The recent necessary strike on Piers 26-28 raises an important question which the Waterfront Worker thinks, must be clearly understood by all members of Local 38-79.

The issue is: Whether our union is committed to what the employers' agents accuse it of; namely, a policy of continual and unreasonable strikes, or whether we stand ready to use the methods of peaceful settlement of disputes that arise through the agencies already set up, provided the interest of our members are protected. This issue has been raised in a very vicious form by our enemies and other agents of the employers, some of whom no doubt operate inside our union.

We believe every member has the right to ask the elected officials to make a clear answer on an issue that is of such importance, especially so when the committees and officials are described by the employer's press as the "red element".

The Executive Committee of 38-79 states its opinion that all disputes arising between members of our union and the shipowners should be settled, as far as possible, by negotiations between the representatives of the two organizations. This is our general policy.

But it is clear, because of the many disputes that have occurred since the so-called settlement of the longshore strike that many of the shipowners are making it difficult to conduct continuous operation in this port by the constant effort made directly by the shipowners to interfere with the working conditions of our members.

As far as possible, all disputes should be settled as they arise without resort to strikes where negotiation and a resulting settlement is possible. But in our opinion the task of the regularly elected committees and officers of 38-79 consists in seeing to it that wages and working conditions are maintained, that as many members are given steady employment as far as possible by the reduction of loads, by increase in the size of the gangs, etc., or by other methods that make it possible for more of our members to have steady work and better living conditions.

We should make it clear to everybody - that if the shipowners continue in their efforts to make the working conditions of our members worse, not only will we make this a central question in the port of S.F., but that we will (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)
call upon all of the Pacific Coast local unions of the I.L.A. to consider most seriously the organization of united action to put an end to these efforts of the shipowners. We will put this issue into the Central Labor Body on the Pacific Coast.

We should not allow our organization, its dock stewards or members, to be goaded by acts of the employers into a series of continual small strikes, which while they are necessary and bring better conditions for the members of our organization on a particular dock or pier, do not settle the main question at issue between our union and our fellow-workers in other maritime unions and the shipowners.

We are not trying to discourage, but on the other hand are in favor of active job action at all times by members of our union against the shipowners and their agents.

We believe the best way to settle all these questions in the interests of our members is to get a show-down with these employers. We must unite the whole membership of Local 38-79 and of all other maritime unions on the Pacific Coast and to bring to our assistance the local unions on the Atlantic and Gulf ports.

We think that we have to place the I.L.A. in a position where no shipowner will dare to violate established working and wage conditions of I.L.A. members or of members of other maritime unions.

Putting this policy in one sentence, it is, by negotiations where possible - and strike when necessary - by cooperation with all other organizations of wage workers in our industry, to strengthen our union to a point where it can, without question, protect the interest of every member.

This policy of UNI~Y - of SOLIDARITY in action with our fellow-workers in other unions is the only policy that will make us, and the organized labor movement of America to which we belong, a power that organized employers will fear and respect.

Personal Notice: Mr. Lee J. Holman kindly call at ILA headquarters for your last paycheck which is still being held for you.

WRITE FOR THE WATERFRONT WORKER

P.O. BOX 1158
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

FAKERS’ MACHINE HITS SNAG NEUGRO RESOLUTION PASSES

At Friday’s session of the 54th annual A.F. of L. Convention a resolution calling for the right of negro to belong to any trade union was reported out of committee unfavorably.

In the last few years the her old action of the negroes on the picket lines during strikes; in day to day fights waged in the shops for better conditions, the negroes have stood along side by side with their white brothers and have fought shoulder to shoulder with them. The delegates realizing all this overwhelmingly voted down the committee recommendation of non-concurrence.

Randolph, the Negro organizer of the Pullman Car porters, got a tremendous ovation when he spoke on the question.

Workers, both black and white are casting aside the false illusions of racial supremacy and are struggling together for the common good of all races, much to the alarm and fright of the bosses and all their scurrv henchmen including the labor fakers.

Workers, our only enemy is the boss and his tribe of cut-throats, NOT our fellow-workers.

Position Wanted: Energetic middle-aged man wants position as walking boss in some distant port as far from S.F. as possible; many years experience in stevedoring; have no objection to scabbing; can also recommend my brother who is a bigger scab than I.

We both had a change of climate, we used to be considered pretty-good fellows around these parts but now the longshoremen avoid us like RATTLESTAINS! (?) Sent all offers of employment and scabbing to Ben Ohn and Henry Ohn, Pier 18, San Francisco.
Wanted:

Two more men with strong lungs and deep voices to assist me with the hollering at $ Docks. F.S. The guy I hired last week ain't much good. The steves won't listen to him. If you can snake-dance you get the job. Apply Mr. Emil Larson Pier 44.

Wanted:

Private Secretary (female) to work in labor facing office, must have references, prefer Blonde, with May West figure. Apply Mr. Finnegan, Pier 3.

The Diver Again

The Diver is going to be on the carpet before the Executive Committee again. He'll have it worn out pretty soon unless he is jacked up pretty strong. He was supposed to knock off at 10 P.M. Friday, but worked his gang until midnight although the ship was not finishing. What's the matter, Diver, do you want to be packing a hook again? Or don't working rules mean anything.

Wanted To Know:

Who is the tall, stoop-shouldered, rasie-faced guy, well dressed, smokes cigars seen on waterfront every morning at shape-up? Is he a Federal dick? Or one of Fink Rossi's gum-shoe artists, or just a plain stool-pigeon? Any information about this gentleman would be appreciated. Get in touch with P.O. Box 1158 immediately.

Does Emil Larson need any football players? Or crocsote remover?

If Fink Rossi will be reelected. Two more men with strong lungs and deep voices to assist me with the hollering at $ Docks. F.S. The guy I hired last week ain't much good. The steves won't listen to him. If you can snake-dance you get the job. Apply Mr. Emil Larson Pier 44.

Does Geo. Haskell's eyes still pop out from the booze carried down by his bottle boys?

Has Russian Louie got the scale for his gang yet? He threatened at one time to put a scale in the hold so the gang would be sure not to exceed the 1800 pound limit.

What will "Raw Deal", of the Ferryboatmen, do after the Bay Bridge is completed and he loses out with his pla-card job?

If Mike Casey likes General Strikes? Or any kind of strikes?

If Pedro Pete reads the Waterfront Worker?

When Joe Ryan is coming back to the West Coast to sign another June 16th agreement.

How many gangs worked over the 48 hour limit last week? All gangs are being checked fellows so watch your step.

What's wrong with the $ Dock? What's delaying the appointment of gang stewards? Fall in line and don't forget it is the duty of the gang stewards to fill out the official union time sheets that are turned in to the ILA office.

WANTED:

Need partner in my skin game wide field to operate in, have monopoly on waterfront, want men who can invent new ways to mop the boys on the front. Pacific Seamen. Call Mr. Heuvel.

Who elected Pedro Pete as a delegate representing the ILA at the National Convention of the A.F. of L.?
FAREWELL TO MOTHER MOONEY

The guards are in fear and confusion
And panic has seized their estate;
For we've carried a coffin to prison
And we're pounding the iron gates.

It is only the corpse of a woman,
A mother of eighty-six years,
But the powers that be are in terror
And gripped by mysterious tears.

"We have come to our comrade
Tom Mooney,
Let him bid his dead mother farewell,
Let him kiss her cold lips and embrace her;
Then lock him again in your hell!"

But the guards rush about in confusion
And beg us to leave them alone
You must murder or steal or be framed by the boss
To enter this mountain of stone.

They are chasing the men with the cameras;
No picture must live to relate
That a coffin came up to the prison
And banged on the iron gate.

Tom is watching from high in a window;
Screams turn us away and then
Knows we're taking her off to the funeral
He never will see her again.

The sun is high and shining bright
And crowds line Market Street
That feels the now familiar tread
Of marching workers' feet.

In even ranks, the silent men
Are marching to the grave
As only workers march behind
The coffin of the brave.

And up ahead, bestrewn with flowers,
The honored casket rides
Of one who only yesterday
Was marching by our sides.

III

She does not smile. Her cold lips set
Defiantly in death
As lips that spoke a challenge
With a warrior's final breath.

This silent corpse that lies in silk
Knew little silk in life
The mills of gold weave coarser cloth
To garb a miner's wife.

That pale, white, wrinkled hand in which,
Ironically, a flower is thrust, once sorted dirty rags
For twenty cents an hour.

This is the film of a trip
Along the waterfront's song
Of Tom, of Mother Mooney, that will be sung
As long as the workers' song.
FAREWELL TO MOTHER MOONEY

In paper mills that make the page
On which the rich write lies,
She toiled and learned the truth that made
Her orphaned children wise.

IV.

When Tom grew up he led his class;
He gripped and shook the chains
That bind all workingmen in hell
To serve the master's gains.

He shouted loud how wealth is made
By grinding human lives,
Of riches wrung from toil of men
And martyrdom of wives.

And the owner class went cold with fear
And drew its sharpest knife
Of treachery and perjury
And Tom was framed for life.

She did not pray to the empty sky,
Or kneel at plaster shrines,
Or hope for aid from the parasites
Who own the mills and mines.

She looked to the strength of the working class
In its march to victory
To rip the bars from the cold stone walls
AND SET TOM MOONEY FREE

VI.

Lowered her into the narrow grave,
Cover her over with soil,
She is resting with Zetkin and Luxemburg
And a million more heroes of toil.

Not your tears, but your fists and pledges;
Not kneeling, but standing upright;
Bid farewell to a valiant comrade:
"Mother Mooney, WE'LL FINISH YOUR FIGHT.

EAST COAST STRIKE

NEW YORK

18,000 seamen and officers went out on strike under leadership of the M.W.I.U. and ARTA and unorganized. 38 ships were tied up the first few hours. Despite the I.S.U. officials claim that the strike is off, hundreds of I.S.U. rank and file members struck. Ryan and the rest of the I.L.A. misleaders are doing their damnest to keep longshoremen from going too, There is a strong sentiment among the rank and file to strike. The West Coast stevedores and sailors should do every thing possible to show our solidarity with them by refusing to handle scab cargo or furnish steam. The East Coast would have been out with the West Coast, had it not been for the strike-breaking actions of Ryan, Furseath & Co. Now is the time to build a nation-wide unity among all marine workers.
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SAN FRANCISCO...........

PRAISE FOR THE WATERFRONT WORKER

Editor, Waterfront Worker:

To you and the rest of your staff I want to congratulate for daring to print the truth. I am the wife of a stevedore, being such, naturally, his interests are mine. There is not a word of the Waterfront Worker that I miss reading and to tell you that it is enlightening is putting it mildly. Your last edition, especially, was very good. However, I have only one criticism to offer and that is, why isn't the Worker put out more frequently? I am sure that many other stevedores and their wives feel toward the Waterfront Worker as I do. Keep up the good work.

Wife of a Longshoreman.

LOOKING BACKWARDS
CONDITIONS HAVE CHANGED

Editor, Waterfront Worker:

Working on the Front is a lot better since the strike than during the reign of the Blue Book. I was working for Capt. Clausen during that time. One afternoon, we were working on one of the German ships. As you know, in the last hatch it gets very narrow. So Scabby Oland, Capt. Clausens' henchman, wanted us to land two scows where we could only land one. We held out for awhile, then Capt. Clausen came over the hatch combing saying, "I am giving you a chance to make some money, now if you don't do as Oland says you can all go home, and don't come back in the morning." Well, you know, if we had cooperation we could have remedied that condition then and there, but as you know, we had to struggle on.

Let's home it will not occur again.

A Worker.

Editor, Waterfront Worker:

I attended the last membership meeting and now I want to give credit to a man who I always thought would not make a good president. I say Harry Bridges handled that meeting like a veteran despite the many interruptions by that gang of hoodlums. His solution to the Pier 25 strike was good trade-unionism. Anybody can see, who has been in the labor movement any length of time, that Bridges knows what he is talking about. He stands ready to offer leadership to our local, something we have always lacked, and what's more, he is ready to fight for what he believes to be right. I have changed my mind about that man. He is not too radical for me now. He is a good trade unionist.

A Conservative Longshoreman.

SCALERS ASK FOR AID

To the Waterfront Worker:

We would like to tell you that we should have a little more help from the rank and file of the stevedores on the docks. I think it is about time that every member of any union should carry his button where everybody can see it and if he don't have one, find out why. From what I have seen going around the waterfront, especially on the Dollar Line, most of the members of the Scalers Union, Local 38-100, have to hide their buttons so the bosses will not lay them off and there are some scabs working there yet on the paint gang.

A Member of the Ship Scalers Union Local 38-100 I.L.A.

Dear Editor:
The longshoremen in the North west now have a printed Waterfront Worker. Send first - hand news to 302 Maritime Building, Seattle, Washington. Regards Waterfront Worker, Seattle, Wash
Two months have elapsed. The recent Pacific Coast strike is now history, but what do we find among the workers on the waterfront? Both the teamsters and longshoremen have visualized for a long time 'the power behind these two crafts and it was a fondest dream of the workers in both of these crafts harbored for many years for that day when the teamsters and longshoremen would be united in solid unity. Let's take a glance at the happenings on the waterfront the past few weeks. For instance, many dock strikes were called to correct just grievances of the workers. When the longshoremen and sailors walked out on the Dollar dock, the teamsters backed them up 100%, by refusing to go near the dock and by denouncing their President Michael Casey for trying to persuade his men to handle freight on the dock, while the longshoremen and seamen were on strike.

The significance of this united support of the workers must not be overlooked by the workers for was this action by the teamsters not proof enough that they are willing to support the longshoremen and in return expect our support when they find themselves being pushed to the wall? Following the Dollar incident, we had the same support forthcoming from the teamsters on Pier 48 and also later at piers 28 and 29 where for two days the longshoremen and sailors refused to work the ships until various adjustments had been made by the shipowners concerning some finks on these docks. During these two days the teamsters played an important role by refusing to go near either of these docks, subsequently paralyzing the commerce entirely of the American Hawaiian ships for these two days.

It is a true proverb, where there is solidarity, there is strength, and this must apply to the teamsters and longshoremen in San Francisco. One cannot be successful without the other if they, as workers, wish to bring about human conditions for these two crafts.

From one brother to another--let's take the action seriously of the teamsters support and get busy by formulating a program which will make our position concrete in San Francisco and later extend it along the entire coast. With the teamsters and longshoremen on the coast united, our position will become irrefragable and taking into consideration the Maritime Longshoremen and teamsters are the basic industries on the Pacific Coast, their united support is absolutely necessary.

So lets go teamsters, sailors and longshoremen - "Let's get united" and we will show Mr. Shipowner we are a power to be reckoned with.

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The long awaited decision of the National Longshoremen's Board has at last been made known. On July 28th, when the great maritime strike was called off there to the betrayal of the Labor strikers, Vandalsur Casev & Co., the men returned to work not beaten but determined to win better working conditions on the job, and to maintain and strengthen their union, the ILA.

The return to work was followed by a wave of small strikes on the various docks and piers. The largest of these strikes being on the Dollar Docks and Piers 26-28. The grievances here was the question of the hiring of scabs. This marvelous show of solidarity of all maritime workers in these small strikes, struck fear into the hearts of the bosses.

These strikes served notice on the National Longshoremen's Board that the men would not accept a sell-out compromise, with the shipowners. The decision in regards to the question of hours and wages is favorable, but the joint hiring hall is exactly the same as Bryan's sellout, June 16th agreement.

The agreement states that there shall be "no discrimination between union and non-union dock-workers". This means, Brothers, that we will have to work harder to strengthen our union and to see to it that no non-union stow- dores work on the docks. The dock stewards will have to take care of this little job, backed up by all the members of the gang. We have won some concessions in the decision, but we can not be lulled to sleep by getting these small gains. It was only due to the solidarity already shown and the fighting qualities of our rank and leaders, and the guts of the rank and file members that forced these gains. We must take steps to hold what we've won by building greater unity between all maritime groups. The committee that is to be elected to represent the stow- dores, the Water Front Worker suggests that rank and file candidates, those who showed that fighting qualities during the strike, should be elected to such a responsible position.

Remember, only by our great fight have we forced these small gains.

Note: A complete analysis of the Arbitration decision will appear in a special edition of the Water Front Worker. Watch For It.

ATTEND YOUR UNION MEETING!
MONDAY NIGHT OCTOBER 15--
8 P.M. BUILDING TRADES TEMPLE.
IMPORTANT!!

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AT LAST!! IT HATCHED!!

\[ Image of cartoon showing two ducks labeled 'AH' and 'Betray' with one saying 'Shun!' and the other saying 'AT LAST!! IT HATCHED!!' \]