ILWU Convention Is Called for June 4
At San Francisco; Plan Short Meeting

SAN FRANCISCO—The Fifth Annual Convention of the International Longshoremen’s & Warehousemen’s Union will be held in San Francisco beginning June 4. Call for the convention was sent to all locals by International Secretary-Treasurer Eugene Patton on March 5.

The convention place and date were set by International President Harry Bridges as result of action taken by the International Executive Board when it met last August. The board at that time changed convention plans because of the acute transportation problem.

STREAMLINE MEETING

In consideration of the request from several segments of the ILWU that conventions not be held this year in order to cut down travel, the ILWU plans call for a streamlined meeting with the delegates traveling in midweek.

President Bridges explained that much preconvention work would be done in order to keep the length of the convention to a minimum. The International office already has started lining up hotel and other accommodations for the delegates.

The convention call fixes May 29 as the deadline for locals to have signified their intentions to the International.

RESOLUTIONS BY MAY 15

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Freedom for India is Direct Concern Of American Labor Unions

It's the business of Americans, and especially of American labor, to take a stand for freedom in India. ILWU President L. R. Baker has gained her freedom now, ILWU members are behind her and the Chicago Civil Liberties Committee is working hard for her release.

Even though the United Na
tions win military victories, there is a danger of political defeat. A recent, lasting peace without guaranteed Indian rights will not establish a lasting peace.

A MIGHTY REVOLUTION

Jawaharlal Nehru, Indian national leader, has become the centre of the Indian people's fight for democracy. He is fighting the British in Chiang Kai-shek and the Chinese people. This statement, expressed in the columns of the Indian press, is supported by the Chinese people.

Nehru said, "Whatever we do to take our struggle for independence of our strength and will assist the struggle of the Japanese in India. True India can do so effectively."

Loyal Pledge Petitions Are RI Union

CHICAGO (FP) — A campaign to organize railroad violence against "good behavior" was called an "insult to the intelligence of American people." The Railway Labor Executives Association declared.

Pleading on what railway officials are doing, the Federal Emergency Price Control Act is a powerful weapon in the hands of the consumer. It can be even more powerful if the public takes advantage of it.

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SAN FRANCISCO— Forty-five new union locals were organized by ILWU Attorneys

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Citizenship for Bridges Drive Intensified
As He Surrenders and Posts New Bail

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Sailor of Mexican War
Rosario Velez, veteran of the United States Navy in the Mexican War, is the adjudicative board's first to hear the appeal of Harry Bridges. Velez, a seaman in the U. S. Navy, will preside over the appeal of Harry Bridges.

U. S. Treasury Proves Pegler Is a Liar!
NEW YORK—The U. S. Treasury has proved that Westbrook Pegler, Publisher Roy Howard's chief contributor to American disunity, is a liar.

This is revealed in a copyrighted story in the March 4 issue of George Seldes' In Fact.

In fact also says that many newspapers which printed Pegler's lies against the government have refused to print the treasury's refutation. These include Howard's No. 1 newspaper, the New York World-Telegram, which suppressed the refutation even though it was received via Howard's syndicate, United Features, which circulates the Pegler column.

Other newspapers, such as the anti-labor Los Angeles Times, printed the refutation but deleted the most damaging statements against Pegler. Two Pegler columns had falsely accused the treasury of "arson" and "theft" in collections of the weekly withholding tax.

Writing in United Features, Treasury Public Relations Director Charles Schwartz said:

"Pegler in both instances ignores the Treasury Dept. of "theft" and "arson" because the withholding tax of which the Victory Tax will be paid was applied to some wages earned at the end of 1942 but paid early this year. He argued that withholding should have been applied only against the wages earned in 1942."

"On the contrary the section of the law covering the withholding acts forth very clearly: 'The provisions of this section shall take effect on Jan. 1, 1943, and shall be applicable to all wages paid on or after such date.' The law makes the time of payment the test — not the time during which the wage was earned."

"An inspection of this portion of the Revenue Act . . . would have shown Pegler that the total amount collected through the withholding tax..."
At last push over a nation-wide program providing adequate care for the children of mothers in essential work, there's still one thing missing. The parents of the children in question must agree upon what they want.

When a skeleton program is finally decided upon by the millions of working parents, the majority of the population in the USA, then, from California to Maine to Florida, to the countryside will press forward, will form national, state, and local action.

What is an adequate program?

In a nut shell, no child of a working mother is being denied proper care. What is wanted is not a skeleton program but a program which has been clearly brought forward by interested groups in order to provide the children with the care which comes out of the family budget, and of which the parent is not afraid.

Elizabeth Hawes is the distinguishing fashion designer and author of "Fashion Is Spinach" who helped to organize the Committee for Young Children in Wartime in the New York City Department of Education. This committee is made up of members of the educational, parent-teacher, trade union and professional groups in New York City and is organized entirely as a pressure force. It is made up of thousands of people. Anyone desiring specific information on federal or state legislation, or other problems of child care, may write the committee at 254 West 26th Street, New York.

Special Training is Available

There is no mother who is free from worry of an older child being cared for her younger ones. We do not turn the responsibility for raising new generations over to the children themselves, but, instead, we are to turn the best of education, nursing, and training to turn out the best of jobs.

Adequate Child Care Program

"School Children and the War" (for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., price 5 cents) is available as a free guide to the workers to agree what is necessary and possible for them and what is needed by the children. It is essential that this fact be clearly brought forward by all those pressing for child care programs. Many, many officials show that there are now nurseries which could take care of more children—but they fail to say that the cost of keeping a nursery is $1.50 a day, whereas the cost of one nurse is about 50 cents.

"Many Agencies Compete"

The charge to the parents in centers using Lanham Act funds must at least cover the cost of food—but may be higher if the parents can meet the necessity. Lanham Act funds today, we must prepare for tomorrow. We must have proper care for children in the United States, and the Federal Government, the Federal Works Agency, the Federal Security Agency, the Federal Works Agency, the Office for Emergency Food and Agriculture, and the Office for Emergency Food and Agriculture, have been clearly and simply organized to operate the services required. The authority to act must be centralized—by a vast number of people in the Federal Government, and the Office for Emergency Food and Agriculture, have been clearly and simply organized to operate the services required.

Indicative of the effectiveness of the pressure is the fact that Governor Dewey recently put aside $7,500,000 in his supplementary budget, a large sum in the context of child care. A state bill must be presented in the state legislature to secure the money. If the governor sponsors a satisfactory bill, the CCTCW and the CIO can join the committee and help to carry the bill. If necessary, the CCTCW and the CIO can join to sponsor a bill, but it is always to the advantage of the CCTCW to have put a bill approved which is satisfactory to the state legislature.

In California a bill had to be passed making it permissible for localities to accept Federal money for child care. This bill, Assembly Bill No. 475, may be condensed or included in March of the next legislature. It behooves all Californians to see that the pertinent clauses are not removed. The California CCTCW believes all Californians can see that the pertinent clauses are not removed. The California CCTCW believes that passage of the Assembly Bill No. 475 would be the right step in the right direction.

The statement of need for Lanham Act funds made by the United States Congress is a mere start, for it only states that the need is there. The CIO people who are affiliated with us, the War Manpower Commission must take the responsibility for a federal child care program, including the provisions for the necessary money from Congress to carry it out. The whole program must be divided: the administration of the program must be placed in the hands of the War Manpower Commission and the CIO. The administration of the program must be placed in the hands of the War Manpower Commission and the CIO. The administration of the program must be placed in the hands of the War Manpower Commission and the CIO. The administration of the program must be placed in the hands of the War Manpower Commission and the CIO. The administration of the program must be placed in the hands of the War Manpower Commission and the CIO. The administration of the program must be placed in the hands of the War Manpower Commission and the CIO.
A Bum Decision

POLITICS are being played as usual and it's one hell of a thing to be going on while we are trying to win a war. It keeps on getting us back to where we started from. Now, this policy as usual, manipulated by Jimmy Byrnes, has forced a bum decision out of the National War Labor Board, a decision that leaves a lot of aircraft workers on the West Coast getting a paltry $30 to $35 a week with meat and other commodities hitting all-time highs.

To our win-the-war way of thinking, it doesn't make sense. Even the employers wanted to grant greater raises.

Jimmy Byrnes, the former Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, is Director of Economic Stabilization. His little sideline of the moment is lining up the Democratic politicians, which include those Bourbons and the other members who dissented with him. Byrnes was working the sideline for three years well when he put his finger into the Labor members wouldn't go along with it.

MORRIS WATSON, Editor and Publicity Director

Control Prices

UNION NEWS

A BE LINCOLN believed in the common people and he was convinced that "God must have loved them for he made so many of them." The facts always justified his belief and when he addressed the Congress on July 4, 1861, he was able to say of the Civil War "This is essentially a people's contest," and to add that "large numbers of them are in the Army and Navy, who have been favored with the offices, have resigned and proved false to the bond which pampered them, but not one common sailor is known to have deserted his flag." H. R. Bridges

Honest Old Abe would be disappointed for service in the North African Army. He would be just too plain honest for the abstractions in North Africa. He would find it hard to deal with the Vichyites officers who have "proved false to the bond which pampered them." by betraying and selling out their country to Hitler.

The policy in Spain and the policy in North Africa are one and the same. If it is not outrightly professed by them, it is upheld by the so-called "career diplomats" of the state department, that we are sending him a lot of supplies that are preciously short here. Shades of Chamberlain's umbrellas! Appearances is still with us, as if Franco weren't in lockup up to his neck to Hitler.

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Robbins tells ILWU African Affairs Affect Labor

SAN FRANCISCO — Paul Robbins, distinguishing lawyer and singer, conferred briefly with ILWU and other union leaders in San Francisco last week to discuss means of labor they relate to events in Africa.

"The problems of labor and the problems of the Negro people are the same, for Negroes and labor are both workingmen," he told a small group gathered for the purpose, in a session which ILWU President Harry Bridges attended.

Robbins was accompanied by Dr. Max Yergan, director of the Communist Party University, and Mrs. Ethel Field of the council of the NAACP, who is chairman of the council.

Dr. Yergan also addressed the listening gathering. He said the aims of the Council were first for a world in which all the colonial peoples, whether Africa and Burma or examples of the colonial peoples, he added, must win to the world.

"Twenty-five years ago in Britain the labor movement was already necessary to its well-being than it is today because of the billions of goods in the past five years," he said. "The British has begun to see that the same colonial system is its enemy.

"The American labor movement has a long tradition of fight—it is expected that its future is inseparably connected with the welfare of workers in the colonial systems around the world," he said.

Robbins hailed the CIO union work in Africa, but said Europe had a stake in the welfare of those "seamen, laborers, workers" and the Negroes' role in the war.

"The question always arises as to whether the Negro people have a stake in the war," he said.

Left to right: Harry Bridges, Paul Robbins, Dr. Max Yergan, Mrs. Ethel Field and ILWU Secretary-Treasurer Eugene Paton as they conferred on African affairs and their effect upon American labor as an informal luncheon last week.

"They certainly do and have a stake in the war," he said. "Their life lies in the CIO because it provides their kind of democracy. Their problem of freedom is the problem of freedom for all people of the world."

The great lawyer related his experiences in Africa he had to make a study of African culture, "I stumbled headlong into British Slumsterism," he said, "and I discovered that I was not just struggling with a cultural problem, but with a deep political problem."

He blamed the popular picture of Africa as backward, savage people.

"Certainly, there are different levels of culture in Africa," he said, "but by and large 150 million people are at a level with the Chinese and the developed people of the world."

He also attacked the theory that it takes a thousand years to develop people who have not had the opportunity for cultural development.

"There are people in the South African 'wild west' within a generation have come from hovels to the universities," he said, "and the Urals and furghel families for the Red Army."

"This is the struggle," he concluded. "Africa is very close to the whole Negro problem in America and it is the responsibility of the progressive people of America to see that American racism does not take over. I would feel ashamed if I thought the Negro struggle was merely domestic. But it is a world-wide struggle and we have our allies all over."
Dressing for Salads—Here Are 4 Recipes

Salad milks, like all fats and oils, are scarce and needed in great quantities for war purposes. One of the best ways to reduce the ration is to make the home front is to make your own salad dressing without oil. Besides, homemade bottled dressings are less expensive than those you can buy.

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FENWICK DISPATCHER

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Absenteeism Endanger War; Hurt Longshore Wage Case

SAN FRANCISCO—Absenteeism, unless completely corrected, will kill the longshore wage case, President Harry Bridges warned on his return to headquarters from Washington last week.

"It is time for everybody in the ILWU to recognize that a campaign of wholesale absenteeism is endangering the war effort, undermining our union and contriving to the man-power shortage by forcing the recruitment into the industry of men vitally needed elsewhere," Bridges said.

"It is further a foregone conclusion that the National War Labor Board, when it considers our request for adjustment of longshore wages, will take into consideration the amount of absenteeism.

"It behooves every longshoreman to see that he does not commit this sin and to listen to the letter the President's order for all to work at least 48 hours a week, and to look ahead upon any brothers who fall in this respect.

Bridges warned also, that the time is near at hand when individual work records will be read, "Deliberate absences are inexcusable wartime conduct. They might result in the withdrawal of government and federal funds to certain areas.

"Moreover, deliberate absenteeism will find themselves hungry when the government gets around to furnishing extras rations for those engaged in vital work. Our union program calls for handing the manpower problem so that every man will get one day off in seven. In the past months many of our conscientious, victory-minded brothers have been denied this privilege because some selfish men take two days off.

"Let's have no further toleration of this absenteeism evil in our union. It retards the victory".

Better Hatch Covers on Liberty Vessels Urged

SAN FRANCISCO—Between-deck hatch covers on new Liberty ships are a creak on longshore efficiency, says ILWU Local 19 in a recommendation submitted to the Maritime Industry Board. The resolution points out that the hatch covers are from two to three inches below the hatch combing, causing both the hold men unnecessary strain when pushing loaded trucks over the high hatch combing. The resolution is that the MIB request the Maritime Commission to correct this difficulty by having the hatch square level with the hatch combing.

Stronger Ring Bolts on Bulkheads Demanded

SAN FRANCISCO—Aimed at creating greater efficiency and safety in shipping, a resolution adopted by Local 19 recommends that the Maritime Industry Board contact the Maritime Commission in an effort to have stronger ring bolts made of stronger material than at present. The resolution points out that the half bolts broke from the bulkheads.

BLOOD MAKES PLASMA TO SAVE SOLDIERS'

In ILWU asks Labor Board Poll At Baltimore Ward Plant

Baltimore—Mail Order, Warehouse and Dist. 14 I. W. W. Workers Union, ILWU, last work week for a Labor Board election at the Baltimore Montgomery Ward mail order house, which employs well over 1,800 workers.

Montgomery Ward wages for girls, no overtime until 40 hours are worked, is unfair to men, they said. The union is recommending an eight-hour day, with an eight-hour day, with a half hour lunch, and a half hour dinner.

The union claims that the company would like to change jobs, that they would like to enter better paying industries but, under equalizing, the company would like to stay on the job at least until the war is over because of acute manpower shortage.

Workers agree to return to jobs

Many employees felt that they would like to work on the job, that they would like to enter better paying industries but, understanding the union's fight to stabilize employment, have stayed on the job. Many workers are preparing to stay on the job at least until the war is over because the acute manpower shortage.

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