Dock Strike Vote Runs 92 Percent; Parleys Resume

Warehouse Workers Set for Fight to Win 20 Cents

Employers Admit They Can Pay

SAN FRANCISCO—With more than 90 percent signed up to go along with the wage pattern in master contract negotiations, ILWU Local 6 has buckled down to prove to the Distributors Association of Northern California that its members will fight a 20-cent cost-of-living wage increase.

Members have voted not to work after June 1 if the DANC sticks to the U.S. Steel formula of offering nothing. San Francisco and East Bay divisions of the local are voting this week on strike preparations as the employers insist that warehousemen are already making enough money.

The master contract runs to 1950, but is open on wages now. Results of the vote will affect 6,000 members covered by the master contract, and some 8,000 more working in the independent houses.

Buying Power Down

The warehouse negotiating committee presented figures to the committee last week showing that the buying power of warehouse wages has actually gone down since the depression year of 1939 when the base scale was 70 cents per hour or $30 for a 40-hour week.

Now even though base wages are up to $1.27 per hour they will buy only $27.79 worth per week. The situation of women, at $1.16 per hour, is even worse.

The DANC, in the face of the biggest profits in history, obviously did not plead inability to pay. However, when union negotiators suggested that DANC was just unwilling to pay, employer spokesmen, Hart Clinton would not agree.

May 10 he agreed to call an executive committee meeting of DANC to discuss union demands, but indicated that nothing the union said had changed his mind, he was hanging his hat on the steel pattern.

NEED 20 CENTS

The union backed up its 20-cent demand with figures that wages would have to be raised 43 cents just to bring them up to the minimum decent standard of living calculated in the city work.

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Shipowners Promise Will Act With Authority to Bargain

SAN FRANCISCO—Coast longshore negotiations, broken off last April 19 when the shipowners' committee confessed itself without authority to bargain and reach agreement, will be resumed next Tuesday, May 18, at the request of the United States Conciliation and Mediation Service, a Taft-Hartley creation.

Meanwhile, strike vote returns among ILWU longshoremen, with the vote of Local 10 in San Francisco and Local 13 in Los Angeles-Long Beach yet to be counted when THE DISPATCHER went to press, favor by more than 90 percent in favor of authorizing a strike and joining with other maritime unions on an out-together, back-to-back basis.

Shipclerks, with San Francisco's Local 34 still uncertain, were voting approximately at the same rate in favor of striking if no agreement is reached.

AGREE AT PARLEY

The May 18 resumption of negotiations, which will see the full Coast Longshore Negotiating Committee back at the bargaining table, was agreed to at an informal conference called May 11 by Commissioner Halloran of the Conciliation and Mediation Service, whose intervention under Taft-Hartley provisions was invoked by the Waterfront Employers Association of the Pacific Coast.

The ILWU, in a recent formal statement, said the full negotiating committee would not be called back into session unless the government agency could obtain assurances that the shipowners could form committees with authority to bargain and reach agreement. In the May 11 conference the pro-shipowners said they would have such authority when bargaining resumes May 18. They further agreed to make themselves available for continuous negotiations if necessary.

ALL PORTS Mobilize

It was agreed, moreover, that negotiations in the future would not be based upon any condition that the shipowners' demand for changes in the hiring hall be the primary issue. Instead, the union's demands for shorter work shifts, increased wages, vacations, etc., will be considered in their proper order. Negotiators the shipowners have insisted that the hiring hall issue had to be settled before they would enter negotiations if necessary.

The changes in the shipowners' approach came as all ports were mobilizing for June 15 with unity among the maritime unions being stressed on a local level.

Leaflets issued in quantity used the Larousse lexicography of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union.

Henry Wallace Starts Stump of Seven Far West States in Los Angeles

Henry Wallace, Third Party candidate for President of the United States, will stump in a seven-state tour west to east, beginning with Seattle, Washington, on May 11, before heading to the Pacific Northwest.

Following his Gilmore speech, Wallace will talk in Spanish to a gathering of voters of Latin American extraction in Los Angeles, May 15.

He will stump seven states with 17 major addresses in the key western section of the country. His itinerary takes him into California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico.

Disruption Is Nothing to Boast of, Says Jouhaux

PARIS (ALN)—Labor Leader Leo Jouhaux, who himself withdrew from the French General Confederation of Labor (CGT) to form the small rival Force Ouvriere (Workers' Strength) should seek membership in the World Federation of Trade Unions, in which the CGT alone now represents French workers. Another fiction opposed WFTU affiliation and wanted to sponsor a rival international body. A Jouhaux partisan, Roger Boisrobert, admitted receiving money from the French government. A rival Socialists of the postal workers, said he had received dollars from Irving Brown, AFL representative in Europe.

Jouhaux blamed some delegates for boasting they had disrupted the CGT. "There is nothing to be proud of," he said. "It is a long trade union experience that convinced us that working class unity is the deep aspiration of the masses."

This statement was omitted from commercial press reports.

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Truman Breaks Another Strike

The great strikebreaker of our time has done it again. In 1946 Harry Truman said he was a friend of labor out of one side of his mouth, and of the other he told railroad workers that soldiers would take over their jobs and run the trains if they dared continue their strike.

That strike was for higher wages and better conditions, just as the strike scheduled for this week. Thanks to Truman the operators now as then can avoid paying decent wages and improving conditions that he feels obliged to see that Marshall Plan production and distribution are not in the public interest. He forgets that working man's; phony fact-finding board. The operators (both CIO) have taken issue an injunction forbidding a strike, but, continue their strike. All of the maritime unions have given up their plans then, but only because the maritime unions were strongly united in the Committee for Maritime Unity, and there was no Taft-Hartley Law and its companion, the Marshall Plan, to force his will on the workers.

Now maritime workers can be sure what to expect on June 15 when the shipowners, still making record-breaking profits, ask Truman to beat their workers down and help them on behalf of the Germans in World War II.

British Concerned

Even the British Foreign Office, which installed the present Greek royalist regime, has expressed "concern" over the standing of innocent people. But no criticism came from Dwight P. Griewald, chief of the U. S. mission, without whose financial and military aid the Athens government could not "last a month," by Washington's own admission. Griewald declared him satisfied that justice has been done.

Murder of Greek Patriots Shocks American Unions

New York (AP)—Immediate pre-ent further executions of Greek resistance fighters was demanded by Secretary of State George C. Marshall in a message to the Greek prime minister, said nothing of the executions but only expressed condolences on the death of Ladas. A word from the U. S., whose every nod the independent Greek regime interprets as an other, could save 900 additional resistance veterans from the gallows.

Dock Strike

Vote Running 92 Percent

(Continued from Page 1) The dockers are not in need of revolution. All of the maritime unions have been meeting the same attitude and tactics of the shipowners.

Dock Strike

Slain With U.S. Blessing

EDITOR'S NOTE: When the government of the United States approves of wholesale executions and without trial in another country it proves only one thing, namely, that the government of the United States would like to rid itself of the Constitution and deal likewise with its operations in its own country. What are we to think of the continued support of the murderous Greek regime by our own Truman government? We can only approach the purport of the story printed below with the feeling that if the Truman doctrine could be applied in America, as it cannot presently be, he might order General Wallace be shot for making a speech and we would be shot without trial for publishing this labor-owned newspaper.

Unionist Tortured in Korea Jail

By HUGH DEANE

SHEIK, South Korea (ALN)—When I saw Moon Run-chung I didn't recognize him. His face was swollen and his hands and feet were puffy. Moon is the director of general affairs of the Korean Federation of Trade Unions which has been driven under ground throughout the U. S. occupation of South Korea. I last saw him August 9, 1947, before he was arrested in a mass action against govern- ment leaders and leftists.

Moon told me he had spent four months in a police jail and four more months in a regular prison since then. He had been arrested repeatedly on charges of "subversion." In the jail he was tortured by police to make him confess that unions were involved in an alleged communist plot to stage uprisings and sabotage last August.

VETERAN FIGHTER

Moon said he was beaten so badly that he was unconscious or semi-conscious much of the time. A U. S. army doctor, discov- ering his condition smuggled vita- min pills to him at personal risk. Moon can now see but wears dark glasses in sunlight. His face is smeared with human excrement and ashes. For a month he lost his sight and hearing. A U. S. army doctor, discov- ering his condition smuggled vita- min pills to him at personal risk. Moon can now see but wears dark glasses in sunlight.

Moon, 38 years old, has spent over nine years in prison. A U. S. airman fighter for Korean inde- pendence, he was jailed three times by the Japanese authorities since the U. S. army took over. U. S. authorities arrested Moon April 5 as part of their effort to convince the world that a "free atmosphere" exists in Korea for the May 10 elections. The elections were boycotted by all Korean parties and groups ex- cept those under the leadership of an extreme rightist, Dr. Syng-man Rhee, whom the United Nations. These fight- ers for democracy could not have been arrested alone, it was a part of the civil war and are being executed in retaliation for the May Day killing of Minister of Justice Christie Ladas. Ladas had administered oppressive laws, including death penalties for strikers, and ordered 125 previous executions.

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Mundt Subversive Activities Bill Would Bring Back Fink Conditions and Suppression or Workers

ILWU Washington Representative


This bill, sponsored by Representative Mundt, if adopted would mean an end to many of the pressures which, in the name of the Americanism that satisfies men like Banker, Thomas, Brimmer, and Neumann, the press is trying to reach out and bring to bear on the WFTU to help them on the swing and sway.

The Communist Party, whether in America or abroad, is trying to reach out and bring to bear on the WFTU to help them on the swing and sway.

“Don’t Kids These Kids!”

The bill is not directed at any political party, except the Communist Party alone. It is as sharply directed at every trade union member in the United States as it is at the WFTU.

It threatens the keystone of our democratic system. It would deny the Americans the right to have the truth about their existing conditions, subvert the democratic processes of this country, and retard progress toward a better world.”

In discussions of the bill before the House Committee May 6, Vista Marcantoni, AIP o. Washington, said that to “Accusing fascism in the United States.” His AIP colleague, testifying that the Mundt-Nixon monstrosity was so vaguely worded that it “could be used to outlaw labor unions and competing political parties.”

Like Hitler

E ven the anti-Communist American Political Action Committee denounced the proposal and said that it would drive “well-meaning Americans from nearly every progressive activity” for fear of being branded a member of a “Communist front.”

Many might feel, as some people did in Germany before the war, that they are honestly innocent of any wrong doing or any wrong intentions, that the laws of Hitler and Mussolini would be called “conspiratorial.”

What the Communist Party is against is the attempt to outlaw the unions by its constitutional guarantees of freedom of speech and association, and its right to organize and engage in collective bargaining.

WON’T KNOW WHAT HIT

The fact is that this Committee, which has been busy abroad, has not yet had their jobs, and are conscious that so many innocent people have been frightened and confused by the horror stories pouring out of our news papers of Nazi-type organized labor and are making a job of the American people to make them all know what the Committee is about.

We can’t wait until the Supreme Court gets around to this bill, any more than the Article III Congress did.

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DIRECTED AT UNIONS

But the bill is not directed at the Communist Party alone. It is as sharply directed at every trade union member in the United States as it is at the American President Lines, and the parties, including rates, are decided by the U.S. Maritime Commission, not by the WFTU, as is the case in most other countries.

The cartels have the power to establish “contract” rates which can be paid by some unions or their members, despite the opposition of the WFTU.

Tests South’s

Oakland, Calif.—The office workers of all unions occupying the Oakland CIO building are sponsoring a hansom dance May 15 at 100 Grand Avenue, Oakland, for the Independent Progressive Party of California. Tickets at $1 have been planned for sale in all CIO offices. Beer and cake will be served. Cake, sandwiches and coffee will be served. The American Woods' orchestra will give out for the swing and sway.

Independent Shipowner Charges Maritime Commission Aids Cartels

WASHINGTON, D.C.—A ship owner has come out with a strong condemnation of the Maritime Commission, saying that the commission is a “contract rate-fixing system.”

In a statement to the House Un-American Activities Committee, Mr. Crinkley, vice-president of the Independent Telephone Company charged that monopolists and shipping trusts unlawfully make special “contract” rules for shippers who deal especially with them at a disadvantage with higher rates against those who refuse.

Crickley calculates that in the Far East cartels alone shipments have been fined $13 million since the end of the war if the Cartels have had their way, that they would have administered the shipping law of the country, transferred the 100 cartels, known as conferences, the fine and rate-setting power of the Maritime Commission.

The cartels have been called “a violation of the law.”

“They have taken the power out of the hands of the American public to do what they want to do and what they believe is right,” Mr. Crinkley said.

“The new law,” Mr. Crinkley said, “has been designed to prevent monopoly.”

The cartels are dominated by foreign interests, according to Crinkley, in the Far East cartels 22 lines are foreign, six are American, and 20 are foreign. A larger amount, including rates, are decided by the Maritime Commission.

The conference rates are set for American ship owners.

In all the international conferences foreign members outnumber American by seven to one.

This is true of the 29 cartels that the American President Lines, controlled by the Maritime Commission, belong to.

“Seized the chance to make their companies the protectors of the (Maritime) Commission,” said Crinkley, that they are now for- mer American agencies that ship relief goods abroad “to sign up exclusively with the conference— or else.”

The cartelists have the power to determine the route an independent owner or operator shall use, what kind of cargo he can carry and what rates he shall charge.

Mr. Crinkley traced the beginning of this cartel system to Great Britain and has it in the field of international monopolies.

Jailed

Senator Glenn Taylor, third party vice-president candidate, was jailed last night in Birmingham, Alabama, city jail where he tried to enter a church through a door marked "Negroes only.

Taylor was charged with breaking a local segregation order which had as its purpose to deny the voters of the party a chance to vote in a state election.

Collins Law

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Senator Glenn H. Taylor (D., Idaho), who was found guilty of disorderly conduct, has appealed his conviction to the higher courts in a test of Alabama's Jim Crow laws.

The third party Vice-President candidate was fined $50 and costs and sentenced to 100 days in jail. Police Judge Oliver Hall, who rendered the sentence and placed the senator on six months' probation. Defense attorneys immediately filed notice of appeal.
**Slave Law Round-Up**

**How Taft-Hartley and State Anti-Union Acts Are Working**

Examiner Says Unions

To Blame for Violence

Unions are responsible, under the Taft-Hartley slave law, for a recent white picket-line violence, an NLRB trial examiner in Washington, D. C., ruled April 30. He drew such a company charge that the company brought on the trouble by refusing to bargain.

Examiner W. S. Deery, in the case of the United Furniture Workers, local 308, GMB, and the Smith Cabinet Co. of Salem, Indiana, under the so-called right to work clause of the slave labor law, that the union has no right to get rough with scabs entering or leaving the plant.

His recommendation unless appealed, can be enforced by an injunction from any federal circuit court of appeals.

The union won an election on August 11 at Bellefontaine, Ohio, to enforce the Taft-Hartley law took full force. The company refused to bargain on the excuse that the union had failed to affiliate and other data under the law.

**House T-H Trick Ties Up Public Workers’ Pay**

Unions which include government wage earners will be forced to file non-Communist affidavits under the Taft-Hartley non-Communist Representatives has its way. 

On April 29 a bipartisan legislative rider to a federal appropriation bill, by a vote of 271 to 35, barring payment to any government worker belonging to a non-filing union.

This unconstitutional trick was a continuation of the Representative Frank Keele (R., Wis.), who declared that he would attach such a rider to any appropriations bill and thus effectively hamstringing funds in the next two years to all government workers.

AIMED AT CIO UNION

Kedron Mill and Smelter Workers Union was aligned at the United Public Workers, CIO, which has not filed under the Taft-Hartley law. Examiner explained that there is no good reason for the service organization it not entitled to use the NLRB services.

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**NLRB Rules Union Retreat**

The NLRB will carry out a decertification election of the union whose status is questioned through a decision of the court. The company will require all employees to sign a Taft-Hartley non-Communist affidavit. The UAW polled 368 votes to 266 for the company.

**CIO Endorsed Sales Company**

A sales company which has been using the name of the national CIO has been enjoined by a federal court to cease using the name and to cease running ads in the magazine of the CIO organization. The company will have to file a new certificate of registration under the Taft-Hartley act. The union has not filed affidavits under the Taft-Hartley law.

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Hysteria Victim

Here are Dalton Trumbo, on the right, and his attorney, Robert A. Kenny, former attorney general of California, waiting on the courthouse steps before Trumbo's contempt of Congress trial began in Washington, D. C. Trumbo is one of the Hollywood 10 writers and directors who refused to hand over the House Un-American Activities Committee their political opinions and affiliations and were indicted for contempt. They have all been fired from their movie jobs.

Bosss' Forsee Wide Scabbing, Strikebreaking

NEW YORK, N. Y. - "The Taft-Hartley law is working, strengthening management's position." That's the way an employer publication—The Research Institute of America—has put it in the seventh Congressrial district, a Republican district, in the recent April elections. The same publication has predicted that strikebreaking by scabs will continue through the spring, as all successful programs are, its seems to have suddenly cancelled a couple of months ago, although it had delayed a sensational following. The reason: his sponsor could not fill the unprecedented demand for its product, created by the Taft-Hartley law. So his stock is now temporarily out of stock, and at times hitting the shelves.

Hilda Hollywood has figured in numerous legal decisions, both heartening and depressing, during the past few weeks. Unions have been joined with the Taft-Hartley law in a drive to smash labor with foes and plan whatever action will be effective against their organizations, their groupings, and their Congressmen. "In addition to the screen, Mr. President, the Committee has announced to the Senate that producer Jerry Wald was sent to prison for political action will hold its parole, "The Lovers." This seems to be the same for the screen by an independent producer, Sam Bischis, as alleged in a court hearing, "The Lovers." This seems to be the same for the screen by an independent producer, Sam Bischis, as alleged in a court hearing, "The Lovers." This seems to be the same for the screen by an independent producer, Sam Bischis, as alleged in a court hearing.

ILWU Picks Candidates

OAKLAND, Calif. - Members of ILWU Local 6 East Bay Area of the CIO are selling tickets for the speech of President-elect Henry Wallace in the civic auditorium here May 17.

The committee has announced local endorsements in the East Bay assembly elections as follows:

Luther Morris in the sixth and Rosell Gallagher in the seventh. Districts; Francis Dunn in the thirteenth, Ernest H. Verno in the fourteenth, John Bittner in the fifteenth and John Howard in the sixteenth.

Local endorsements for supervisors are Ana B. Johnson in the fourth district and Claudia Allen in the fifth.

PLAN WALLACE MEETING

In San Francisco the Local 6 President for Wallace Committee predicts that some 2,000 members will hear Wallace speak in the Cow Palace, May 16, judging from ticket sales so far.

The San Francisco division has not made endorsements in the assembly elections yet.

Other divisions are campaigning for the Independent Party in the unconventional way of putting their candidates on low wages.

Employers are also advised to "hold out" from granting wage increases to see what developments from the U. S. Steel formula of offering nothing at all.

ILWU Scalers Rip. Mundt Bill

SAN FRANCISCO - The Mundt police state bill is a "mask for smash labor" and "smashes labor" with foes. The ILWU Scalers Local 2 telegraphed their Congressman Frank Havener and Richard Welch last week.

The scalers urged a fight for the bill, since "hostile unions know it is directed against their organizations, their leaders and their citizenship."

The local is distributing some 2,000 postcards addressed to Havener and Welch for members to register their personal protests.

United Negro Labor Committee to Meet

SAN FRANCISCO - The United Negro Labor Committee for political action will hold its first meeting May 15 at 1 p.m. at 1739 Fillmore Street here.

By HAROLD J. SALEMSON

HOLLYWOOD (PP) - It is good to hear that Grunche’s radio contract has been renewed and that the famous comedian will be back on the air in October with his "You Bet Your Life." His silencing was one of the queerest quirks of commercial radio yet seen. Schwartz has in the spring, as all successful programs are, his seems to have suddenly cancelled a couple of months ago, although it had delayed a sensational following. The reason: his sponsor could not fill the unprecedented demand for its product, created by the Taft-Hartley law. So his stock is now temporarily out of stock, and at times hitting the shelves.

FORT APACHE (RKO): John Ford’s exciting picturization of an incident comparable to Custer’s Last Stand has the distinction of being one of the few westerns where sympathy is with the Indians rather than the army. Although it’s just a super-action picture, acceptable, it is a bit too mathematical to be fully satisfying.

THE BRIDE GOES WILD (GM): June Allyson’s loveliness is not enough to redeem this run-of-the-mill comedy co-starring Van Johnson. Forget it.

IN A HURRY (RKO): A light comedy, slightly confused and at times bewildering story. Orson Welles turns in another picture with this yarn of a class-conscious sailor who takes his off from labor organizing to see how the other half lives—and destroys itself. Perfect cast, magnificent production, will be worth seeing notwithstanding its shortcomings.

RECESSIONAL BOUGHT (ARTS): The CIO’s statement, sent to all members of taking the "arrogant" position as claimed by the Taft-Hartley law, has in the recent April elections. The statement has opposed the Taft-Hartley law in a drive to smash labor with foes and plan whatever action will be effective against their organizations, their groupings, and their Congressmen. "In addition to the screen, Mr. President, the Committee has announced to the Senate that producer Jerry Wald was sent to prison for political action will hold its parole, "The Lovers." This seems to be the same for the screen by an independent producer, Sam Bischis, as alleged in a court hearing, "The Lovers." This seems to be the same for the screen by an independent producer, Sam Bischis, as alleged in a court hearing.

New Children's Movie Scheduled for May 15

SAN FRANCISCO - ILWU Auxiliary 16 announces that free admission will be given to all children of all ILWU members in the city May 15, at 10 a.m. at the local 16, 255 Ninth Street. This month’s movies will be "Barefoot Boy" and "Three Short Comedies."
Joint Action Appeal

The Joint Action Committee of four CIO Maritime unions, Port of San Francisco representatives, and the ILWU has appealed to all AFL and CIO unions in the San Francisco Bay Area for their support in case they have to strike or be locked out by the shipowners June 15.

The letter signed by Pat Tobin, chairman, and Wally Ho, secretary, outlined the demands of the maritime unions and explained the position that they are not anxious to strike "but the attitude of the shipowners is building up forcibly exactly that situation."

"We believe that the outcome of this meeting will spell the fate of all the labor in the City of San Francisco."

STRIKE LIKELY

The Committee pointed out that there is real likelihood that six maritime unions will be on strike June 15. The ILWU, the National Maritime Union, the National Union of Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, and the Marine Firemen, independent. A possible 130,000 men are involved.

The refusal of the board to take place between the various unions and the shipowners is to indicate that a strike is almost a certainty and that it will be forced by an agreement and that your union will be affected.

If, as the above vary as to the work performed by their members, but they are joint on June 15.

JOINT DEMANDS LISTED

The joint unions are demanding that their respective hiring halls be maintained and strengthened.

"2. All of the unions are demanding that the work week be reduced to 46 hours a week at sea and to an 8-hour work shift for longshoremen.

"3. All of the unions are demanding that there be guaranteed annual vacations with pay for all seafaring personnel and for longshoremen.

"4. All unions are demanding that there be "willing and able" clauses to their contracts to protect them against Taft-Hartley unit bargaining.

"5. All of the unions are demanding the right to strike as directed without prior notice that there are explosives aboard."

The demands of the above unions are demanding adequate provisions for safety, health, welfare and pensions.

"7. All unions are demanding clarification and improvement in existing working rules.

"8. All unions are demanding protection against overwork, specifications and unloading employment.

"The above demands are basic. The shipowners have refused even to discuss them. Not only have the employers refused to discuss these demands, but they have presented demands of their own which call for complete destruction of the maritime hiring halls and out-and-out open shop conditions."

Jolt Time

Though the longshore contract penalty for pilferage is six months suspension from registration, the waterfront employ- ers contend that spending six months in jail does not satisfy this penalty, that a longshoreman should spend six additional months off the front after he gets out of jail.

Coast Impartial Chairman Arthur C. Miller in an arbitration decision on the cases of three San Francisco longshoremen ruled April 30 that all time served in jail counts toward satisfaction of the contract penalty.

However, two of the dockers spent only four months in jail, so now the employers insist that they be suspended for two more months even though they have paid their debt to society and been back on the job for months.

Sugar Talks Bogged

Hawaii sugar industry countermanded the practice of the Ettleson plan exposed by the workers' committee as part of an overall disruption of the negotiations.
RAIDERS FOILED

Local 6 members handed raiding machinists a “no” vote of 114 to 43 at Continental Can in Oakland May 7.

The Taft-Hartley NLRA convened the election with the International Association of Machinists on the ballot after the IAM petitioned for an investiga-
tion rights for production work-
kers, then for the whole plant. Local 6 has a contract with Continental since 1938.

Local officials pointed out
to the Taft-Hartley petition was filed not by Bay Area IAM offici-
als, who are receiving full sup-
port from the IAM, but by raiders in current strike for wage in-
creases, but by pick-earns in the IAM International payroll.

The warehousemen started nego-
tiating with Continental for a wage increase in January, but between them the company and the raiding union preserved any settlement.

The IAM in the same outfit that broke a Local 6 wage strike at Continental last year with splitting tactics.

TEAMSTERS QUERIED

The April appeal from Local 6 warehousemen to AFL warehousemen in San Francisco for unity in June negotiations and presentation of common demands to employers breaks a offer of a charter from AFL Teamsters Joint Council 7.

The local slogan “Americanism” is the only require-
ment for membership.

Continental had argued that AFL Warehouse Local 860 elected ten rank and file members to meet with ten elected by Local 6 and set a joint approach in nego-
tiations, and that the decisions sign a ten-year no-raiding pact in order to present a solid front to the employers.

This proposal was renewed by Local 6 officials. President Charles Real of the Teamsters pointed out that this is a pay rise since then, and the large numbers that the San Francisco family

share of the company's payroll.

New Plant Recognized

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Charmer Looking more exciting than ever, Ingrid Bergman wears this stunning gown in her latest top movie, "The Arch of Triumph." She uses it to charm Charles Boyer, her foil.

Join on the basis of no discrimina-
tion and equality.

5. Will the Teamsters pledge not to sell warehousemen, can-

nery workers and allied workers down the river in order to get better rates for drivers alone from the employers as has been their policy?

6. Will the Teamsters be willing to set up a rotary, non-

discriminatory hiring hall, or will they insist on continuing present practices of leaving regular men in the hiring hall idle while em-
ployers and union officials alike bring “favorites” into the union through the back door?

Wage Raise in Two Plants

Cost-of-living elevator clauses in Local 6 contracts with Colgate Palmolive Peet and El Dorado Oil Works in Oakland, May 3, brought the third 4-cent increase since con-

tracts were signed last summer.

The base rate for freight han-
derers is now $1.30 per hour. The Local 6 warehousemen receive a 4-cent raise every time the cost of living goes up five points in the calculations of the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Continental Can

Local 17 members at the Con-

tinental Can Company in Sacra-
damento have negotiated a 10 cent per hour wage increase, improved working conditions, a welfare plan and fur-

ther raises for skilled workers.

Linden Air Talks

Negotiations are scheduled to begin in Dallas, Texas, between Local 218 and Linden Air Products Corporation on a union demand for a 24% cent per hour wage in-
crease. The warehousemen figure

they're better off.

They went back to 1939 for a base rate to find that warehouse wages have gone up more per centagewise than the cost of liv-
ing, ignoring the rise since June, 1947, when Local 6 won its last raise.

EMPLOYERS WON'T BUDGE

Twenty cents is the key de-

mand, but the employers are also unwilling to discuss classification changes to correct present inequi-

ties between and within dif-

ferent houses, or adjustments of the warehousemen's rates.

One rank and file committee headed by Secretary-Treasurer Richard Lynden is negotiating with the union.

Packers' Back-to-Work Drive Flops

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (FP)—

The employer-sponsored back-
to-work drive in the packhouse plants here has proved to be a failure.

Personal back-to-work appeals from the United Packinghouse Workers (CIO) who gathered in front of the Armour & Co. plant failed to move a sin-

golet worker, and the foremen re-

quired into the plant amid cheers and jeers from the strikers. Re-

sponse at other plants likewise was negligible.

Although Federal District Attorney J. M. Williford has turned down a union request for a temporary injunction forbid-
ing local police to interfere with the right to picket, he said police do not have the power to arrest the idlers of picket at plant entrances. Only the courts have the power to issue such orders.

JUDGE RULES

Melott added a number of rules to govern strikers and police in the handling of the strike. The in-

junction action was taken by the union after its strike headquarters were wrecked by police, who injured a number of strikers.

If the jurisdictions have been ordered here by the Justice Department to look into the police raid and determine whether any federal law was violated.

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Fischer to Work

For Wallace

NEW YORK—Appointment of

Stephen Fischer, former labor writer for the New York Post, to the

Chamber of Commerce network outlet and extension of

news program are: Bakersfield, KMPC; Eureka, KXUM; Fresno, KFEB; Los Angeles, KFCA; Sacramento, KFJK; San Bernan-
dino, KFTI; San Diego, KFEM; San Francisco, KRON; Tacoma, KTSM; Santa Maria, KCOY; Stockton, KMCC; KTRK; all at 9:00 p.m. Pacific Daytime Time.

Eugene, KGNU; Klamath Falls, KFPL; and Portland, KEX, all in Oregon, will air the UE news at 8:30 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.

In Washington State Belling-
ham, Vancouver, Seattle, Yakima, KGA; Wenatchee, KQIP; and Yakima, KIT, will be the outlets with the time set at 9:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.

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SAN FRANCISCO—With a June 1 deadline in wage-negotiation talks with the shipping lines and their workers they make plenty of money on, CIO maritime organizers declared all-out support of these unions in their contract battles.

The council will conduct radio publicity on the real issues at stake to win public support for free medical service for strikers if members are forced to hit the bricks, use the Welfare and Veterans' Bureaus to aid strikers and mobilize all other unions and the public in support of these three groups.

Mobilization Will Cost Billions

WASHINGTON (FP)—A striking example of rapidly mounting costs of military preparation was given at a hearing before the House Armed Services Committee on May 3.

The committee met for final hearings on a select service bill. By a vote of 28 to 5, the bill was approved by the House. The five congressmen opposing mobilization were Dewey Short (R., Mo.), C. W. H. Overman (D., Ohio), Frank R. Heffernan (D., N. Y.), John Philip Burton (D., Mass.) and Frank R. Havener (D., Cal.).

Revelation of skyrocketing costs came in an address before Defense Secretary James Forrestal by Representative Leon H. Gorman (D., N. Y.). Forrestal said it was plain to everyone that the federal budget for defense had been so large that the present federal budget calls for military expenditure of $11 billion in the next fiscal year, new armament and mobilization programs already in the works would nearly double that figure.

DRAFT COSTS

In addition to the original $11 billion, a supplemental appropriation of $14.4 billion has been set up, Gavin said. Another $222 million was needed to enable the draft system as approved by the House.

These three items, Gavin declared, were added to the mounting budget over $121.5 billion.

Even the $12.5 billion is only a shadow of the full cost from the reluctant Defense Secretary, Forrestal. A simple draft measure sent to the House would cost another $8.1 billion.

Because of his earlier testimony by General Douglas MacArthur that the draft would be used to organize 35 divisions of troops and that equipment for these divisions would cost an extra $3.9 billion.

The committee of the House, Universal Military Training or other programs under serious discussion, military expenditures for the coming year will probably exceed $231.3 billion.

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Gavin provided the Maritime Organizing Committee with the names of the three items, Gavin told them, with $722 million, a supplemental appropriation of $121.4 billion, alone, making it tougher to deny the workers a sorely needed wage adjustment.

In a program to U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.), the Council pointed out the responsibility for price increases squarely in the door of steel makers and other monopolists who are grabbing unprecedented and outrageous profits to the expense of the American standard of living.

ILWU Greets Steelworkers

BOSTON, Mass.—Officers and members of the CIO United Steel Workers of America in convention made a presentation honoring the ILWU to all of the union's members.

SAN FRANCISCO — The size of the local's unemployed rolls, 500,000 in the state and 100,000 of these in the Bay Area, prompted the San Francisco CIO Council to call a conference on the problems of jobless workers May 3.

Delegates from CIO unions in the area, including ILWU Warehouse Local 6 and Sailors' Local 2, set a program to get the most advantageous laws for unemployment benefits, to stop employment agencies and to win more adequate laws.

Recognizing that employers are exploiting unemployment insurance until a large proportion of workers applying are members in settling benefit beefs, the delegates recommended that union officials inform all candidates for the State Assembly and Senate this year that the CIO wants: ACT CHIPPED

The repeal of the crippling amendments added to the Unemployment Insurance Act by last year's legislature which limit unemployment benefits to $10 a week, altogether, 12,000 in February, 1948, alone; make it tougher to collect taxes and prevent money-saving exemptions for employers through the merit rating system.

Repeal of the section of the act authorizing the state to cover a worker unemployed because of labor dispute, and elimination of the $3-a-week limit.

The inclusion of all workers and semi-workers, regardless of benefits from a minimum of $5 per week to a maximum of $100, for a period of 26 weeks.

SET UP WELFARE GROUPS

All the CIO unions in the area were urged to set up welfare committees to assist unemployed members in settling benefit beefs and send delegates to the State Department of Employment pro-

CIO Maps Program to Cope With Rising Unemployment

Scab Victim

Honoring Santa Cicardo, United Pack workers CIO, picket who was killed by a truck crashing strike lines, outside the Armour plant in Chicago, this long funeral procession moves slowly to the cemetery. Six thousand workers, in line and standing, gravely as blame for Cicardo's death was placed on "the greed of the meat trust, backed up by Chicago police power."

"I think it was murder."

Alabama Police Jail Pro-Wallace Property Owner on Vagrancy Charge

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (FP)—A local woman property owner was held incommunicado for eight hours by Birmingham police on a vagrancy charge after she was arrested in the office of the Southern Negro Youth Congress, Federated Press.

The arrest of Mrs. Johanna Newhouse came the day before Senator Glen Taylor (D., Ida.) was jailed here for challenging local Jim Crow laws. Mrs. Newhouse told FP that she went to the congress office to talk about forming a Henry A. Wallace committee and said her visit had nothing to do with the Negro organization's plans for the meeting where Taylor's arrest occurred.

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A working woman living with her family in New York state needs at least $382.7 a week to support herself adequately.

Supreme Court Set to Act On Taft-Hartley Political Ban

WASHINGTON — In a few weeks, the Supreme Court may know how far they may go in carrying on political activities in connection with their unions.

Counsel for the CIO and for the Justice Department argued before the Court on April 28 and 29 before the U. S. Supreme Court in the case of the U. S. vs. the CIO and Philip Murray. It arose from the CIO's participation in the election of Representative Edward Garmate (D., Mo.) in July, 1947, in order to test the constitutionality of Section 304 of the Taft-Hartley law. The CIO won a case in a lower court.

BANS SPENDING

Section 304 of the act prohibits both unions and corporations from making expenditures in connection with federal elections. When the weekly CIO News, at Murray's order, was distributed in Baltimore with an endorsement of Garmate, the Justice department started in motion to enforce the Taft-Hartley ban on such activity.

Jesse Climenko, arguing for the government, was given a thorough going-over by the justices. He has even been asked by William O. Douglas asked him questions trying to determine what election activities would be legal and what illegal under the Taft-Hartley ban.

Questions by Justice Harold Burton and Hugo Black drew from Climenko the admission that the CIO's Section 304 would not hurt the New York Times or the Scripps-Howard newspaper chain (D., Ida.) was jalled here for challenging local Jim Crow laws. Mrs. Newhouse told FP that she went to the congress office to talk about forming a Henry A. Wallace committee and said her visit had nothing to do with the Negro organization's plans for the meeting where Taylor's arrest occurred.

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