At our last meeting the code hearing minutes from Washington were read. The person the Local paid $250 to represent it, did not say a word in our interest. Of course the B.S. was represented. They bragged about the wonderful conditions and high wages the San Francisco stewadores got?!

He stated the majority of the men on the S.F. Front were members of the B.S.

Sec. 19 of the shipowners' code contained a proposal for the setting up of a Nat. Industrial Relations Board, consisting of 2 men to represent labor, 2 for shipowners, & a fifth to be appointed by the Gov't. All decisions to be final and binding. We know that a favorable decision from such a board is impossible. "Pink-Hall" Fosiele, of Seattle, A.J. Peterson, of Portland, and Ryan all support this plan. The advisory Board of the Portland Convention endorsed this Board, and notified Ryan to that effect.

The WATERFRONT WORKER endorses the steps taken at the last local meeting to combat the moves of the representative at Washington, made without the consent of the members. These steps are that a rank and file convention is to be held in S.F., the middle of January, and the members must be particularly on guard to see that the official family does not disrupt, or take steps to hinder such a convention being held.

This Convention must take steps to solidify the Coast locals into one fighting, united group, to enable us to back up our demands of $1.00 per hour, $1.50 overtime, 6 hours a day, 30 hour week, and Union recognition.

We must not leave a loophole whereby any local can sign separate agreements.

In further proof that the rank and file convention must be held is shown by the reports of the committee that met with the a h p owners Thursday. The shipowners stated that they were satisfied with the B.S.—that the N.U.A. had recognized the B.S., and as for the I.L.A., well, the shipowners "more from Missouri".

We must notify Pres. Roosevelt, Gen. Hugh Johnson, George Croel, Senator Wagner, Administrator Davis, and Inter. Pres. Ryan that we retain the right to strike if our demands are not granted.

We further must demand from the same officials that Sec. 19 of the N.U.A. "the right of the workers to belong to a union of their own choice", be fully and rigidly enforced.

We must stick together on these issues. A RANK AND FILE CONVENTION FOR UNITY—FOR SOLIDARITY—FOR A UNIFIED FRONT!

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