

DONNELLEY GUILTY OF UNFAIR LABOR PRACTICES

GIANT PRINTING HOUSE TOLD BY NLRB EXAMINER TO 'CEASE AND DESIST'

R. R. Donnelley & Sons Company is found guilty of unfair labor practices in the report of Trial Examiner William E. Spencer, who presided at the sixweek hearing on the NLRB complaint against the Chicago printing concern. In addition to a systematic and generalized warfare against the printing-trades unions, Donnelley is found to have discriminated specifically against Sam Gates, a union pressman, and Walter West, a foreman affiliated with the International Photo-Engravers Union.

The recommendations of the NLRB examiner provided for reinstatement and reimbursement of Gates and West, plus a posting of notices that the management will cease and desist from anti-union activity that hitherto has been carried on by foremen and other company representatives. Such notices are also to be mailed to every employee, including those in the armed forces. If the company fails to comply, the trial examiner recommends that the national board issue an order directing such compliance.

The examiner finds that Donnelley foremen, even though eligible for union membership, were acting for the company when they fought the unions and therefore are fully as accountable for their actions as the anti-union "top management."

The repressive measures of Donnelley's management have boomeranged on it and even before the decision was made in the NLRB case there was a strong organization inside the plant,

composed of chapels or shop units of the Typographical, Pressmen and Assistants, Bookbinders, Photo-Engravers, Lithographers and Machinists international unions. These craft groups have "emerged from the underground" and are functioning openly as the Council of Union Donnelley Employees, a central body working to unionize the whole Donnelley empire. Donnelley is printer for many of the most powerful industrialists in the world, including Luce of Time Inc., Joe Pew of Sun Oil, Wallace of Readers Digest, Queeny of Monsanto Chemical and Avery of Montgomery Ward. The plant also has corralled the printing of the American Bible Society and the Presbyterian Board of Christian Education.

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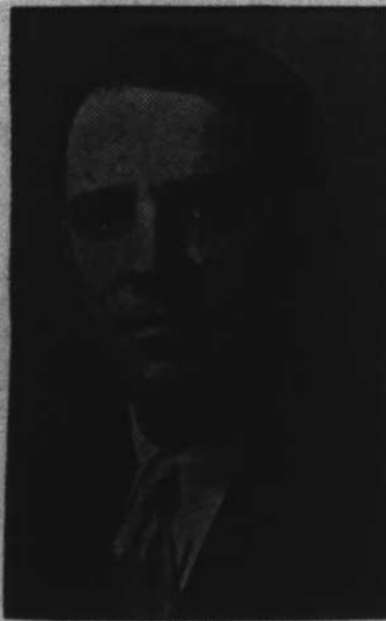
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