

Physicians Lobby Lauds Race-Hater's Attack On Health Insurance Plan

Washington (LPA)—The Nat'l Physicians Committee, lobbying front for the American Medical Ass'n, is using propaganda from a notorious race-hater, labor-baiting, anti-Semite, in the campaign to block health insurance legislation.

The newest tool of the medical lobby is Dan Gilbert, discredited super nationalist and erstwhile associate of William Dudley Pelley and Gerald Winrod. The Physicians Committee has sent to ministers and doctors through the US a four-page letter signed by Gilbert and printed under his letterhead spreading vicious lies about the health insurance legislation.

It begins "Dear Christian American," a term often used by the fascist-minded, and continues to lambast health insurance chiefly on the claim that it would endanger religious liberty in America. The national health insurance program recommended by President Truman and now before Congress in two bills, S. 5 and HR 783, has nothing to do with religious liberty.

Prize quote from the diatribe is Gilbert's statement that if health insurance is passed a few bureaucrats inevitable "would establish 'quotas' for the baby crop in the same way that the Agriculture Dept theorists set 'quotas' for farm production."

Gilbert urges "Christian believers everywhere to work and pray that our beloved land may be delivered from the blight of this monstrosity of Bolshevik Bureaucracy." The language is familiar to students of sedition. As disinterested observers have pointed out, the proposed health insurance program is merely an extension of the established American social security system.

The Physicians Committee labels this Dan Gilbert letter "one of the few really vital pronouncements of an age," and asks its correspondents first to absorb its meaning, then to discuss it with ministers and editors of local newspapers. It uses its endorsement by the American Medical Association's House of Delegates to ask for "zero hour contributions" over and above the \$25 which the AMA has assessed each of its members to fight health insurance.

Despite the fact that the Physicians Committee is registered as a lobby under the LaFollette-Monroney act, and last year reported expenses exceeding those of any other single lobby, it claims to be "a non-political, non-profit organization for maintaining ethical and scientific standards and extending medical service to all the people."

A year ago it baldly attempted to bribe the press into joining its attack on health insurance when it announced a contest for cartoonists. It offered them \$3,000 worth of prizes for the best published cartoon against "political distribution of health care services in the United States." This so-called contest was denounced by writers of all political complexions, as well as on the floor of the Senate.

The use of the Gilbert letter has figured in the campaign against the health insurance bill. Only a few months ago a vicious and unwarranted pamphlet appeared under the name of an author who claimed to be a reserve officer of



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Witnesses Ready To Testify On New Labor Bill

Washington (LPA)—The Senate Labor Committee has set up a stiff schedule for its morning, afternoon, and night hearings on the new labor bill this week. Here are the witnesses and the day each is scheduled right up to the last minute to complete hearings and be ready to present a finished bill for debate on the Senate floor:

Monday, Feb. 7, beginning at 9:30 am; William H. Davis, former War Labor Board chief; Glenn Gardiner, Forstmann Woolen Mills; Walter Muro, former Conciliation Service commissioner; Charles G. Nichols, National Retail Dry Goods Ass'n; Frank Hunt, of Manning, Maxwell & Moore Co.

Tuesday, Feb. 8; A. F. Whitney, president, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; Havery Brown, president, Int'l Association of Machinists; Henning W. Prentiss, Armstrong Cork Co.; Chester Irving, National Lumber Manufacturers Ass'n; George Tichy, Timber Products Manufacturers Ass'n; Henry V. Rabouin, Conway's Express; W. T. Gossett, Ford Motor Co.; Harry P. Jeffrey, Foremen's League for Education; Carl Brown and Herman W. Booth Jr., Foremen's Ass'n of America.

Wednesday, Feb. 9; Ira Mosher, Nat'l Association of Manufacturers; Herman W. Steinkraus, US Chamber of Commerce; Charles E. Wilson, General Electric Co.; E. Lawrence Chandler, Engineers Council; George B. Logan, independent; Arthur Padula, Fairmount Construction Co. of Newark, N.J.; George B. Christensen, independent; Paul St. Sure, independent.

Thursday, Feb. 10; William Green, American Federation of Labor; representatives of the United Mine Workers, the National Grange, the American Farm Bureau Federation, and the Nat'l Council of Farmer Cooperatives; James L. Donnelly, Illinois Manufacturers Ass'n; James W. Haley, National Coal Ass'n; Joseph E. Moody, Southern Coal Producers Ass'n.

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chips indirectly help to reduce juvenile delinquency."

The union is taking its chances on a crime wave and continuing to press for an investigation of the matter.

GET UNION HANDBOOK

Tokyo (LPA)—Japanese labor groups will now have reference to William Gomborg's "Labor Union Manual on Job Evaluation" since the release of a publication translation by the Labor College here.

Written by an ILGWU director, the manual is the first reference handbook written for unions describing job duties. It will be circulated among labor education classes and trade unions.

The United States Army attempting to make health insurance something of a Jewish plot fomented, of course, in Soviet Russia.

The revolt of the decent, rank and file doctors of America against the tone and level to which the battle against health insurance has sunk is rapidly spreading. Whether doctors approve of health insurance or not, they are disgusted at the Dan Gilbert letter, and at the manner in which the AMA's House of Delegates voted to assess each of its members to fight the President's Health Program without warning and without discussion of the matter with constituent bodies.

A group of prominent physicians has organized and given notice to the AMA that its members will not pay their assessments because of opposition to the Association's tactics. A letter to this effect was sent to the AMA, along with notice that if it was not printed within two weeks it would be made public.

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The members whose names appear in the above list of nominations are requested to use the following blank form in accepting any office for which they have been nominated and forward same to Charles Jordan, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 752, East Liverpool, Ohio, so as to arrive not later than February 19, 1949.

Candidates nominated for more than one office shall designate which office they desire to contest for. Candidates are permitted to contest for national office, also delegates to the American Federation of Labor Convention.

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Nearly Third of All Women Over 14 Found Working For Wages In 1947

Washington, D. C. (ILNS).—Women workers in 1947, exceeding the 16,000,000 mark, accounted for more than 27 percent of all workers and almost 30 percent of all women in the population, 14 years of age and over, the Women's Bureau of the U. S. Labor Department reports.

A new handbook on Facts on Women Workers also discloses that the place of one-fifth of the country's married women appears to be outside the home.

"In sharp contrast to the popularly envisioned picture of the 'average' family, consisting of father, mother and children, stands the fact that in 1946 over 6,500,000 families had a woman head," the handbook says.

In some 76 pages, the handbook tells how many women are employed; where they are working; the standards of their employment; the wages or salaries they make; the percentage they form of all workers; the number who are married, single, widowed or divorced, and the economic responsibilities they carry in relation to family and other dependents. Discussed also in detail are labor laws for women and laws that govern their political and other status.

Until 1900, women constituted less than 20 percent of all workers in the labor force, according to the report, based on census figures. Less than 20 percent of women worked for pay. But in 1947, latest year reported, women in the labor force numbered 16,323,000, constituted 27.6 percent of all workers, and 29.8 percent of all women of working age were drawing a pay envelope.

Analyzing the economic responsibilities of women workers, the bureau estimates that 84 of every 100 working women do so to support themselves and others.

A section of the handbook on

STILL SHOPPING FOR AFFILIATION

Washington (LPA) The question of affiliation with either AFL or CIO is still before the board of Communications Workers of America, the currently independent international union in the field.

A "fact finding board" which has discussed with both AFL and CIO officials the conditions under which CWA would be received into either national federation meets next week end, and will then present a report to CWA's board which opens a week-long meeting Feb. 2.

The 240,000 members of CWA will then vote in a referendum on recommendations of the board. A convention action outlined this procedure, and also stipulated the AFL, CIO and remaining independent should be on the ballot.

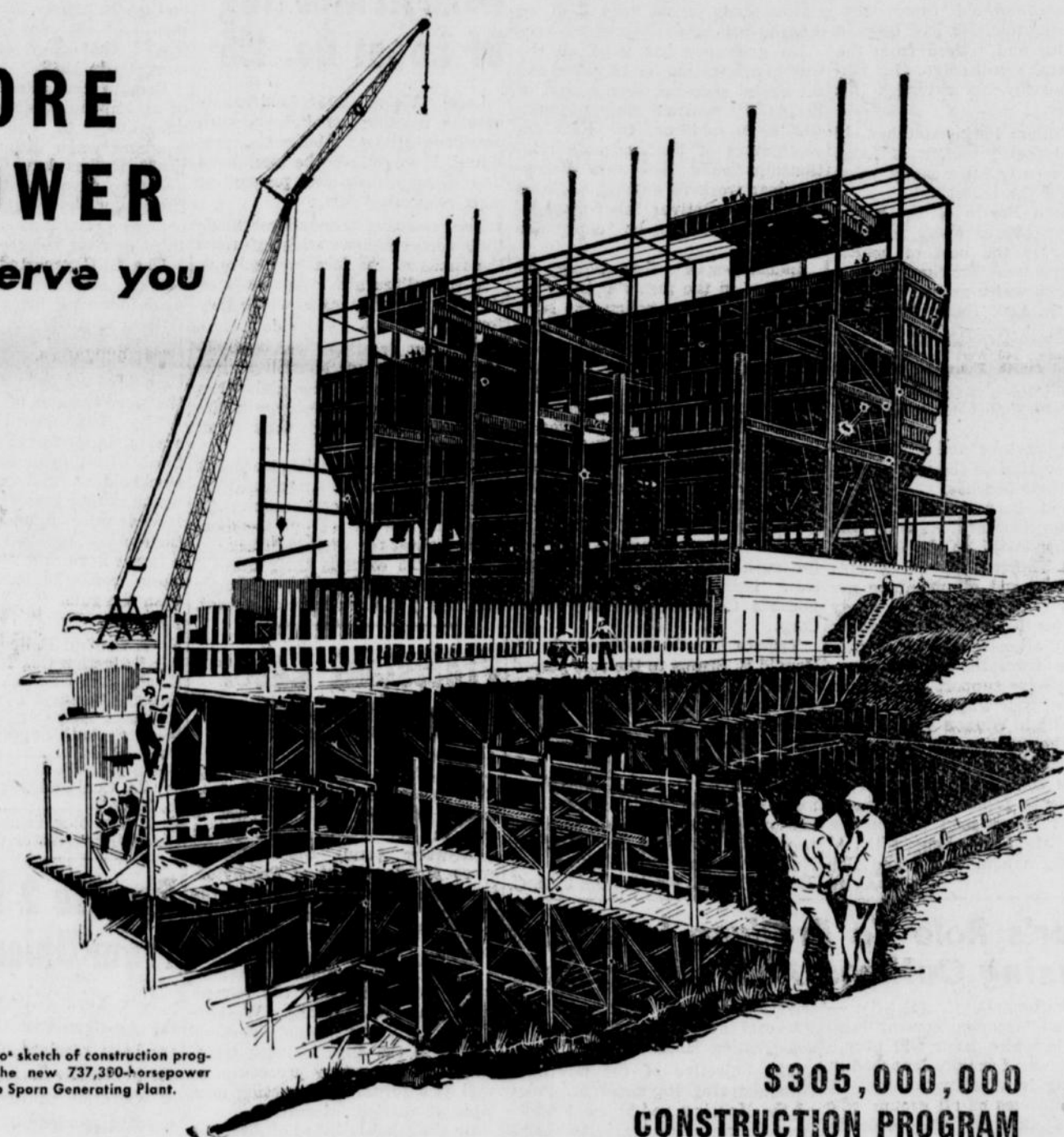
women's earnings shows that the 1946 median of all women working fulltime was \$1,671, and that only about one woman in 10 made as much as \$2,500 annually.

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