SAN FRANCISCO—The ILWU Coast Longshore Negotiating Committee recessed May 24 after meeting with the shipowners and flatly rejecting their demand for a 90-day contract as opposed to a one-year renewal of the agreement.

The present longshore and shipclerks' agreements terminate June 15 as result of cancellation by the shipowners, who are represented by the Waterfront Employers Association of the Pacific Coast.

The union is asking continuation of the present agreements for one year without change.

WORK WILL CEASE

The demand of the employers is for a 3-months' agreement which would also take away conditions existing for the past seven years. These include the union's right to ask periodic wage reviews to adjust to rising prices.

In the event the present agreement terminates June 15 as result of the shipowners' cancellation, work on the waterfront will cease.

The union characterized the proposal of the shipowners for a 3-month contract as "something new in the maritime industry and new in the entire history of industrial relations."

An attempt by the ILWU negotiating committee in a meeting to prevail upon the shipowners to alter their position was unsuccessful. The flat refusal of the employers was taken as notice that they intended to institute a lockout June 15.

In view of this virtual notice of lockout, it was stated, the members of the negotiating committee were prepared to resume talks in thehope of being able to begin preparations for it.

The CIO Maritime Committee met in San Francisco May 15 to 19 with 28 delegates present from the ILWU. The ILWU delegates joined the conference on the second day after hurriedly assembling a Portland ILWU longshore caucus, at which the position of "no contract — no work" was re-emphasized.

10-POINT PROGRAM SHAPED

A resolution of agreement on the caucus decision and the proposal for a new contract to be negotiated as for another year was in process of being taken as The Dispatcher went to press. The result will be announced after June 7.

The CIO Maritime Committee, shaped the 10-point program to which the ILWU, the National Maritime Union, 11 e marine and 8 other organizations are contributing: Engineers Beneficial Association and the American Communications Association.

The program follows:

"1. In the event the shipowners on the Pacific coast carry out their threat to lock out the west coast CIO maritime unions on June 15, the NMU, WBDA and A"
**Resurgence of a Spirit**

**There's a new feeling in the land which may yet pierce and dispel the gloom that came with the grief at the death of FDR.**

The swing of reaction may have reached its apex, for all indications are that the common man of America again is ready to march. Reaction is meeting a resistance upon which it had not planned.

A few short fortnights ago Henry Wallace spoke out against the Truman doctrine. He was not heard. The newspapers saw no news in it. Then he went to Europe, and the force of his words there among the people who fought Hitler panicked American reaction. The newspapers the employers control you read of personal flareups and feed those rumors which would divide the maritime groups, particularly the seafaring workers as against the longshoremen.

**Labor Spy Hoover**

WHENEVER anybody gets into the hair of big business, the FBI comes running, and it doesn't always fail, as it did in the Bridges case, to corner its man. Latest victim of the J. Edgar Hoover gestapo and labor spy service is the man who made the famous U. E. movie, "Deadline for Action," Carl Aldo Maranni. (See story on Page 12.) "Deadline for Action" exposed the electrical monopoly.

By the Maranni conviction, the gestapo has served notice on all American writers, artists and technicians that they will be rounded up and persecuted unless they hold tightly to the brass check.

**Employers** are crawling out of the woodwork all over the place. They have smelled the smell of pungent reaction and nothing will hold them back. To their way of thinking the time to wreck labor and pick its carcass is right now. And nowhere in the whole wide country are they more sure of gaining the all-out victory than in our back yard—the waterfront, in the warehouses, on the pineapple plantations and on the ships that link these together.

They are out to crush unions and ours comes first. The others, they figure, can follow in due time. They want to wreck us because we have a democratic setup, which means that we operate according to the needs and desires of the people who own the union. Employers hate that kind of union. They hate it because, the need being great, the asking is also likewise. They prefer some setup such as their own, where the rank and file stockholders are told nothing but "take the crumbs they throw you and be glad." 

Seconly, the longshoremen of our union are the key and often the block to the ambitions of American big business to rule the world and profit from colonial and other slavery. Their hatred of us is deplorable, but psychologically understandable. We too often, in their estimation, frustrate them.

The shipowners, who are an important section of big business, would like to remove the strength we give to the other maritime group. A part of their plot to do this is to spread and feed those rumors which would divide these maritime groups, particularly the seafaring workers as against the longshoremen. That is why in the newspapers the employers control you read of personal flareups and create the split to confuse and to make the people who own the union.

The choice for a showdown on June 15 is not ours. It was made by the shipowners. It was they, not us, who cancelled the coast agreement.

**The Shipowners** have offered us a 90-day contract! The cheapness and arrogance of the offer reflects the hysteria which they, in concert with the other predatory interests of the nation, have created.

Well, they can hit, but we can hit back. If the reports from the ports mean anything, our forces will rally to this battle as did the people of Stalingrad.

Our answer shall be a mobilized, solid, unified determined front, and something will have to move.
Demonstration CIO members stopped work and gathered around the Muncie courthouse, where they stood up an effigy of Senator Robert A. Taft (R, Ohio) from a tree on the public lawn.

Some 11,000 CIO workers paraded four abreast up San Francisco's Market street May 17 in one of the biggest demonstrations ever staged there and assemblcd at the Civic Center for a brief trial against the Taggart-Hartley bills and pending state bills.

In New York the Central Trades & Labor Council set June 4 for an unprecedented rally by its members. Plans were to hold the demonstration in New York's biggest outdoor arena, the Polo Grounds, which seats 60,000. The CIO Council was holding meetings in $65,000 Report on Reds

Gatherers Dust in Capital

WASHINGTON (FP) — Some 370,000 copies of a Library of Congress study of "Communism in Action," made by the legislative reference service at the request of the Senate of the late John W. Rankin (D, Miss.) last year, are gathering dust in House folding room. Only a few thousand copies of the study, which cost Uncle Sam a printing bill of $65,000, have ever been sent to voters by members of Congress.

First central labor body was the Mechanics' Union of Trade Associations, organized in 1837 by 15 Philadelphia unions.
CIO Adheres to Conviction: Labor Unity Is Both Desirable and Obtained

WASHINGTON (FP)—The CIO office and its member unions say that because "our conviction that a united labor movement is desirous and obtainable remains unchanged," the breakdown of the May 1-2 organic unity conferences with the AFL was due to a "dissension between the two organizations." The AFL, however, says it was a "conviction that united labor movement is desirable and obtainable" that was "challenged" by the May 1-2 organic unity conferences.

President Philip Murray, in a lengthy report to affiliated CIO unions, said: "Those of us in the CIO who were responsible for the transaction resulting in the split from the AFL have indicated our�" need for success in the present merger of the two labor organizations. That need is so essential to the success of the CIO movement as a whole that it is not to be questioned, much less to be neglected."

"We believe in all sincerity that joint and united action on the legislative front is the answer to the impelling challenge. Joint struggle and joint sacrifice in quenching the fires of reaction will give birth to the solidarity on which we depend and to which we must look. There is no easy or magic formula for uniting the labor movement; it must be built, it must be earned."

"The CIO, if it is to be the real progressive force that it must be, must be prepared to make and bear whatever sacrifices are necessary for the achievement of the goal."

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WALLACE PACKS A PUNCH

Writing in his column for May 23, objective reporter Thayer points to the Savage battle in Washington state.

"It demonstrated one practical political fact. That is, when in the course of a political organization, grid up their organ and let in the vote and get results. This is what happened in New Deal 1948 ... Henry Wallace still packs a punch."

"Many were referring only to the Savage victory, Stokley is widely applied to the series of political upsets which an aroused Ameri- can public may be inflicted upon reactionary politicians in many parts of the nation."

Not for Japan

These scenes are reminiscent of the days when the ILWU had to refuse to load scrap iron for imperialist war-bent Japan. This time the scrap is being loaded at Honolulu for Canada for peaceful purposes, we hope.

ILWU Checkers Will Negotiate

SAN FRANCISCO—The waterfront Employers Association of the Pacific Coast agreed to recognize the ILWU as collective bar- gain agent on a coastwide ba- nine for negotiations on May 26. The ac- tion followed NLRC certification of the ILWU.

The ILWU will call a commit- tee together next week in prepa- ration for negotiating a coast- wide contract covering these workers.

Over 500,000 disabled veterans of World War II were in educa- tional institutions or job training on January 21 under the Voca- tional Rehabilitation Act adminis- tered by Veterans Administra- tion.

Recent Elections Indicate People Oppose Congressional Reaction

Reversing the trend of last November, the voters in a num- ber of by-elections held recently have indicated their displeasure at the reactionary anti-labor course of the present Congress.

In California, Wisconsin, Mary- land, Minnesota, Washington, Colorado and New Jersey labor- backed candidates have won majority and Congressional contests by hand margins.

A Good Government ticket, led by John Grogan, CIO Shipyard Workers official, in Hoboken, N. J., April 13, defeated the solidly entrenched machine of Mayor Bernard McFeely. He had been in office for 22 years.

CIO DEFEAT MACHINES

Grogan was the target of bitter attacks by the McFeely forces who warned that a Good Gov- ernment ticket victory would mean control of the city by the "labor and alien" forces. Despite the labor-hating Grogan led his ticket and will probably suc- ceed McFeely as mayor. All five city council seats went to the fusion slate.

In Minneapolis, labor and PAC organizations on May 12 renumi- nated Mayor Hubert Humphrey in the primary election. Ward and precinct workers were active in Humphrey's campaign and the heavy labor activity was credited with the nomination of Robert Whishart, president of the Min- neapolis CIO Council, as a city city councilman. All labor-endorsed councilmen cleared the primary. In Passaic, N. J., three of four PAC-endorsed candidates for the city council won, all of them having publicly announced their opposition to anti-labor legisla- tion in Congress.

COALITION WINS

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Henry Wallace Nationwide Tour Carries Issues of
War, Peace and the Truman Doctrine to the People

In a nationwide tour to carry the issues of war and peace to the American people, former Vice President Henry Wallace, closest living collaborator of the late President Roosevelt, has reached the acclaim of people who see the Truman Doctrine driving the country onto treacherous reefs.

On the West Coast, the former vice president delivered three hard-hitting speeches in the San Francisco Bay Area and everywhere where he went he was given an ovation which should cast gloom over the supporters of Truman in the Democratic National Committee.

Wallace spoke out in ringing terms against this doctrine which seeks to fasten the yoke of American imperialism on the world, the crippling of American trade unions and the suppression of civil liberties through the infallible American Thomas Committee and its local stooges like Senator Jack Tenney of California.

SPAKES IN LOS ANGELES

First speaking in Los Angeles at Gilmore Stadium to 27,000 people on May 19, the former vice president denounced the "false unity" in the name of a one-party (bi-partisan) "political system which is driving us toward depression and doomsday.

By products of the national hysteria being whipped up by the lackeys of the Truman Doctrine, he added, are the dire threats to free speech and free trade unions. At the same time, $5 million is provided for prying into the life of every man who dares to work for the federal government.

Wallace said that there can be lasting peace "in a world where capitalism, socialism and communism live side by side.

The thundervolun applause and enthusiasm with which he has been accepted everywhere he went on his national tour indicated that Wallace spoke for labor and the progressive forces in American life.

DASH TO WAR EMPHASIZED

In fact, former Vice President, who spoke May 19 to an overflow crowd of some 3,000 at the Memorial Opera House, the next night to an audience that could not be contained in the Civic Auditorium, Oakland, and to 15,000 University of California students in Berkeley May 22.

In each of his speeches Wallace emphasized that if we continue the present headlong dash to war preparation and extend the cruel war, the antidote against communism, depression and war are inevitable programs for peace must reverse this mad course, he argued, and it is not too late to put over this program.

"Restoring the standards of western Europe to prewar levels," he continued, "raising the standards of Eastern Europe to those of Western Europe."

"Raising the standards of Asia to those of Western Europe to day.

RAISING LIVING STANDARDS

This program, we assert, America should offer the world as part of an over-all plan for the abolition of war. This plan would take up the great task of making war impossible. Instead of following division, it would begin to attack the root causes of war.

By ALLIED LABOR NEWS

Following the pattern set by the Latin American Federation of Labor, which was defeated at the conference early in May of the Cuban Federation of Labor, which repudiated the disrupters and elected officers unqualified for this important position.

The Federation of Labor in Chile, lucrative U. S. copper source, has already been successful in keeping its organization together despite desperate efforts for call-strike. The growth of industrial unionism is in its pocket, however. Chilean unions are having a hard time getting bosses to bargain with them. Dock and utility workers are still working and employers wouldn't negotiate. Sugar workers are out because their union president was fired.

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Toledol Links Anti-Labor Drive to Wall Street

MEXICO CITY (ALN)—The same Wall Street-inspired reaction which is threatening to deprive North American labor of its hard won gains threatens also the working men and women of Latin America, President Vicente Lombardo Toledano of the Latin American Federation of Labor (CTAL) stated.

An example of the effects of an anti-labor drive in the U. S. as Latin America, he said, is the sharp price increases in numerous products, the forcible dissolution of the big labor movement in Latin America. If this movement is in its pocket, however, they have a hard time getting bosses to bargain with them. Dock and utility workers are still working and employers wouldn't negotiate. Sugar workers are out because their union president was fired.

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Hawaiian Beauty

Amelita Menendez, termed Queen of the South Seas by thousands of GI's who thrilled to her sultry charm in Hawaii, has reached Hollywood. And soon you'll see her on your local movie screen.

Anti-Labor Drive in Latin America Spurred by U. S. Industrial Concerns

The Latin American labor leader declared, "Our fight is our right. Fifteen million North American workers is nearly half that number of members of CTAL, affiliates stand side by side in defense of our rights as workingmen."

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San Pedro Scaleers Win 10½ Cent Wage Increase

SAN PEDRO—Scaleers Local 56 here won a 10½ cent per hour increase in a wage opening bringing their lowest rate to $1.35 per hour. This increase is in effect on all ships and will be raised except boiler cleaning where the rate remains $1.55. The scaleers agreed to the new rates May 29, effective May 8.

Racial Unity

Elected officials of ILWU Local 207 were installed in New Orleans May 30. Elected in the southern terminal ports of Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas are: President-George Hudson; vice president—Gus Jackson; secretary—Henry Kimbrell; treasurer—J. P. Moore; and steward—Henry Lee Brown.

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"Don't be a NAM fool."

That was the headline of a recent AFL advertisement.

Don't be fooled by the National Association of Manufacturers.

They're embarked on a campaign to see that labor gets a "Bill of Rights." But their promises are as honest as those famous full-page ads when the NAM told the American housewife that she could get all she desired at decent prices, if only OPA was killed.

Let it be written in big bright letters: The NAM never kept its promise because it never intended to keep any promise.

To reactionary businessmen the food you need, the clothes you wear, the house you live in... your sweat, blood and tears... all these add up very simply to profits.

Human values have about as much meaning to the NAM as promises. Each are easily betrayed.

The NAM virtually wrote the Hartley "Slave Labor" Bill in the House of Representatives.

Don't take my word for it. It's all there to be found in the Congressional Record, a document paid for by the people, but very seldom used by the press when it records facts distasteful or unpleasant to big business.

House Minority Leader John McCormack (D., Mass.) said: The NAM... the most vicious lobby I have seen in my 19 years as a member of Congress.

Representative Donald O'Toole (D., N. Y.) told the House: The Hartley Bill "was written sentence by sentence, paragraph by paragraph, and page by page by the National Association of Manufacturers."

**Measure Is Called Scab Labor Bill**

O'Toole characterized both the bill and the organizations behind it with a few sharp sentences that lay bare the whole history of reaction in business, "It is but a reprint of all the propaganda with which that organization (the NAM) has flooded Congress. The bill has one primary intent and that is to put American labor back to the standards of servility that existed fifty or sixty years ago.

California's Representative Chet Holmstead described it as a "Republican scab labor bill. The GOP has offered us a blueprint for a Neanderthal period in industrial relations."

Many more Congressmen, scarcely noted in the press, spoke up bitterly of the NAM's deep hold on the majority of Congress.

Representative Frank Buchanan of Pennsylvania told his colleagues: "The program of labor legislation drafted by the NAM last December and published in full-page ads... is embodied in its entirety in the House Bill. Study the bill carefully, examine it... and you'll arrive at the inescapable conclusion about its true authorship."

And here is a line by Representative Buchanan that could be a sharp slogan: "The voice is the voice of the Republican majority. But the hand is the hand of the NAM."

Remember that and you won't be a "NAM Fool."

To the weekly "In Fact," Representative Sabath (D., Ill.) stated that the anti-labor legislation was prevented from passage in the House by the "government" for high prices. He said President Truman "coddled" labor unions by saying that Truman's blame is only that he didn't fight the NAM, and all the profiteers who created the high prices.

"Truman may have been an accessory to the crime of inflation, but the NAM is trying to put most of the blame on the accessory."

And even now, with the consequences of a murdered OPA obvious to every housewife, the NAM's president, Bunting, has the gall to say: "Price controls... created scarcities, increased prices and prevented the production of goods."

Congress must end these lies, by asking NAM mouthpieces, and three simple answers given:

Did price control create scarcities? Or didn't NAM-lies actually, hoard goods in warehouses?

Did price control increase prices? Or didn't the wealth increase because of inflation?

**Look to Big Business**

"Big business," the weekly "In Fact," observed, "got 25 per cent more profits the first three months of this year than in 1946... when profits hit an all-time high. You didn't get those profits out of a hat. They came out of the U.S. pocketbook."

"Of course it's the old story again. Big business plays all the angles. They keep prices high! Balk at paying decent wages! Get their corporation taxes back! Don't be fooled by the National Association of Manufacturers."

"They blame the farmers." Naturally the NAM and its handmaidens try to place the blame everywhere. But their source of

**Accessory After Fact**

Bunting spoke in San Francisco. Three thousand miles away singing in close harmony was NAM Board Chairman Robert R. Wason, who accused Truman of causing higher prices. He said President Truman "coddled" labor unions by helping to set a wage pattern last year. That caused prices to go up, said Bunting. Workers who hit the bricks, walked the picket lines, who made the sacrifices that go with a strike, won't like that word "coddle." Labor had to fight even for that wage pattern."

**The National Association of Manufacturers, the organization that told the people prices would go down if price controls were lifted, is an organization devoted to double talk and lying on behalf of the big, predatory monopoly interests of the nation. It constitutes the biggest bunco ring the government ever failed to prosecute, and its current claims that slave labor laws will bring industrial peace are no more reliable than its lies about price control.**

By SIDNEY ROGER
wealth is in the labor that creates that wealth. And it is on labor's head that they pour forth their avalanche of abuse.

Look Who Claims To Be Anti-Monopolistic!

They all claim they want to protect the workingman... to give him a “Bill of Rights.” But notice well, that even as they hypocritically mouth phrases about a “Labor's Bill of Rights,” they have practically killed Roosevelt's “Economic Bill of Rights.”

And with the aid of their stooges in Congress, suspect they'd even like to eliminate the Bill of Rights itself.

Playing on Americans' traditional hatred of monopolies, the NAM is now anti-monopolistic—"labor monopoly," that is.

The NAM and its ilk, and its errand boys in Congress, are playing the "labor monopoly" angle to the hilt.

But that very phrase was invented for them by some other than the Committee for Constitutional Government. It's this committee that pleads for a "Workingman's Bill of Rights."

Who are these men on the Committee for Constitutional Government who are so anxious to give workingmen a bill of rights.

They're headed up by press-lord Frank Gannett. Supported by the Du Ponts, the Pews and most NAM leaders. Author of the book "Labor Monopolies" is John Scoville, formerly a Chrysler Corporation lawyer.

What a labor-loving crew that is!

What a cynical crew that is! Some people distort the truth because they don't know better. This gang knows precisely what it's doing—and why! The Anti-Trust division of the Department of Justice has nailed their lies about "Labor Monopoly" time and again.

But how often do you see the facts about the real danger of monopoly in your free press?

The Department of Justice lists Du Pont (remember? One of the backers of the Committee for Constitutional Government which is so worried about the "rights" of the workingman) as having been indicted 11 times for criminal violations of the anti-trust laws.

Any housewife, workingman, professional—and above all any small businessman—can tell you what monopoly means, and how business monopoly threatens our future security and standards.

But listen to these words from an official horse's mouth:

"In the opinion of this Commission, the present and still growing concentration of economic power in the U. S. constitutes today's greatest challenge to the American theory of competitive enterprise."

—(Federal Trade Commission report to House Small Business Committee, December 1946)

Big Business is pretty sure of itself. It counts its votes in Congress like it counts its dollars. Its purse is as heavy as the average man's cares. Its conscience as light as your pocketbook.

NAM is a Subversive Organization, Says Tobin

Teamster President Daniel J. Tobin minced no words when he said: "The NAM and its allies are, in effect, subversive organizations. All they offer us is fascism to save us from communism."

Tobin asks and answers his own question. "Will we escape regimentation? Not if the industrial leaders of America have it their way. Brother, we ain't seen nothing yet."

I brought that one in to point out that the business and industrial leaders are pretty sure they have it their way. Here's a little bit from a letter that the "public" that the NAM is always trying to protect, never sees; a letter from a business publishing house to businessmen.

Here's the quintessence of arrogance and cocksureness that you will find only among men who are pretty sure they can buy anything... from votes to fascism.

Here are a few quotes from a letter sent to business firms from Prentice-Hall, Inc., Washington Bureau. It's addressed:

"To Employers: Here's what the new Labor Law really means and how it will directly affect your business:

(Remember, this was written before the bills were passed. These boys are pretty sure they'll have anti-labor legislation, veto or no veto.)

"With the new Labor Law now but a matter of hours, many businessmen are putting off until the last minute preparing for the changes it will bring to their dealings with their employees. But for once the task will prove a pleasure, since all these changes are in your favor."

Another quote: "...This time employers have got to understand it, for the whole thing's in our favor."

Here are some more:

"After 14 years on the short end, we employers are finally getting our new labor law—that's all that matters—that and making the most of it."

Here's a short paragraph from this business letter that shows conclusively that business really loves labor and wants only to protect labor's rights—in a pig's eye!

"If your employees are already unionized you'll need to understand the exact extent to which union privileges are pruned, and which ones are lopped off altogether. If you're not unionized, you must know how far you can go in refusing union demands, and how your anti-union laws work.

It's no surprise this business letter says: "...Every single point is in your favor."

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S. SAN FRANCISCO — Members of ILWU Local 34, maritime office workers employed by the Luckenbach Steamship Company here have won a $5-a-month wage increase in an arbitration award by Dr. Charles Flower. The effective date of the raise will be April 1, 1947, the date of the wage reopenings under the terms of the contract between the company and the union.

In making his decision Kerr said that he saw no reason for granting the company's request for a $5 monthly decrease based upon an asserted error in computing increases for employees working for the company six months.

INFLATION UNDERWAY

Kerr decided on the basis of a cost of living increase since the last pay raise for employees and on the 5 cents won by longshoremen January 1, 1947, the maritime office workers were entitled to the additional monthly $5.

He said: "Certain it is that with other wages and salaries rising, and with one of the greatest inflations in our nation's history underway, which has raised the cost of living 9 per cent and wholesale prices 33 per cent in the past year, some increase is warranted."

The arbitrators award, May 4, brings the minimum starting pay for Luckenbach workers to $180.75. According to Kerr in the present decision the average monthly wages at Luckenbach for union members is $345.

The union had asked for $15 monthly increase.

Lundborg Raids AFL Building Service Union

WILMINGTON—Harry Lundberg's Seaferers' International Union has called a meeting of all members here from the International Union of Building Service Employees. The transfer was effective May 6. About 600 workers answerable to the AFL Building Service local followed their officers to the meeting.

The AFL International is fighting Lundberg here as it has been appointed for the port watchmen's local and none of the 70 renegades is being dispatched to jobs.

British Ship Picketed As Captain Beats Crew

SEATTLE (FP)—A twentieth century Captain Bligh in command of a merchant ship has massed a series of injustices with an attempt to choke one seaman and beat up others. The captain was a member of the Hartington charged here.

As a result, the Hartington's gangway new carries a sign reading "Ship Under Picket and the Walking Boss Must Open the Government to a Liability for Damages." The ship every third day.

The suit filed by ILWU Local 34 with the NLRB on May 26 claiming that the company "by its officers, agents and employees interfered with, restrained and coerced its employees in the exercise of the rights guaranteed in Section 7 of the said Act, in violation of Section 8, subdivision one of said Act."

On March 13, Trial Examiner Martin Bennett ordered the company to cease and desist from its unfair labor practices and collusion with the SIU and restore access to union activities. He also remanded the cases when special assistant attorney general Marvin C. Taylor filed an amended answer, approved by Judge Gooden, that neither the government nor the stevedores companies were responsible for the extra pay for walking bosses.

Olympia Port Works Full Time on Ore

OLYMPIA, Wash.—The Port of Olympia has been working at a steady rate since the beginning of the year under an enormous expansion program in the movement of phosphates to Japan and Korea.

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SUGAR SC

Pineapple Industry's Propaganda Drive Falls to Shrike Island Solidarity

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thinking that they are playing havoc in Hawaii.

Another full-page job May 16 has "Strike! Strike! Strike!" in large type across the top of the page. This one affirms that "Sound unionism has a place in the pineapple industry, but not in pineapple during the peak seasons." Wage demands are characterized as "unreasonable."

Throughout negotiations the ILWU has emphasized that it does not want to strike and followed up by modifying its demands.

Wage Demands Reduced

Twice the union has proposed "in the best interests of the people" that representatives of the press and civic organizations be allowed to speak to the workers. Organizers the union suggested Bill Bassey, who spoke to the pressers included the Parent Teacher Association, the Hawaii Education Association, and the governmental Employee Association, churches.

The industry has refused, saying this proposal would "hinder rather than help" negotiations.

A further suggestion from the union is that the industry union join in a request to the press to publish a statement from each side of the arguments, one for and one against, by side, following each session having to do with negotiations by the industry. The union also asks the pressers "decide from all other forms of publicity, including radio and newspaper advertising."

Wage demands slashed by the industry from 32 hours work at a 23 1/2 cent per hour wage to 27 1/2 cents per hour or a 25 1/2 cent per hour wage, was reduced to 20 cents per hour, or a 23 cent per hour wage, which is an 8-cent raise from the previous week's wage. The industry refused to budge from its offer of a 10-cent raise on classifications with a minimum guarantee of five cents.

DEMANDS REDUCED

The union pointed out that it was reducing its wage demands from the six thousand pineapple workers involved to conform to the "five and ten" offer to the membership in a referendum conducted by the company agency, saying this "would serve no constructive purpose."

The ILWU said it would like to see a secret ballot among Hawaiian workers, in which the council members would vote on the policies of the pineapple negotiators, committees, drawing a parallel with non-union pineapple workers voting on union policies.

Filipino Members Praised

HONOLULU. T. H. — ILWU Hawaiiana leaders paid high tribute to Filipino members in welcoming the last large group of immigrants from the Philippines to the Hawaiian Islands. "Of the 35 thousand solidary in these islands who are members of the ILWU, more than 15 thousand proudly acknowledge themselves as Filipinos, proud to be part of the Hawaiian union family. They contribute more than they receive. They are seen as the best traditions of the Filipino people."

The union also modified its stance on the removal of the Filipinos from this country. "It is our united desire to maintain the Philippines as a part of the Hawaiian Islands and to assure to all workers of every race and nationality the opportunity to participate in the struggle of the workers of the world."

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Local 6 Asks Public Weigh Its Demands

SAN FRANCISCO—Local 6 is carrying its struggle for improvements in the master contract to the public. This summer ABCs of their Demands, a leaflet on the ABCs of their contract, will go down to the men in the fields this year until purchasing power of the people is bolstered.

The leaflet asks the support of farmers in current wage demands to increase workers' purchasing power.

Kelly Co. Workers Make New Gains

CLEVELAND—Improved union security, non-discrimination and seniority clauses are major gains in the contract ratified by members of ILWU Local 209 at the Kelly Company here May 12. The new contract raises pay for all workers and provides an opening in six months for review of wages and vacation pay.

Other gains chalked up by the union include six paid holidays, increased call-in pay, and improvements in the layoff, absences, grievance procedure and safety insurance.

Harry Clement, Jessie Germino, Irene Olszniak and Thomas Morris negotiated for the Kelly workers.

Local 6 Settles With Dried Fruit Industry

SAN FRANCISCO—Local 6 members settled with the dried fruit industry last week for 11% cents across the board in wage increases. Time lost because of injuries received on the job will be counted toward vacations under the new agreement. Salesman apprentices are limited to one year.

Some 500 members are working in the nine plants under ILWU contract now, but three thousand were employed during the peak season.

Robeson Africa Article Suppressed in Japan

TOKYO (ALN) — American editors have been exhibiting editorial control in the Japanese press of an article on an African situation, according to a report of Paul Robeson, noted American singer and actor. In keeping with the anti-American sentiment here, the censors gave no explanation. The article appeared in the last issue of The Dispatcher, described the enslavement and poverty of African workers from the enormous profits gleaned by the British rulers of the continent.

Local 6 Warehousemen Will Hit Bricks June 2 for New Contract

Local 6 strike committee chairman, speaks in favor of strike action at a San Francisco warehousemen membership meeting.

Strike Head George Valle

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Local 209 Wins Raise at Box Co.

CLEVELAND—ILWU Local 209 members at the Great Lakes Box Company here won a 10-cent across-the-board wage boost early this month. A new contract with improved union security and non-discrimination clauses provides for an opening in six months on wages, an employees' welfare fund and establishment of a weekly payroll.

Other gains were a better vacation plan, overtime and call-in pay provisions, and new procedure on seniority, leaves of absence and grievances.

A systematic tightening up program among the 300 members preceded negotiations.

Victor Zitel, Al Kirchenhauer, John Frank and Edward Noga comprise the plant negotiating committee.

The NLRB has docketed 9,800 cases in the 11 years of the Wagner act.

NORTH BEND, Ore.—Officers of the new ILWU local to be chartered were installed here May 12. The new union, Local 88, embraces the men working on the Central Docks in Coos Bay.

Nucleus of the new local is the lumber handlers and stacker and carrier drivers at the Central Docks. Following issuance of the charter, ILWU Local 12 said that the new union has a potential membership of from 500 to 700 and will include terminal workers and warehousemen.

TEAMSTERS OPPOSE

John A. Briggs, secretary of Local 12, added that the move was successful only after a seven-months fight against the opposition of the AFL Teamsters and CIO Packinghouse Union.

He said: "Local 12 feels that in establishing the new local we are providing for the security of the men on the job as well as affording the advantage of the full membership to present a united front of workers in the docks and warehouses of this area, in opposition to the efforts of the anti-labor forces with the defeat of the laboring man."

Stanley was elected president of Local 88, Gordon Clark vice-president and Gene Coke, secretary-treasurer. Trustees of the new unit will be: E. W. Radford, A. Herbert and B. Marter.
On the March
Phony NLRB Solves No Union Problems Today
By J. R. Robertson

WASHINGTON (FP)—The National Labor Relations Board has rendered the National Labor Relations Act almost useless today.

The NLRB has gone phoner than a nine dollar bill! If any of you are under any delusion that we can still depend on the NLRB to help solve some of our problems, they may as well stop waiting time and again. More and more people are doing a job for the NLRB.

When we filed a petition for representation with the NLRB we knew we represented the workers and, in every case, the employers who opposed it represented the workers. Going through the tissue red tape of a hearing and then an election was a necessary procedure for recognizing the bargaining agent.

The National Labor Relations Board, as administered by the Wagner Act, is a great boon to unionization of workers. It played an important role as administrator of the Wagner Act. The change in its administration has rendered the Act almost useless today.

NLRB Helps Employers, Not Workers

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