

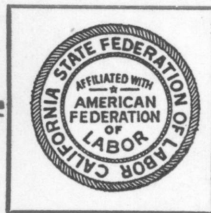
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TEAMSTER CONFERENCE OPENS IN LOS ANGELES

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--The 15th annual convention of the Western Conference of Teamsters opened this Monday in Los Angeles with 500 delegates in attendance for the six-day session.

Dave Beck, executive vice president of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and chairman of the Western Conference, called the convention to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Ambassador Hotel.

Conference guests included Daniel J. Tobin, General President, and John F. English, secretary-treasurer, of the Teamsters International. Both were scheduled to address the delegates.

The week's program called for general meetings of all delegates, trade division caucuses, and meetings of the Conference policy committee.

Primary purpose of the Conference is the planning of new organization efforts and solving of present organization problems.

Trade division meetings were scheduled for day and evening sessions through Friday. Plenary meetings were to open Friday afternoon for judgment of division proposals.

One of the chief items scheduled for discussion in all sessions was the Teamster Security Plan, which now covers more than 100,000 members and their families in the western states.

Government wage controls were also expected to draw heavy debate, together with the status of Teamster unions under Taft-Hartley enactment.

The Western Conference of Teamsters was founded in 1937.

AFL CHEMICAL WORKERS
SCORE LOS ANGELES VICTORY

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--AFL Chemical Workers scored a decisive election victory over CIO organizers at the Lever Brothers plant in Los Angeles, it was announced last week by the National Labor Relations Board.

The bargaining rights victory extends the AFL International Chemical Workers jurisdiction to five out of the six Lever Brother plants scattered across the nation.

Approximately 250 workers are employed at the Los Angeles plant. The AFL campaign was headed by the Chemical Workers International, and received strong support from the California State Federation of Labor, the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, and the Los Angeles Building and Construction Trades Council.

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LEADER OF AFL FIRE FIGHTERS
DIES IN OAKLAND

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--Battalion Chief Milton J. Terry, veteran AFL leader of Oakland firemen, died last Wednesday at the Oakland Veterans Hospital following a long illness.

A longtime vice-president of the AFL International Association of Fire Fighters, the deceased is survived by his widow, Nola Terry, and a son, Milton Owen Terry of Walnut Creek.

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California State Federation of Labor, conveyed the sympathy of the State AFL to the Terry family.

Masonic funeral services were held Friday in Oakland and interment followed at the Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno.

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130,000 AFL UNIONISTS IN CALIFORNIA
WIN WAGE GAINS IN JULY

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--Collective bargaining during July, 1951 brought wage gains, averaging around 8 cents an hour to 130,000 American Federation of Labor trade unionists in California.

While the number of workers covered is the highest this year, the amount gained shows the results of the national wage freeze.

Most of the unions negotiating this month had obtained increases during the summer of 1950, which had to be included in computing the amount available this year under the wage freeze.

Details below are from the labor press. Increases are in cents per hour, unless otherwise indicated.

Building Trades

Building Trades AND Permanente Metals Corp., Los Altos, Salinas and Moss Landing: 10 cents; 7/51.

Laborers No. 36 (plaster hod carriers), San Francisco, AND Master Plasterers Assn. of San Francisco: 5 cents; health and welfare plan and other gains; 8/1/51; 200 workers.

Laborers No. 371, Napa, AND Rock, San and Gravel Producers Assn. of No. California: 10 per cent; 7/51.

Lumber and Sawmill Workers No. 2931, Eureka, AND M & M Woodwork Co.: 15½ cents of which 7½ retro. to 3/1/51 and 8 cents retro. to 5/1/51; 7/51.

Millmen and Lumber Yard workers (5 locals), Los Angeles, AND employers: 9 cents, improved vacations, shift premiums, health and welfare plan; 7/1/51; 8000 workers.

Millmen, Stockton, AND Marley and Co.: 10 percent; 7/51.

Plasterer and Cement Finishers No. 66, San Francisco, AND Master Plasterers' Assn. of San Francisco: 12½ cents; 8/1/51; 300 workers.

Plumbers No. 38, San Francisco, AND pipefitting and plumbing industry: 12½ cents plus 7½ cents to health and welfare fund; vacation clause to be negotiated; 7/51; 1500 - 2000 workers.

Plumbers No. 342, Oakland, AND piping employers: 12½ cents plus 7½ cents to health and welfare fund; 7/1/51; 1250 workers.

Culinary Crafts

Culinary Joint Council, Alameda county, AND East Bay Restaurant Owners Association and Tavern Owners Assn.: 4 to 12½ cents; \$5.25/mo. health and welfare fund; 7/51; 8500 workers.

Culinary Workers No. 126, San Rafael, AND Marin Tavern Owners Assn.: 10% or 12½ cents; 7/51; about 700 workers.

Metal Trades

Metal trade unions, Bay Area, AND California Metal Trades Association: 6 cents; 7/51; 50,000 workers.

Metal trades unions, Bay Area, AND Navy and Military workers; 8 cents; 7/51; 45,000 workers.

Electrical Workers No. 48, Los Angeles, AND "Edison" and "Cal-Electric": 10 per cent or 16 cents, whichever is greater; retro. 3/7 and 3/29/51.

Electrical Workers No. 302, Richmond AND neon electrician employers: 12 cents; vacations; 7/51.

Engineers No. 39, Sacramento, AND laundry employers: \$15/mo.; 7/51.

Ironworkers Nos. 118, 155, 377, 378, Sacramento, Fresno, San Francisco and Oakland, AND Ironworkers Employers Assn.: 12½ cents; 7/1/51.

Machinists No. 540, Eureka, AND Humboldt County auto mechanic employers: 12½ cents; 8 pd. holidays; 7/1/51; 300 workers.

Sheet Metal Workers No. 104, San Francisco, AND Sheet Metal Contractors Assn. of San Francisco: 10 per cent; retro. 3/26/51; 1000 workers.

Sheet Metal Workers No. 108, Los Angeles, AND Sheet Metal Contractors Assn. of So. Calif.: 7½ cents (in addition to incr. earlier in year); 7/31/51.

Sheet Metal Workers, northern California, AND Northern California Sheet Metal Contractors Assn.: 8½ cents plus 6¼ cents to health and welfare; 7/51.

Teamsters

Teamsters No. 150, Sacramento, AND material dealers and dumptruck operators: 7½ cents; 1/7/51.

Teamsters No. 150, Sacramento, AND Diamond Match Co.: 5½ cents; 6/1/51.

Teamsters No. 315, Martinez, AND Contra Costa Furniture and Appliance Assn.: 10 per cent (less 6¼ cents granted 7/50); 7/51.

Garage and Service Station Employees No. 665, San Francisco, AND Safeway (parking lot attendants): 53 cents; 7/51.

Laundry Drivers No. 928, Los Angeles, AND employers: 5 cents; 7/51.

Other Trades

Bakers No. 453, Los Angeles AND Hebrew Master Bakers Assn.: \$1/day; retro. 5/1/51.

Building Service Employees No. 77, San Mateo, AND San Mateo Elementary and High School and So. San Francisco Unified School Districts: up to \$70/mo; 7/51.

Building Service Employees No. 77, San Jose, AND Bank of America and First National Bank of San Jose: 10 percent; 6/15/51.

Cement, Lime & Gypsum Workers No. 310, Santa Cruz, AND Pacific Limestone Products Co.: 12½ cents and other benefits; 7/51.

Department Store Employees No. 1265, Oakland, AND jewelry stores: \$4 to \$5/ week; 6/1/51; 65 workers.

Grain Millers, Vallejo, AND Jeffery's Mill and Warehouse Co.: 5 cents (voluntary); 7/51.

Jewelry Workers No. 36, San Francisco, AND employers: 22 cents; 7/1/51; 280-300 workers.

Ladies Garment Workers, Los Angeles, AND Smart Lady, Ontario: \$4.25 to \$6/ wk.: 5½% of payroll to health and welfare fund, other gains; 7/51; 65 workers.

Ladies Garment Workers, Los Angeles, AND Margory Modes, Los Angeles: \$3.00 to \$4.25; employer contribution to health and welfare fund, other gains; 7/51; 35 workers.

Office Workers No. 86, Vallejo, AND Permanente Hospital and Kaiser-Kabot Institute: 10 percent; health fund, retirement benefits, etc.; 7/51.

Printing Pressmen No. 125, Oakland, AND job employers: 13 cents; 1 ad. pd. holiday; 6/1/51; 427 workers.

Telegraphers, nationwide, AND Western Union: 13 cents; 7/1/51 and 4 cents, 9/1/51; 35,000 workers nationwide, 3000 in California.

Typographical Union No. 221, San Diego, AND job printers: \$5.25/ wk.; 7/51.

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STATE PREPARING 1951 REPORT
ON LABOR UNIONS

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.---C. J. Haggerty, executive head of the state AFL, this week urged all affiliated unions to cooperate with the State Department of Industrial Relations in answering the 1951 union labor questionnaire distributed by the Division of Labor Statistics and Research.

The questionnaire is mailed annually to all local unions in California. Replies are summarized and published in the official state report, Union Labor in California.

The report does not list the membership of any particular local, but serves as a valuable record of the number and the industry distribution of California's organized workers.

The report for 1950 covered such features as hours of work, severance pay, room and board allowance, and union membership statistics for California.

Completed questionnaire forms should be mailed to the Division of Labor Statistics and Research, Department of Industrial Relations, 965 Mission Street, San Francisco 3.

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