanero es cierto, desde las bancas de Santa Ana, felicitamos al hermano GEORGE GREENE, y ojalá siga luchando en bien de los ideales Democráticos y Buena Vecindad.

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En la entrevista que tuvo el Representante Delegado de la C. I. O. con el eximio Gobernador de la Zona del Canal, y el Coronel Wang, el Gobernador le afirmó, y le hizo constar, que cualesquier Jefe o subalterno, que intimidara a un empleado por su ingreso a la Unión, sería destituido inmediatamente, por la causa de que ese procedimiento era ANTI-DEMOCRÁTICO. El gobernador de la Zona del Canal como el General y Almirante de la Armada y la Marina, como también el Embajador General Hines, son exponentes leales de la doctrina democrática y de la Buena Vecindad; así pues, cualesquier procedimiento, de cualesquier ciudadano norteamericano en la Zona del Canal contra los principios democráticos y Buena Vecindad, es únicamente con el ánimo de desacreditar la labor de los líderes, en bien de una causa, que es superior a todos los ISTMOS, y crearle al pueblo americano enemigos. Estos elementos deben ser repatriados a los Estados Unidos de Norte América, porque están pagados por Naciones enemigas a las causas democráticas, para infiltrar el odio en las masas trabajadoras de las Américas.

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# RAUL BUSTAMANTE VUELVE

por Kayo

Como el "hijo pródigo" ha regresado a la capital después de su fracaso en tierras de California, aquel brillante muchacho que iba para arriba como la espuma en el box mexicano, guiado por la ayuda de Arturo "Cuyo" Hernández, que fue el hombre que lo inició y lo encumbró.

Nos referimos a Raúl Bustamante, el muchacho que nos diera brillantes batallas en el Coliseo de las calles de Perú y que hicieron que el público lo aclamara como héroe, pues cuantas veces Bustamante apareció en las carteleras, la gente llenó el Coliseo y vió en él un mejor peleador que el "albañil" Chucho Ruíz.

Pero resultó que un día sorprendió al propio "Cuyo" Hernández a quien traicionaba guiado por los consejos de unos ineptos que le dibujaron paisajes de ilusión que nunca llegaron a realizarse, pues Bustamante una noche se presentó en la arena máxima para sostener un combate con el sonoreense Chucho Llánéz, dando la sorpresa al público al ser víctima de una tremenda paliza por no haber subido en condiciones debido a que por no darle la cara al Cuyo, no se puso en forma para sostener el encuentro a diez vueltas a que estaba anunciado el match.

Más tarde sostuvo una segunda pelea con el valiente Tony Guadalajara y sólo su mayor viveza le salvó de la derrota.

Sin decir adiós, como un fugitivo, marchó a California diz que para ponerse bajo la fécula de George Parnassus, el más astuto manager que existe en ese Estado, a quien no convirtió, programándolo en una arenita cualquiera de las afuera de Los Angeles.

Se enfrentó a un desconocido que según sabemos se llama George o Bobby Sanders, quien a las primeras de cambio le propinó un fulminante nocaut para echar por tierra las ambiciones del joven Bustamante, que en vista de su fracaso hizo maletas y embarcó de nueva cuenta rumbo a la ciudad de México, a donde todavía no presenta la cara a nadie, pues presentimos que el muchacho viene avergonzado de su derrota.

Y quienes lo embarcaron a que dejase al Cuyo Hernández, ahora le contarán un nuevo cuento, de esos como para que le dé sueño, diciéndole que ya le tienen contratos muy ventajosos aquí en México y que debe presentarse al gimnasio para hacer condición.

Nosotros aconsejamos al joven Bustamante que en lugar de creerse de los cuentos chinos de esos aventureros que existen dentro del box, se ponga en buenas manos si es que quiere que en México vuelva a brillar como cuando atinadamente lo manejó el Cuyo.

Pues volverse a creer de los ineptos que lo embarcaron para que cometiera la fechoría es perder el tiempo, ya que sabe muy bien que él necesita un manager que lo haga ganar dinero y que cuide de su

carrera pugilística, cosa que logrará si oye nuestro consejo sin tomar en cuenta, como anteriormente decimos, a los aventureros.

## Roddy Prince llevará equipo a Costa Rica

Roddy Prince, uno de nuestros Reyes del Baseball ha recibido y aceptado un contrato para llevar un equipo "Estrella" Costa Rica el día 12 de Septiembre de acuerdo con noticias recibidas en este despacho.

Es comprendido que él saldrá de Panamá en el día mencionado acompañado de la selección y que estarán en Costa Rica hasta el día 2 de Octubre.

El Sr. Thorbourne, quien está encargado de la misión ha garantizado pasaje para los 17 jugadores que serán escogidos.

## CIO LLEGO....

(Viene de la Pág. 1)

La Zona del Canal y comprometiendo al mismo tiempo ayudarnos en nuestra lucha para obtener lo que verdaderamente es nuestro.

Goldsmith es el representante de los Trabajadores Unidos Públicos de América, un afiliado del CIO, que tiene relaciones negociativas con casi todos los departamentos del Gobierno de los Estados Unidos, incluyendo al Hawaii.

Este distinguido huésped fue recibido en el aeropuerto de Albrook Field por una delegación encabezada por el presidente de la UTZC, Francisco Arauz.

Además de estos hubo una concurrencia de varias personas que mostraron su ansiedad en conocer al mismo.

Goldsmith trajo saludos para los trabajadores en la Zona tanto como en la República de Panamá. En respuesta, dijo que el C. I. O., ayudará a los trabajadores de la Zona del Canal y que la única solución verdadera a los problemas es la de una organización que los unificaran alrededor de un programa para el bien de todos.

Trajo también, los saludos de Phillip Murray, Presidente de los Trabajadores Unidos de América-CIO para los trabajadores de la Zona y de Panamá.

Pocas horas después de su llegada, se reunió con el Cuerpo Ejecutivo de la Unión de Trabajadores de la Zona del Canal, durante cual tiempo se llevó a cabo discusiones sobre afiliación y de organización.

**ADHIERASE**

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# D E P O R T E S

## EL CANGARU DEL BRASIL

Gerardo De Oliveira obtuvo un segundo triunfo al ganar salto triple

Geraldo de Oliveira, de Brasil, ya había ganado el salto triple el año anterior, en Montevideo, con 14.42 metros, y se tenían referencias de que venía en buenas condiciones. Además, bastaba ver su físico para esperar que fuera el vencedor. Alto, flaco, de un metro 86, flexible, todas eran aptitudes que le daban ventaja sobre el resto. Y estuvo feliz, pues en el primer salto hizo quince metros justos, lo que le valió para la victoria. Después no pudo superar esa distancia, pero ella bastaba para el primer puesto.

Geraldo de Oliveira obtenía así su segunda victoria en este certamen, pues el domingo anterior se impuso en salto largo, con 7.03 metros. El "canguro" del Brasil ha sido, por lo tanto, el mejor brincador del campeonato. Se impuso sólo por sus extraordinarias condiciones físicas, pues su técnica es defectuosa: su segundo paso en el triple es casi nulo. Es hombre que bajo las órdenes de un capacitado "coach" puede acercarse a los 16 metros, y, desde luego, batir aquel record tan antiguo que posee el

argentino Brunetto, de 15.425. Helio Coutinho da Silva, también de Brasil, fué técnicamente superior, y con más chispa hizo una buena exhibición, que le valió el segundo puesto, con 14.84 metros. Néstor Tenorio, de Argentina, y Oscar Bringas, de Perú, dos tri-

plistas veteranos que en sus tiempos pasaron los 15 metros ahora se contentaron con lugares secundarios, y con marcas de 14.60 y 13.83. La del veterano Tenorio es meritoria, todavía.

Chile no dispone de triplistas para un internacional; quedó demostrado en la prueba. De todas maneras, esperábamos el cuarto lugar con Arnoldo Aravena, que no consiguió acercarse a los 14 metros.

## RESPUESTAS DE LAS PREGUNTAS

- 1.—Unión de Trabajadores de la Zona del Canal.
- 2.—Federación Sindical de Trabajadores de Panamá.
- 3.—Congreso de Organizaciones Industriales.
- 4.—Unión de Trabajadores Públicos de Estados Unidos de América (nuestra Unión).
- 5.—Federación Sindical de Trabajadores del Mundo.
- 6.—Unión Marítima Nacional (Auténtico de la C.I.O.)
- 7.—Sindicato de Trabajadores de Automovilismo con la C.I.O.
- 8.—Sindicato de Trabajadores de América Latina.
- 9.—Luis Avila.
- 10.—El presidente de la organización C.I.O. es el señor Phillip Murray.
- 11.—Abram Flaxer es el presidente del Sindicato de la Federación Internacional de Trabajadores.
- 12.—Vicente Lombardo Toledano es el presidente de los Sindicatos Latino Americanos.
- 13.—Las dos grandes Uniones que se han unido son la C.I.O. y la C.T.A.L.

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## THE CIO IS HERE

### A SENATOR'S FOLLY

When, in their eager attempt to crush the growing popularity of the United States Workers, C. I. O., the U. S. Congress attached riders to all appropriation bills, stating that all federal workers would be required to sign affidavits to the effect that they do not support strike against the Government nor support an organization which asserts such a right, little did they realize that this act would bounce back and affect themselves.

The fruit of their anti-labor tactics hit them as well because every senator, representative and all government officials short of Pres. Truman himself, are all required to sign these same affidavits. Since our Union as well as the Public Workers (to whom we are affiliating) have both made it very clear that we do not assert the right to strike against the Government, these affidavits affect none of us.

Senators Ball and Russell

(sponsors of these phony riders and amongst the most active in the so-called "economy bloc" in the Senate) through their deep-rooted hatred of labor have managed to spend millions of dollars of taxpayers' money in printing, circulating, and attesting these affidavits, and in the filing and similar cost.

There is no reason for anyone to feel intimidated by these affidavits for they are a clear picture of how much organized labor is hated and feared. All members of our union can sign these affidavits without fear. Our answer to these forms and to these Senators is a bigger and better UNJON

If you haven't joined up as yet, don't waste another day, attend our meeting tonight at the National Stadium (7:30 P. M.), and hear Len Goldsmith, representative of the United Public Workers of America.

### Colon Local, CZWU Installs Officers

A rousing welcome greeted Len Goldsmith, C.I.O. representative, to the Canal Zone Workers Union, at a mass meeting held by the Atlantic members at the Colon Arena on Monday night.

Luis Alejandro Victor presided as master of ceremonies and in his own inimitable style kept the program alive with spicy remarks.

After the induction of the officers of the local by Don Victor Navas, Governor of the Province of Colon, the reading of the minutes of the inaugural meeting of the local was effected.

Guillermo Rojas, Chairman of the Atlantic local, gave a short, forceful speech on the duties of the members and the

unfavorable conditions to be tackled.

Governor Navas spoke on the importance of unity and on the favorable effects that better working standards on the Canal Zone would have on Panama.

Len Goldsmith then gave an inspiring picture of the accomplishments of the CIO and explained how the Canal Zone workers would be benefited by affiliation with such a powerful organization.

He climaxed his gripping talk with a call for a vote for affiliation or nonaffiliation with the CIO. The two thousand workers present voted unanimously for immediate affiliation with the CIO.

#### PROGRAM

1. Remarks: Master of Ceremonies.
2. Installation of Officers.
3. Reading of first minutes.
4. Address, President of the Atlantic Chapter, C.Z.W.U. brother Guillermo Rojas.
5. Address, Don Victor Navas.
6. Address, President of the Pacific Chapter, C.Z.W.U. brother Francisco Arauz.
7. Address, Brother Hugh Adams.
8. Address C.I.O. Representative.

### Was received by special delegation at Albrook Field Air Port Terminal

Len Goldsmith, International Director of Education of the CIO United Public Workers of America, made history when he stepped from a Pan American Clipper and landed on the soil of Panama to aid the Canal workers in their struggle for security and fair treatment.

Backed by the full support of the powerful CIO movement and the voting strength of six millions C.I.O. members, Canal Zone workers are looking forward to a new day in labor relations as a result of Goldsmith's arrival to discuss CIO affiliation and the CIO program for higher wages and job security.

This is the first time that a representative from the States has arrived here to investigate the deplorable conditions of our workers and at the same time pledging to aid and assist us in improving our lot.

Goldsmith is the representative of the United Public Workers of America, a CIO affiliate, that has collective bargaining relations with almost every U. S. Government Department including Hawaii.

He was met at the airport by a large delegation of workers headed by union President Francisco Arauz, who greeted

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RUTH GARDNER  
of La Boca.



whose beautiful voice led the singing of the National Anthem at the July 4th Union rally.

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### PERFECT TIMING

The Star & Herald, Dean of the local journalism, the most powerful, the wealthiest of them all, the most capable and adequately staffed on these shores, has begun training her guns on the struggle for life of the Canal Zone so-called silver workers.

It is simple a matter of the lion, by way of power pouncing on the mouse. We are referring to the subtle beginning disguised in its official name "Star & Herald Survey", to prey on the unprecedented thousands of workers awakened to their appalling condition and are joining hands, hearts and pockets—regardless of the language they speak, regardless of the shade of their skins—in a com-

mon struggle, long overdue.

The Star & Herald Chiefs of Staff, at this time, refrained from using the usual communistic approach but established a beach—head by using Governor Mehaffey's administration two-year beneficial measures as a landing craft.

While we will endeavor not to give just cause to be accused of being ungrateful of these recognized benefits derived thru the benevolence of the present Canal Administration; we will also firmly state, to the four winds of earth, that no longer will the so-called Silver worker wait for the benevolent morsel from the master's table.

We are unswerving believers  
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### Greetings to Workers

Len Goldsmith

I am happy to be here in Panama and to bring you the greetings and support of the six million members of the CIO who are becoming increasingly aware of the intolerable conditions that the Canal Zone workers work and live under.

We, of the C. I. O. in the past, also faced similar conditions but we found the way to overcome them.

We organized!

With the coming of the union we found that we were able to improve our wages, win better conditions and begin to work as free men with the dignity that free men have.

It was not easy. There were many heartaches and headaches on the road to victory but we were not discouraged and when we won we found that the fight was worth while.

Your fight will be easier for the ground has already been broken and the road ahead is clear.

It will take hard work and some sacrifices but cheap victories are not worth their winning.

Our union, of which you will soon be a part is based upon the concept of the brotherhood of man.

We believe—

That "all men are created equal" and that every man must be given equal opportunity to earn a decent living and to raise his children in decency and dignity.

We believe—

That it is the duty of the United States Government to see that the principles upon which the United States was founded are carried out.

We believe—

That there is no room for Bilboism or discrimination in a democratic world.

The CIO United Public Workers has waged a strong fight for these principles and we will wage a strong fight to extend them to the Panama Canal Zone.

Our union does not believe in strikes against the government of the United States and we have won many wage increases and improved conditions without strikes or the threat of strikes.

We win our victories through the strength of our organization.

You too will win because of strength of your organization and the unity of your members.

We have made a great start. To complete the job we must now organize every remaining canal zone worker into our union so that there will be no division but only strength.

In conclusion, I want to pledge to you the full support of the six million CIO members, all of them voters, who are determined that the United States Government must become the model employer.

This is our goal. With the help and cooperation of all we cannot fail.

On to victory!

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## EDITORIAL

Len Goldsmith, International Representative of the C.I.O. and of the United Public Workers of America arrived at the Albrook Field Air terminal on Saturday, July 13th.

For the first time in the history of the Republic of Panama an International Representative has been sent to investigate the situation in the Canal Zone in regards to the so-called silver worker and to organize them for their struggle to better the economic and social conditions in which they now find themselves.

Ever since the birth of the Panama Canal, the sector of employees designated as "silver employees" have faced the discriminations handed down by the less democratic sector of Americans residing on the Canal Zone.

We were forced to cede to the ill treatment, not because we were satisfied, but because there was no visible means in the past of putting up a defence against this despotism without the loss of a job.

Today, after the struggles and the victories of the various Trade Unions in the United States, a ray of hope has been instilled in the minds of the workers in the Canal Zone. This is one of the things that led to the birth of the Canal Zone Workers Union.

At last we have decided to come together in a solid bloc to combat the evils that have kept us down, mentally, socially, physically, and economically.

It is now two and one half months or more since the founding of the Canal Zone Workers Union. Ever since the foundation of the Union we have been advertizing the arrival of a representative from the United Public Workers Union—C.I.O. Now this is a reality, He is here to help us organize the unorganized.

He has manifested his surprise at the growth of our Union and is deeply impressed by the full cooperation shown by the members he has met.

He has given us some of the important pointers in regard to trade unionism and the requirements necessary for the amalgamation of the Canal Zone Workers Union into the United Public Workers of America, C.I.O.

Now the skeptics are out on a limb because they are the ones who started the unpleasant rumors concerning the coming of a C.I.O. representative. Now he is here and this is where our battles really begin.

## Waterfront Activities

By Pulpo

The C. Z. W. U. has taken Pier 18, Balboa by storm. Workers, who heretofore had pessimistically predicted that our movement will be an ignominious failure, are today, members. This augurs well for the future. Certain members of another well known organization have told this writer, that it is only a matter of time before all of us will be merged as one. All this has come about through the unprecedented success of our initial rally staged on the 4th of July last. It is now up to us of the UNION to redouble our efforts. The fight has just begun. Let us all get into the thick of the fray. Let us UNITE: Join the UNION NOW. Support your UNION; not only by attending meetings, but also, by buying and reading your paper.

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## TAKE TIME

Take time to work—it is the price of success.  
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Take time to read—it is the foundation of wisdom.  
Take time to be friendly—it is the road to happiness.  
Take time to dream—it is hitching your wagon to a star.  
Take time to love and be loved—It is the privilege of the gods.  
Take time to look around—it is too short a day to be selfish.  
Take time to laugh—it is the music of the soul.

—Old Irish Proverbs.

## STANDARD ON CANAL ZONE

By BERLE J. McGRATH

Since the benning of World War II the heads of the various divisions in the Canal Zone have been requesting the so-called "Silver" employees not to engage in any subversive activities against the United States Government. The "Silver" employees that are members of a labor union are also contrained not to strike during the period of their employment with agencies of the United States Federal Government.

It is generally well understood that a limitation upon the "right to strike" is imposed on employees engaged in public utilities, public service and government projects, for stoppage of work would be detrimental to public welfare and maintenance of government.

It is known to be a fact that circumstances over which the large masses of "Silver" workers have no control determine their wages, their hours of work or not. It may be said that the so-called "Silver" employees and the so-called "Gold" employers are equal before the law, but the inequality of their bargaining power in arranging conditions of employment is obvious. It is a "forced sale" in with the "Gold" employers gain not only power over the "Silver" employees' working conditions, but power over their wages on which their future fortunes depend as well as over their safety and their very lives. A power, moreover, which they did not purchase. As stated by Lord Northington, quoted by Pound ("Liberty of Contract" in Yale Law Journal, Vol. XVIII, p 471) "Necessitous men are not, truly speaking, free men, but to answer a present exigency, will submit to any terms which the crafty may impose upon them."

It is therefore quite clear that there is a presing need for organization among the "Silver" workers and any restrictions would be contrary to their general welfare and an infringement upon their democratic rights.

## A Man's Real Test

Never in the history of our occupation has the resonance of the clarion call to every alien worker across the border been more needed than at the present time. Like a quarry scoured to his dungeon, the fate of the alien worker seemed signed and sealed, but there has been a grand awakening to discover the failure of our democratic ideals that all men are born equal and free to follow the pursuit of happiness.

The misrepresentation of the facts of life has at last found its outlet in the competitive system of our modern civilization, but is even more pronounced in our very midst. The open assault of the enemies of our civilization and their covert designs are so

## SPADES

By ace high

Quotings from Webster's Dictionary: "Spade, 1) A digging implement heavier than a shovel and adapted for being pushed into the ground etc.. to call a spade a spade, to call a thing its right name however coarse: to tell plain facts in plain words."

We have been reliably informed that the staff members of the Star & Herald" were angered by some statement that appeared in this column in our last issue. That statement was, "The Star & Herald 'jim-crowed' our initial effort in the ill-conceived —'Color-ed Community News' section." We still feel that we were "jim - crowed". Why wasn't a reporter assigned to cover the July 4th rally of our Union at the National Gymnasium, like they most certainly would have done had the meeting taken place on the other side of 4th of July Ave. for the purpose of retaining the differential? We know of instances when the "Star & Herald" waged editorial battles with other publications. Did that make enemies of these papers or did the owners and writers continue to sip cocktails together? While we neither intend nor expect to be the drinking companions of the editorial staff of the of the "Star & Herald", we see no reason for enmity between us. Thirteen years ago during the negotiations of the Arias-Roosevelt Treaty, it was with great admiration that we used to read the daily editorials in the "Star & Herald". Today, however, this is a very disgusting experience. A contributor to the "Mail - Box" of the "Panama-American" wrote recently that twenty-five years ago, the "Star-Herald" was much more of a newspaper than it is today. The editorial in the July 13th issue, confirm this. An editorial so filled with incorrect statements bent on deceiving, apparently in defense of the disgraceful "silver & gold roll" division of human beings, is just shameful.

A survey was conducted to prove that the lot of the so-called 'Silver' worker has improved during the last two years. The thousands of men and women

earning sub-standard wages which don't meet their barest necessities could not believe their eyes when they read this.

The agitators in the cities of the Republic probably includes President Jimenez, Governor Navas of Colon — not bad company for the others... Governor Mehaffey has shown evidences of being mindful of the so-called "Silver" worker, but they, like other workers, must be mindful of themselves. No one is agitating against the Governor, we are organizing that's all. In Panama vacations are due after the eleventh month of service. Does the editor of the "Star & Herald" know when a "silver" man gets his first rest leave? It is nice to work 40 hours-5 days a week but you must eat 7 days you know, 40 times 11 c. or 15 c. or even 28 c. doesn't go so far... About being "...lucky enough to be assigned quarters", they would prefer having luck with the National Lottery.. Workers in Panama are assuring their old-age pension through a Social Security tax. Zone "Silver" workers sometimes get \$5 cash relief because they might possess an odd chair or radio from Sears Roebuck & Co. May the Governor and his staff continue to help, but the workers must continue to help themselves by organizing because in the final analysis, God helps him who helps himself... So the workers are to continue sitting down waiting for "due course of time" because Government actions require time to cristallize into realities? Well in the 42 years of Canal history, there has been a lot of "cristallizing" but sad to say the crystals were always lined with gold, very little silver lining. They have and will continue to seek assistance from "elements not directly associated with life and work on the Canal Zone". The reason for this is so obvious that we wonder what type of mentality conceived such criticism.

For instance we know of no sympathetic congressman, sympathetic newspaperman or even professional labor organizer working on the "silver roll" of the Canal Zone.

marked and so poignant, but like the resilience of a rubber ball, we have been able to withstand the ravages of time — crushed almost into eternity to emerge again, enriched by our own failures, to behold the shafts of malice and prejudice recoiling with contempt by those who would level them.

In the philosophy of life we are reminded that the goal for which we are striving is not

found in possession nor in the material things of life, but in the desire to serve and aid others, to assist those in need, rather than to prejudice or adopt discriminatory practices by endeavoring to establish that some groups are superior to other groups yet seeking to minimize the conditions that would yield pecuniary benefits to the allegedly inferior groups by means of exploitation and other ar-

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# S P O R T S

## OLYMPIC HOPES

Panama ready for coming olympics

The pulse of the national athletic life has quickened with the announcement of the holding of the Central American Olympics in Colombia in December of this year.

Panama will have a very strong track and field team that should win many honors and break at least six of the Central American records. Outstanding among the athletes are:

**CLAYTON CLARKE...** Ace sprinter of Aston Parchment's Club Mercurio. Best Panamanian sprinter since the immortal Reggie Beckford. Personal records of 10.3 for the 100 meters, 9.5 for the hundred yards, and 21.3 for the 200 meters around a turn... Stylish.

**ST. CLAIR BROWN...** No. 2 man on sprint team. Fast breaker. Consistent at 10.5 in 100 meters. Should be vastly improved by December. A Mercurian.

**LUIS WELCH...** A brilliant rookie. Has shown remarkable improvement. First year of big time competition. Mercurian.

**CIRILO MCSWEEN.** Champion quarter-miler. Is sure to break existing Central American record. Young, popular, powerful.

**ERIC FERGURSON...** Gold Coast quarter-miler. Great threat to all if consistent in training. Wonderful prospect. From Atlantic Athletic Club.

**REGINALDO MATTHEWS...** Big, strong, fast. Best hope of Panama in the pentathlon. Good quarter-miler and hurdler.

**DAVID BENSKIN..** National half-and one-mile champion. In a class by himself

locally. Captain of Club Mercurio. Hard-working, inspiring leader, reliable. A swell guy.

**LUIS RICKETTS...** Runner-up to Benskin. Gold Coast idol. Somewhat inconsistent.

**FRANK PRINCE...** Of Club Commandos. Rookie of the season. Fast, courageous, hard-working. A definite threat to all.

**MITCHELL CLOVIS...** National high jump champion. This Mercurian in his own lazy way is still the favorite to win out in the big classic in December.

**AMY FOSTER...** Brilliant record-holder of Mercurio. Needs no introduction. Favorite in the Olympics.

**JUDITH CABALLERO....** The powerful discus and javelin thrower of Panama. A wonderful all-round athlete.

**CARMEN WORRELL . . .** Atlantic Athletic Club hope. No. 2 runner of Panama. Fast but not consistent.

**MILDRED BANNISTER...** Mercurian speedster. The baby of the group. Fast on the heels of Amy Foster.

**RUTH TROTMAN...** Former national champion, Staging a brilliant comeback. May be the surprise package in December.

**SILVIA FORDE...** Velaco's contribution to a powerful team. Record holder in high jump. Promising sprinter. Fine all-rounder.

**JOSE FRENCH. . .** Still the massive monarch of the discus shot, and javelin throwers. Director of Club Urco. Sunshiney disposition.

**JENNINGS BLACKKEET . . .** Former sprint champion. New broad jump ace. Still keeps up with the best for the first forty yards. Mercurian.

### A MAN'S REAL . . .

tifice without the least compunction or remorse.

This will now find silent opposition in the CZMU. The best we can do, however, is to be patient under all suffering and be rational human beings provided we are not discouraged by the magnitude of the undertaking. Man has been placed on his own resources and so must live by faith.

Each act must be an act of faith. That faith that removes mountains and performs miracle, guiding us not on the borderland of dreams and failures forever but forever on the borderland of the future and the realization that our efforts will be rewarded.

A man's real test of ability is to live wisely, to make life worth while, and to be in a position to provide the precious things of life to satisfy the needs of his family and himself.

Life should not be merely endurable but enjoyable. The deeper this feeling is imbedded in our hearts and minds, the more certain will be the results.

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## THE LOOKOUT

Bouquets to **GEORGE GREENE**, Superintendent of the Mechanical Engineering Division, who at a committee meeting of his "silver" employees promised to exert every effort to better the lot of his "silver" workers.

Superintendent Greene has stepped up to the plate to bat. Will he drive in all the runs on base or will he go swinging for a strike-out? We hope that in a few months we can report that his promises have borne fruit.

—:o:—

### CIO IS HERE . . .

Goldsmith while the crowd cheered.

In response, Golmith pledged that the CIO would support the Canal Zone workers and urged that the only real solution to the problems of the workers was strong organization that will unify them around a program for the common good.

He brought greetings to the people of the Zone from CIO President Philip Murray and from Abram Flaxer, International President of the United Public Workers of America, CIO.

A few hours after his arrival, Golsmith met with the officers and Executive Board members of the Canal Zone Workers Union where CIO affiliation and organizational details were discussed.

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We must do this to survive.  
Let us battle for the main things,  
That will make us live aright  
With our courage, brawn and purpose  
Organize and join the fight.  
We seek not social equality  
Nor an opportunity to share,  
In our brothers golden haven  
Or their other treasures rare.  
All we ask is to be able,  
Comfortably here to live;  
Getting what is justly due us  
And that's what they will not give.  
Men of gold and men of silver,  
Are now echoes of the past,  
"Down with them is now the slogan"  
Since our future hopes are cast.  
Hail! to our benefactors.  
Whose grit will see us through  
We'll all unite to fight for right  
There's nothing else to do.

By Elvira Downes.

Why not a post office in Silver City and another at La Boca? The populations of these two towns warrant such facilities.

—:o:—

Gyms in small towns, gyms in middle-sized towns, gyms here and there, but not a gymnasium in the largest two "silver" towns, Silver City and La Boca. When? Oh, when?

—:o:—

"Water, water, everywhere,

but not a decent hole in which to swim," may well be the chant of the "silver" workers. What about the two-year-old plans for the building of a road to the Hideaway Beach?

—:o:—

What about the widening of Martinique Street in La Boca? This is the main artery of traffic to and from the commissary.

(Send in your recommendations to THE LOOKOUT)

### PERFECT TIMING . . .

of the 170-year old tried and true fact that, Americans, true Americans, believe and practice, that the nation was founded, that the nation has and will continue to prosper (God willing) on these self-evident truths, "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that amongst these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

To acquire these said UNALIENABLE RIGHTS, that for 42 years of Canal History, have been denied us by despots we are now mobilizing and coordinating our vast and untill yesterday impotent potentialities for the struggle.

Lest our strategy be misunderstood by those who are wishing to brand us subversive, let it be here stated what our armaments shall be:

1. The promised assistance of many liebral Americans (official and private)
2. Enlistment of the services of a liberal press (local if any and abroad).
3. The radio, here and abroad.
4. The spoken word.

Our cause is a just one, we have no unreasonable or stupid plans or ambitions, but the ignominious division of the human being into first and second class people by the gold and silver roll system without any just reasons but vicious racial discriminations, is now due for a change.

Let not the abolition of the gold and silver roll system and its collateral evils be misconstrued to mean that in exerting these rights, we are planning to encroach on the freedom and liberty of others of choosing thier friends and their social activities etc.

What we do advocate is an actual economic liberation by means of a reasonable liveable wage as a base, and that the present social caste system should not be so freely and openly maintained and protected by the public funds of a nation whose Constitution forbids such anti-liberal practices.

There are numerous true Americans, many in official positions many in private life, who are assisting and have pledged to support this movement. We are laying a long-range multi-frontal attack and convinced as we are that justice must always triumph over injustice, that wrong shall not prevail over, right, with confidence and patience we are about to face our many, many foes.

Perfect timing with a survey intended to cloud the "silver minds" of the truth of his "silver lot" (not as men) should not achieve its subtle aims inducing you to loose interest in or not joining the Canal Zone Workers Union,

### Roddy Prince Receives Contract

Roddy Prince one of our local Baseball Kings has received and accepted a contract to take a Canal Zone All Star team to Costa Rica on September 12, 1946 according to a report received by one of our reporters.

It is understood that he will leave the Isthmus on the date mentioned accompanied by his selection and remain until October 2nd.

Mr. Thorbourne who is in charge of the venture has guaranteed passage and board for the 17 boys who will be selected.

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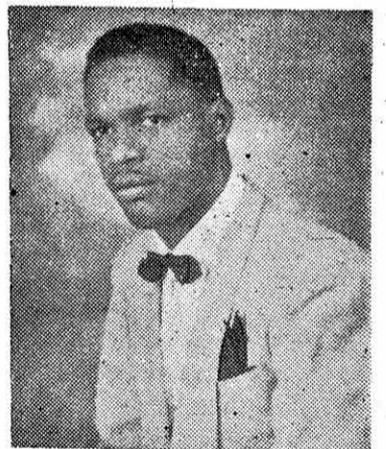
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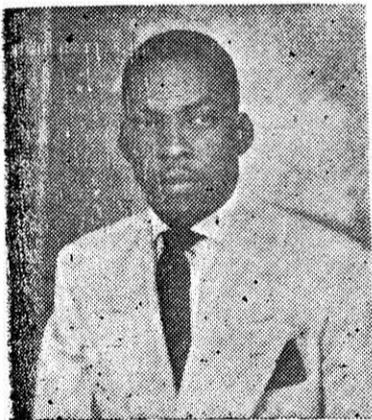
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Male Ensemble

"Guadalajara"

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—"Lamour, Tanjourns, Lamour"

Choral Group:

—"The World is Waiting for the Sunrise"

### THE HIT OF THE SEASON

# OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

Adopted Unanimously

June 27, 1946

Washington, D. C.

INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD

## UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS OF AMERICA, CIO

WHEREAS: The Congress of the United States has adopted riders to appropriation to several departments providing in part that "no part of any appropriation contained in this act shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who is a member of an organization of government employees that asserts the right to strike against the government of the United States \* \* \*."

Certain unofficial spokesmen for these riders, having ulterior purposes, have stated that these riders are directed against the United Public Workers of America (CIO). Such spokesmen are either wholly misinformed or deliberately do not speak the truth. In any event they are doomed to disappointment because these riders do not and cannot apply to the United Public Workers of America (CIO). This Union does not now, nor has it ever asserted the right to strike against the Government of the United States.

These riders are significant only because they are a blind thrust at our Union made in the desperate anti-labor spirit and reckless mood in which Congress had adopted anti-labor legislation directed against all organized labor. To the protagonists of these riders and of the other anti-labor proposals daily emanating from Congress, the merits of legislation of this kind are of little moment. Such legislation is proposed and pushed in order to create an atmosphere of anti-labor sentiment and to keep that atmosphere whipped up so that in the ensuing welter of confusion and alarm, labor may somehow be separated from its allies in the fight for better working conditions, progressive legislation and the advancement of democracy generally.

It is perfectly obvious to anyone who takes the trouble to read the Constitution of the United Public Workers of America (CIO), that this Union stands upon a policy of no strikes against the Government of the United States.

Section 2 of Article II of the International Constitution states: "IT SHALL NOT BE THE POLICY OF THIS ORGANIZATION TO ENGAGE IN STRIKES AS A MEANS OF ACHIEVING ITS OBJECTIVE." The International President of the Union who is empowered by the Constitution to interpret its clauses stated in an open letter on May 25th, "The position of the United Public Workers of America with respect to strikes against the federal government has always been perfectly clear. It is not our policy to engage in strikes against the government. This provision is contained in the preamble to our new Constitution. This provision has been in our Constitution for the past ten years and during that period there have been no strikes by our Union against the federal government".

The United Public Workers of America (CIO) has 346 locals whose membership does not comprise any employees of the government of the United States. As to them, the International Constitution specifically provides in Section 15 of Article VIII that no local union may resort to strike action without submitting such proposed action to the International President, and it is further stated that officers of a local union calling strikes in conflict with this provision may be suspended for such violation. This section does not pertain to locals of federal employees and such locals cannot have recourse to his section.

Were the proponents of these mischievous riders acting in good faith, it would not be necessary for the International Executive Board

even to consider this question of strikes. This Union has never struck against the Government of the United States. It has never threatened such a strike, never contemplated a strike against the Government of the United States.

It is obvious, however, that these riders are an attempt to persuade government employees not to affiliate with the United Public Workers of America. The riders are not at all concerned with preventing strikes in the government service. Their purpose has been baldly stated by the sponsors themselves as that of union busting.

False issues regarding the policies of this Union having thus been raised in this unscrupulous manner, the International Executive Board regards it as important to establish once and for all that these riders have no applicability to our Union, and to establish this in such a way that enemies of labor cannot possibly distort the facts or create confusion about this Union's policies for their own purposes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Executive Board of the United Public Workers of America (CIO) at a meeting duly held in Washington, D. C. on the 27th day of June, 1946, with a quorum present, unanimously adopts and endorses the interpretations of the Constitution made by the International President pursuant to the authority contained in Section 6 of Article VI of the Constitution, regarding the established policy of this Union opposing strikes against the Government of the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the International Executive Board which, between conventions is the supreme executive, legislative and judicial authority of the Union, as provided in Section 9 of Article V of the Constitution, hereby reiterates the no-strike policy of this Union and hereby adopts for its governance the law that there may not be and shall not be a strike against the Government of the United States; and in particular, for the administration of Section 15 of Article VIII of the Constitution, it is hereby ruled that said section does not apply and was never intended to apply to locals of federal employees and such locals may not and cannot have recourse to said section inasmuch as a strike against the Government of the United States would be in violation of the basic policy of this Union; accordingly, it is hereby provided that the International President shall not, under any circumstances, approve a strike against the Government of the United States by any local of this Union; and it is further provided that the calling of any such strike by the officials of any local of this Union shall be subject to the penalties provided in the Constitution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each and every local union comprising in its membership, employees of the Government of the United States whose By-Laws do not now specifically ban strikes against the Government of the United States, is hereby ordered, pursuant to Section 4 of Article VIII of this Constitution, to amend its By-Laws so as to make such provision and submit such amendment to this Board not later than sixty days from this date; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the International President shall send copies of this resolution to each and every local of this Union to be read at the next regular membership meeting of the local union.

THIS STATEMENT OF POLICY WAS ADOPTED TO ELIMINATE ANY CONFUSION THAT EXISTS AND TO CLARIFY ONCE AND FOR ALL THE POLICIES OF THE UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS OF AMERICA.

All members of the Union, all Government Employees and all Government Officials are hereby advised that the United Public Workers of America, CIO, does not assert and has never asserted that it has the right to strike against the Government of the United States of America.

ABRAM FLAXER, President

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