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We Want a Raise

SOME PEOPLE are scared, yellow, and running like hell from the Taft-Hartley attack. We're talking about some leaders of labor, who even though they know the members of their unions desperately need wage increases in the face of super prices inflation is here and getting worse, and the attack. We're talking about some leaders this is the time to lay low and knuckle under.

The ILWU will have no part of such a program.

The cost of living is up and going up. Inflation is here and getting worse, and the circus the reactionary 80th Congress is about to give us in Washington isn't going to mean more bread.

WHEN longshoremen won a basic wage of $1.45 an hour, the price of butter was 77 cents. Today it sells for 90 cents a pound. When warehousemen got $1.27 an hour, eggs were selling for 64 cents a dozen. Today you can get them for 80 cents.

These are typical of the fate of the price of everything and the shipowners and other predatory employers are hiding behind meaningless paper figures when they pretend wages have gone up. It doesn't take a college education to figure there's been no raise in pay if the dollar depresses in value cent for cent with wage increases. The fact is that it has been steadily depreasing in value faster than the increases.

THE general line of the employers that workers are satisfied with their present pay rates and that only labor leaders are squawking is a black lie. Unfortunately, some leaders with no guts are allowing themselves, at the expense of the workers, to be intimidated by the lie.

Longshore wages come up for review December 15. The longshore and clerks caucus meeting November 28 and 29 at Seattle will face the fact that wages have actually been cut since before the war. Not only have prices outstripped the wages, but quality has become inferior and increased production has further lowered the purchasing power.

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We want another round of wage increases and we're not waiting for any general movement. We're starting it ourselves. The paycheck isn't what it says on the envelope. It's what it will turn into in the way of food, goods and services.

The ILWU must stand firmly on the position that food and the future peace of the world depends upon its success.

In view of all this it is time we had a real look-see at the Marshall Plan and what it aims to do.

If we are to believe what we read in the newspapers and what our government and members of Congress say, the Marshall Plan proposes to feed the hungry people of Europe. If this is so—fine, but it's hard to believe newspapers and politicians who up to now have never cared a hoot about people going hungry in this or any other country.

So what really cooks with the Marshall Plan?

THE Marshall Plan is the backbone of American foreign policy, and in turn the keynote of the Marshall Plan is the rebuilding of German industry and supplying German industry with raw materials from the nations of Western Europe. The greatest percentage of money and food of the Marshall Plan is to go to Germany. Other western European countries are to be the suppliers of raw materials for German industry. Monopolies and raw materials of the American people will thus recreate the tremendous money value of German industry, then stock and bond loans, floated through private American investment bankers now directing our foreign policy, will eventually bring German industry under complete control of American bankers and Big Business.

Thus, stripped of all camouflage, the Marshall Plan is a scheme to use money and food of the American people to purchase and turn over to Wall Street at practically no cost to the private interests the basic industries and raw materials of Germany and all western European nations.

But what about the Marshall Plan feeding the hungry people of Europe?

That's a small part of the plan but a big part of the camouflage. No one is opposed to helping to feed the people of Europe. This is particularly true of the ILWU. In June, 1946, when we planned to strike through CMU we exempted relief ships from the contemplated strike. So we officially declared our position in this respect before there ever was a Marshall Plan feeding hungry people. If the Marshall Plan is the smokescreen to divert our attention from its real purpose and to sell the whole package deal to the American people.

THE most enthusiastic political backers of the Marshall Plan fought the hardest to put UNRRA out of business. UNRRA had to be destroyed because food through that organization, especially under the guidance of LaGuardia, would have prevented American employers from putting over their evil schemes and making big profits out of feeding hungry people.

In the months to come, all who speak out and fight against the Marshall Plan and fight instead for food and relief to be distributed through the United Nations, are going to be attacked as traitors, Moscow agents and even land behind bars because of such a position. Strikes, especially, striking strikes, demands for wage increases, the fight against speedup and for democratic unionism are going to be attacked on the grounds that such things are sabotage of the Marshall Plan; carried out under orders of Moscow.

Wall Street has already forged the weapon to make American unions accept speedup, high prices, and low wages and that weapon is the Taft-Hartley Law. For the Marshall Plan to succeed overseas, unions in America must be hog-tied, production stepped up, wage increases opposed and strikes outlawed.

The ILWU must stand firmly on the position that food be furnished the needy people of Europe and that such people need not change their way of life or their form of government to suit the wishes of our phoney politicians or Wall Street bankers at the price of inferior food. We cannot allow ourselves to be part of a program that intends to use food as a weapon in a "cold war" to stop the march of European people to a better way of life, any more than we would refuse to make a contribution to a striking union until it would first agree to switch its affiliation or change its structure.
Foisie Puts Foot in It When He Speaks to Labor Catholics

By KATHLEEN CRONIN

PORTLAND, Ore.—Frank P. Foisie, President of the Waterfront Employers Association, speaking on "A Constructive Plan for Labor Relations" at the Northwest Regional Catholic Conference held in Neighbors of Woodcraft Hall, stated, "Labor seeks power and more power, but shuns responsibility." He belied the fact that "nearly the public is pro-labor" and stated there was no solution to the labor problem.

Foisie said, "Labor must rid itself of Communists" and that "employers must lend a hand at whatever cost must be paid."

James B. Carey, Clinton God- sen and Walter Rafter were praised by him as the right type of labor leaders. He vigorously defended the Taft-Hartley law as a "break for employers to get desirable labor relations."

WANTS COMMUNISM

He also advocated, that Catholic union members should form an alliance to deal with Catholic employers.

In the discussion period, Francis J. Murmann, of the CIO Van- couver Plywood Workers Local, took the floor and in a fighting speech, attacked Foisie's arguments point by point.

"Mr. Foisie speaks here on a constructive plan for labor relations (Foisie's Union in California)," Murmann insisted, "there is no existing in society and said that "among workers regardless of race, creed or color."

"We strenuously urge the Chilean government to break a strike of Chilean miners and longshore- men for wage increases," the ILWU sent telegrams of protest to President Gonzales Videla, Chile and to the U.S. State Department.

"We urge the State Department to protest the use of Army, Navy, Air Forces and police of Chile to smash this legitimate strike of Chilean miners and longshore- men."

Local 142 Fights Factors' Methods

The American Communications Association (CIO), which has received the endorsement of the United States congress, is now in the process of splitting the ballot in order not to split the CIO vote and confuse the workers into thinking there is juris- dictional strife here.

Frank Foisie

"I stopped at the Blue Kittie for a martini—a cute blonde was having the same—we got conversing and that led to dinner, then a night club, late supper, a cab ride in the park and then I took her home. That's all there is, really, to my coming home at this hour."
SAN FRANCISCO.—Nearly 10,000 members of the ILWU are on record in ringing denunciation of the House Un-American Committee and in praise of motion picture workers for having "the intestinal fortitude to come out fighting against invasion of their constitutional rights as American citizens."

Resolutions were adopted Octo-
ber 29 by both Longshore Local 10 with 2,500 members in attendance, and by Warehouse Local 6, with 6,000 members in attendance. THEY HAVE GUTS

"Our union is in full concord and congratulates the courageous workers, actors, directors, artists, writers and others of the motion picture industry who are showing they have the intestinal fortitude to come out fighting against invasion of their constitutional rights as American citizens."

"Our union has long been on record for the abolition of the so-called Un-American Activities Committee of the House of Repre-
sentatives. We regard that reso-

The committee has never seen an investigating body for the purpose of studying the need for legislation. It has been instead an ill-disguised instrument for native fascists to intimidate and terrorize the people of America into acceptance of reactionary big business control of the nation's life and institutions.

"We have also been long fa-

tiful and victimized by the fascist tactic of red-baiting. Our union was red-baited and red-baiting when it refused to load scrap iron for Japan, when it supported Republican Spain, and at every turn in the way of the simple needs and demands of all workers. Those threats and profits of overprivileged emp-

DEMOCRACY STIFLED

"The attack upon the workers of the motion picture industry, the obvious attempt to immobilize ideas and reduce a whole industry which actually enjoys the re-

impeccable record of the workers and the success of the Hartley slave law, of the whole reactionary drive for world im-

perialism and domestic slavery."

"I would have given them the same answer if it had been around," he boasted, at the same time calling himself a good un-

man.

"I have no doubt you are giv-

ing me the money right now," Glad-

stein said.

Rose Segure of the FAECT said, "Good for LUNDEBERG!"

"You and this committee and what it stands for are beneath contempt!"

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American Imperialism in Action

Part 1
By William Glazier

ILWU Washington Representative

YOU don’t have to look far away Greece or China to find the workers’ trade unions being wiped out by the bosses, acting through governments which exist only because of the support of the U.S. State Department. And with the deteriorating flying time from Florida. And the Cuban trade union movement, strongly and militant for many years, is being destroyed before our eyes.

The members of the ILWU have the closest ties with the workers of Cuba. When a maritime strike threatened in June 1946 the CTC (Cuba Federation of Labor) offered its support to the ILWU and the other unions in the CML. When the sugar workers of Hawaii were out in the long and bitter strike of 1946, their brother sugar workers of Cuba held meetings of support, raised funds and gave every moral aid they could.

ILWU Has Fraternal Bonds With Cuban Workers

At the ILWU convention in April of this year the bonds between the ILWU and the Cuban workers were further cemented by the attendance of Elier Perez Gil of the Cuban Sugar Workers Union and union leaders, representing Cuban sugar workers, and of many other union leaders of the sugar workers of Cuba. To raise that much money voluntarily was an accomplishment only possible because of the deepest understanding of solidarity by the Cuban sugar workers.

Out of discussions held between the representatives of the sugar workers of Cuba, and those from Mexico, and from Hawaii a program was worked out aiming to strengthen the established Cuban sugar workers in the western hemisphere.

The purpose of this was simply to achieve minimum conditions of work and pay and mutual support in negotiations and strikes. The final meeting to thrash out this entire program was scheduled to be held in Havana, Cuba, on October 21st.

500 Arrested on Phony Charge

The meeting never took place. It had to be postponed because of the leaders of the Cuban sugar workers, and of many other unions of the CTC, were in jail on October 21st. Some 500 trade union leaders and workers had been arrested for having “threatened the stability of the government.” After a three day hunger strike they were released but during these days the trade union headquarters, the union funds and other properties were seized by the government and turned over to new “leaders,” hand chosen by the government itself.

To understand what has happened to the Cuban trade union movement, and why, you must understand the economy of Cuba and the domination of Cuba by U.S. financial and commercial interests.

Cuba is sugar.

More than 30 percent of the national income of Cuba returns to sugar in production. More than 500,000 workers are employed in the sugar industry; and sugar accounts for 81 percent of the exports of the country.

Cuba Dependent

On Sugar Price

The prosperity or depression of Cuba and its people follows closely changes in the price of sugar. When the bottom fell out of the sugar market in the early thirties Cuban sugar workers were paid in kind. They received a dirty hovel to live in, a pair of overalls, and a sack of rice. They received no money wages at all. In 1946, when prices were high and the industry earning the greatest profits in history, the workers averaged about $2 a day.

The industry has never furnished a livelihood to the Cuban workers, much less a decent standard of living. Surveys made in Cuba of housing, diet, and prevalence of disease bear out how exploited these workers are.

There is another side to this picture of the Cuban sugar industry in dependence is the ownership and control.

In 1946 there was about 1 billion and 50 million invested in the entire sugar industry of Cuba. United States interests accounted for more than half of this or over $600 million.

Four U. S. Firms

Own 25 Per Cent

Or look at it another way. The centers, or mills, control the industry. Farmers, or colones, rent land from the centers, hire workers, grow a crop of cane and receive a return on every 100 pounds of sugar delivered to the mills. It’s a practice similar to the tenant farmer system of our South.

In 1946 there were 173 centers in Cuba. Although U.S. companies owned but 58 of these (about one-third) these U.S. mills produced more than half of all the entire sugar crop.

Recent figures on ownership of land by Americans are not available. But before the war the four biggest U.S. sugar companies in Cuba had the following properties:

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These four American corporations alone owned about 25 per cent of all the sugar land in Cuba. In fact, it was estimated that before the war—and these figures certainly must have grown since then—the American centrales or mills owned directly or partially about 75 per cent of all the sugar land in Cuba. And with this ownership of land went ownership of villages and roads, of ports and railways.

The U.S. domination goes even further however. For most of the companies which are nominally Cuban in ownership are financed by the Cuban branches of Wall Street banking houses. It would be no exaggeration to say that between 75 and 80 per cent of the entire Cuban sugar industry is under U.S. control—either directly or indirectly.

Phoney Argument Is "Co-operation"

This financial domination by Wall Street—primarily Chase National Bank of New York—is usually described as “co-operation” by American bankers in helping Cuban Industry. But when the Cubans try to move out on their own and finance their own industry the Journal of Commerce (Oct. 20, 1947), warns that they are harming themselves. The paper points out:

"Efforts by the United States to widen the area of co-operation between itself and Cuba are likely to be partly thwarted as Cuba presses forward with plans to make itself more financially and industrially independent..."

If we look back at U.S. political domination of Cuba we can be certain that any serious attempts to throw off the grip of Wall Street will be fought desperately, and probably successfully.

With such huge financial stakes in Cuba it is no wonder that the United States has always played the dominant role in Cuban politics. It is no secret that no government has come into power—or stayed there—without U.S. approval. And U.S. troops have helped remove some governments not to U.S. liking.

(Continued in Next Issue)
FEARLESS Lundy, in His Undie Ulcers
Entrances Press and Shipowners

SAN FRANCISCO — "I'm a
fused-up man," said Harry Lunde-
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Regional Director Hall Halls Snow Shows Petaluma Strike Sets Taft-Hartley Pattern for Employers

PETALUMA, Calif. — Here’s the story of strike one of its most brazen forms. It is designed to set the pattern for injunction-happy employers and for those who deal with unions which refuse to budge or change their coming union unions.

And the strike, take in strike-breaking is related by ILWU Regional Director Bjorne Halling who had the experience with a somewhat similar company strategy in the Sunset, in fact, paid for several Red Lanterns. The Sunset, in fact, paid for several Red Lanterns.

In Petaluma, the major issue at Sunset Line and Twine Company where ILWU Local 6 has been on strike for five weeks is the question of the Taft-Hartley slave law which allows the company to prevent union organizers. Here there is no question of qualifying under the Taft-Hartley slave law, backed by the company to divide the workers.

On August 21 the company proposed, "Take it or leave it" deal. It offered:

- A union-shop and 10 cents an hour raise with three additional paid holidays. The offer included a three time limit of 17½ cents an hour to bring the pay at Sunset to 75 cents. In that the rank and file members went out on strike.

- The company agreed to a union security clause, which the local police judge and the local police went out on strike.

- Finally, the company proposed, "Take it or leave it." The union agreed to the contract with the Petaluma rise to fight and defeat the vicious new wave of strike-breaking, union-busting techniques.

Bjorne Halling

The $1.06 mortgage, in return for their being cut.

PLANT FILES CHARGES

Meanwhile, the company, represented by a group of union organizers, related the Association of California Employers held, standing on negotiations. Instead of talking, the company filed a claim in the National Labor Relations Board. Typical of these charges was the claim that the union was interfering with the right of "loyal" employees to work.

At the same time, the company sent its representatives to meetings of the Lions, Rotary and other such bodies, where the union was accused of being made up of "red" bent on starting a revolution. Representations to the company were not permitted, and the union was charged with interfering with the right of company directors to enter the property as they desired.

Finally, the company stokes off the picket line.

PAC Leader to Run for Senate

JERSEY CITY, N. J. (AP) — An overflow crowd of 2,000 jammed a public auditorium here to cheer Dr. Frank Kingdon as he announced his candidacy for the U.S. Senate.

Hundreds more were turned away by fire marshals. Lost in the excitement were a group of Catholic War Veterans and American Legion members who picketed the hall, shouting anti-Communist and anti-Semitic slogans. The demonstration was canceled at the last minute by Mayor William T. Cahill, after advance ticket sales pointed to a huge turnout. Appearing with Kingdon, who is co-chairman of the Progressive National Committee, were Paul Robeson and dancer Jack Draper.

The T-H slave act actually authorized the Taft-Hartley law, which allows the company to prevent union organizers. Here there is no question of qualifying under the Taft-Hartley slave law, backed by the company to divide the workers.

The union has asked for the following:

1. Stall or refrain from working, and at the same time, offer a new wage scale in the plant operating normally.

2. Enlist the help of the community as well as the law enforcement authorities by saying that it is an agrarian public opinion—meaning vigilantes.

3. The company proposed, "Take it or leave it." The union agreed to the contract with the Petaluma rise to fight and defeat the vicious new wave of strike-breaking, union-busting techniques.

Local 6 Announces Christmas Party

SAN FRANCISCO — Sun. 12, at the Christmas Party Committee, says that the Local 6 Christmas Party will be held on December 14 in the local union hall.

The party starts at 1 p.m. with speeches, and will be bowed at 2 with presents being distributed to all children of warehouse union members.

Some $3,000 kids are expected but it is expected that every child will get a present in addition to ice cream, cake, candy and other things. All children will be on hand to take the kids’ orders for their Christmas tree.

Nu Deal Box Struck by Local 208

CHICAGO, Ill.—The Nu Deal Paper Box Company called in negotiations so long that on Oct. 26, 88 ILWU Local 208 members walked off the job.

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JOGIAKARTA — (A.N.) — While still fighting for liberation in Java, Indonesia’s new government has introduced workmen’s compensation for the first time.

Cleveland, Ohio—A wage raise for employees at one of the last year successfully mobilized community support in this reactionary town. Before that strike, the union got an advertisement in the local paper for the first time.

Members finally won an $18 percent increase and other improvements in a contract signed last November.

Wage Raise Won At Kelly Peanut

CLEVELAND, O.—A wage raise at the Kelly Peanut Company in Cleveland has increased $18 per cent for workers in the company’s peanut processing plant.

The company agreed to terms of the contract with the United Cannery, CA. The workers are expected to vote on the deal, which is expected to be voted on after the vote, and the company is expected to react.

A committee of four representatives of the ILWU Local 50 members in negotiations.
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Egyptian Unionists' Protest Police Rule

PARIS (CTAL)—Improved labor legislation in Egypt and a general strike by police in labor associations in union affairs were among the demands made at a meeting in Cairo of the Congress of Egyptian Trade Unions recently, and included in a document received at the headquarters of the World Federation of Trade Unions.

The Congress, which was declared by the government, was illegal, notified the WFU that it intended to proceed immediately to form professional departments within the affiliation of Egyptian trade unions, and to form a national federation of labor.

Harness Is Peeved at Asia Health Programs

WASHINGTON (FP)—Regrettably, Forest Harness (Ill., Ind.), whose pet peeve is "government involvement in the research bureau of the U. S. Federal Health and Education Executive Office, October 24 of being the "world headquarters of socialized medicine," has been forced to discontinue programs for Japan and Korea.

Nakatsu Heads Unit 18

WAIALUA, T. H.—Election of T. H. Nakatsu as head of Unit 18 was announced. Nakatsu is a veteran of the CIO, and former chairman of the CIO's opens unit.

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Secrecy and Small-Pocket Politics

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