SAN FRANCISCO — The Dis- 
tributors Association remained 
damnably negative this week on 
the subject of peace with ILWU 
Local 6.

A union membership meeting 
the night of July 6 (after The Dis- 
patcher went to press) was ex- 
pected to reject unanimously any 
Association proposals to extend 
a present master contract for two 
years, with no wage increases and 
as much opening the books as pos- 
able.

Local 6 stuck to its wage de- 
mands, and the offer was 
more attractive than before the strike, 
when the employers suggested no 
raise and no wage opening.

CONFUSION CAMPAIGN

The day before DANC had 
heightened its campaign to con- 
fuse the public with the state- 
ment that Local 6’s strike is 
legal, that the contract is open only 
upon wages and the union has no 
right to ask arbitration and ex- 
tension of its contract to 1952.

Local 6 President Paul Maletta 
analyzed the employers are free to accept or reject the 
union’s offer of peace in the indus- 
try for three years, and “if they 
can construe this offer as illegal 
under the terms of our present 
contract, then let them make the 
most of it.”

PUBLIC BE DAMNED

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their sleeves and pulled in its belt for long 
seas as the DANC campaign seemed to have 
publicly-be-damned attitude by shut- 
tering seven warehouses left 
open by Local 6 to assure the com- 
munity all essential supplies.

One of the last messages was 
sent to Wellman-Peck, where Local 6 sent 
its members back to work when the 
DANC closed down United Grocers.

Resuming Wellman-Peck would 
have left one grocery outlet open 
in San Francisco.

Meanwhile the DANC claimed 
the public was not being hurt be- 
because deliveries were being made 
direct from freight cars and trucks 
to retail stores.

“If this is so, why not eliminate warehousemen?” said ILWU Interna- 
tional Representative Paul Paton, reporting to the mem- 
bership June 26.

“The employers misused this 
strike,” said Paton.

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gence and understanding of the 
members. In negro areas, the em- 
ployers said arbitration is not 
what the members want, but the 
great majority understand the 
isues and are conducting them-

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The Depression and Phoney Cures

AINT SHE BEAUTIFUL?

All kinds of people knocked themselves out to prove that the opposition of our union to the Marshall Plan was due to alleged order-taking from Moscow. But however Moscow felt about the Marshall plan was of far less concern to us than the fact, which we saw at the time and stated, that the Marshall plan could only bring on widespread unemployment here and abroad. We knew that any plan which imposed a trade boycott on half the world was bound to result in unemployment and we knew that it would have special and disastrous impact upon American shipping.

The ardent supporters of the Marshall plan and the Truman doctrine, including the National CIO, insisted that the result would be increased employment, guaranteed prosperity and world peace.

Now, more than a year after the plan has been in action, we can take stock of the situation, not from the point of view of being for or against the Marshall plan, but rather from the basic approach we made, that is, its impact upon the security and welfare of American workers, particularly ourselves.

It is clearly recognized now by government and by National CIO, as well as by other informed agencies and persons that we are rushing headlong into a worldwide depression.

Depressions are made primarily by making workers produce more for less wages, so that the balance between wages on the one hand and prices and profits on the other is upset, and what is then produced has no customers for consumption.

While this should be plain to even a fifth grade intellect, it apparently is not plain in British business circles and many American labor circles. The London Economist actually puts forth the speedup as cure for the depression in Britain, where 4½ billions of Marshall plan dollars have already gone down the drain, and has advised the English workers to produce more for less pay.

The same "cure" is proposed in the United States. The proposal in its most vicious form comes from the Warehouse employers of the San Francisco Bay area and the Stevedoring employers in Hawaii, both of whom have forced workers to strike for decent wages and against depression-making speedup.

In milder form, but just as deadly inssofar as the nation's economy is concerned, the proposal is accepted by those unions who are voluntarily foregoing any demands for wage increases.

Our union rejects entirely the notion that speedup or wages lagging behind prices can bring prosperity or even maintain what has been called prosperity. We say it is the way downward to absolute bust.

It is not our purpose with respect to the Marshall plan to say "we told you so," but it is our purpose to alert the membership to what lies ahead if labor begins accepting phony cures. Behind our thinking lies our whole fight for autonomy. We want the right and ability to fight the depression and fight phony cures that make it worse, and we want to be free to make that fight without being accused of being Moscow agents.

Our members in Hawaii and in the Bay Area who are so unitedly fighting on the picket line for wages are fighting for all American workers, and for the American people.

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Docker's Vote Unanimously To Expel Joseph Maldonado

SAN FRANCISCO—Local 10 at its membership meeting June 29 voted unanimously to expel Joseph Maldonado, former secretary of the Maritime Democratic Committee, for anti-union activities.

The report of the seven-man trial committee was made to the local after the trial held on June 23. Maldonado failed to appear. The committee was picked after Local 10 President James Kearney brought charges against Maldonado for his criticism of the union for "not supporting" William Lawrence, ILWU Regional Director for Southern California, recently appointed.

ACQUITTED THREE TIMES

Maldonado was first tried by Local 209 informed the Department of Justice through its Cleveland, Ohio, office, that the union "is alarmed and disturbed at the anti-labor action of the Attorney General... in... charging our international officers in... Liam Lawrence, ILWU Regional Director for Cleveland, Ohio, office, that the charges against them, the vote was unanimous for all-out support," William Lawrence, ILWU Regional Director for Southern California, reported.

Maldonado spoke at a meeting of the Hawaii Residents Association June 27 along with the confessed spy, Elizabeth Bentley. Topic discussed by the speaker was "Communism in the Territory and the Waterfront Strike." George Cahill, financial secretary of Local 10, went to Honolulu late in June to observe the trial for himself.

After observing the longshore strike and investigating the activities of Maldonado, Cahill telegraphed:

WORK WITH SHIPOWNERS

"I am convinced that Brother Maldonado is working hand in glove with the Hawaii shipowners and employers. Newspapers and radio are using him for pro-employer purposes...

"He has accepted a Citizens Committee position and says he is here to fight everyone. The Maritime Committee should be informed. He has put our men in grave danger, and should be expelled."

A picture taken by Cahill of a picket line before the ILWU conducted by "We the Women," showed a sign reading: "Help Maldonado Make a Clean Sweep."

More Unions Label The Bridges Indictment As Another Conspiracy To Frame a Militant Union

SAN FRANCISCO—Further support for ILWU President Harry Bridges' fight against the federal frame-up came into ILWU international headquarters from CIO unions and civil rights organizations.

ILWU Local 34 at a recent membership meeting by a standing vote approved the resolution supporting Bridges which was adopted some weeks ago by Local 10.

After Bridges had given a full account of the National CIO Executive Board meeting in April, to Local 34, where the vote was taken on the matter of supporting our international officers in the indictment proceedings against them, the vote was unanimous for all-out support of Bridges.

"We believe this last indictment to be just another conspiracy to frame a militant union leader," said the resolution. "We believe Bridges is doing a fine job for the working man." Bridges' attorney, Harry Larkenbach, William Neill, wrote June 13, the NMU members aboard this vessel at their last membership meeting voted unanimously to give full support to the ILWU in its fight against labor racketeering. "I appeal to the grand jury attack on the ILWU and its officials."

"We are further expressing the hope that they would be called upon for financial aid in case a Harlan County setup is set up."

CHANGE TRUMPED UP

United Office and Professional Workers Union, Local 9, in Los Angeles, wrote the Bridges Committee to "drop this third re-trial of Bridges on the trumped up charges and to Philip Murray demanding that he and National CIO come out in the defense of Brother Bridges against these charges."

Likewise, Food, Tobacco and Agricultural Workers Union, Local 78, in Phoenix, Arizona, went on record protesting the "unfair charges and direct violations that this government against Harry Bridges is attempting to perpetuate at his coming trial."

PERSECUTION DENOUNCED

"We declare this a challenge and an act against labor. We are therefore appealing to you because we believe this to be unfair and unjust toward the common land on the subject of labor as a whole," this message was directed to President Truman, CIO president Philip Murray.

The American Committee for Protection of Labor informed the department that it condemned the attempt of the Justice Department to frame Bridges' citizenship as "anti-labor persecution and harassment" and are taking a stand on the right and liberties of more than 11,000,000 naturalized American citizens.

Both the Civil Rights Congress and the All-Union Federation branches in Los Angeles had denounced the new prosecution of Bridges and asked for the immediate recall of the ILWU officers.

Ermined Minx

Here's evidence that Marilyn Monroe, star of "Love Happy," could make any man not only happy but delicious. She dances, too.

Police Brutality Flayed by NAACP

NEW YORK (FNP)—The National Association for Advancement of Colored People has joined its Brooklyn and New York City branches in demanding action against what it termed the "brutal crimes" committed against Negroes by New York police.

The NAACP announced June 16 that it was appealing to the Justice Department to investigate the police killing of Herman Newton, a Negro, and to proceed with speedy prosecution if such an investigation reveals that a federal violation had occurred.

Negro citizens of New York, the NAACP pointed out, "apparently have no redress" against such violence.

At the end of June 1947 the 78 largest manufacturing corporations, exclusive of working capital to buy up more than 90 per cent of all manufacturing corporations in the U.S.

Clark Admits Bridges Prosecution Intended to Break Hawaii Strike

SAN FRANCISCO—Attorney General Tom Clark in a speech at Milwaukee, Wis., admitted June 26, that the prosecution of Harry Bridges is a union busting effort, with the purpose of breaking the longshore strike, which lasted from April 26 to May 24.

Clark speaking to the American Relief for German democratic Committee, in the speech, said:

"If we are successful in our prosecution of Bridges, it may be that we can break the Hawaiian situation, or at least prevent this type of situation from happening up to now.

"I have no idea of what the whole thing is all about, but I think that the whole situation is a union busting effort and more than that it is directed by some larger purpose to break a strike."

WANTS $10,000

Earlier the government opposed, and Federal Judge Michael Roche, in San Francisco, set up its refusal to allow Bridges to leave the country to attend a conference of world maritime unions in Marseille, France, July 13, 14 and 15.

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Portland Docker's Death Spurs ILWU Safety Fight

By KATHLEEN CRONIN
PORTLAND, Ore. — A dockworker's death this week in the Port of Portland has renewed the battle between longshoremen and employers to improve safety standards.

The death of Henry Luckenbach, a member of Local 8, has sparked a renewed call for safety improvements by the dockworkers. The fatal accident occurred during the loading of a ship at Terminal Island, and it is the latest in a series of accidents that have plagued the port in recent years.

Local 8 warehousemen who never had luxuries get along okay without them on the picketline

By BETTY LUDWIG
SAN FRANCISCO — Striking warehousemen and women settled on a new contract last week. The ILWU Local 6 members were working on one of the key issues in the bargaining—higher pay. They finally reached an agreement when the union offered $500 from another savings account to the Credit Union if the workers would agree to the new contract.

The agreement includes

- A $500 increase in the weekly wage
- A commitment to provide medical care to all members
- A plan for the longshoremen to receive 10 percent of the company's profits

Local 6's Welfare Committee has made it clear that the strikers will not be defeated.

Problem Solvers

Above is part of Local 6's Welfare Committee in the San Francisco division. Committee members have interviewed some 250 strikers so far, on all kinds of problems: food, rent, medical care, installment payments. They have helped many workers who were unemployed or looking for work, and many others who were struggling financially. The committee has also provided assistance to families in need of medical care or other support.

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ON INDICTMENT OF BRIDGES, ROBERTSON, AND SCHMIDT

The Executive Board of the International has carefully reviewed the aspects of the indictments presently outstanding against President Bridges, Vice-President Robertson and Committeeeman Henry Schmidt.

The Executive Board adopts the following policy to govern the International regarding these indictments:

TRIAL OF UNION

1) We reaffirm the position of this International Union that the indictments against Bridges, Robertson and Schmidt are not attacks against these individuals as such, but are a deliberate attempt to frame and persecute our Union. The indictment process and trial of these two leaders should be considered by us as an indictment and trial of our Union and all that it represents in terms of its internal democracy, its forthright position on all issues of the day and its record of achievement on behalf of the membership.

2) On reviewing the action taken by the respective locals of the International concerning these indictments, we find that there is practically unanimous support of the officials who are indicted and of the position of this union to the effect that this entire case is a frameup and another attempt by the anti-labor forces to destroy our union. The immediate and wholehearted response by our membership is extremely gratifying. The executive officers of the AFL have not condemned these attacks, but have consistently refused to allow representatives of Japan's labor majority to go abroad.

SWITZERLAND

GENEVA—Delegates from government-sponsored labor fronts in five Asiatic countries and minority right-wing labor federations in Burma and China met here to set up an Asian Federation of Labor. The main publicity for the meeting was caused by the presence of American representatives of the AFL. The chairman of the American delegation, former labor adherent David Sarno of the Indian National Trade Union Congress, a group created by the Nehru government after it had arrested most executive members of the majority All-Indian Trade Union Congress, affiliated to the World Federation of Trade Unions. Two other groups represented at Geneva hailed from the remnant of Chiang Kai-shek China, from Turkey and from Iran, where union leaders and representatives were not able to attend.

The Japanese, Philippine and Indonesian delegates did not represent the largest federations in their respective countries, all of which are in the WFTU.

Here's Where You Deliver Food for Strikers

SAN FRANCISCO — ILWU Local 6 strikers need food for themselves and their families. Committeemen have asked friends of the union on both sides of the bay to deliver food to 355 Ninth Street or 150 Golden Gate Avenue, respectively, and 160 Grand Avenue in Oakland.

Those who can't deliver their food were asked to telephone 4-0764 in Oakland and 1-Market 1-7326 or 216-3725 in San Francisco.

The resolution completely negates the rights of international union members and draws the guarantees given to other international unions when they were issued charters by the CIO.

WE WON'T BADGE-RUSH

We hold that it is the right of any union as well as any individual to be represented by a delegate of their own choosing to any union action.

CIO was brought into being by section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act. Our membership does not accept or intend to be bound by any delegation to such bodies, nor do we accept any theory that the CIO is an entity in itself. We insist on the rights of our own delegates to vote freely at the ballot box, which should be the common aim of all international unions, is certainly the common aim of the CIO convention and of the Board, but we reject any theory that...
ON THE WORLD MARITIME CONFERENCE

The Eighth Biennial Convention of our union protested withdrawal of the Congress of Industrial Organizations from the World Federation of Trade Unions and called upon the CIO to withhold any withdrawal action until a referendum could be conducted to determine the will of the rank and file. Failing favorable action by the CIO, it was the will of the convention that a referendum be conducted to determine the desire of the ILWU rank and file.

Since the Eighth Biennial convention, a conference of world maritime unions has been scheduled to be held in Marseille, France, on July 13, 14 and 15. In keeping with the convention resolution, the ILWU has joined with the WPTU and maritime unions of various countries to sponsor the Marseille meeting.

ILWU TO TAKE PART

The purpose of the meeting will be to set up an organization comparable to a world-wide maritime federation devoted to protecting and advancing the economic interests of maritime workers.

Resolved:
1) That in keeping with the convention resolution, the ILWU participate in the conference of maritime unions at Marseille and be represented by at least one duly accredited delegate instructed to do all possible toward the establishment of a world-wide organization of maritime unions dedicated solely to protecting and advancing the economic and organizational interest and rights of maritime workers over the world wide, exerting also every possible effort to bring within such organization the maritime unions of all countries irrespective of affiliation, race, creed or color.
2) That action on a referendum vote by ILWU members on WPTU affiliation be held in abeyance pending the outcome of the Marseille conference.

CIO Board can rightfully substitute its judgment for that of the meetings, conventions and elected bodies of our union.

We will not be so imposed upon, we will not be so regimented and we will not be a rubber stamp for any top leadership. We support all the way the protest made by our recentca. Harry Bridges, at the May 17 to 19 meeting of the National CIO Board with respect to the autonomy issue.

WANT CONFERENCE

We call upon the National CIO to return to its founding tradition of democratic organization of the unionizing and we resolve:

1) That all locals of the ILWU be urged to protest against any withdrawal action and to take official action to urge their own international unions to oppose any effort by the top leadership of CIO to lift the charter of our union or any other union as result of exercising the right of self-determination in policy, or exercising the right of instructing its member upon the National CIO Board as to conduct, and
2) That we authorize the National officers of the ILWU to participate in any conferences with unions similarly situated to our own which may be called, providing such conference is confined to the sole and pressing issue of the autonomous rights of international unions.

ON THE STRIKE OF LOCAL 6 AGAINST THE DISTRIBUTORS ASSOCIATION

Seven thousand Warehousemen members of Local 6 are now engaged in a showdown fight with the Distributors Association of Northern California in which the life of this entire local, one of the largest locals in our union, is at stake. The Employers have fought every effort of the Union to resolve the dispute by peaceful means. J. Hart Clinton, secretary of the DANC, announced publicly earlier this year that the distributors association as a means of peaceful settlement as they feel that they can get a better deal by economic action.

PUBLIC BE DAMNED

In the face of this public-be-damned attitude of the employers, Local 6 proposed that the Union and the Employers extend the present agreement which has been the law of the land for three years in which all disputes will be settled by arbitration, assuring both parties and the Community three years of peaceful relations. The DANC, flouting arbitration and left Local 6 no alternative but to strike for the long term peace and security demanded by our membership.

The Distributors Association, an arm of the San Francisco Employers Council, is closely allied to the Board of the ILWU local Council and the NAM in their program of union busting. To win this struggle Local 6 will require the all-out support of the International and all of its affiliated Locals. The Executive Board of the International therefore calls upon all Locals to lend their full all-out support to this struggle.

"I see you mean business, Sheppard... but couldn't we just sign in ink?"
Public Be Damned

Striking Local 6 warehousemen in the San Francisco Bay Area were today told by the local's attorney that they had been spending a "large sum of money" in an unsuccessful attempt to negotiate a settlement with management. The attorney said that the union was "not going to give up," and that it would continue to bargain with the company.

Wayne Morse Proposes Presidential Arbitration in Hawaii Dock Strike

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Sena-tor Wayne Morse (R., Ore.), in proposing June 27, that President Truman appoint a three-member board to arbitrate the Hawaiian longshore strike, said that some far-reaching changes in current labor practices were needed.

The strike, which began in May, has involved the entire West Coast and has drawn nationwide attention. Senator Morse said that the labor dispute in Hawaii was "a case of the government taking the side of labor against the public." He called for an impartial board to arbitrate the dispute and recommended that the Board of Labor Relations be appointed by the President.

Following the proposal by Senator Morse, the AFL executive board appointed the President, the ILWU executive board and the U.S. Department of Labor to arbitrate the strike.

AFL Backs Rent Hike for Chicago

CHICAGO — The Cook County Board of估价 today vacated its original recommendation that the rent be increased by 25 per cent, saying that the increase was "excessive, arbitrary and unreasonable." The board said that the increase would result in "unjust and unreasonable" rents.

Employers' Women Flop in Boycott of Newspaper

HONOLOLU, T. H. — A side-light on the Hawaii longshore strike illustrating the tactics of the employers was revealed today when it was announced that the employers' women's group had decided to continue the boycott of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

The Women's group is protesting the paper's support of the strikers and has called for a complete boycott of the paper.
NMU Weakened By Following National CIO 'Comply or Get Out' Order, Loses 1949 Battle for Pork Chops

The National Maritime Union under the leadership of Joseph Curran is forced to follow National CIO policy.

The economic result—that is pork chops for NMU members—has been what amounts to zero in comparison with West Coast gains.

Ditto for the Marine Engineers’ Beneficial Association for the East Coast as compared to the West Coast.

The West Coast unions acted jointly. The East Coast unions acted alone—and without strike action for support.

FOLLOW CIO

The East Coast unions, that is, NMU, American Radio Association and MEBA, went all out on a program laid down by National CIO, which curiously coincided with the shipowners’ own program. All three had tied their fate to the Truman administration and had, therefore, necessarily to tie themselves to Truman’s sellout of labor, and pretend to like it.

All three Eastern unions also rebuffed the dock workers of the world by joining in National CIO’s redbaiting of the Federation of Trade Unions, thus cutting off any effective foreign support they might have had for better economic conditions.

There is little question but that the preoccupation of the Eastern unions with National CIO and Truman program will also keep them away from the scheduled World Congress of Maritime Unions at Marseille, France, July 12, 14 and 15, to which ILWU has elected delegates.

EAST COAST FAILURE

A detailed analysis of the East Coast failure to make the economic gains which should have been, in the bag for any unions with a fighting program has been supplied by the National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards. We quote in full a letter sent June 22, to all branches.

The letter pointed out:

With the exception of the Masters, who struck, and the Sailors of the Pacific, West Coast maritime union contracts have been modified since the 1951 strike. On the East Coast, NMU, ARA and MEBA are now prepared to accept the hiring hall and let by-laws, as well as the other demands made by the union in 1951.

The NMU agreement will be cancelled.

which later eventuality is exceedingly unlikely.

MCS and ILWU contracts were initiated last December, with both getting the best agreements in the industry. Both unions were ready to go along with the shipowners on July 15, or August 1, if they could move the SUP termination up to that time. Shipowner complaints were frequent to the effect that it was hard on them and maritime business to have so many termination dates.

SLACK SEASON

However, neither MCS or ILWU would consent to the old Septem-

ber 30, deadline because with cargo and passenger traffic slower in winter, the shipowners were sometimes not loath to provoking strikes in order to lay up some of their ships during the slack sea-

son. Since the two unions had the June termination date, they have made the best gains in their history and the members were unwilling to give it up.

In the 1948 maritime strike the Tru-

man injunction “cooled” us off for 80 days. Here’s a comparison of gains won by the various unions under the recently signed agreements.

MCS

EAST COAST FAILURE

the steward’s department don’t have the right to lead the way on, if were united, we’ll get it—necessary, without the NMU. We will work with the longshoremen under Harry Bridges’ leadership—never mind the ‘responsible’ Mr. Curran, and his ‘right wing’ policies. We MCS members want results.

On ARA, the story is the same, and NMU got was turned down last year by MCS. NMU has an improved hiring hall, if the courts find it “illegal,” there is a substitutes t proposal which will keep existing practices and customs so

that the union won’t have to face another strike crisis like NMU will probably face next January or February.

Annual Local 8 Picnic

Set For Cedarville Park

PORTLAND, Ore.—The Port-

land ILWU picnic will be held August 21 at Cedarville Park. There will be free coffee, hot dogs and prizes. Local is chal-

lenging any local on the River in maritime history. Like Walter Reuther, Curran— in shipowner and National CIO eyes—has been a responsible labor leader. Another last spring shackled the Auto Workers with an escalator clause which resulted in a wage cut this year (April 6).

Fifth, NMU never turned a hand in behalf of the stewards during the strike. In 1946 he refused to consider this department. In fact, he didn’t even raise the question of vacations at that time. NMU only had one week and Curran made no further demand in this respect until 1949 — for many termination dates.

Sixth, NMU bargaining was fur-

eral, as reconstructed by ILWU Regional Director Jack Hall, is a member of the Marina Cooks sleeping in the building on a cot. Because of Alparaca’s presence he could rowboat out-
Chicago Box Companies

Chicago box companies entering negotiations with Local 208 in a spirit of all take and no give met Thursday night with warehouse workers to drive forward and win a higher wage rate.

At a meeting of three shops, Maxwell, Rathborne, Hair & Ridge and Chicago, best-attended in the history of the industry, Local 26 members voted their support for their fight for a 10 cents per hour wage increase, better working conditions and better methods of grievance procedures to allow the union to strike if the company refused to follow the procedure or to abridge by arbitration.

Discussion revolved around Maxwell's and Rathborne's unionism at Studebaker, and identity negotiations have not yet been settled at Chicago Mill where the contract terminates in August.

TRY TO DUMP CHECKOFF

Rathborne asked elimination of the checkoff, a 10 cents wage decrease outright, elimination of holiday work, and for a wage rise.

It demanded the privilege of fire anyone it claims to be a communist.

 Asked how the company would decide a worker was a communist, a member said the Federal Bureau of Investigation would decide.

In the next breath they said the FBI comes to the company office to decide whether a worker is a communist.

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CHANGE IN THE RATE RANGE

Local 208 Talks

Local 208 has served demands on four Chicago companies, settled with three and reached agreement in committee with another.

In negotiations at Domestic Printers, the union asked a 25 cents per hour raise and between 10 and 25 cents per hour for the extension of its Local 26 contract for a 5 cents per hour raise.

At Royal Crown Local 208 de-manded 1.32% per hour for floor men, 50 cents per hour for floor operators who are currently receiving 50 cents for the same work.

Kurt Keyte offered one more paid holiday for a total of six and the union is asking for three.

ROYAL DRUG

At Royal Crown negotiations have just started with the company in Delavan and are expected to reach an agreement.

Local 208's negotiating commit-tee agreed to a 1.5 cents per hour raise and asked for 50 cents per hour to 60 cents per hour for floor men and at Arreya Playing Card the union settled for adjustment of wage inequalities, one-year agreement with wages open November 15, and improvements in the holiday clause.

Pillsbury Again

The steadily rising cost of liv- ing and rapidly diminishing work opportunities were cited by Local 26 members at the Penguin Mills, Astoria, Ore., call- ing for a 10 cents per hour wage raise across the board.

Members voted overwhelmingly June 28, to propose the raise and informed the mill its negotiating committee is ready to meet at any time.

It took 103 days of strike last year in St. Paul to persuade the mill Local 391 members at Glad- ton mill that the local's demands were justified.

 redundant, Taft-Hartley propa-ganda against the strikers, and raiding and a citizens' back to work campaign, which may have been the workers' solidarity - they stayed out till they won their demands of a wage increase in a two month period and a special case for the local

Biggest problem in the local today is the lack of work. Recently members called on the State Department to open trade relations with the Orient, can go to the Orient as they have in the past.

Last letter to the Asterian Budget, Local 18 Recording Sec- retary and Business Agent J. Taylor has charged that the floor that is going to the Orient or at least the Orient third party will cost the country by pillar.

In an American corpora-tion shut its mills down and has its flour ground in another country.

As a result of the strike, the local's negotiators said the Federal Bureau of Investigation would decide.

If the union and the employ-ers are unable to reach an agree-ment to arbitrate we probably that the city officials will try to get the unions to agree to end this dispute.

Backing up the warehousemen's arbitration demands were the words of U. S. Senator Wayne Morse (R., Ore.) who was the first to propose the raise and said that the 3 a.m. shift is the most expensive.

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**Government's Mocks Honest Americans**

**BY JEAN BRUCE**

Loyalism, the citizen and worker in America is a matter of reading, standards, is not a union member, reads Government statistics. Jews, Catholics and anybody who was not born in the United States, and his relatives and their friends have identical though not identical to American citizens. The Loyalty Board made itself a stand for constitutional liberties when Attorney General Tom Clark suppressed a report on the interconnections between German and American industrialists and on Nazi influence in this country during the war, which the Justice Department had authorized Rogge to make.

**TOO HOT**
The report was too hot for Clark. He declined to see it for the Government. From then on Rogge plunged into the fight to regain the liberties and civil rights of his people and to make himself as the majority of Americans in this country know what he is talking about. He says: "Rogge wanted to take a stand for constitutional liberties." He believes: "It is not only the funnies, but the real press, that is to be read." He states that the Loyalty Board has again indicated that position to Taft-Hartley is supported.

**Other Board questions follow:**

"Did you ever hear of the insurance policy put out by the IWO? (International Workers Organization WAGE WORKERS BOOKSHOP)

"Do you know any idea where the Communist Party headquarters are in New York here?" The Communist Party headquarters are in New York here.

"If you were bought by the workers' Bookshop?"

"What kind of books did you buy? (at the Workers' Bookshop)?"

"Do you feel that Jacques Duron or De Gaulle would offer the French people an opportunity for the recovery?"

"Have you ever been to the Stanley Theatre (which features Soviet and other foreign films)?"

"What do you think of the Italian situation?"

"To do you attribute the recent swing to the left in France?"

"Do you think that Jacques Duron or De Gaulle would offer the French people an opportunity for the recovery?"

"The uptight of the hearing was Matson's firing. "With the Matson case, it is plain that the American Civil Liberties went down the drain," says Matson.

**All 287 pages of Our Vanishing Civil Liberties are equally bold and cold.**

**ELIGIBILITY**

"We mean who wants a free labor movement, equality for the Negro people, peace and global cooperation, who has been too liberal, too far ahead of his time when he mentioned FDR counted anything but a "yes" on the subject was: "We have already registered for an election as a Communist?"

**REFERRING DEMOCRAT**

"Matson: No. I have never been a member of the Communist Party?"

"Matson: No, my wife is a church member. All she does is belong to anything."

"Board: Have you ever belonged to or participated in the activities of organizations, clubs, or associations of a similar kind?

"Matson: I don't know if this is sympathetic. I have belonged to the CIO."

"Rogge remarks that Matson "hit the bell" on that one, that the "CIO is the biggest artificial organization of which Loyalty Board concludes--sympathetic to Communist doctrines."

"Toman told the Board: "I am a Roosevelt man, and I am also a church member too. Mrs. Roosevelt was interested in me, I was interned by the army."

"Toman: I have never been interested in some of her activities, some youth activities, looks like. They had the answer, 'Matson's failure to exhibit blood--filled fresh and full, even when he mentioned FDR counted heavily against him."

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**Lack of Medical Care For Negroes Is Appalling**

WASHINGTON--The shortage of medical care facilities for Negroes in America is appalling, the Committee on the Nation's Health reported.

In a special study Michael S. Durand found that Negroes cannot get the medical care they need. (1) Negroes cannot pay the cost of medical care. (2) Insurance companies have refused to accept Negroes. (3) They get no health education, and (4) they are discriminated against. Compulsory health insurance was suggested as the only cure.

**Pacific Coast Shipping**

According to figures released July 5, by the Pacific Maritime Association, West Coast shipping dropped 12 per cent in the first half of 1948.

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Bridges Trip To Marseille
Banned; More on ILWU Board

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2. tuons; and the right of Americans to vote freely at the ballot box. The statement, 3. said, also added that the right of the people to determine for themselves who should hold the offices of state, nation, 4. is no more today than it was in 1934 or in any other election in the history of the world.

In a statement on autonomous rights within CIO, the Board declared: "We will not be a rubber stamp for any top leadership." The open threat of our union will be made a test of the limits of CIO. If the CIO leaderships, the statement said, are no way to uphold the will of the people, then we shall refuse to continue to be controlled by the CIO and to work for its benefit. If the CIO leaderships continue to do so, then we will leave the CIO and form our own autonomous union.

HAWAII STRIKE
The resolution supporting the Hawaii strike said: "The strike is for wages which are far below the minimum necessary to support a family. The strike is for the right to organize, to act freely, to have the protection of the law. The strike is for the right to strike and to have the protection of the law.

MARTIME CONFERENCE
In its statement instructing July 10 to the Maritime conference, the Board said: "We have held the line of our union a long time. We have convinced the world of our determination. We are prepared to fight for the rights of our members. We shall not back down."

HAWAIIAN EMPLOYERS’ COUNCIL AND THE NAM IN THEIR PROGRAM OF UNION BUSTING
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The Board June 27 sent a telegram to President Truman in which it recommended immediate return to work in Hawaii if the President acted favorably upon the proposal of United States Senator Morse that a Presidential Reorganization be appointed. Also supported by the Board was the strike of waste materials workers of Local 26 in Los Angeles.

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