Executive Board Sets Up Permanent ILWU-PAC

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The Board also supported the Dumbarton Oaks plan for world organization and the Brotten Woods plan for monetary stabilization.

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We are firmly convinced that political action will be necessary to put forward the President's program for sixty million jobs, so that there shall be no question as to whether service men and women shall return to jobs or whether others now in jobs shall.

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Finding the Answers

The International Executive Board in the meeting held a fortight ago considered many pressing problems, including those concerning wages, working conditions and union security. Not once was it able to consider these problems apart from the postwar future of the union and its members. No solution was possible and no conclusion could be reached except in the light of what is to happen after the war, for all questions had over them the shadow of the biggest of all—will there be a future?

Even wages, the most immediate economic problem, have to be considered in the light of their impact on the community. The arguments for their adjustment have to make sense for the war effort and have to make sense for the maintenance of postwar purchasing power and these considerations eclipse the equities. The Board's discussion showed also that wages could not be considered apart from the whole program nor that of other groups in the community including employers and the AFL.

The Board could not escape discussion of international policy, and no union can in these times nor ever again. Its protests against the Churchill techniques in Greece is tied directly to the welfare of our union, for the degree to which we shall be able to enjoy union security in the future will approximate that degree to which workers will enjoy the same union security everywhere.

It was agreed that the situation in Greece was at least indirectly related to the disunity we have had in our own country, and the solution lay, neither in British-baiting or in red-baiting, but lay instead in forging a coalition toward those aims which will assure the entire United Nations that our common cause is a real one. We cannot forge such coalition on the basis of preparing to fight it out with employers as soon as the war is ended.

The longest discussion in the three-day meeting of the Board was devoted to the problem of returning veterans. The discussion reflected the thinking of the membership on this problem and the fears of many of them that they will be ousted from jobs to make way for veterans. Standing out in the discussion was the fact that no one union nor group of unions nor the whole labor movement is going to prevent servicemen from coming back to jobs, nor will such cruel shortcasts as ousting minority groups and women from their jobs provide the solution. On the contrary, it would unite these groups and servicemen against labor.

The Board could find only one answer and that was political action for 60,000,000 jobs. Shortcuts won't work. There has to be 60,000,000 jobs and if that problem isn't solved, none will be solved. With the solution of that problem, the others will find easy solution.

Once that is realized, the futility of economic action is plain, the efficacy of political action just as plain.

The PROGRAM of the ILWU
For a People's Victory and a People's Peace

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An Overall Production-Fighting Plan
More and Faster Production
No Discrimination Because of Race, Creed or National Origin
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Full Military Alliance with the Soviet Union and China
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In 1944, ILWU Stayed on the Job, Fighting for Victory, Jobs, Security

By HARRIET TEMPLER

SAN FRANCISCO—With the third year of war coming to an end, the ILWU looked toward what it could do for its members, its families, and the country. It looked toward what it could do for veterans, that they might go to work in the future.

The ILWU has seen its member numbers drop to the battle fields where some have lost their lives, on the personnel staff, in making up ploddy hours of work, on the home front, where the women have come back sooner with war work. ILWU conferences have given contributions and war relief to veterans and their families in communities and political activities to ensure fair treatment of returning war veterans a better world.

**VOICE IN GOVERNMENT**

But its efforts have been rewarded in the succeeding years it has scored in all these fights. Perhaps its major victory was in its job of war fronts. It was elected to the government as a war bond purchase, blood donation, and a united labor movement, regardless of what their affiliation might be.

AFL's appeals for resumption of unionism will also be taught. Union officials and the benefits of trade-unions, functions of trade-unions, the working conditions in practically all ILWU work. The ILWU is proud too of its unummed no-strike record. Since the beginning of the war, its members have stayed on the job and kept the wheels turning for a better victory and peace.

In June, General Charles P. Gross, chief of Transportation for the Army Service Forces landed in the states. He soon became aware of the war's scope.

**COAST GUARD KUDOS**

Local 6 cooperation was praised by Retiring Brigadier General A. A. Cairns at the League of Nations Planning Agent E. M. Balatikin. Local 6 members for their contribution to the armed forces.

The United States Coast Guard presented ILWU Local 13 there with the shield of honor for "service over and beyond the line of duty." Local 13 members have helped the Coast Guard in keeping those ships sailing.

**NEW YOR**

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**From the G.I. Joe**

Murray Calls on AFL to Join CIO

In Broad Program of Action

**FRANK MENDOZA, Local 6, New Guinea.** "We wish to thank our brothers in the water front for the job they are doing in keeping those ships sailing before the war," they said. "They provide us with the weapons and food and defense for our enemies.

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Paul Chown Takes ILWU Regional Job

SAN FRANCISCO — Appointment of Paul Chown, experienced trade unionist, as ILWU regional director for the Northwest was announced week ago by Vice President and Executive Secretary, R. J. Boiler.

Chown left Chicago recently to head the new regional office for the ILWU at 1001 Market Street, Vancouver, B. C. His appointment marks a new level of activity in the region.

PACIFIC COAST

ILA Urges Renewal of Labor Relations Act

WASHINGTON — The ILWU is taking a strong stand for the renewal of the Labor Relations Act this year, as was indicated at the last regular meeting of the ILWU's legislative committee last week.

President Philip Murray, addressing the meeting, said: "The ILWU is in favor of a strong Labor Relations Act."

It was announced that the ILWU had sent a delegation to Washington to discuss the matter with representatives of the AFL-CIO.
Donations to Jugoslav Jitney Drivers

It is with great sorrow that we learn that the people of the liberated areas need our help in fighting off the hunger, cold and disease. We have been asked to give warm clothing and so much money which will be used to purchase these. There will be forwarded to the Jugoslavs donations to the union office which will be forwarded to the Jugoslavs.

Production Lag

You have informed us that there is a lack of equipment for our fighting men. This is strange because there are scarce ashes available in many places, and we know that the ammunition is being stored in the hall. We feel that the government is not working fast enough to provide the ammunition. We are not convinced by a long-stall that the blame lies on labor and that no longer would be seen.

Jitney Drivers Must Haul Lumber

Jitney drivers must work as directed, if they wish to keep their jobs and not be fired. We don't object to hauling lumber, but we don't want to do it for a couple of hours. We think that it is the right of the worker to work at his job and be paid accordingly. We will be served if drivers will cooperate. If you have not worked but have held your present job, you are entitled to your wages. However, you must be plugged for being unemployable in the community.

ACA Gets Help From Our Local

Our Local is doing a splendid job. It raises funds for the ACA and sends money for those who need aid. This generosity is being appreciated by the longshoremen and others.

In the early days of the War, there was a great battle for the reorganization of the unions, and that battle was fought in the boycott against the defense companies, who were supplying the material to the war effort. It is the job of the union to protect the workers and see that they get a fair deal.

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Principal union demands were for: $1,000 as vacation insurance; $1.10 an hour as a wage increase; one week's vacation; and steady gangs. These demands were met by the employers. We are pleased that the employers have met our demands and that the union is doing its job.

EMPLOYERS' PROPOSALS

In return for the above proposals, the employers offered: a wage increase of 25 cents, a week's vacation, and steady gangs. They also offered to meet the demands for the construction of a new hall.

Equality of earnings is a basic right. The union must fight for the equal distribution of earnings and make sure that everyone gets a fair share. We should not have to fight for this, but it is necessary.

LEGALIZED BLACKLISTING

The employers have a right to discharge workers for any reason they want, as long as they don't break federal laws. The union has a right to organize and support its members. The union has a right to defend its members and to protect them from unfair treatment. The union has a right to collectively bargain.

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Local 2 Had Greatest Growth in '44

By DISPATCHER

January 4—Comite de Emergencia, 7:30 p.m., Conference room, 210 Drumm Street.

San Francisco, Calif., to the Editor of The Dispatcher: We are proud of our union contingent that marched into the Christmas Eve morning there were only a few of us that had drowned homosexuals floating in San Francisco bay.

“With a murmered cruch and land that threw us from our seats, the boat hit a Buick, kicked over the railing, was frail and small; we were all thrown from the water and landing in a little sailing ship, our clothes wet and cold, our heads agreeable. At the bay a heavy wind was blowing in from the sea.

“The last thing on the agenda for the new year is the election of a new leadership. Before the first membership meeting on January 15, balloting will take place.

The candidates are: For presi-
dent, John Connors; vice-president, Tom Gallegos; treasurer, Pauline Stout; secretary, Greg Sorrell.

Scalers Meeting Schedule

January 4—Subcommittee, 7:30 p.m., Conference room, 210 Drumm Street.

January 5—Election of slate of officers.

January 6—Agenda for the new year is the techniques and to learn to speak.

February 1—Theme.
Local Longshoremen’s Bulletin

Jim Kearney Says:

All Political Groups Have Right to Present Ideas

A few months ago I spoke to you on the question of unity in the labor movement. My thought on the matter, briefly stated, was that all of the major groups of unity among the men in this local could best be achieved by recognizing the fundamental right of every member of this group to make himself heard. Before that, a Republic, a Rumanian or a man of any other creed and political background, to present his ideas to his brothers and to have these ideas weighed and respected in an atmosphere of good will and tolerance.

The halls of Christmas are ringing at this moment and every worker manned to those words of hope and “on earth, peace to men of good will.” This is a time when we are thinking of the other Christmas and the coming problem is to find a common meeting ground, a strange and unfamiliar word that consider that the rank and file had to set up a new kind of identity or interest.

We Must Consolidate Our Goals

We of organized labor who enjoy good wages and working conditions, must realize the importance of security by consolidating and integrating all our efforts. Likewise, it follows that we can most effectively defend our wages and working conditions by uniting our strength in a united union—wages not better our economic status, but to destroy a going concern.

In the longshore industry, it is the task of the jurisdictional committee that separates the East Coast from the West Coast. This is a question of democratic trade unionism, and there is no substitute and racketeering of Joe Byrns. We must all be aware of our East Coast docks with an iron grip.

No matter how long the road, no matter how difficult the obstacles, our best gains can be won, and unions gains can be won, if we have the will and desire to work in union.

Letters have been coming in daily from our brothers in the armed services thanking the members of the armed forces for their sacrifices and kindness and kindness in sending them their Christmases. As a small gift and a fireproof money order, Many of these letters to friends in farflung ports and bases and many of them tell us at this moment in the third phase of the war this is the best Christmas they have had this year. We are doing for us guys in the service.

Community Health Day

At the last board meeting, the Community Health Day was observed. The Executive, by unanimous vote, appointed a committee of four to promote this idea. The committee will meet immediately and plan a program for the Longshoremen. The committee will have the responsibility of providing entertainment and arranging a variety of activities for the Longshoremen.

Slight Score

In the ball game last Sunday, the Longshoremen took San Leandro 13 to 1, scoring one run in the fourth, six runs in the third, seven in the sixth and two in the eighth.

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We recognize the decision of the Congress of Industrial Organizations to continue the Political Action Committee as a permanent part of its machinery as a logical and necessary development in the scheme of great world changes. It is only with such machinery that working men and women can realize their objectives, and which is hereafter to be the objectives of the entire community. In no other way can the forces of organized labor make proper contribution or play a logical role in community, national and international affairs.

The change in the nature of the problems confronting organized labor together with community recognition of the right of labor to organize has created a situation in which the Political Action Committee, and Philip Murray, are convinced that political action will henceforth be the main method for the solution of our problems and through which they can apply their energies and loyal union militance to the solution of the common problems of the people.

Hillman, Murray. Are Lauded

To the leadership of Sidney Hillman, chairman of the Political Action Committee, and Philip Murray, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, for their brilliant, understanding and patient work in building the unity that made PAC an effective force in the elections of 1944, and for their splendid financial support of our Political Action. It is not our purpose to take over control of any political party, or to be subservient to any political party, or to act in any way separately or apart from other progressive forces in the community.

The Non-Partisan Nature of Our Political Action

We express the officers to call upon the people in your communities to join the Political Action Committee. We realize that the degree of political success of our members and locals in living up to the letter to them in their respective territories in the November 7 re-election, and for their splendid financial support of PAC.

No-Strike Pledge

We recognize the cliché that economic action will be secondary or obsolete. There is a need for a new pattern of progress which necessitates full integration of the union into community life and participation in the direction of community affairs.

Question Is Settled

We believe the decision of the CIO convention has settled completely and finally any controversy as to whether the Congress of Industrial Organizations should be in politics. Labor, now, is in politics to stay and nothing short of a fascist dictatorship could change that situation. We are firmly convinced that political action will benevolently be the main method for the solution of our problems and that economic action must be the secondary or even the tertiary. In our union the wisdom of building this new method of progress is now without serious challenge. For this reason we know that our ranks will welcome and find heart in the creation of permanent machinery through which they can apply their energies and loyal union militance to the solution of the common problems of the people.

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Congress to authorize the full participation of this country.

No Place for Cartels That Reject Freedom

Within the framework of the policies and objectives of Dumbarton Oaks and Bretton Woods, there can be no longer any place for the type of international organization which created and nourished Nazi imperialism, restricted production and placed profits above the interests of the common people. The governmental machine created at the Bretton Woods conference based upon the unity of the United Nations, shall give direction to and coordinate international trade and capital investments but at the same time encourage healthy and free competition.

(5) On the basis of this program the common people of the earth shall really secure peace and enjoy the blessings of Freedom from Want and Freedom from Fear.

FOREIGN POLICY

Liberated Nations

The right of all peoples democratically to choose their own governments and forms of democratic government, to live in a world free of totalitarian military and economic imperialism, is an essential safeguard for the security and prosperity of the people of the earth.

The right of all nations to choose their own social and economic systems asserts the British policy to be the negation of the principles of the United Nations and the right to suppress them. This is the mandate of the American people.

We believe it to be of the utmost importance that the American policy of the British government be not allowed to become an instrument to wreck the unity and effectiveness of the United Nations.

The policy pursued by the British government in interfering in governmental affairs of other nations, and asserting an alleged right so to interfere is to be deplored, particularly with respect to the situation in Greece.

We also assert our wholehearted support for the peoples' movements in the liberated countries as Communist and assert the right to suppress them. This is the device by which Hitler entered the same power.

One of these lines, for which the Hearst and other fascist press are the chief spokesmen, brands the peoples' movements in the liberated countries as Communist and asserts the right to suppress them.

We reject both these lines and warn against their spread.

We are firmly convinced that with the millions of people of the United Nations and all of them, the will of the peoples of the liberated countries for freedom to work out their own destinies will prevail.

Dumbarton Oaks and Bretton Woods

Our program with respect to the decisions reached at Dumbarton Oaks and Bretton Woods has been made clear in previous statements. We reassert our support of these historic decisions.

We assert our wholehearted support for the steps taken at Bretton Woods to stabilize world currencies in an indispensable vital tool to the security and prosperity of the United Nations.

We support, also, the plan adopted by the United Nations at Dumbarton Oaks for world organization to make lasting peace secure, and call upon the Senate of the United States to ratify the commitments made by the United States for participation in the organization.

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We reject the philosophy that would solve the problem of jobs for men returning from the battlefront by kicking soldiers of the home front from their employment, particularly women and members of minority races. Such solution could only lead to deepening conflict in the ranks of the working people.

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Vice President J. H. Robertson consoles Executive Board Member Charles Day. Executive Board Member Frank M. Andrews is in the background.

President George Wagon of the San Francisco CIO Industrial Union Council talks to Congressman-elect Frank P. Havemann.

Belle Toccini and August Hromas of Local 6 (Crockett Unit) were among the early arrivals. They gave Henry Schmidt practice for the later rush.

International Executive Board Decisions, National War Labor Board... (Continued from Preceding Page)

We call upon these members to resign forthwith. Particularly do we call for the resignation of Dr. George W. Taylor, who has exhibited flagrant bias, and Dr. R. M. Anderson, who has lost confidence in the public members of the board.

We petition the President to call for these resignations so that the War Labor Board may be made the effective instrument in the war effort which it was intended to be.
ILWU 3 to 1
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Local 6 Members Rally to Meet Blood Plasma Crisis

San Francisco — With a critical deficiency existing in the supply of blood plasma, the CIO of Local 6 has called on all members to turn in 1 gallon of blood plasma by June 1, 1945, to meet the needs of men wounded in our armed services. Local 6 units have already turned in over 1000 pints of blood plasma, but more is needed.

Chairman requested Miss Jones emphasized the need not only for all who are physically able to render help, but also for the blood bank now, but urged stores or service centers' welfare chairmen in each house to take responsibility for sending a regular group of blood donors to the bank each week.

Crockett Sets Record

In Crochet, where a mobile blood unit visits the city every two months, over 40 per cent of the donations of the town are made by Local 6 members. This percentage would be even higher if the unit were prepared to handle all the donors Local 6 could contribute. The C & H firm, therefore, which employs all Local 6 members assists in obtaining this large figure by giving two hours' pay for all blood contributions.

In San Francisco, Western Sugar, the largest of Local 6's employers, maintains a regular record for blood donations. During the coming weeks Miss Jones will attempt to enlist the cooperation of employers in giving employees two hours off to make blood bank visits, and the setting up of a system from all Local 6 which will ensure a continued flow of blood until the need is met.

Local 6 members have already begun to respond to the appeal. Since the war began, they have contributed over 18,000 pints of blood in San Francisco. Of the 51 gallon CIO blood donors were Local 6 members.

CIO Blood Day

Representatives of Local 6 turned out at the CIO day at the Red Cross blood bank last week for the first step in fulfilling their pledge to contribute 1000 pints of plasma in support of our war effort. The blood bank and the Red Cross, in cooperation with the CIO Blood Service, is being carried on around the country in an effort to supply the needs of our armed forces. The local boys are doing their part in this campaign.

CIO Local 6 saw Local 6 Over the Top In Production, PAC and Economic Gains

The war is yet to be won. Most of the major fights have yet to be fought. Over 400 Local 6 members are fighting in the armed services. But with "peace, jobs and reforms" the unbroken slogan for 1945, Local 6 members will continue to view the past year's achievements as stepping stones to ultimate victory.

Hundred of Local 6 members turned out for political action work in all the districts of San Francisco and Oakland and in Crockett, Petaluma and San Jose.

Local 6 supported political action activities not only in this area, but throughout the state and nation as well. It spent from its treasury and from assessments, $30,000 for the registration and get out the vote campaign. It contributed $13,500 to the CIO Service Men's Fund; $3,000 to the CIO Service Men's Political Committee.

Results of this energy and contribution helped elect five out of six candidates supported by Local 6 in this area, it helped achieve the largest registration and vote in history, called up a large vote for Roosevelt, Truman and Downey and a landslide defeat for the anti-labor proposition Number 12.

In San Francisco, the Local 6 has maintained a 100 percent no-strike record, as part of its overall effort to speed up and increase production for the fighting fronts.

Still working for uniformity, it signed the master contract with the San Francisco Dusters' Local 6, Local 6 has contributed $30,000 for the registra-

Industrial Peace

The contract also included a three-year period which lay the basis for post-war cooperation, free of industrial strife.

"We are both satisfied that the agreement reached represents a great step forward in industrial relations", President Richard Lyndon and Dwight C. Steele of the Association said of the contract.

The fact that we could reach agreement without resort to the courts, without ending the war by a new war was the chief reason why the Local 6 has been able to sign this contract.

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IT'S LIFE YOU GIVE

Janie was preceded by Mrs. Sarah Barr of the Oakland Red Cross who introduced the film. Mrs. H. H. gave when you give blood, she stated, "It's Life!"

Also introduced were Robert S. Allen, gallon blood donor. They are George Luchesi, who has given 13 pints, Felix S. Denkowski, 18 pints and Robert S. Allen, gallon donor.

Oakland gallon blood donors step up for acclamation at the Oakland membership meeting as Corporal K. O. Janie tells of his experiences in battle with the aid of blood plasma.

Hiring Halls Still Short Manpower

SAN FRANCISCO—Reports from the hiring halls in San Francisco and Oakland reveal that while an average of 2,000 men have been dispatched to jobs in each of the two units during the last two months, there remain upwards of 1,000 orders unfulfilled.

"A large part of this shortage is caused by the turnover in the industry," reported Ton Koslosky, assistant dispatcher in the San Francisco hiring hall.

In San Francisco, 2,204 men were dispatched to jobs during October and 2,286 in November. The October shortage was 360; the November shortage only 98.

Of these jobs filled, 2,024 were taken by servicemen in San Francisco during the two-month period and 273 in Oakland.

The breakdowns for the two units are as follows:

  - Black book members 413 343
  - Permit members 820 943
  - Service men 1,034 1,000

Total: 2,547 2,786

  - Black book members 221 105
  - Permit members 405 515
  - Service men 986 1,259

Total: 1,512 1,945

CIO Union Uncovered

Norden Sabotage

NEW YORK (FPP)—A special jury has been in December 19 indicted Carl L. Norden, Inc., two of its officials, a suspended navy commander and an industrial efficiency firm on charges of con

CROCKETT DONORS

Crockett Local 6 members turned out en masse when the mobile Red Cross unit visited Crockett this month. Perched on and around the truck are only a part of the Local 6 group who evening. There aren’t any such clubs in this crowd. They all returned to work at C. and H. after making their donation and having their picture taken.

Stewards to Turn in Facts For Independent Pact Talks

SAN FRANCISCO—Questionnaires requesting information vital to negotiations of independent contracts here were mailed last week to stewards in all independent houses.

A prompt and complete response to the form was requested by the sponsor, Joe Luzin, and members, both to speed the signing of the contract. The stewards are also being assured that every possible legitimate claim is granted.

The questionnaire concerns the War Labor Board classifications that determine the wage brackets which have been written into the master contract.

The stewards are requested to list the names of the workers who may be eligible for a raise, their proper classification and the rate they now receive.

For example, a member’s work may actually be that of a checker according to the War Labor Board definition and, because of a gradual change in the work, he may still be classified as a freight handler and be receiving the lower rate of pay.

For Labor Board brackets do not affect rates in individual contracts that are above the brackets, but do affect houses where there are actual job classifications, but no rates above freight handling, or where the existing rates are lower.
**Man of the Fortnight**

Although best known as "Hot Cargo" Drummond, a gal whose voluntary work has done much to put this local where it is today, is stewardess, convention delegate, artist, former executive board member and present OPA panel assistant Hazel Drummond. We choose her as candidate for the "man" of the fortnight because she has always been among the first in the union, on the beam, on the job and on the march.

Hazel is one of the first women members of Local 6. She was also among the first women to go on men's jobs. She worked on the union bulletin almost since she first came into the union—in the days when it was a mimeographed graph. She is among the first of women stewards.

She Is Colored Stewardeus

Her "Hot Cargo" column, run regular as the Local 6 supplement of The Dispatcher, has brought fame to her and notoriety to others.

Her comments on the delegates to the ILWU convention in June of last year brought a storm of indignation protests down on her ears.

Even in protest, however, her critics have been forced to admit her talent.

When she called Merris Watson, editor of The Dispatcher, an "intellectual" and other (hm-m) her colorful language, but also her gift for design and her impersonal and impartial vocabulary was, "Nothing Hazel says is printable."

In fact, as the story goes, when Bishop Joseph M. Joe Dillon first walked in a house where Hazel was and everyone else was either educated but embarrassed or her vocabulary among the workers at Upholsteries, where she is a stewardess, however, Hazel is known not only for her colorful language, but also for her forthright handling of union affairs.

"She will tackle any job she thinks has to be done," said her co-workers. "Most impressive is her impassioned and impartial manner."

**Hazel Drummond**

colorful, not only worked hard herself, but was largely instrumental in getting two-thirds of her house members to volunteer for political action work.

With her gift for design and illustration, she has volunarily, in connection with the union, taken charge of keeping the union bulletin board attractive and up to date.

She is a hard-working, hard-hitting gal—a rank and file who has brought dignity as well as color to the term, we offer this fortnight bouquet to Hazel Drummond.

(Editors Note: Hazel Drummond is now on vacation. Her column will be continued when she returns.)

Liberal Filipinos Need Clothing

SAN FRANCISCO—An appeal for new and used clothing for the liberated people of the Philippines was last week by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Filipino community.

Trade unionists were urged to contribute clothing or assist in the work of collecting it in order to help the brave Filipinos who have fought long and hard against the Japanese militarists.

Volunteers should call Fillmore 7223 at 16th Gray Street.

**Gallon Donors**

When the San Francisco CIO made up an honor roll of gallon blood donors, Local 6 members were among the first in the union, on the job and on the march.

36 attended a meeting Friday, December 18, given by the San Francisco CIO Council which honored them. They are, left to right (first row), Bertrude Lenson, Sam Sanchez, Alma Marlowe, Paul Sellor, Angelina Papapas and Otto Hansen. Second row are Tom Reaveney, Frank Kirby, Pearl Dukes, Frank Rainey, Ted Williamson and Oscar Pertido.

**Local 6ers Appointed to OPA Panel**

SAN FRANCISCO—Two Local 6 members, Hazel Drummond and Frank Mason, were appointed prize panel assistants to the Office of Price Administration. Wednesday, December 29, by the San Francisco Local 6 executive board and stewards' council. The appointment was made at the request of the San Francisco CIO Council.

To Check Prices

Involving approximately two days' work a month, the assistant duties will be to investigate food and restaurant prices in the areas around the union hall.

The executive board also passed two resolutions against inflation, the need for increasing vigilance against relaxation in price control after victory in Europe.

Inflation Fought

One resolution introduced by the Women's Auxiliary of the CIO's Labor Advisory Committee recognized that 40 per cent of the money spent by the average family goes for taxes.

It pointed out that an inflationary rise in the cost of food would seriously affect workers and their families and called for organized labor to join with housewives and consumers to pledge wholehearted support to the nationwide Grocer-Consumer Anti-Inflation campaign.

The second resolution originated in the California Farmer-Labor-Consumer Committees to combat inflation.

This group, too, pointed out that the danger of inflation is still serious since the pressure to remove government controls will be the greatest when hostilities cease.

**Coffin Supports Greek People**

SAN FRANCISCO—Support of the Greek people and a request that Britain withdraw her troops from Greek soil was expressed by members of Local 6 of Coffin and Redington last week in a telegram to Secretary of State Stettinius. The telegram stated: "We, the members of ILWU, Local 6, of Coffin and Redington Company urge, in the interest of allied unity for the successful and democratic conclusion of the war, that you stand firm in your statement supporting the people of Greece in their struggle to set up a truly people's government."

"We ask that the British government continue to follow the policies laid down at Tehran and withdraw their troops from the Greek soil."
Miraculous Escape From Japanese
Curt R. Rosenbaum, 31, of Crockett, described his harrowing experience of the sinking of the American liberty ship Jean Nicolet on the Fourth of July, comment-

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Leadership Development Is Greatest Union Need

By J. R. Robertson

Leading a development program to carry on the work of our union is the most important task facing the Labor Council. Today many capable and experienced leaders have gone into the armed forces, and with the heavy turn-over in our industrial life, our need for new leaders increases in every direction.

A program for the training of new leaders is essential to the survival of the regular administrative structure of our local union and as well planned for as any organizing drive. This requires first, men and women who are willing to devote their time to the task. Second, men and women with the ability to do this work. Third, new leaders who have a clear conception of the interests of a secure peace, CIO members who can carry on the work of our union as the "embodiment of the unity which all the peoples fight to preserve." This means new leaders who can provide a nucleus for new locals, who can carry on the work of the local union, who can help to solve manpower problems, who can provide a continuing source of leadership to our local unions which can be essential to good unionism and well being of the membership.

In carrying out this program, Robertson outlined the following development activities:

1. The most important contribution which any member in any shop is made by the proper development and training of the individual stewards and plant. His job of setting grievances, working with the departmental stewards, helps to solve manpower problems, coordinating the activities of other stewards and shop committees, develops a sense of responsibility, and a sense of responsibility which are essential to good leadership.

2. Activities Draw Out Talent

We have a great many men who are available on a local union basis for the demands being made on our membership. These demands include serving on important local committees, political action, Political Action, grievance committees, committees, committees, and committees. The most important contribution which any member in any shop is made by the proper development and training of the individual stewards and plant. His job of setting grievances, working with the departmental stewards, helps to solve manpower problems, coordinating the activities of other stewards and shop committees, develops a sense of responsibility, and a sense of responsibility which are essential to good unionism and well being of the membership.

3. Labor Must Guard Unity of Big 3

WASHINGTON—Organized labor must guard the unity of the United States, Great Britain and the United States in the drive for the establishment of a secure peace, CIO President Philip Murray wrote in the December issue of his CIO weekly magazine, Today.

The article appeared in War and Labor, which was printed in the CIO News December 25.

Murray urged establishment of a world labor organization at the conclusion of the war to be followed by the British Trade Unions Congress and the National Labor Congress of the United States. Murray, who is one of the few labor leaders to come out openly for the establishment of a world labor council, said: "Today, we have many meetings and conferences, but who will be at the table when the war is ended? We need some permanent organization to take care of the problems of a war-torn world." Murray also urged that the labor movement must play a vital role in the political campaign to elect Roosevelt to a second term as President.

4. Time and money spent on the activities of many workers, ship clerks, warehousemen and others, and reconditioning plants.

5. Breaks and Social (planning local union committees, contributing to the development of leadership, including serving on important committees, Political Action, Grievance, Political Action, etc. and as any organization.

6. Marginalists "before they can succeed in the Congressional elections already exists in British Columbia and in Central Canada, where the ILWU is organizing waterfront and distribution work. There the next moves will be in the province of Alberta, spreading from Calgary to Edmonton, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat to other warehouse areas.

PROGRESS MADE

Midwest: Plans call for the establishment of four locals in the key industrial areas of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Proposals for organizing new locals have already been brought to the attention of the membership.

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