Wallace Will Explore Old War Team- mates

WASHINGTON—Senator Glen Taylor (D., Idaho) told them February 23 he must support his former colleague Henry A. Wallace in the presidential campaign. Taylor made a name for himself while in the Senate by his slashing attack on the late Theodore Bilbo as Republicans spattered on the issue of seating the corrupt politician.

He was also a militant opponent of the Taft-Hartley law and took part in the talkathon of June 20-21, 1947, which prevented the Senate from voting to override President Truman's veto of the slave law before that body had a chance to consider the White House message.

New Democratic Bodies Now At Work

Saying that he is uncovering his lot with Wallace, Taylor declared: "I am not leaving the Democratic party, if left. Wall Street and the military have taken over. I received a mandate from the people of Idaho to carry out the policies of President Roosevelt in the Senate." (Taylor was elected in 1944.)

"I pledged myself to support a world organization to promote peace. Our foreign policy of supporting reaction all over the world on a unilateral basis has weakened and undermined and almost destroyed the United Nations. I would be untrue to the people who elected me if I took any action other than the one I have chosen.

He recalled that FDR once decried "the tyranny of the majority, the despotism of the masses," and "the intemperance of the uninvited" in the reaction against the Fourteen Points. He said that "this attitude of President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Stettinius towards the Fourteen Points and the League of Nations is the same as that of the anti-war movement, with its extreme nationalism, its militarism, its totalitarianism, its dictatorship of the mass meeting against the League of Nations." (Continued on Page 5.)

Over the Top

Independent Progressive Party leaders here over a batch of 7,000 petitions containing 46,688 signatures of city voters to San Francisco County deputy registrar, John Hannon, on February 26. They were a part of more than 482,000 filed in the State of California on the same day, Left to right, in the foreground: Matt Crawford, IPP Mobilization Director; Eleanor Kahn, IPP State Director; Hugh Bryson, Chairman of organizing committee; C. J. Powers, Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, CIO; William Gately, State Trade Union Director. To the left and behind Bryson: Hal Kramer, Area Coordinator; George Walsh, Northern California Campaign Manager, and Hazel Grossman, Area Coordinator.

U.S. SEN. GLEN H. TAYLOR

local lot with Henry Wallace in his brave and gallant fight for peace. WALLACE CAN BRING PEACE

"I am convinced that Henry Wallace is the only leader capable of ending the cold war and reestablishing even the beginnings of international good will. He is the only leader of sufficient stature to aspire to the presidency who has not sought the cheap applause of the reactionary press by blaming all our troubles on Russia. He is the only leader we can put forward who has the confidence of people everywhere.

"Speaking of his freedom from old party shackles in the coming campaign, Taylor declared: "Now I will be free to fight this bipartisan coalition and all its works: Taft-Hartley — universal military training — this drive toward war — high prices and racial discrimination and suppression of civil liberties.

"I know that I am going to feel good in the realization that I am not teamed up with the big city bosses Kelly, O'Day, Pendergast, ....... I do feel good about being free from the social and economic factors in things which I believe without fear of stepping on the toes of the progressives or any unsavory associates .... no Paulcy's, no oil, no Wall Street, no generals, no privileged few.

"Taylor said he wanted it very clear that the national Progressive Party will join in trying to elect those Democrats and those few Republicans who are like him. There should be no futile effort to split the progressive vote by introduction of a new party congressional candidate in those contests. Certainly, where the old party candidates are hopeless the new party should fight to select its own candidates."

Local 6 Raps UMT As Union Threat

SAN FRANCISCO — Viewing universal military training as "a threat to free American labor unions," ILWU Local 6 warehousemen at a membership meeting, February 11, endorsed the national CIO stand against UMT. The resolution was sent to all CIO locals.

"Labor has always viewed with suspicion any attempts to militaryize and regiment the young people of this country. There is a lot of truth in these fears and worries, and has observed that in other countries political control has been used to control trade unions and interfere with civil rights," the warehousemen declared President Truman and his congressmen.

UMT will not avoid war, and "the four billion dollars a year which it will cost could better be spent raising a healthier generation of Americans," said the warehousemen.

Longshoremen and Clerks Caucus Set

SAN FRANCISCO — A longshore and clerks caucus will be held here March 19 and 20.

The principal order of business of the caucus is to be the June 15 union-expiration date, plans to maintain the hiring hall and other questions concerning these issues.

Prior to the caucus, the International Executive Board will hold a two-day session, March 17 and 18 at International headquarters.

In addition to regular matters coming before the board, questions on issues, such as that of the National Maritime Union, which are up for discussion, will be discussed.

In agreeing to a preliminary and exploratory conference with the employers, which was held Feb. 21, ILWU President Harry Bridges made it clear that the union has not set forth, in a specific detail, changes they claim are necessary to make the contracts that form the basis of the union — agreements with the employers.
Watch the Fakers

THERE IS one agency in this world that can guarantee the peace. That is the World Federation of Trade Unions.

It is therefore something a little more than shocking to find labor figures, American and British, maneuvering to scuttle the thing that is coming out of an American Congress which enacted the Taft-Hartley Act.

The WFTU has refused to go along with the Marshall plan until it learns a little more about the intent of it. It is certainly understandable that the world's workers would think twice before going for something that is coming out of an American Congress which enacted the Taft-Hartley Act.

Particularly considering Greece, where trade unionists are being executed for being trade unionists with Truman administration blessing, it is difficult to see how anybody can possibly conceive his job to be one of holding back the WFTU. The WFTU was, like the United Nations, established for the purpose of keeping and advancing the peace and welfare and prosperity of all nations.

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THE AFL has been against the WFTU from the beginning. That is understandable. The AFL is headed, but not led, by people like Bill Green and Matthew Woll. Green is an old fuss-duddy, perhaps more aptly styled a "fat-ass" by John L. Lewis, who conceives his job to be one of holding the rank and file in check so that his beloved capitalist pals won't suffer any discomfort. Woll is a millionaire insurance racketeer whose main interest in workers is how much money he can bleed out of them. The AFL has been against the WFTU from the beginning. That is understandable.

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The same is true in the USA. James Carey, the secretary of the CIO, can go to Europe and demand that WFTU swallow the Marshall plan, but he can't make them do it and neither can he make American workers support him. Instead, and maybe to Carey's distress and surprise, American workers are writing and cabling to workers abroad saying: "Hold fast against these plots."
San Francisco—Efforts by a group of CIO appointees to unseat ILWU President Harry Bridges as Northern California CIO president has been thwarted by several San Francisco Bay Area CIO unions last week.

Six days after a letter to Philip Murray requesting him to resign from the ILWU, our correspondent found the ground too busy to carry out his duties as Regional Director. The ILWU Washington Representative in the Bronx has stunned the Washington gossip, but belief it there is no good reason to replace Bridges as his views should continue as our Regional Director.

American Communications Association, 19, joined these other locals in sending a similar message to Murray. United Steelworkers, Local 193, 189, warned that any attempt by the national CIO to remove Harry Bridges as northern California CIO president because of his 100,000 supporter policy "will be playing directly into the hands of the employers."

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EMPLOYERS’ ROTHS

PORTLAND, Ore.—Six Spanish refugees now in a Seattle detention center have been granted visas to go to Venezuela, original objective of their flight from Franco Spain.

Word that the Venezuelan embassy in Washington, D. C., had authorized the visas was received by the acting consul here Feb-

ruary 23. Irvin Goodman, attor-

ney for those who was at the consulate when the announce-

ment was made, said his clients would leave for Caracas within the month.

Procurement of the visas eli-

mated a five-month campaign to

save the lives of the young refugees, who began when United Spanish immigration officials boarded a ship on which the regu-

lares had stowed away from Europe and ordered them ex-

cluded from the United States. When the deportation order was car-

ried out, they would have faced execution by a Franco firing party. It is believed all six were active in the Spanish underground.

Prominent in the fight were CIO marine cooks and longshore-
dora leaders who were seamen and musicians, independent machinists, the ILWU and Seattle CIO Councils.

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tion by our members that teachers in the schools are distributing anti-labor literature published by the AFL and the telegram signed by Council President Robert Schrank. "It sets forth the views of the union regarding the so-called ‘benefits’ of the Taft-Hartley law."

The NLRB reported 323 unfair labor practice charges brought against unions, of which 71 were brought against unions, a number written within the Amer-

ican labor law by the Taft-Hartley act. And of the four petitions for injunctions against unions under the Taft-Hartley authorization, into court, four were directed against unions and one against an employer.

MUSICIANS FLEE THE STAGE

INDIANAPOLIS.—A knock-

out blow to our struggle be-

tween the American Federation of Musi-

cians (AFL) and one of the most powerful of the theater unions, the ILWU and its leadership. For

the AFL, a blow to the ILWU leadership out.

The ILWU found itself in a pinch outside the plant, while the line replaced strikers.

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The Marshall Plan—What are the Facts?

By Harry Bridges

Part I.

This business of the United States sending food to needy European countries is a big issue these days. It’s become known as the Marshall Plan. What is the Marshall Plan? Is it a plan to feed and rebuild war-wrecked nations? Must a nation’s people and government surrender their national autonomy as a condition of receiving aid under the Marshall Plan? Who will supply the money to finance the plan? Does the Marshall Plan mean war or peace in the world? Does the Marshall Plan by-pass and undermine the United Nations? It is said that the main purpose of the plan is to “stop Communism.” Will it? And what do the supporters of the plan mean by “stopping Communism”? Will it mean to stop unionism—nationalization of industry, and the right to strike in foreign countries? Will the Marshall Plan improve the life of the ILWU person to you? Will it mean to stop unionism—nationalization of industry, and the right to strike in foreign countries?

In order for any member or officer of the ILWU to discuss or take a position for or against the Marshall Plan, they should certainly know the facts upon which the above questions are based. This and other articles to follow in this series will attempt to give the ILWU membership the facts upon which the Marshall Plan, not someone’s private or personal or political viewpoint. The membership can make its own decision for or against the plan.

These articles will be based in all cases directly on official documents and records. Where a person is quoted, it will be for the purpose of showing the position of that particular person, unless otherwise noted.

A controversy is presently raging regarding the position taken by the CIO last January, and a different position on the Marshall Plan being taken by some CIO unions and National Board members. So, we will start with the position of the CIO on the Marshall Plan.

The National Convention of the CIO was held in Boston last October.

QUESTION: Although at that time there was a great deal of discussion about the so-called Marshall Plan, did the CIO Convention endorse the Marshall Plan?

ANSWER: No, it did not.

The CIO Resolution on Foreign Policy, which was adopted unanimously, did not even mention the Marshall Plan. The CIO resolution did whole-heartedly support American relief, money and economic aid to the devastated countries. It specifically stated that such aid should be given without interference in the affairs of the nation receiving the aid.

The CIO resolution specifically pledged support to the United Nations. It criticized United States foreign policy in Greece and China, and finally supported United Nations. It stated that there was no Marshall Plan for the world’s war, and for world unity and peace.

President Murray himself was speaking on the resolution at the convention, stated that the resolution should be passed with the following understandings:

“After all, the theme of the resolution, the soul of the resolution, the heart of the resolution, the pulse-beat of the resolution provides through this great instrumentality of labor, this great house of labor, means to feed the hungry and clothe the naked and shelter the homeless and give medicine to the sick.”

And further:

“A lot of people have got a singular notion about the Marshall Plan. There is no Marshall Plan in existence.”

He said also:

“The text of this resolution was discussed in my room the other afternoon for some four and a half hours. It was prepared by the nine vice-presidents, Secretary Carey and myself. There was extended discussion about particular plans. No one that participated in that meeting had any accurate knowledge as to what the so-called Marshall Plan meant.”

Did the National CIO Convention endorse the Marshall Plan?

It didn’t.

QUESTION: Then how come all this talk about Philip Murray and the CIO endorsing the Marshall Plan? How come, when, and where?

ANSWER: The CIO National Executive Board met January 22, 1948. The Executive Board, noting the Convention action, endorsed the Marshall Plan, but even the Executive Board only endorsed the Marshall Plan on a basis of specific conditions relating to it by Congress.

QUESTION: What were these conditions?

ANSWER: The conditions were that ten points (b) being supplied by myself:

1. The aid should be provided to all nations who need it to enable them to actually become self-supporting, economically healthy, and able to participate in general European rehabilitation.

2. The aid should be given without political or economic strings designed to restrict the social or economic or political forms which the European people should freely choose for themselves.

3. The aid should be ample enough to do the job so that a healthy self-supporting Europe will be created at the end of the program.

4. We must enable Europe to export goods, not only in the rest of the world, but also in ours, and eventually we must be prepared to accept from Europe as much in goods as we ship to her.

5. We should oppose any attempt to treat Europe like a bankruptcy corporation on which a first mortgage, impossible of future liquidation, can be obtained at bargain prices. Repayment should not be the first consideration. We must stand firmly on our conviction that working people are the world’s best investment, not to be measured in dollars and cents but by the larger common denominator of world peace.

6. We must recognize that the program of aid of which the CIO is an active supporter will require that we give more attention to the economic dangers to America. Since some shortages of food, materials, and equipment may result from a European program, there must be assurance that what is available to our own people is distributed equitably without regard to income, or whether a business is large or small. We must take steps necessary in the way of controls to prevent speculation, further inflation, or rising prices.

7. As a condition to meeting our domestic and foreign responsibilities, an expanding American economy is required, with increases in our industrial capacity wherever they are necessary.

8. The aid program should be administered by men who are representatives of the best aspirations of the American people and who can win the confidence of the people of Europe. Adequate participation in administration of labor will aid in avoiding the mistakes in reconstruction that followed World War I.

9. Because Europe must be able to make advance plans over the next few years to become self-supporting, the agency we establish to administer the program should have power to give reasonable assurances to Europe.

A policy of merely making yearly appropriations may defeat the goal of self-support.

10. The form of organization to administer the program should be such as to provide the speediest and most effective aid, and to achieve the objectives indicated above.”

President Murray sent the above ten points to President Truman in November, 1947, and in February, 1948, presented the same ten points to the United States Senate.

Concerning the transfer of the five hundred ships, President Murray told the Senate Committee the following:

“I should like the committee to know at this time that the CIO firmly opposes any further transfer of vessels from the United States flag to foreign registry, and that the CIO endorses the carriage of relief commodities in American bottoms.”

Murray’s statement to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee concluded with the following words emphasizing that aid to foreign countries must be given without economic or political strings attached:

“However, the European Recovery Program is an economic and (Continued on Page 8.)
Shipowners Plot to Kill Hiring Hall, and Return to Corrupt "Shape-up"

SAN FRANCISCO.—For the shipowners it was an "era of peace and harmony"—the years before 1934 when the hiring system of hiring was in place. That’s the system that gave a job back to work.

With the opening of the shipowners’ drive to "conform" the "system" to the Taft-Hartley law, oldtimers on the waterfront had to get in line with the new system. The shapeup, the days of hanging around the front of the chance of getting a few hours’ work.

They remember the gang bosses’ cry: "OK boys, ferry in at the end of a job." That meant coming to the Ferry Building at five or six in the morning along with hundreds of other men wanting work willing to be sent to every saloon in the area looking for a gang boss they knew. Once found, more often than not the boss would say: "No work today; ferry again tomorrow."

WAIT FOR "SHAPE"

The mechanism of the shapeup was simple: you stood in a half-circle "shape" in front of a pier early in the morning, hanging around the gang boss, the hiring foreman, to give you the nod. If he didn’t like your color, if you’d been talking too much, he’d have you turned off, with no further notice. For a week. If you weren’t among those "shape" you could wait till night for another try, meanwhile drifting from pier to pier, hoping that a ship might need another man.

It was better to be in the front row near the door to attract the bosses’ attention. If you were late, you might be conspicuous by jumping up in the back row with the cry: "Here, boss, you know me," and finding yourself with him: "Boss, we don’t walk, we run."

THREE FOR EVERY JOB

Since there were usually three men left for every job, buying your bag was often necessary. For ship clerks the standard rate was only half unloading to the chief clerk. For longshoremen the pay-off varied. It could be money, or a drink, or paint his house, or buy the signature of A. L. Ray, of the Seafarers’ Guards and Watchmen’s Union, AFL.

If you didn’t get it, you hung around on a street corner waiting for the "nobleman" or "shape-up" man, to give you the nod. If he didn’t, he’d give you a "stout switch" to drive you back, and if that failed there was always the boot.

West Coast longshoremen struck against the shapeup and won the hiring hall in 1934. They struck to keep it in 1935 and 1937. ILWU oldtimers will tell newcomers that the hiring hall was worth those bitter struggles, and it’s worth any struggle that may be required next June 15.

And they mean a real hiring hall, not the Taft-approved system of "shapeup." The employers would like to get rid of the hiring hall and go back 14 years to the days of the Seafarers’ Guards Association president—forever. The picture is from the AFL. The employers would like to get rid of the hiring hall and go back 14 years to the days of the Seafarers’ Guards Association president—forever. The picture is from the AFL.
I LWU Pamphlet Exposes Unionizations, is One Lie Bigger Than the Other

Governor Stainback has made a very effective statement in the Circuit Court Judge A. Mr. C. as listed below, being a member of a German propa-
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The rehabilitation program and therefore, we must not allow the impression to be created, directly or indirectly, that the workers and people to the people of any nation or any groups of nations will depend at any time upon details of that nation's relations with our State Department. This will not be an easy procedure. It can be worked out, however, if it is approached by all concerned with open-mindedness and the understanding that these beings—men, women and children are the considerations involved. In this connection, I want to say that I believe that the State Department must not be the political and economic strings to this program. That was the position when I was Secretary of Labor. While, of course, the present program is projected to aid the 16 nations which have not declared their intention to cooperate, we must not neglect the open door in that regard for those who will meet the entrance requirements.

"Most certainly, the program should authorize full cooperation of the 16 nations, its affiliated agencies, and other international agencies, including the present containing organization set up by the 16 participating nations, the Treasury Department, the State Department, the Marshall Plan Board, the International Labor Organization, the United Nations, the National Recovery Administration, and the International Monetary Fund. It is this organization which will make possible the establishment of an international cooperation and the measurement of the progress of the Marshall Plan.

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