

Smith, Dies Probes Out to Knife C.I.O., Haywood Charges

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DETROIT, Dec. 15.—Addressing the concluding session of the Second Biennial Convention of the United Retail and Wholesale Employees here yesterday, Allan S. Haywood, National Organization Director of the CIO denounced the Smith and Dies hearings at Washington as "the two committees that await anyone who wants to assassinate the CIO."

"That is why Homer Martin hastens to Washington at the bidding of his masters," he added, referring to the discredited leader of the A. F. of L.-chartered auto union who is scheduled to give a performance before the Smith committee investigating the Wagner Act.

Haywood told the convention which represents more than 40,000 organized retail clerks, that one of the foremost tasks of the entire CIO is to organize the Ford plants, the only major automobile producer who still operates open shop.

Haywood described how the CIO organized the automobile workers and how it drove out the disruptors and agents the employers.

"HOUSE OF LORDS"

"This union de-Homerized Homer Martin," he said, "and showed America that industrial unionism is the only form of organization that can defeat the huge corporations while at the same time granting the utmost democracy and development of CIO ideals that workers had ever hoped for."

Replying to the "House of Lords" as he called the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. who made claims that the United Automobile Workers is "disintegrating," Haywood referred to the long list of overwhelming plant election victories the union had in recent months.

F also directed attention to sky, President of the

International Ladies Garment Workers Union. Ever since he left the CIO, Dubinsky has been following the "avenue of disintegration," Haywood said. Dubinsky's program for labor peace, he said, would mean acceptance of "a Munich peace that the CIO would never accept."

Haywood said the only road to real peace is to advance the CIO's organization drive for a membership of 10,000,000 by 1944.

FORD IS NEXT

Haywood concluded with the warning that sinister forces are at work to destroy labor's hard-won gains and named Henry Ford as one of the main props for this movement against the workers.

The convention had earlier heard John Brophy, national CIO director of unaffiliated locals.

Resolutions adopted by the convention called for dissolution of the Dies Committee, defense of the Wagner and Wages and Hours Act, criticising attempts to amend them; declaring for strict neutrality by the United States and in defense of Civil Rights.

One of the debates of the convention centered around a point in Wolchok's report in which he favored a third term for Roosevelt. This point was sharply criticized by Delegate David Livingstone of Warehouse, Local 65 of New York, who pointed to the administration's drive to apply the Sherman Anti-Trust Act against labor, neglect of the critical relief situation that is now developing, and the greater emphasis put on armaments that upon social needs.

The report was passed only after a specification was added that the presidential candidate must represent the progressive social program that has been so often claimed for the New Deal and that the convention is not giving Roosevelt a "blank check."