

FOR A WATERFRONT WORKER

S.F. FIGHTS FOR RANK AND FILE CONVENTION !!

450 longshoremen attended the Special Meeting held on Sunday Jan., 21st. Many important were discussed and recommended to the next regular meeting where they will be voted on by the entire membership as there was not a quorum present at the Special Meeting.

The Rank and File Convention was recommended to be held at the earliest possible date and the District secretary and all locals were to be notified to that effect. If there is not an answer to the communications sent North by next regular meeting Monday, Jan., 29th, a delegation is to be elected from the floor, to go to the Northwest and present the reasons WHY A RANK AND FILE CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN S.F. There is no question after the successful trip to Pedro, that the officials of the various I.L.A. Locals are withholding vital facts from the membership. The delegation to Pedro has proven that such trip can be made very cheaply and now is no time to scrap over pennies when the solidarity of the West coast is at stake.

We must unite the entire Pacific Coast if we are to defeat the Shipowners Code of 50¢ minimum. Ryan is trying to gag all protests from the Rank and File, aided by Norris.

The Shipowners stated through George Creel that the I.L.A. represents only 20% of the longshoremen in San Francisco and that the Shipowners are well satisfied with the contract with the B.B. The Shipowners are preparing their attack. Already the Cops warned the I.L.A. Organizer about speaking on the water front. We must smash the Blue Book, Pink Hall - not by a government supervised election but by a walkout in all ports up and down the Coast. This walkout called at a specified time, affecting all ports, will prove beyond a doubt that the I.L.A. represents the men. It will accomplish more than all letters, telegrams and personal visits to Geo. Creel.

We want UNITED**CONCERTED ACTION.
 For Rank and File Convention.
 For Unity-----For Solidarity.
 For a United Pacific Coast.

ISSUED BY A GROUP OF RANK AND FILE LONGSHOREMEN IN THE I.L.A.

