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CIO GIRLS
For Test in California

By HARRIET TEMPLE
Dispatcher Staff Correspondent

LOS ANGELES — A unanimous standing vote rej
affirmed the CIO’s no-strike pledge at its Sev
enth Annual Convention here last week after two hours of debate and a ringing ex
position of the dangers and uselessness of wartime strike action by ILWU Presi
dent Harry Bridges.

Bridges, who also de
divered the keynote speech of the four-day meeting at Cal
ifornia CIO regional direc
tor, told the delegates:

"The place for the strike today is in the underground in Europe."

RESPONSIBILITY CIT
In his main address Bridges held it to be the responsibility of the State CIO to line up Cal
ifornians and produce the state in the November elections.

"If we fail," he said, "we let the entire country fall into the hands of the reactionary clique."

"We are fighting for the future of America."

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ELECTION CAMPAIGN

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A Message to You—This is Your Fight!

TO MEMBERS OF THE INTER
ATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN’S
WAREHOUSEMEN’S UNION:

November 7, 1944, is exactly
69 days away. Those days, if we
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they are swept away by complacency or apathy, we fail to organize our
people for November 7, the very ex
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gle. Its great contributions to American life you know in your
own daily lives. Yet through neglect of our eight to vote in 1942, we brought upon our
selves horrible attacks, which are still unexplained. Those who seek the destruction of the CIO are praying for an
other 1942. For they know that the failure to register and vote on our part already lays the basis for the ultimate de
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That is why the word "political action" has moved every re
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Our heroic fighting men with our gallant allies are advancing
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gressive Administration and Congress.

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tion in the past several months. Indeed, abroad credit and abor
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cepting every member. We ask you to meet every request for action on
November 7.

The CIO Political Action Committee regional directors are di
rectly responsible for guiding this work. But they need the ful
unifying cooperation of the international unions of every state and city council and local union. We ask you to
 give them your full support, to meet every request for action wholeheartedly.

Sixty days to go. If the mil
ions of American workers and their families register and vote
November 7, a smashing victory will be won.

Every worker a registered voter. All on political ac
tion; all out on November 7. This is the highway to victory, to full employment, and a durable peace. This is your
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PHILIP MURRAY,
President, CIO,
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San Francisco, Calif.

Juneau Local Pays
Wrong Bill—Gladly

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bursement, THE DISPATCHER
the membership of Local 10 at Juneau, Alaska, will pay the bill.

Since THE DISPATCHER under no legal require
ments to send to soldiers un
less they request it and un
less the subscription is paid, the payment is to be billed to the soldier member, unless the membership grants an
unlimited bill for $1 for a subscription for a Local 10 member who
went to Local 10.

Laura Robertson, former
ILWU International Represen
tative for the Northwest and
the Midwest, was appointed regional director for the Northwest and E.
C. Greenfield, an international representative in Cleveland, was
named regional director for the midwest covering Ohio, Illinois and Minnesota. Phil Reno was named for the Rocky Mountain area.

First objectives of ILWU-PAC are to raise a voluntary con
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Get People Registered!

The most important first objective of Political Action is to complete registration of the eligible voters. The Hoover-Dewey-Taft reaction is banking on a light vote, even fighting to confine the voting to the political machines where they can do better in the payoff than can the honest victory forces.

In many states the registration lists will be closing before the ink is hardly dry on this editorial. No loss of time, then, can be afforded.

It is not enough for us to be satisfied that we ourselves have registered. The re-election of President Roosevelt and a Congress that will support his and our program for total victory will require far more participation at the polls than we can give by ourselves.

Let none among us be smugly satisfied that his job is done because he prepared himself to vote. His job is not done until he has checked and seen to it that all of his neighbors and all of his friends are registered.

Each of us owes our union—that is, our union as any that we've ever had.

The Hoover man Dewey slip into the presidency, all of which would be the forerunner of many horrible possibilities. Among these possibilities would be to put Dewey's Foster Dulles, an admirer of Hitler and Nazism, in position to negotiate a deal with Germany's big business which would sell out the peace and lay the basis for another war. Among these possibilities would be depression, joblessness, mass misery, chaos and civil war.

Getting the people registered to vote is part and parcel of our war job. The hope in Isztanbul, in the South Pacific and in Italy must be wondered how well we are doing it.

The PROGRAM of the ILWU

For a People's Victoty and a People's Peace

Political Action to Carry Out the Decisions of the Teheran, Moscow and Cairo Re-elect President Roosevelt

An Organized Labor War Production Plan More and Faster Production

No Discrimination Because of Race, Creed or National Origin

Immediate Freedom for India and All Subject Peoples

Full Military Alliance with the Soviet Union and China

Citizenship for Harry Bridges

Organize the Unorganized

Ration All the Essentials, Commodities and Control Prices

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ON THE BIRM

Mr. Bridges is absent from the seat of publication.

Guest columnist: the editor.

By THE EDITOR

The Dispatchcr has never been a labor paper that sneers at the customs of the commercial press, that is, at the papers that promote and publicize the Bund or the Germeinland Front, or those that print the dreams and doings of Fashists and Fascists. The Dispatchcr has been privileged to observe in other columnists—Broun, FPA and lesser ones. The delivery is accompanied by weird screams, the result by relief and poison. The paper has to go to press on schedule, else go to press without "On the Beam?" Sooner, sir, that the paper should come without "On the Beam." It misses trains and distresses the postmasters.

Not that Bridges' columns roll out without pain. Like any other columnist, he sweats over it. He curses at the guy who invented the idea—that would be the editor—and he thinks up a thousand and one ways to get off sometimes. But there is the job and he does it. He hates the job and he does it. He loves the job and he does it. The process is as normal as the hatching of an egg. He hates it; he loves it; he leaves it. He leaves the job and he keeps it a secret, not admitting it even to himself.

As a deadline approaches he exhibits all of the symptoms of columnist psychoses. The editor is not a guest columnist. What happened was that when he left town to attend the CIO executive board meeting in Washington he didn't leave behind him quite enough in the war to be running off columns. So here is the deadline and Bridges slat back and there sits no column. The Biddies and the Deweys, the reactionary and the Trotskyite, the pinckers and the fakers will have no doubt relieved.

This is the first time, and we hope the last, that an issue of The Dispatchcr appears without benefit of the sharp, penetrating pen of the ILWU president. It is a good time, then, for the editor to say, in print what he has to say every six or seven times a day.

Bridges' columns is his own baby.

The editor seems to be the only one who knows a gold mine when he flows into it. Others have the idea that if a man is good at one thing, such as longshoring which old timers tell me Bridges was a whiz at or labor leading at which Bridges is obviously unsuited, he can't be good at anything else. The contrary, at least in this case, is the fact. Journalism, a lost art, the ILWU president has been priviledged to observe it in other columnists—Broun, FPA and lesser ones. The delivery is accompanied by weird screams, the result by relief and poison.

Bridges' answer was the column, as clear, as incisive, as salty as anything he had written before. He says it, and there is the deadline and Bridges are back. The Biddies and the Deweys, the reactionary and the Trotskyite, the pinckers and the fakers will have no doubt relieved.

We will try to get this column to you as the last free press. Sept. 16, 1944.

The Dispachcr office.

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Captain Mulzac Weathered Gales, Torpedoed For the Peace He Aids PAC

(Editors' Note: The author of the following article was a war correspond- ence and medical officer of the S. S. Booker T. Washington. He is a former regional director of the National Citizens Political Action Committee.)

BY JOHN BEECHER

This is about Captain Hugh Mulzac, one of the best Ameri- cans, one of the best seamen, one of the best American Negroes, and one of the ablest. I know that he has been on duty night and day. I know that he has been in command of a ship through tricky waters for more than a year, and I know what it means.

I have seen him do a job for America that will make a better one in this or any other war that we have fought for our own freedom. That is what American history will remember. He will be one of the best in human memory. It is my privilege to introduce him to his contemporaries. It is my privilege to tell you out at this point to announce that I am a white man. Everybody of course knows that Hugh Mulzac is a Negro.

SKIN COLOR TRIVIAL

These distinctions of skin color are thought by some to be of importance, though not by me, and not by the New American people these years are breeding. Hugh Mulzac and I are Americans; that's what's important. That is the ground upon which we meet and work together. As Americans, Hugh Mulzac cares about what happens to his country and wants the right things to happen. He is a good man. He never does sit down at a table and work. He never does sit down at a table and think. He never does sit down at a table and do anything but stand up at a table and think. He is a man of action that he is. One in a million, perhaps, and in this war he has done one million things. But he does not stop at wanting. He is a doer, a doer, a doer.

He is a former regional director of the National Citizens Political Action Committee. He is a member of the National Committee for a New Majority. He is a member of the National Committee for a New Majority. He is a member of the National Committee for a New Majority. He is a member of the National Committee for a New Majority.

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In 1937 why he was opposing the CIO's servicemen center, he did the same thing. Hugh Mulzac has just brought the S. S. Booker T. Washington in Oahu, where work on registering and precincting all union members was being done. The registration campaign was conducted by the CIO Political Action Committee during August by Chairman Sidney Hillman, along with a charge that there is an organized campaign to malign PAC, led by the Sierra- Fooks News.

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WASHINGTON—Christmas packages must be mailed between September 15 and Octo- ber 15 for overseas delivery, the Red Cross has announced. Packages may not exceed 15 inches in length or 34 inches in length and girth combined or weigh more than 5 pounds.

Books, preferably pocket-sized editions, bind the list of "best books" with mystery and ad- venture stories most popular. Other prized gifts are wind- proof cigarette lighters, dur- able shower shippers, writing portfolios, compact folders, waterproof, shockproof watch, unusual novelty, watch- ful games, harmonica, and razor.

For girls in service, her fa- vorite gift if packed in unbreakable containers.

Whether the gift box is for a man or woman it should contain nothing that the mail or would not want if he were traveling or camping.

The package may enclose a simple greeting and bear a "Do Not Open Until Christ- mas" label.
Martial Law Terminated in Hawaii

HAWAII — Military control over most civil liberties on this Pacific island was lifted Tuesday after the War Manpower Commission reported that the war situation had changed. The commission went on to say that the war had ended in Spain.

"After considerable discussion, the commission has decided to lift the martial law that was imposed in February," said the-commission's chairman, Charles L. E. Clark. "The decision was made on the basis of reports from the War Department, which indicated that the war with Japan had ended."
Local 13 Plans
Mass Donor Trips

SAN PEDRO—Longshoremen of Local 13 have planned the first mass Red Cross mobile blood bank to call here at 10%-week intervals. Plans are to secure funds from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for the construction of cafeterias on the San Francisco waterfront and to supplement them with places.

One hundred and fifty units of housing were recommended to the Maritime Board to secure funds from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for the construction of cafeterias on the San Francisco waterfront. This will henceforth make it possible for the longshoremen first whose housing problem is most acute.

Following numerous contacts with the Navy Department in San Francisco, the Maritime Board was finally successful in getting the Navy to release the hiring hall to Encinal Terminals. This will henceforth make it possible for the longshoremen to work at Encinal whenever they lose their work "on ice," so to speak, and make it wait until they are ready to do the job. Those who preach such a policy are not only nullifying the purpose of the hiring halls but are violating their own by-laws.

One hundred and fifty units of housing were recommended for allocation last week to San Francisco longshoremen. These units are on the San Francisco side of the bay and will be ready for occupancy as soon as allotments are completed.

The Maritime Board is also working hard to get individual longshoremen's claims adjustment department. This will be diverted to that area as necessary to stabilize the work of the ports. The only thing that can prevent that program from being carried out is failure to supply enough men and gangs to do the job.

Drivers Governed By Traffic Rules

SAN PEDRO—Five days in prison for two longshoremen who violated traffic regulations have been recommended by the Longshoremen's Health Council of San Bernardino. Several retired longshoremen are staying at the DND.

GROWING
No ordinary meeting was the August 21 membership get-together of Local 2. More than 100 probationary members were inducted into this growing local as full-fledged members after six months of unionism. Shown at the speakers' stand are left to right: Administrator George Wilson and Local President John Acosta who made reports on how negotiations are advancing. Above them are shown some of the members of the meeting.

Successful Criminal Lawyer

Career as Checker and Unionist

SAN FRANCISCO—At 54, Emile V. Van Bevery, one-time successful criminal lawyer in Chicago, has embarked on a new career as a marine checker and active trade unionist in Port Hueneme Local 46.

Until a year ago Van Bevery was working for the Treasury Department, prosecuting counterfeiters, he took a leave of absence and came to California to rest. But unwilling to be idle while the country was in desperate need of manpower, he took a job as a checker at the Port Hueneme Naval Base.

"I liked the atmosphere immediately," he related here last week while visiting international headquarters, "and decided I wanted to stay." He was talking about morals, not climate.

Appreciating the role of the union in creating the atmosphere which, according to Van Bever, makes him look forward nights to the next day's work, has his most satisfactory moment was when he became a book member.

"Never before in my life," he said, "have I experienced the sense of security that look in my pocket gives me."

Utilizing Van Bevery's legal talents, Local 46 is establishing a claims adjustment department. His trip here was to confer with him. Van Bevery suggested that he help with this work.

Every day now he bears five to six cases and goes to work on their adjustment. Filleted forms designed to elicit all necessary information help to streamline the work. Many of the cases merely involve laxity on the part of the insurance companies, but the laxity comes acute disease when an injured member is left without insurance money. Van Bevery gets payments started.

Veterans, too, are coming to Van Bevery to get help in adjusting compensation claims. This part of the work is expected steadily to increase in volume.

Van Bevery, who started his law career as a clerk in the office of Clarence Boree, says many business and professional people in Local 46 hope to stay on in the work after the war, included among them are an ex-treasurer of a United States Steel subsidiary, a former naval officer of a daily newspaper and a former editor of a daily newspaper.

"All of them are grateful for the security the union book gives them," he said. "They consider it the greatest assurance in the world."
Organizing Drive Speeding; New Offices Nearly Ready

By DISPATCHER

The sign that the new office at 136 Druinn Street which will house Local 29 will be opened was posted on the new offices tonight. And the new office will be opened for business this week.

Cooperation Urged

A full time organizer to help in the organization of superintendents timekeepers and vehicle drivers will be appointed soon.

Acosta pointed out that if women are to be engaged in the organizing drive for all members will be held. As soon as possible, Local 29 will start organizing among the women workers. Acosta pointed out that if women are to be involved in the organizing drive for all members will be held. As soon as possible, Local 29 will start organizing among the workers.

CECILE JONES

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For the first time in its history the union August 21 at the general membership meeting, San Pedro, 150 Golden Gate Avenue, at the special meeting, San Francisco, 136 Druinn Street. The executive committee also held a meeting to discuss the state of the organization.

The meeting was opened by a speech by Mr. John Acosta, President of the union. Mr. Acosta pointed out that if women are to be involved in the organizing drive for all members will be held. As soon as possible, Local 29 will start organizing among the workers.

MIGUEL MUNITE

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FEATHER TINKER

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UN ORGANIZADOR

Un organizador será elegido con el propósito de ayudar a los superintendentes, tiempokeepers y operadores de vehículos que transportan mercancías para la formación de los sindicatos.

NATIONAL STEWARDS

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Negro Elected to Top Post

SAN FRANCISCO—Charles Wilson, Negro, was elected by the waterfront unions to the top post of the ILWU.

He was scheduled to give his acceptance speech tomorrow night (September 9) at the ILWU meeting at the Palace of Fine Arts.

Wilson was nominated for the post by the ILWU Locals 2, 6, 10, 34, the Marine Engineers National Maritime Union, Inland Boatmen's Union, and the Teamster's Union.

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A first fls over Europe. He is out to destroy the Nazis and help win the war. He has many Nazi plants to his credit. His superior calls him the “One-Man Air Force.” Back home he is a hero. His name appears in big type in all the newspapers of the land. CAPTAIN DON GENTILE. But in his heart, too, fear of unemployment writers and twins. In the shadow of death he is confident of victory. But he is not confident of his own fortune at home when the war is over. He writes home:

“I have been living an average of about $1 a dollar and a half a month since I got over here and have been being the rat race through the lean, job-hunting days 1 expect after the war.”

Capitan Don Gentile

Everywhere men and women worry about and fear “the lean, job-hunting days” after the war.

Where does this fear come from?

Can there be great unemployment after the war?

If it can be avoided, what must we do to avoid it?

These are questions we want to answer here ably and with facts, so that each man may know what he can do to banish this fear and help build confidence in our future.

OUR POSTWAR PROBLEM No. 1

President Roosevelt has said: “Freedom from want is eternally linked with freedom from fear.” We cannot have peace without economic security. A world blazoned by hunger and unemployment will generate international rivalry that will inevitably lead to war.

We must plan now to make certain that after the war there will be a job for each wage earner who can and wants to work. If we do not plan to solve this problem, we will fail to save the peace.

This we will only be making time until the next war. And it will not be a pleasant time, either. For unemployment will be accompanied by fear and distress, which in turn will breed panic and hatred.

We can then expect groups to be incited against groups, whites against Negroes, farmers against factory workers, southerners against northerners, women working against men workers, and all of them against organized labor.

That is why we think it is the duty of every worker, farmer and businessman to grasp the meaning of these dangers, to study the facts, and, above all, to learn well what each can do to avoid these dangers.

THE GREAT WAR Lesson

The war is teaching us all lessons. The one lesson that we can all learn from the war is that: We must never again have unemployment in our land.

Here are the facts:

1943, before we entered the war, we had less than 5 million workers in armory, on the farms, and in the army. By now (May, 1944) nearly 11 million men have been drafted into the armed forces. Yet our army of workers in the factories and on the farms has increased to 85 million.

The great need of the war gave us full employment almost overnight. That is only half of the story.

In 1939 all of our younger and ablest workers were in the factories and on the farms. But in 1945 most of them were in the service of our country. We were not long in bringing in millions more trained women into the factories. Nearly five million younger men took part-time employment. Most of them had to be trained before. In many areas women came hundreds of miles to their place of work. There was no housing for them. There were insufficient shopfacilities for them. They could get no medical care. And in many places living conditions were not very good.

All of these circumstances were not favorable to the highest and best production.

Yet, our total production in goods and services rose from less than 100 billion dollars in 1939 to well over 188 billion dollars in 1943.

From 1939 to 1943 our total employment rose by about 75%. Our output rose by almost double.

Read that last paragraph over again. It is almost unbelievable. But it is true at two times-twos-makers-rate. About 11/2 more workers nearly doubled the national output.

The war proved what we can do. The worker, the industrialist, and farmers of America, determined to win the war, put their shoulders to the wheel and performed, what is often described as, “a miracle of production.”

The war has taught us that we can perform a “miracle of production.” The war has taught us that when we are determined to do something great, we can perform a “miracle of production” to win the Peace.

WHEN WAR ENDS

There are people who predict that soon after the war we will sink back to conditions of 1939. If we once start sinking we will sink still further to the conditions of 1935. And then even lower.

When war ends, so they say, the Prophets of Doom, we shall have a long period of great unemployment. They give two reasons:

Two main reasons for expecting widespread unemployment are these:

1. Reconstruction. They say that new mass industries are geared to produce war materials. It will be a great undertaking to convert war plants to peace plants. Millions of men and women will have to be retrained.

2. The Loss of a Customer. Uncle Sam now buys for war about one half of all our production. When the war is over, this $50 billion-dollar-a-year customer will disappear. Half of the work done will then be unnecessary. Half of the people now working will find themselves out of jobs.

So people, they predict, will begin to work shorter hours at lower pay. Women will go back to the kitchen. Negroes will go back to tenant farming and housework. And about 15 million people will be floating around in search of jobs.

TRUE OR FALSE

Are these claims true or are they false? Let us take the first claim first:

Will reconversion from war to peace be so difficult that it must cause great unemployment?

The answer is clear: NO.

To begin with—conversion from peace to war was rapid and there is no reason why conversion from war to peace should not be just as rapid.

Industrial plants, accounting for over 40% of all industrial work, are in factories and shops employing less than 100 workers each. These smaller plants can be turned from war to peace with- out much loss of time.

It is true that a number of these small plants can produce nothing but war materials and after the war will be dis- solved completely. But for each small plant that will have to be dissolved, there will spring up—of the people have the purchasing power to buy two-plants in place. When the war is over, these billion-dollar-a-year customers which are now not in production, such as toys, gadgets, kitchen utensils, and others. These plants will require as many and more workers than the number released by the small plants which will have to go out of existence after the war.

Some of the huge plants, such as steel, can continue production without interruption. And even the huge plants that have to be reconverted, can be reconverted quickly, provided plans are made now, and provided their owners are assured that they will have ready customers for all the peacetime goods they will produce.

After the war some women now working will want to return to their homes. Young people under 18 should return to the classroom. People now working longer hours for war will want to return—and should return—to the shorter week work.

We must plan now for reconversion. Plants in areas which can the greatest number of workers must be reconverted first.

Long notice of contract termination must be given so that plans to discontinue workers can be perfected. There must be plans for the retaining of workers, transportation must be provided for those workers who must find jobs outside of the community to which they came for war work, and a national coordinated em- ployment service must be used to secure both workers and employers. These workers temporarily affected by reconversion should receive dismissal wages and supplementary federal unemployment insurance sufficient to tide them over whatever waiting period must be necessary.

If we plan reconversion now, and plan it wisely, the reconver- sion period need not bring unemployment after the war. There need be no depression, no panic.

THE 85 BILLION DOLLAR QUESTION

What about the second claim given for expecting unemployment, namely, the loss of Uncle Sam as a $50 billion-dollar-a-year customer in war goods?

When we entered the war, Uncle Sam did not have the money to spend. The Treasury was empty. The Government was in debt. Yet, within a short time our industries were going full blast, working for Uncle Sam. In 1939 we employed 900,000 workers in the airplane industry. In 1943 we employed 1,700,000 workers to produce more planes in one week than we did before in an entire year.

In 1939 the shipbuilding industry employed 30,000 workers. In 1943 this industry employed 1,790,000 workers.

And so on down the line.

What created these jobs?

These are the conditions which created full employment, during the war:

1. A pressing need for airplanes, ships, tanks, guns, bullets, and some 200,000 other items in great quantities with which to beat the Axis.

2. The availability of the resources and the skills to produce all these things.

3. A people determined to win the war against the Axis.

4. A President and a Congress determined that the war would be won.

5. The establishment of the proper controls to get manage- ment and labor together to keep things rolling and the proper controls to protect our workers and our resources—through rationing, allocation of materials, and price controls.

These conditions made it possible for us nearly to double our production and to create full employment.

What will the conditions be after the war?

What will be our needs, after the war?
**OUR NEW FRONTIER**

We shall need more and better food, 

In 1942 Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security Administrator, estimated that 40 million people in America lived on a diet dangerous to their health. Everyone with $200 or less property, $250 million workers earn less than $1,000 a year, which means that they and their families cannot possibly have a good diet with food prices that they pay. 

When the war is over, we shall need more and better food. If we are to produce enough food to give every citizen an adequate diet, we must guarantee farmers an adequate income and we shall need more workers to produce farm machinery, more canning workers, and more workers in all the food industries. 

We shall need more and better housing. 

About one-half of all the dwellings in the United States are in need of major repairs, or have no bath, or are without electricity. Many are really unfit for human habitation. 

We need 16 million new dwellings. They cannot be built by 

We shall build them over a period of ten years after the war. 

When the war is over, our needs of housing will be enough to keep the building industries busy and give large employment for years. 

We shall need more clothing. 

We shall need more and better schools. We, the richest and most advanced nation on earth have over 15 million school buildings in our cities. The majority of these are not good. They are not Negroes. They are not natives. 

Nearly 150 of all our adults have not attended school. Over one-half of all our public school buildings are one-room schools. We need more schools. 

Our teachers in many parts of the country are miserably unproductive. 

We have learned a great deal about how to increase the productivity of our land, to grow the food we need. We should increase the use of our good land and retire eroded land to be made productive. 

Yes, we will have the ability to produce all the things we need. 

WHERE WILL THE MONEY COME FROM? 

There is no one who denies the needs of the people nor the productive capacity to fill them. But the 8.6 billion dollar question remains. 

Where is the money coming from? 

If we are to make for peace the 8 billion dollars worth of goods made for war, we shall find markets for those goods. 

Our great market abroad is where the people of foreign coun- 

tries will need the goods we produce. Through long-term govern- 

ment contracts we can assure foreign nations they will meet their needs, yet postpone payments from the undeveloped countries until they have industrialized and can pay us as goods. This program is pos- 

sible in our post-war arrangements as international friendship. 

The other great market is here at home. Billions of dollars in War Bonds and savings will give us our start. During the war the people's credit has improved. Farmers have paid off mortgages and what they owe on machinery, while city workers have cleared their debts. Our cash and credit will start us off, but we must radi- 

cally increase wage levels to keep the wheels turning. We must pay out enough in higher wages and in social security to meet the needs of the people. 

We must have the determination. 

Quite clearly, our entire future now rests with the voters of 

America. For just as a victory over the Axis powers will be won through political action this year. 

The National Planning Board should encourage the establish- 

ment for each industry of an industry council, composed of repres- 

sentatives of labor, management or agriculture as the case requires, and government, to assist in the formulation and administration of plans for full production and full employment in each industry. 

If we, the people have the New Bill of Rights, and if we dedicate ourselves to the task of translating those ideals into accomplished facts, we shall have full employment after the war, and what is more, we shall have the sound promise of a lasting and glorious peace. 

PLANNING IS NOT ENOUGH 

Many grand plans have been written up and widely discussed. But planning is not enough. What we think, we must say. What we say, we must do. In thought, in word, and in deed, we must work toward the realization of our plans. 

If we have the right kind of President and the right kind of Congress (as well as the right kind of Republicans), we can attain our objectives. 

We shall mean our objectives, if the people understand the facts clearly, and realize the goals that the New Bill of Rights to a better life. 

WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT 

And so we see that the fear in men's hearts about unemployment after the war is not unfounded. But if we do not plan well and take action now, we shall find ourselves facing a problem far bigger than ever plagued this Nation. And behind it will rise the spectre of another world war. 

But we can avoid such disaster. We have the means and we have the determination. 

Quite clearly, our entire future now rests with the voters of America. For just as a victory over the Axis powers must be won in the battlefields, full employment and a lasting peace will be won through political action this year. 

**YOU MUST ELECT THE RIGHT KIND OF GOVERNMENT**
CIO Girds For Test In California

(Continued from Page 1) provide pensions of $60.00 a month for all people over 60 years of age.

Recommended that maximum assistance be given to the ILINT's drive to organize dock seamen and other unorganized shoreside maritime workers.

The situation was called one which if not corrected "can be some a serious threat to the re- alization of our post-war glans and set the pattern for union-busting of a new kind."

Suggested investigation of setting up CIO-owned radio sta- tions and advocated the estab- lishment of a permanent World Congress of Labor.

Extended continued moral and financial support to the fight against the deportation of Bridge- s.

"His contribution to victory is unsurpassed," the resolutions committee report read. "Our records of production are largely of his making. Under his inspira- tion and leadership we are sup- plying in unprecedented quan- tities the sinews of war to our fighting men and our brave Al- lies."

ILWU At Convention

ILWU At Convention local 6 delegates to the California State CIO Convention at Los Angeles last week top left are: standing (left to right) Kathleen Griffin, Richard Lyndon, James L. Russo, and James W. Acosta. Sitting on the left side of the table are (forward to back) Jack Scahill, George Pedrin, Swan Carlson, Roberta Jones and Paul Heide, Right, sitting (forward to back) William Schneider, Kurt Lyons, Malcolm Peterson, Mary Helms, Mack Poyster, Hazel Drummond and Ralph Conley. To the right of the Local 6 group are (left to right) ILWU President Harry Bridges and CIO Vice-President Philip (Slim) Connolly. Below Local 6, Mary Helms takes the mike. To her right, Local 13 delegates (left to right) R. W. Aldumin, William Lawrence, Paul Weis, and Jack Brooks face the camera. Below Mary Helms at the left of the table are James L. Russo of Local 34, Ted Rankin, Local 10, Ed Ratto, Local 18 and German Babia, Local 10. Other side of the Table (forward to back) are Frank Hendricks of Local 10 and David Kthesis, Local 10. To the right of this group and standing upward are (left to right) E. K. Smaur, Leo Harlow, Frank E. Hearron, Jack Steinhart, and Isidro Armenta, all of Local 26. Bottom right are (left to right) William Lawrence, Local 13, Joe Lynden, Richard Lyndon and Paul Heide of Local 6, and Armentas.
Phoenix Dye Workers Get Big Wins

CHICAGO — The War Labor Board last week issued a directive granting Phoenix Dye Workers an increase ranging from approximately 21/2 to 5 cents an hour.

Also granted were one week's vacation with 20 hours pay for those with five years continuous service prior to June 30 and less than one year, and one week with a total of 40 hours' pay for those with one year's continuous service or more but less than 5 years prior to June 30, and one week with 40 hours pay for those with five years continuous service or more after June 30.

The order is retroactive to Phoenix Dye Works. The company has not as yet finished computing back pay, but is expected to have it ready for all those entitled by the last day of the current month.

Local 208 Scores Move To Underpay the Disabled

CHICAGO — The Albert Pick Company organized by Local 208 has received a wage differential between handicapped, papermakers, salaried and able-bodied workers.

Wage differences in the pay scale were approved for review and reconsideration of California Unions

PACT REACHED

SAN FRANCISCO — (FP) — Union membership in California has more than doubled during the war, State Labor Commissioner John F. Dalton declared in a report based on questionnaires submitted annually to locals.

A total of 895,834 members has been ordered, the company is expected to have it ready for all those entitled by the last day of the current month.

ILWU Files Wage Charges Against 14

LOS ANGELES—Two Local 6 members have been granted wage increases by the War Labor Board division of the National Labor Board.

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HONOLULU — Complaint charges filed by the ILWU against 14 companies with violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act have been filed with the Honolulu office of the United States Department of Labor.

The charges cover various companies in low-wage industries in the Pacific area.

Other Violations include misclassification of workers as domestics, failure to incorporate this decision into their collective bargaining agreements and failure to pay time-and-a-half for overtime.

A company is not expected to have its back pay ready for all those entitled by the last day of the current month.

Local 217 Negotiates

DENVER — Local 217 has mapped out a program of political action which will mobilize every member in the crucial 1944 election.

Drummond, Jones Took Down Notes

Hazel Drummond, now working in the office of the United States Department of Labor, is owed $1,300 in back pay by the company. The union then appealed to the executive committee and Roberta Jones, now working on the floor for the area, requested the union to consider the question of back pay for all members.

THE DISPATCHER

Sept. 8, 1944
Abolition of Probationary Period Acted On By S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO—Proposals from four investigating committees, abolition of the probationary period and standardization of probationer committee minutes were scheduled to be acted on Wednesday at the regular meeting of the San Francisco Local 6.

The three suggested modifications were: the abolition of the joint executive board and stewar-dship committee; the establishment of a general executive board prior to submitting to the membership.

Approval was voted at the "ag-sentive caucus" after explanation that the three proposals reflected the changes in local policy which had been brought about in previous months.

Local 6 President Richard Lynde explained that the probationary period had been thought to work well in order to protect workers and avoid job security when the union's policy was to maintain a job monopoly for the member.

Lynde further stated that the theory did not work, since no matter how well an individual projected himself without regard to other conditions of work.

More Democracy

"In the coming era, we are not concerned with the individual," he stated. "The plan for elimination of the probationary period periods is aimed at making our union a true democracy and the elimination of segregation on an arbitrar-y basis.

For Lynch noted that the probationary period is hindering the maximum production of the members by deterring entrance of the man who was not able to stay.

Most recent coming into the union is the incu-bating period during which the worker is in the "organization period." It is not uncommon to see a number of workers that have been rejected for this reason and will try to get them for a small amount.

We certainly do not want to base our post-war program on a situation where we are unable to cover among our members," he explained.

New Restaurants Needed To Replace "Ulfactor" Facilities

SAN FRANCISCO—First steps were taken by the WULF last month in an effort to standardize.Two hundred new restaurants are needed in San Francisco to take the place of existing "Ulfactor" establishments.

A survey and report covering approximately one and one-half city blocks were summarized by Roberta Jones of H. J. Crocker for the union, indicating that the present war confusion has affected food standards.

A report has been submitted to the Food and Nutrition Administration, requesting a more intensive survey by the WULF's industrial feeding director.

"The report indicates that the number of restaurants are inadequate, that the food served is of poor quality and little variety and that prices are high.

It suggests that in most instances, in-plant feeding is impractical and recommends that the establishment of eating facilities, similar to those in the "Ulfactor," be the goal of the union.

"In these few restaurants where the food comes up to our minimum standards, the workers usually have to wait so long to be served that they are forced to gulf their food in order to get back to work on time.

"It is not uncommon for workers who have had no proper lunch to return to eating establishments at noon in spite of the lunch hour deadline, often eating their lunch in between shifts.

"In these few restaurants which in these areas are patronized, high prices are charged.

Further, restaurants have been very successful and overcrowded.

CIO Delegation Urges Permanent FEPF

LOS ANGELES—Establishment of a permanent FEPF was urged by the CIO convention today at the St. Louis, the CIO convention here in a resolution by Senator Deans of California.

The telegram, signed by Chairman Mark Kasnak, reads: "Roberta Jones of the delegation, urged the action in behalf of the 18,000 Local 6 members who represented "to help win the war and the peace to follow."

Local 6 action supplemented by action taken by the entire delegation which also wired for sup- port of the FEPF.

Turret Saw Injures Paraffine Worker

OAKLAND—A 19 and 10 cent an hour differential for night shifts.

On By S. F.

Mr DISPATCHER

No Superior Races

"Ordinarily working people are so busy in the political campaigns that they have not time to participate by the pressure of the International ILWU convention.

OAKLAND—Two business agents, one delegate to the international convention, one delegate to the National Congress of Commerce, and two delegates to the international convention.

One business agent, three executive board members—one to be elected from among the 16 executive board members and two delegates to the national convention.

Calling upon the citizens of San Francisco for proper eating eco-

Chart For Food

The Northern California Union Health Committee, (right) the map which will accompany her report on feeding facilities within the San Francisco warehouse district, the map shows location and some conditions.

Local6Opens Nominations For Officers

SAN FRANCISCO — Nominations for officers of Local 6 for the year 1945 are now open and will be received by Secretary-Treasurer Louis Goldblatt at 2420 Mission Street until October 1.

Any eligible member who desires to run for office again must give his nomination in writing before September 1.

Any member in good standing in Local 6 for one year immediately preceding the time of the election is eligible to be elected to any office of the local or international is eligible to hold office.

Nominations must be submitted in writing by petitions signed by 25 signatures of members in good standing and the signatures of the candidates.

Members from all units may sign the petitions, but not from the president, two vice presidents, one to take charge of the Oak- land unit, and secretary-treasurer.

The following offices are open in the six units of Local 6 for one business agent, one delegate to the international convention, one delegate to the National Con-

CROCKETT — A business agent, three executive board members—one to be elected from among the 16 executive board members and two delegates to the interna-

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SAN FRANCISCO—For Officers for 1945—Northwestern District.

Any incumbent official who wishes to be re-elected may be re-nominated by a C. of C. committee that envisions a steady growth of this goal in the long run that kind of a fight is against everyone else outside—

"In certain instances, the delegates voted the position of labor in the post-war world and the way out from the "milk run" territories.

"Speaking to the American Legion Auxiliary and a group of business men, Senator Crocker pointed out that the Republicans lack any promise of this goal.

"In the years ahead, the Republicans mean to labor. He stated.

"In the Republican program in the past 15 years they have been forced into the field open to them by the Gary Chamber of Commerce."

Calling upon the citizens of San Francisco to give their support to the motion for the proper elections of full, and the crucial nature of election results.

"For some time, the Republicans have been fighting for equal opportunity for all races and all groups, racial and religious," Senator Brown said.

"We recognize the reality of the situation in which we find ourselves and the number of Negroes in the population of Gary.

"In this period of stress and reorganization of our society," Senator Brown concluded, "We will do all in our power to remove it by education, permanence and example."

Dr. John Belville.

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The report will be submitted to the membership meeting of the San Francisco warehouse district, the map shows location and some conditions.
Corporal In New Guinea Remembers 1932; Terms 1944 Elections Crucial

With the landing forces at Guam, William Coulthard, owner of a business, sent a letter to the local servicemen's newsletter. He wrote:

"I first heard the news of your coming presidential election, but all the good work you have been doing for the past year. We in the service are quite proud of the men in uniform papers written by the friends of the soldiers. It goes without saying, I'll be glad to get back.

"I want to thank you for sending the servicemen's newsletters. We keep us quite well informed so that we still feel almost as if we are still there."

Sergeant Bernal Tells of Guinea Mud, Radio Announcing, Preach Union Spirit

Sergeant Anthony Bernal, who was shipped overseas after only 30 months in the Southwest, is fighting in mud all the time. His hobby to his occupation, her-

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With Forces at Guam, Helped Do a Job on the Japanese

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San Francisco—The situs and clothes the Americans have donated to Russia mean more than just material relief. They mean real friendship between the Americans and the Russians—a friendship that will go a long way toward healing a permanent peace.

Nina Magidoff, Russian ambassador of good will, today spoke in San Francisco in the War Chest which handles Russian War Relief here.

"When the American government sends supplies, it's like business," she explained. "But when the War Chest sends us boxes of American goods, donated to Russian war victims, it's like real friendship to the Russians.

She revealed that the Red Cross and the Red Star Women's League of America have been studied by the Russian government for their successful methods of raising money.

"The Russian government is trying to learn the American way," she said. "They believe that the money and goods will come into their country, and then they will work with their people."

Magidoff also spoke of the need for a permanent peace. "We are fighting to live," she said, "and the only way to live is to have a permanent peace."
Who said there's anything to toothpick???? ... The boys from phosphate addict. . . Seemed like don't seem to be able to tell the CRAFT seemed a bit bitter dyer difference between a Nibble and "BLITZ" HENDRICKS for takin' proficient "anglers" but still MILLER comin' all the way down and ordering a fish (and Salmon that he can carry so much a bit of "furniture" moving on weight? . • . Nothin` but venison our SWAN or visa versa — at to drink after finding MIKE the convention without that knocked down dragged out look JIMMY RUSSO must be temper - the middle of the nite so's they wouldn't miss the train—under- wouldn't miss the train—under- L.A. empty handed but came wrong with the local 63 delegate a beef—right in the middle of the night he gets called at four 'round pretty regularly an' not—nobody else did . . . CARL 'STOMMIE' SPEARS HEADS LOCAL 207 (or should I say everything?) ILWU auxiliary, took part in the final game of the ILW15-6 summer league with the Wolves. Mrs. Posey Acts in Los Angeles — Mrs. Flor- ence Posey, formerly vice-president of the merchant marine. San Francisco branch of the or- ganization is the Pegler column having the ILWU Wins American a report to the assembled of this city, ed the House of Representatives, to take part in the annual meeting of the ILWU auxiliary, took part in the American the ILVU convention here last Monday, September 11.

Overspent Hamburger Parish, LA — S. A. PEDRO — William Walk- er of Local 253 clicked the Ad- vance for the position of office of the ILWU-6 Summer Bowling League during the election at Factory 49-A of the American Can Co., at Kazubil, Mau, 23 to 4. Negotiations for a contract covering wages and working conditions will probably open this week.

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