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## TYPOGRAPHICAL GROUP LAUNCHES PROJECT FOR VETS' HOMES

Members of the Chicago Typographical Union, No. 16 (AFL), have organized for purchase of 154 acres here as the site for a 1,500-unit residential development for veterans. It is a nonprofit organization and already the contracts for the project have been signed.

The land will be improved with 1,000 single family dwellings and several apartment buildings and group houses to contain 500 units, all of which will be individually owned. Business buildings will be owned and operated by the association, it was said.

The ultimate total cost of the big privately owned veterans' housing project is expected to exceed \$10,000,000, with an estimated eventual population of between 3,900 and 4,600. Ground is expected to be broken next spring.

The project is only semi-cooperative. The association will own and operate the project as a whole, but each member will own and hold title to his own home, which he will acquire from the association. Economies effected through mass buying of materials, architectural services, construction costs, and financing will be passed along to members of the association.

"One of the purposes of the association is to operate and maintain the community after the homes have been built," said Robert B. MacDonald, president. "Certain parts of the development, exclusive of the home sites, will remain the property of the association. These will include park and playground space, roads, utilities, shopping area, and other facilities.

"Each home owner will own a proportionate share of association property. The cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the community property will be met out of dues or, where necessary, assessments."

## GOOGE TELLS OF SOUTHERN GAINS

Tremendous gains scored by the American Federation of Labor in its drive to add 1,000,000 members in 12 Southern States within a year were reported to the AFL Convention meeting in Chicago by George L. Googe, director of the southern campaign.

Reviewing the drive up to this time, Mr. Googe told the convention that 614 new charters have been granted to local unions and more than 180,000 members have joined the ranks of the AFL.

The campaign, he said, has faced and is overcoming the traditional southern opposition to trade unionism, but despite difficulties placed in paths of organizers, more than 400,000 Negro workers have become union members.

"Our campaign is based on a distinct understanding," he told the cheering delegates, "that there will be no discrimination among workers based on race, color or creed. We in the South want for our workers just as high a pay scale as in any other part of our nation.

"We resent the type of misrepresentation made in Congress about our southern labor. More and more the tendency is spreading throughout the South to keep the reactionaries—the enemies of labor—at home, and to elect liberals who understand the problems faced by the workingman."

Mr. Googe told the delegates that the southern workers are up against three types of employers—the intelligent who recognize the value of cooperation with unions, those who will deal with unions only if they see no other recourse, and those who "under no circumstances will accept collective bargaining."

Mr. Googe recited in detail, State by State and city by city, the gains registered by the AFL unions throughout the South since the opening of the southern campaign. New contracts have been negotiated, wages have been increased and working conditions have been improved generally. He recited to the convention a long list of locals in scattered cities, covering every branch of the AFL, which have scored important gains.

## LABOR AND MANAGEMENT JOIN DRIVE FOR HIAS

Eight leaders of American Federation of Labor unions have united with management of the restaurant industry in New York to raise a \$30,000 fund for the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society. This fund will be used to help HIAS continue and expand its assistance to the thousands of displaced and homeless Jews who are seeking to emigrate and reconstruct their lives outside the borders of Europe.

Two years ago, the unions and management co-operated in a similar campaign on behalf of HIAS. Contributions amounted to \$20,000. This year, they have increased their goal 50 per cent. The drive will culminate in a dinner to be held in the latter part of November.

## UNION LABEL SHOW PLANS RADIO BROADCAST

Marking the opening of the AFL's big Union Label and Industrial Exhibition here Tuesday, October 29, a nationwide broadcast will be presented from 12 to 12:30 noon on the opening day over the facilities of the National Broadcasting Co. The show will be open through November 3.

Among the speakers will be Gov. Phil M. Donnelly of Missouri; Mayor A. P. Kaufmann of St. Louis; AFL President William Green, AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany, and I. M. Ornburn, director of the exhibition and Secretary-Treasurer of the AFL Union Label Trades Department. The union label exhibition is one of the most important events in the history of Labor.

### LIE INSISTS LABOR HAS VOICE IN WORLD PEACE

Montreal. — The International Labor Organization has the right to ask that the five major nations obtain an agreement as quickly as possible, Trygve Lie, Secretary General of the United Nations, told delegates to the ILO conference here.

American labor is represented at the conference by Robert J. Watt, of the American Federation of Labor.

With each of the "Big Five" holding the right of veto, Mr. Lie explained, the United Nations is powerless to act as referee between them. Agreement, therefore, is absolutely vital and imposes on each of the permanent members of the Security Council an obligation to seek it among themselves, he said.

Mr. Lie had praise for the work of the ILO, which is in process of becoming one of the affiliated organizations of the United Nations. In recent years, he said, the ILO had made a great contribution toward solving wartime labor problems of the free nations and in preparing for peace based on social justice and social security. In pursuing its objective as laid down in Article 55 of the United Nations Charter "to promote higher standards of living, full employment and conditions of economic progress and development," the United Nations will have to depend to a great extent on other bodies, and

in the ILO it has an organization of proved efficiency in which employers and workers as well as Governments are represented, he remarked.

Increased prices and the necessity of higher wages to keep pace with rising living costs "will be checked only by economic collapse" Edward J. Phelan, newly elected director of the International Labor Office, advised the delegates.

He warned particularly against "wage increases, arising from inflationary pressures, which are in effect agreements between employers and workers to increase their money incomes, the real effect of which will be wiped out by price increases, except to the extent that either party can gain by squeezing the receivers of fixed incomes and those who are too weakly organized to share fully in the general advance."

Phelan distinguished between this type of wage rise and "increases arising from increases in productivity and from agreed decisions to increase the share going to labor at the expense of the share going to profit."

"It is essential," he said, "both in equity and in order to maintain the level of demand necessary for full employment, that workers should share in increased productivity; the division of increased industrial returns is the proper subject of collective bargaining and wage determination."

### ARMY AND NAVY ADOPT STRICT ECONOMY RULES

Washington, D. C.—New economy moves by the Army and Navy, forced by recent Federal budgetary limitations, threaten wholesale dismissals of both official and civilian employees of both departments.

It was estimated the slashes in personnel may affect the jobs of some 85,000 Army officers and 40,000 Navy civilian employees—mostly shipyard workers. The Army announced regulations which may speed the discharge of half of its officers' corps of approximately 170,000.

The Navy, according to Rear Admiral Frederick G. Crisp, chief of industrial relations, will be forced to drop between 30,000 and 40,000 more civilian employees by the end of the year. It is setting up provisions to recognize seniority in certain cases.

### ION MOVEMENT AND TO THE CAUSE OF THE NEGRO

The convention also went on record against alliance with the World Federation of Trade Unions because of its acceptance of the Communist Trade Union Internationale.

Washington, D. C.—The U. S. Department of Agriculture claims that civilian food supply prospects for 1947 are as good as 1946 and estimates that the per capita consumption is 15 per cent higher than before the war.

### SLEEPING CAR PORTERS CONDEMN RED ACTIVITY

Chicago—A strong stand condemning the Communist Party was taken by the delegates to the biennial convention of Sleeping Car Porters (AFL) in session here.

The action came after AFL President William Green warned the porters that Red agents were out to exploit Negro workers in the belief that they were uneducated and could be led astray.

The Communist Party's program and practices, the porters' resolution declared, were in conflict with the interests of this country and were a threat to the trade union

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