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U. S. SUPREME COURT GRANTS STATE FEDERATION REQUEST TO REVIEW GARMON CASE

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--The United States Supreme Court announced this week that it would grant a petition of the California State Federation of Labor to review the "Garmon vs. Building Trades" case in San Diego in which the State Supreme Court of California had voted 4-3 that a state court could enjoin alleged, illegal conduct by labor unions under federal law even though the practice was legal under state law.

The Garmon case arose out of a building trades dispute in San Diego County wherein the National Labor Relations Board refused to take federal jurisdiction, but the State Supreme Court nonetheless cited federal law against certain organizational and picketing rights of labor unions, despite the fact that these rights were legal under California law.

The California State Federation of Labor, represented legally by Chief Counsel Charles P. Scully, this January petitioned the Supreme Court to review the findings of the California Supreme Court in the Garmon case.

At its January meeting, the Executive Council of the State Federation instructed Chief Counsel Scully to take the required legal action in protecting the interests of labor and, if necessary, to take the case to the nation's highest court.

Joining with Scully in the successful petition for a U. S. Supreme Court review were labor attorneys Mathew Tobriner and Walter Wencke.

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STATE AFL POLITICAL LEAGUE
MAKES NEW ASSEMBLY ENDORSEMENT

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--Gordon H. Winton, Jr., Democratic candidate in the 31st Assembly District, was this week endorsed by the California Labor League for Political Education, it was announced by C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the state AFL political unit.

Winton's district embraces Merced and Madera Counties. Haggerty said the endorsement followed consultations between the CLLPE and the local AFL movement in Winton's territory.

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FRESNO LABOR OFFICIALS
WIN RETRACTION FROM GOP PAPER

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--Two Fresno labor officials last month threatened a \$150,000 defamation of character suit against a Republican newspaper for running a picture intending to show they attended the local GOP Lincoln Day dinner.

When the paper, the 12th District News, published a retraction, the suit was withdrawn.

A previous issue of the paper had printed a picture of Bill O'Rear, secretary of the Fresno Labor Council, and Lloyd Myers, business manager of the Fresno Building Trades, with former Governor Dan Thornton of Colorado. It was captioned, "Seen at the Lincoln Day Dinner."

Neither Myers nor O'Rear attended the dinner.

Fresno Labor Council delegates decided the caption implied support by O'Rear and Myers for Thornton and the present Administration, which is not the case. By unanimous vote a suit was authorized.

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STATE AFL POLITICAL LEAGUE
ISSUES ENDORSEMENT PAMPHLETS

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--One hundred thousand state AFL political endorsement pamphlets were last week mailed from San Francisco headquarters to affiliates throughout the state.

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California Labor League for Political Education, said the pamphlets were being shipped in response to order forms issued to affiliates two weeks ago.

Special endorsement pamphlets are being distributed in Alameda, Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco Counties. The pamphlets issued to affiliates in these four counties feature AFL-endorsed candidates for Congress and the State Assembly in the county jurisdiction.

General endorsement pamphlets listing all candidates for Congress, State Senate and State Assembly are being mailed to affiliates in other areas of the state.

Unions desiring additional pamphlet supplies should write immediately to CLLPE headquarters, 995 Market Street, San Francisco 3.

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HOLLYWOOD AFL FILM COUNCIL
ENDS BOYCOTT OF "DANIEL BOONE"

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--The Hollywood AFL Film Council has won its consumer boycott of the picture "Daniel Boone," it was announced this week by H. O'Neil Shanks, secretary of the film group.

Shanks said that as a result of the labor boycott of the film, the producer has signed new collective bargaining contracts with Hollywood unions and has pledged repudiation of "runaway" film production in foreign countries.

Shanks also said the producer had agreed that, in the event he deems it necessary to make a picture outside the United States,

he will first consult with Hollywood unions regarding taking American union production crews to the foreign location.

The Hollywood Film Council, composed of unions and guilds representing more than 24,000 employees in the motion picture industry, has officially ended its nationwide boycott against the picture "Daniel Boone." The disputed film was made in Mexico.

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UNIVERSITY LOOKS AT LIFE EXPECTANCY AND HEALTH OF BUSINESS AGENTS

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.-- Life expectancy of the average business agent was the topic of the University of California's seminar this Wednesday in Oakland.

The university's Institute of Industrial Relations presented Dr. Hardin B. Jones, Professor of Medical Physics and Physiology at Berkeley, in a discussion of the working habits of the average business agent, with particular reference to diet and the use of tobacco, alcohol and other stimulants.

Jones, who is also assistant director of the university's Donner Laboratory for medical research, outlined laboratory findings on the causes contributing to heart disease, vascular diseases and cancer. Jones also was to discuss means to be adopted by business agents to prevent or reduce the incidence of serious illness.

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ICFTU MAY DAY MANIFESTO SAYS FALL OF SOVIET DICTATORSHIP IS "ONLY A MATTER OF TIME"

(CFLNL) SAN FRANCISCO.--In its annual May Day declaration to the workers of the world, issued last week, the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions predicted that the fall of the Soviet dictatorship "is only a matter of time."

The AFL-CIO is an affiliate of the ICFTU which has spearheaded

ed the world trade union fight against international Communism.

"Already the dictators are on the retreat," said the statement. "In the face of growing popular opposition they have produced scapegoats from the grave: now it is Stalin and Beria who were responsible for the horrors of the forced labor camps. The Khrushchevs and the Bulganins are gods with feet of clay too. Their fall is only a matter of time."

The ICFTU pledged to pursue eight major goals:

(1) The pursuit of consistent and effective full employment policies;

(2) The improvement of wage levels and working conditions everywhere, and particularly in the economically underdeveloped countries, where they are still appallingly low;

(3) The shortening of hours of work, especially in industrial countries and also on plantations, where labor is severely exploited;

(4) The improvement of social security systems, or their introduction where they are non-existent;

(5) The strengthening of efforts on the national and international planes for the rapid economic and social advancement of the underdeveloped countries;

(6) Steady progress in dependent countries towards self-government and self-determination;

(7) The extension of political democracy into the economic and social fields, for it is not only in political relations between men, but also in their economic and social relations that liberty, equality and justice must be fully effective;

(8) Peace and general controlled disarmament, for only in a climate of peace and international understanding - which the dictators continue to obstruct - can the workers' objectives be fully attained.

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