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Lewis, John L. 1938-1940.
Murray, Philip. 1940-1952.
Reuther, Walter P. 1952-1955.

SECRETARY:

Carey, James B. 1938-1955.

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Haywood, Allan S. 1952-1953. Riffe, John V.
1953-1955.

VICE-PRESIDENTS:

Beirne, Joseph A. 1950-1955.
Buckmaster, L. S. 1947-1955.
Curran, Joseph. 1941-1954
Dalrymple, S. H. 1940-1945.
Fitzgerald, Albert J. 1943-1948.
Green, John. 1943-1950.
Haywood, Allan S. 1943-1951.
Hillman, Sidney. 1938-1939.
Knight, O. A. 1947-1955.
Matthews, Norman. 1947.
Mazey, Emil. 1948.
McDonald, David J. 1955.
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Reuther, Walter P. 1947-1952.
Rieve, Emil. 1940-1954
Robinson, Reid. 1940-1945.
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Thimmes, James G. 1952-1954.
Thomas, R. J. 1940-1947.

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Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians.
United Automobile, Aircraft, Agricultural Implement Workers
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Barber and Beauty Culturists Union of America.
International Union of United Brewery, Flour, Cereal, Soft Drink
and Distillery Workers of America.
National Association of Broadcast Employees and Technicians. Amalgamated Clothing
Workers of America.
American Communications Association.
Communications Workers of America.
United Construction Workers.
United Department Store Workers of America.
National Association of Die Casting Workers.
United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America.
United Farm Equipment and Metal Workers of America.
United Federal Workers of America.
International Union of Fishermen and Allied Workers of America.
Food, Tobacco, Agricultural and Allied "Workers Union of America. International Fur and
Leather Workers Union.
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United Gas, Coke and Chemical Workers.
Federation of Glass, Ceramic and Silica Sand Workers of America. Government and Civil
Employees Organizing Committee.
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Insurance Workers of America.
Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers. National Leather
'Workers Association.
Amalgamated Lithographers of America.
International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union.
Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding 'Workers of America. National Marine Cooks and
Stewards Association.
National Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association.
National Maritime Union of America.
International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter 'Workers of America. United Mine Workers of
America.
American Newspaper Guild
United Office and Professional Workers of America.
Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union
United Optical and Instrument 'Workers of America.
United Packinghouse Workers of America.
United Paperworkers of America.
Playthings, Jewelry and Novelty Workers International Union.
United Public Workers of America.
American Radio Association.
United Railroad Workers of America.
United Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Employees of
America.
United Rubber, Cork, Linoleum and Plastic Workers of America. United Shoe Workers of
America.

State, County and Municipal Workers of America.
United Steelworkers of America.
United Stone and Allied Products Workers of America.
Textile Workers Union of America.
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Transport Workers Union of America.
Utility Workers International Union.
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