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Introduction

This photograph collection was generated by the *Labor Herald*, the official newspaper of the California CIO Industrial Union Council. The collection was donated to the Labor Archives and Research Center by Paul Chown in 1988. Mr. Chown, a longtime member and official of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America (UE) also served as the newspaper's last editor from January 1952 until the suspension of publication in May 1953. This collection was processed by Carol Cuenod, under the direction of Karen Lewis, January-February, 1992.

History

The building of the California CIO, beginning in the mid-1930s, was a period of tremendous union activity and organizing. The *Labor Herald*, published weekly, recorded CIO activity from 1937 to 1953. The paper began as a voice for the CIO in Northern California; in 1941, it extended its coverage to all of California. A Southern California edition and a Southern California editor was added in 1945. Unions made per capita payments to support the newspaper and this provided a subscription to each member. The California CIO, under such leaders as Harry Bridges and Philip Connelly, reflected progressive, left-wing leadership. The photo collection records its activities, especially during the 1940s, the World War II years and the tumultuous period after the war which saw bitter strikes and a major political battle against the Taft-Hartley Bill.

The California CIO and its support to the *Labor Herald* was severely cut back in 1949 when the CIO leveled charges of communist-dominated leadership against eleven national unions as well as the California CIO. In November 1949, these unions were expelled from the CIO. Their charters were lifted along with that of the California CIO. *The Labor Herald* continued publication with some support coming from those unions which survived the subsequent raids by AFL or newly-chartered CIO unions. After 1952, Harold Rossman, the paper's editor since 1941, departed and his position was filled on a voluntary basis by Paul Chown until the *Labor Herald* ceased publication in May 1953.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of 280 photographs covering the decades 1930s-1960s; the bulk is from the 1940s. It represents a visual record of the leaders, meetings, strikes, World War II activities, Labor Day parades, and anti-Taft-Hartley demonstrations of major CIO unions in California.

The collection is divided into two series: 1) portraits of individuals or small groups of individuals, arranged alphabetically by the key figure of the photograph (others are cross-referenced), and 2) subjects, according to subject headings determined by the archivist.

There are 144 photographs of CIO leaders and a few legislators supported by these unions such as Culbert Olson and Helen Gahagan Douglas. Among the 136 photographs arranged by subject, two events are well documented: the UE strike at US Motors, Los Angeles, 1946, with nine photos by Otto Rothschild; 24 photographs of the Labor Day Parade, San Francisco Civic Center Plaza, 1947, with floats and banners stating an anti-Taft Hartley Bill theme.

Most of the images are 8 x 10 glossy prints; many are marked with red pencil used by newspaper editors. There are 27 folders: 10 for individuals, 17 for subjects. All the photographs are housed in one document box.

This guide includes a folder-by-folder listing, enhanced by descriptive entries. There are also identified individuals from the photographs in the subject folders which are listed alphabetically and cross-referenced to the subject folder.

Addes, George Folder 11: UAW

Addiego, Frank Folder 11: UAW

Bell, Lily Folder 26: WOMEN

Bingham, Brad Folder 14: UE

Brant, Carl (?) Folder 14: UE

Bridges, Harry Folder 18: MARITIME Folder 12: CALIF. CIO

Eugene Burke Folder 18: MARITIME

Cayton, Revels Folder 26: WOMEN

Connelly, Philip Folder 12: CALIF. CIO

Fagerhaugh, Ole Folder 12: CALIF. CIO

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Frankenstein, Richard Folder 11: UAW

Gillespie, William Folder 11: UAW
Goldmann, William Folder 11: UAW
Govea, J. G. Folder 11: UAW
Halling, Bjorne Folder 12: CALIF. CIO
Heide, Ruby Folder 12: CALIF. CIO
Horne, Lena Folder 26: WOMEN
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Miranda, Fred Folder 11: UAW
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Pinsky, Paul Folder 12: CALIF. CIO
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Quintell, Fred Folder 11: UAW
Roberts, Holland Folder 22: PARADES--LABOR DAY 1947
Robertson, J. R. "Bob" Folder 12: CALIF. CIO
Roesch, Paul Folder 11: UAW
Schmidt, Henry Folder 18: MARITIME
Schnur, Paul Folder 12: CALIF. CIO
Seguri, Rose Folder 26: WOMEN
Sentna, Bill Folder 14: UE
Stewart, Tom Folder 11: UAW
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Allen, Assemblyman Charles O.
Atkinson, Florence
Baltrun, Sonia
Barilone (?), John
Barlow, Ed
see: Tandy, Frances (2)
see: Bridges, Harry
Berland, Samuel
Bettman, John (2)
see also: Heide, Paul
Broadhead, George
Brudney, Goodman
see also: Heide, Paul
Bryson, Hugh (3)
Bulcke, Germain
see also: Schnur, Paul
Burke, Eugene
see also: Bridges, Harry
see also: Subject Folder 18: Maritime Unions

Box-folder 1/2 **Bridges, Harry (17)**
see also: Murray, Phil,
see also: Subject Folder 18: Maritime Unions
see also: Subject Folder 12: California CIO

Box-folder 1/3 **Caldwell, Malcolm**
Campo, Arnold
Cayton, Revels
see also: Bridges Harry,
see also: Subject Folder 26: Women
Chambers, Joe "Red"
Chavez, Cesar
Clark, Robert (2)
Condon, Congressman Robert
Connelly, Philip M. (4)
see also: Bridges, Harry (2)
see also: Murray, Phil
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Conway, Jerry
see: Thimmes, Jim
Cooley, Roland
Crawford, Matt
see: Cayton, Revels
Curran, Joe
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Box-folder 1/4 **Daugherty, James**
Despol, John
Douglas, Congresswoman Helen Gahagan
Drum, Frank
see: Heide, Paul; Thimmes, Jim
Drury, James
see: Fox, Ernest
Eden, Phil
Edises, Bertram
see: Walker, Doris Brin

Ellis, Charles
see: Murray, Phil
Fagerhaugh, Ole
see also: Reynolds, Jack C.
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Fernandes, John
Foulkes, Louis
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Fox, Elsie
see: Fox, Ernest
Box-folder 1/5 Gahagan Douglas, Helen
see: Douglas, Helen Gahagan
Galliano, James J.
see: Reynolds, Jack C.
Gandsey, James M.
see: Shibley, George
Gillespie, Chris
Gladstein, Richard
Goldblatt, Louis (3)
see also: Bridges, Harry
Goldner, Sanford
Gonzales, Oscar
see: Chavez, Cesar
Grennard, Elinor
Griffin, Kitty (2)
see also: Heide, Paul
Halling, Bjerne
see also: Subject Folder 12: Calif. CIO
Hawkins, Congressman Gus
Hedley, David
see also: Schnur, Paul
Heide, Paul
see also: Reynolds, Jack C.
Heide, Ruby
see also: Heide Paul
see also: Schliff, Paul
see also: Subject Folder 12: Calif. CIO
Hendricks, Frank
see: Schnur, Paul
Herman, James
Hillman, Sidney
Howard, Kenneth W.
Jacobson, Nathan
see: Bryson, Hugh
Jenkins, Dave
see: Schnur, Paul
see also: Subject Folder 22: Parades, Labor Day
Box-folder 1/6 Kearns, Arthur
Kenny, Attorney-General Robert
Killovan, Pat
see: Murray, Phil
Lawrence, Bill
Lewis, Richard
Lynden, Richard
see also: Subject Folder 18: Maritime Unions
see also: Subject Folder 12: Calif. CIO
MacFarland, Leslie
Marcotti, Jack

Martinson, Ole
see: Taylor, Senator Glenn

Mayhugh, Spencer, Jr.
see: Shibley, George

McCord, W. E.

McDonald, David J.

McGuire, Tom

McKenna, James

Michener, Lew
see also: Subject Folder 11: UAW

Michener, Mary

Miller, Congressman George
see: Polvorosh, Tony

Mitchell, John

Munier (?), O. A.
see: Bryson, Hugh

Murdock, Steve

Murray, Phil (6)
see also: Bridges, Harry (3)
see also: Thimmes, Jim

Box-folder 1/7

Nixon, Russ

Olson, Governor Culbert

Parker, Nick

Patterson, James E.
see: Shibley, George

Pinsky, Paul (2)
see also: Subject Folder 12: Calif. CIO

Polvorosh, Tony

Posner, Jerome (2)

Powers, Chase
see: Robinson, Reid
see also: Travis, Maurice

Rathborne, Mervyn (3)
see also: Thimmes, Jim

Reynolds, Jack (2)

Robinson, Reid (2)

Robson, Paul

Roger, Sidney
see: Schnur, Paul

Roosevelt, Congressman James

Philipps, Father Charles
see: Murray, Phil

Box-folder 1/8

San Jules, Jim
see also: Thimmes, Jim

Schliff, Paul

Schliff, Lilly
see: Schliff, Paul

Schmidt, Henry
see also: Subject Folder 18: Maritime Unions

Schnaittacher, Sylvain

Schnur, Paul (5)
see also: Subject Folder 12: Calif. CIO

Selly, Joseph
see: Tandy, Frances (2)

Silbey, George

Slaby, Frank (2)
see also: Heide, Ruby

Slade, Albee

Box-folder 1/9
Smith, Charles
Smith, James P.
Stofle, Emma
Stuyvelaar, Herman
Sturtevant, Roy
Tandy, Frances (2)
Taylor, Senator Glenn
Thimmes, James P. (4)
see also: Murray, Phil
see also: Subject Folder 12: Calif. CIO
see also: Subject Folder 25: Trade Unions -Gen'l.
Thomas, R. J.
see also: Subject Folder 11: UAW
Thomas, L. B.
see: Mitchell, John
Thompson, Frank
Travis, Maurice
see also: Robinson, Reid
Turner, Leo
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Van Curin (?), William
Vernon, E. H.
see: Reynolds, Jack C.
Walker, Doris Brin
Wallace, Vice-President Henry
Weakley, Ronald
West, Daniel A.
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Willard, Bert
see Murray, Phil
Williams, Claudia
see: Heide, Paul
Wilson, George
see: Rathborne, Mervyn
Wolff, George

SUBJECTS

- Box-folder 1/11 **AUTO WORKERS, UNITED (UAW):** UAW Texas delegates; Local 76 golf team; North American parade float, Otto Rothschild, photographer; Local 76 supporting welders' strike at Chevrolet 1941; demonstration with UAW banner; R. J. Thomas speaks at meeting, banners for Locals 406, 216, 809 displayed; Richard Frankenstein speaks to Regional War Policy conference, Los Angeles, 1942-43 (?); Local 76 on parade, Oakland.
- Box-folder 1/12 **CIO-CALIFORNIA:** CIO Convention, 4th Annual; delegates seated at table; a group of San Francisco delegates to CIO Convention, Portland, 1948; CIO canteen, World War II; Philip Connelly speaks to CIO leaders in Los Angeles; night photo of CIO Center, Los Angeles; Dave Jenkins speaks to meeting at CIO Building, San Francisco; Dick Lynden conducts CIO-PAC class at Asilomar, 1947.
- Box-folder 1/13 **DEMONSTRATIONS:** Seamen picket with NMU banner, San Francisco; anti-Taft-Hartley Bill meeting, outdoors; Phil Connelly speaks to crowd, Pershing Square, Los Angeles (?); San Francisco Civic Center meeting; pickets protesting Tenney Committee, Oakland, 1947; pickets, San Francisco, 1948.
- Box-folder 1/14 **ELECTRICAL, RADIO AND MACHINERY WORKERS OF AMERICA, UNITED (UE):** Membership meeting; General Cable workers; striker cooking; members on parade 1945; leafleting for GE strike 1951; Local 1412 Christmas party with Santa Claus; Westinghouse strike 1946; Westinghouse workers; Women's Auxiliary preparing parcels; Local 1421 meetings; membership meeting in Ontario ballpark; District 10 officers 1959; UE meeting, Otto Rothschild, photographer.
- Box-folder 1/15 **FISHERMEN:** Fishermen, Local 33 parade with banner, Otto Rothschild, photographer; San Pedro fishing fleet; fleet during festival.
- Box-folder 1/16 **FOOD, TOBACCO & AGRICULTURAL WORKERS (FTA):** Picketline in lockout at Libby, jurisdictional dispute with Teamsters; cannery workers picket, jurisdictional dispute with Teamsters.
- Box-folder 1/17 **HISTORICAL:** Bonus Army Riot, Washington, D.C., 1932; breadline, New York.
- Box-folder 1/18 **MARITIME UNIONS:** "Bloody Thursday" observances, San Pedro; Henry Schmidt. dinner speaker before banners for ILWU Local 6 and Maritime Federation of the Pacific Women's Auxiliary; Bridges, Curran, Burke and Selly in conversation; Maritime Federation of the Pacific charter for the Marine Cooks and Stewards, San Pedro, 1938; Joint Maritime Action Committee meeting, San Francisco Ferry Building 1948; Bridges with other ILWU leaders; seamen warking on deck in storm, Joe Rosenthal, photographer; seamen on parade holding "Maritime Unity" signs, Los Angeles, Otto Rothschild, photographer.
- Box-folder 1/19 **MOONEY MEMORIAL SERVICE:** Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, 1942.
- Box-folder 1/20 **OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS OF AMERICA, UNITED (UOPWA),** Local 225, Cutter Strike, 1947: Contract signing with union and employers; protest meeting before plant, mass picketing at Cutter.
- Box-folder 1/21 **PARADES:** ILA, San Francisco, 1936-37 (?); Newspapermen (?), San Francisco; United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing & Allied Workers of America (UCAPAWA), San Francisco, 1937-38 (?); CIO float, Los Angeles, 1946-47 (?); CIO Council/Honolulu Conservatory of Music float, Oakland, 1935; Women on parade, Oakland (?); ILWU Auxiliary and ILWU members, Oakland (?); band on parade; Local 10 float on Market Street, San Francisco; longshoremen on Market Street, San Francisco.
- Box-folder 1/22 **PARADES - LABOR DAY, SAN FRANCISCO CIVIC CENTER, 1947:** ILWU Local 10 float; ILWU Local 6 Drum Corps, warehousemen with Local 6 banner; San Francisco CIO Women's Auxiliary Council truck with anti-Taft-Hartley sign; California Labor School float; Marine Cooks & Stewards float with anti-Taft Hartley theme; Ship Scalars float with anti-Taft-Hartley theme; United Steel Workers float; United Office & Professional Workers of America float with anti-Taft-Hartley and "Third Party '48" signs; United Furniture Workers of America marching with banner; Marine Firemen (MFOW) float with anti-Taft-Hartley theme; Amalgamated Lithographers float; children watching parade from Lincoln's statue; "CIO Marches" sign before reviewing stand, City Hall.
- Box-folder 1/23 **STRIKES:** CIO Local 576 pickets at "Mr. Segal's" home; oil workers picket in strike against Union Oil, San Pedro harbor area (?); scab car in ditch; News Vendors picket at Examiner.
- Box-folder 1/24 **STRIKES - UE:** Mass picketing, Ontario; US Motors, Los Angeles 1946, Otto Rothschild, photographer; Local 1481 strike at Cadet 1964.
- Box-folder 1/25 **TRADE UNIONS:** Meeting of Steel Workers, James Thimmes in front row; officers and shop stewards, East Bay Machinists; photo of letter to Warehouse Unions Servicemen's Committee, World War II, from Pvt. Roy B. Gutsch, 1942.
- Box-folder 1/26 **WOMEN:** Women employees before Capital Mfg. Co./ Don Juan, many Hispanics; women packing boxes during World War II at California CIO office (?); Local 6 precinct worker speaking to woman at door (both Black); Rose Seguri shows document to women office workers; Ludmilla Poulitchenko, in uniform, speaks at mike; Lena Horne with Black cast of a musical; "Miss UE 1421."

UNIDENTIFIED

Box-folder 1/27

General