Mask Hiding Dictatorship Comes Off At Cleveland

ILWU Faces Expulsion Because Of Its Rank and File Control

CLEVELAND, O.—In one of the most hysterical and desperate performances ever seen at a labor convention, the National CIO top brass last week steamrollered through a be-ruled-or-be-wrecked program against its national and international affiliates and industrial unions councils.

Two international unions, the United Electrical Workers and the Farm Equipment Workers, were expelled outright and ten other unions, including the ILWU, face expulsion in the immediate future through phony trials in which the charges have been patently prejudged.

A floor fight put up by the as yet democratically controlled unions such as the ILWU caused the CIO top brass to drop its mask and reveal the face of dictatorship which has drifted completely away from the trade union principles of organizing the unorganized and improving the economic conditions and security of the workers.

NO DIFFERENTIATION

"The CIO does not differentiate between economic and political issues," shouted George Baldanzi of the CIO-rulled textile workers in defense of the complete denial of autonomy in political matters.

CIO President Philip Murray let the cat out of the bag even before the convention began when he told the ILWU delegation and a delegation of rank and file observers at a special meeting:

"If Bridges (in voting against CIO political policies) followed
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How Many Trials At Once Asks Bridges

CLEVELAND, O. — ILWU President Harry Bridges who along with the ILWU is about to be brought to trial by the CIO executive board, reminded the board here that he is also about to go to trial in San Francisco.

"At least in the trial in San Francisco," he said, "we will go before a jury of American citizens and will have a fighting chance for a fair trial, which is more than can be said for any trial before a committee from this board."

Bridges, First Vice-President J. R. Robertson and International Representative Henry Schmidt will go on trial next Monday before Federal Judge George B. Harris on charges of false statements and conspiracy in connection with Bridges' naturalization.

Who Said It?

"He feels a person has a right to feel as they choose, as long as they come into the organization, as long as they abide by the majority vote and live up to the constitution of that organization."

(Turn to back page for name of author)
Never mind the hours, working conditions or wages, and don't get any ideas into your head that because your dues pay the freight you can have some say in what's going to be done with them. In fact, it is none of your damn business what dues pay the freight you can have some say for you. We tell you to like and you're going to dump. You're going to like the workers in other lands only when we tell you want. You never mind the hours working conditions or wages, and don't go getting your congressman or senator you like or officers would be out looking for some other line of work in quicker fashion. It is significant also that when these so-called labor statemen were challenged in their usurpation of democracy at Cleveland they could only call names, red-bait and mutter childish imprecations. They could never answer or give logical explanation. They could not do so because there isn't any logic in what they have done and are doing.

Along with the other democratic unions the ILWU faces expulsion because it has asserted the right to the autonomy which was guaranteed to it when it joined to found the CIO. That is the answer of the "labor statemen" to any kind of challenge—exel, purge, raid, wreck, seize!

The court acted October 19 on a suit filed by Massachusetts Impeccable, Progressive party candidate for governor, who had denounced the law as a violation of "fundamental rights of freedom of thought and action of the citizen." Under the law all candidates and their campaigns are forced to swear allegiance to the U. S. and New Jersey and also take the follow- ing pledge: "I believe in, and advocate or advise the use of force to prevent unlawful means to make any change in the government, or the construction of any instrument which prohibits a specific oath," the court held. The legislature cannot authorize the omission of the oath or any part of it, or the addition of another clause or of another oath.

In the first eight months of 1949, Class I railroads put 1,256 locomotives on their tracks.
Hallinan Confident ILWU Officers Will Be Cleared as Trial Date Nears

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CIO Refuses Bridges’ Plea to Support Trade China with World Jobs

CLEVELAND, Ohio—A plea for National CIO to support trade with China was made without success at the CIO convention here by ILWU President Harry Bridges.

Bridges assailed the organization’s foreign policy resolution and said the Resolutions Committee wasn’t even as progressive as the California State Chamber of Commerce, the Chambers of Commerce in San Francisco and Los Angeles and the California Federation of Labor in California.

Bridges in his address at the CIO convention in Cleveland, Ohio, all of whom have urged the opening of trade with China.

CIO TACTICS

Bridges said:

“As far as I am concerned, all the resolutions here are concerned with the trade with China. As a CIO delegate, I believe in the worldwide cause of labor. I believe in the struggle for feeding and supplying all the things that we can supply to the developing countries throughout the world. I believe in the struggle.

On the question of the European recovery plan it is not the so-called aims and objectives, which are in question so much, but the techniques and the tactics that are in question so much. The questions that are in question so much. The tactics that are in question so much.

The question is, has the CIO work out a date. To specifically ask that this resolution be sent back to the Committee in order to add an amendment or develop a couple of important situations occurring in Europe.

We certainly cannot separate the European recovery program from the general situation that prevails in many European countries. We are we asking for the support of the trade with China. The United States Government and the European countries, and before the United States Supreme Court. All of them have completely cleared him of the charge.

WITNESSES THE SAME

“I have every confidence that a jury of his fellow San Franciscans will come to the same result.” Mr. MacInnis and I have just been retained to defend this accusation, and we have not yet had the opportunity to inspect all of the evidence in the case, which is familiar with the background of the prosecution. The witnesses are apparently of the same quality as those who appeared against him in the previous proceedings. The defense is to prove, professional witnesses and foreigh powers, combined with a few rival union officials and the frauds, iniquities, spoliation, and avenging the privilege which have been forced labor movement and expect, by their way to open a new path to success or distinction.

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Food prices, according to the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics consumer price index, are still 112 1/2 above June 1939.

There is expected to get $2.8 billion in Federal National Service Life Insurance policies.

What strikes me throughout all these resolutions is the fact that in not one single one of them can I find a bit of criticism against the imperialism of Britain, of France, of Germany, of any of those countries. If and when we come to some resolutions in here that will spell out a few things that are wrong in the world, we come to some resolutions in here that will spell out a few things that are wrong in the world. I think at least I will be prepared to start to scatter the blame for the life of the world around a little bit.

What but has happened age

“In France its energy, its strength and its unity are being frustrated away in the war in Indo-China. The people there, too, have decided they have had enough of their official reaction. And in any case France must fight in order to retain that possession. What they are doing in the matter and they are going to keep on the matter in the future.

What we should decide to do is to list out of the way we stand with respect to these people. Do we stand with them or against them? I would say that the test that any resolution here be phrased is what part do we play, what position do we take with a group which is oppressed for years, when they are suffering under the government of their country. What from—Communism? No, not Communism, they are not working men and they are struggling to free themselves from oppression.

Won’t go along

“If France has energy, if France has energy, it is the kind of work we like. You can’t pick up a locomotive on your shoulder and take it into a vessel, it has to be done by power. The work lasts 14 years. We pledge our wholehearted support to the leadership of the American people.

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In Other Unions
Two Weeks of Labor Intelligence

The Nashville Coal Company of Louisville, Ky., congratulated scale producers in a letter to customers during the current coal strike. The company said it could not quote any fixed price since "the price of liberty is expensive." After a one week strike AFL stenographers were back at their desks earning five cents per hour more in Portland's Big Six wholesale grocery firm. Also in Portland AFL Butchers negotiated more take-home pay and better vacations, sick and accident benefits, but no general wage increase.

A proposal to increase salaries for officials of the AFL International Typographical Union was defeated 36,371 to 27,993 in a membership referendum. Conviction of CIO Furworkers official Irving Potash and 10 other Communist Party officials in New York was denounced as "a deliberate violation of the Constitution" by the National Federation of Leather Workers of France.

AFL Paint Makers won a ten cents hourly raise in a two-year contract signed in the employ of a company in the San Francisco area. The AFL Congress has given labor the cold-shoulder treatment, the UMW Journal in an editorial labeling the session a "deep freeze." The company said it could not quote any fixed price since "the price of liberty is expensive." After a one week strike AFL stenographers were back at their desks earning five cents per hour more in Portland's Big Six wholesale grocery firm. Also in Portland AFL Butchers negotiated more take-home pay and better vacations, sick and accident benefits, but no general wage increase.

A compromise settlement ended the four month strike by AFL department store clerks against three Albert Company stores in Marin County, Calif. The workers won a $3 per week raise, but failed to win the five day week. United Public Workers members held a mass demonstration in New York to protest the discriminatory firing of a Negro union leader at the Veterans Administration regional office. Despite polls indicating a 12 to 1 vote for the Bell Atlantic strike, a jury in New Orleans, La., convicted 20 men and one woman members of the CIO Auto Workers, for criminal contempt of court in connection with picketing.

They'll Fight Taft

Westinghouse Electric Corporation, which has rejected all demands by the United Electrical Workers, made so much money the first nine months of 1949 that it granted a "pay increase" to stockholders—an extra 15 cents dividend. The unaffiliated Louisville Area Transport Workers Union in Kennett voted practically unanimously to join the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. LATWU was formed by members who withdrew from the CIO Transport Workers over the question of local self rule.

The CIO American Communications Association blasted a proposal by the president of Western Union to create a new monopoly union and international wire communications facilities in the United States. AFL, CIO and independent unions representing over one million telephone workers in the newly organized United Labor League of Ohio, which has its roots in a 1946-1948 strike by workers against the Bell Telephone Company, have won a 4 1/2 cents hourly raise and an improved vacation schedule. A court of appeals in Cincinnati, Ohio, upheld the Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation in a number of cases against employers who withdrew from the CIO to form the new Unaffiliated National Labor Union.

Campbell Soup Draws Back

Union locals called to its members to raise a national fund with an immediate goal of $250,000 in support of striking steel and mine workers. The President of AFL Masters, Mates & Pilots, and CIO Marine Engineers and Inland Boatmen against the Richard-Sanford Railroad strike, which the CIO called "illegally" and urged with refusal by the unions of a five cents hourly hike by offer. A two-day stayaway by 5,000 members of the CIO Food, Tobacco & Agricultural Union, presided over by historic Campbell Soup in Camden, N. J., largest canning concern in the world, to draw back on suspension of a shop steward and to agree to a 36-hour work week with the workers.

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In the business agents' races in this local's six districts nine of the 11 incumbents were re-elected. One incumbent, Ace de Lousada in San Francisco, was defeated by Dominick Gallo by a vote of 2,568 to 1,219.

The warehousemen also elected a board of trustees of 10 and a general executive board of 34.

UOPWA Aims

Backed By Local 6

BERKELEY, Calif.—Support to CIO Office Workers' wage demands for reinstatement of their chief steward, Doris Walker, at Cutter Laboratories was pledged by ILWU Local 6. "Workers in leaflets handed out at the plant," a CIO spokesman said, "are being urged to sign up for a general strike if necessary to win the issue of discrimination at the hands of management." Walker was fired in the midst of UOPWA Local 6's negotiations for a 25 cents per hour raise on charges of being a Communist. Negotiations have been going on since June to raise substandard rates. The present base is $1.11 per hour.

The California State CIO Council at its convention last month condemned the "attempt of Cutter Laboratories, or any other employer, to change the rules of union leaders and members."
Oregon Police Seeking To Intimidate Portland Dockers Arrest 16 For Part in Pineapple Brawl

By KATHLEEN CRONIN

PORTLAND—After a night in jail in Portland, two nights in the Wasco County jail, and one week in the Longshoremen's branch of the National Labor Union, 16 Portland dockers were arrested yesterday in Portland for participating in a brawl in which a load of pineapple was stolen from the docks.

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**Bridges Opposes Destruction of Union Autonomy And Calls for Voice and Vote From Below**

**CLEVELAND, Ohio—** ILWU President Harry Bridges, opposing the CIO constitutional amendment which would destroy the autonomy of the ILWU, said yesterday that the controversy was not a game, but rather a question of the principle of union autonomy. He said that the amendment was an attempt to force the ILWU to become a "political puppet" of the CIO.

"I have been a member of the ILWU for over 20 years," Bridges said, "and I have seen the growth of this union from the early days of organizing in California to the present. I have seen the union grow from a small organization with a membership of a few hundred to one of the largest unions in the country with a membership of over 130,000. I have seen the union develop its own policies and programs, and I have seen it stand up to the challenges of the times."

"I am opposed to the CIO constitutional amendment because it would destroy the autonomy of the ILWU and make it a political pawn of the CIO. The ILWU has always been an independent union, and I intend to keep it that way."

"The constitution of the ILWU is a living document, and it is our responsibility to see that it is a document that represents the interests of our members. The CIO amendment would take away our autonomy and make us dependent on the CIO for everything."

"I am preparing to make a long speech about the principles of union autonomy and the need for independent unions. I will be addressing the delegates at the CIO convention in Chicago, and I will be speaking about the importance of union autonomy and the need for independent unions."

"I am confident that the delegates at the CIO convention will see the wisdom of the ILWU's position and will reject the amendment. The ILWU has always been an independent union, and I intend to keep it that way."

**Local 46 Fights the Frame-up**

**PORT HUENEME, Calif.—** Local 46 unanimously adopted a $5 assessment per member for the defense of ILWU President Walter S. Bloxam, as reported here January 6.

"The money will be used to pay for the cost of the Frame-up attack," said Local 46 Secretary-Treasurer Henry Schmidt.

"We are fighting for the right of our President to speak his mind, and we are asking our members to support him in that fight," Schmidt said.

"The Frame-up attack is a threat to our union, and we are determined to defend it."

"We are asking our members to contribute $5 per month to support our President, and we are confident that they will respond to our call."
By TERRY PETTUS

SEATTLE—Unions comprising the fighting, hard core of the CIO in Washington State have set up a committee, which has been challenged by efforts to keep labor out of this year’s congressional campaign. It is expected that this will be the first organized labor effort to keep the candidates out of the primary and general elections.

With the election of the three members of the committee, the CIO is the only organized labor group in the state to be represented in the campaign.

The committee was organized by the Seattle Trades Union Council and is made up of CIO union leaders, who have been approached by the candidates and their campaign organizations.

Among the candidates who have sought the support of the committee are: Richard M. Kleindienst, the Democratic candidate for the seat in the 9th district, and J. J. W. Maloney, the Republican candidate for the seat in the 10th district.

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Team Dave Beck's Raid On Seattle Boeing Machinists Didn't Pay Off

SEATTLE, Wash.—Dave Beck’s raiding of the independent International Association of Machinists at the Boeing Airplane Company plant here failed to pay off, despite the fact that he broke IAM’s strike for a wage raise last year.

Employees at the Boeing plant dumped the Teamsters in an NLRB election November 3 by almost 2 to 1. The vote was 8,107 to 4,137. Beck strikers had been supplied to the company during the strike of the Auto Mechanics Lodge 751 during the summer of 1948.

Even the AFL-State Federation of Labor in Washington condemned the Teamsters activity behind picket lines. At the State Convention July 15, 1948, the delegates enacted a resolution denouncing what they called “organizing behind picket lines.”

BECK SCABBED

The action recommended “that this convention go on record to condemn any person, persons or organizations that engage in organizing activities behind picket lines of a legitimate trade union.”

“Wrecking PLANNED

Earlier, he told the Western Conference of Teamsters of plans for wrecking large sections of the labor movement on the West Coast. Carl Beck told his delegates that his organization will “travel any kind of a road with any kind of a rule” to smash the Machinists.

These Beck raiding plans included taking over not only the machinists but also warehouses from the H.W.U. and raids on the AFL lumber and sawmill workers, CIO woodworkers and CIO cannymer workers in FTA.

Recently the Teamsters teamed up with the strikebreakers to form “employ college trained and often engineering and various expert economists, according to the nature of the work, to smash the machinists.”

They prefer to work in with or against the local and national machines of the two old parties by means of “open warfare.”

“Voter’s CONTROL REMOTE

American politics to a visitor from another planet is a series of groupings of interests rather than of votes as such, and in the re-election year Beck appears to exercise a very remote control.

In the recent Presidential and Congressional elections it appeared that whilst Henry Wallace’s World Peace Cabinet opened wide the basic issues in the election and aroused the interest of voters over the whole country, the individual voters, the split vote consideration grew more and more important as polling day approached, and in the end the campaigns waged by both the A. F. of L. and the C.I.O. were responsible for delivering the industrial labour vote to secure victory for the Democrats and the Democratic Party’s triumph.

I had many interesting conversations with industrial workers on this question of a new industrial union. Many of the Left, and with many of them it was sometimes difficult to find common ground. The position of the Left was so different between themselves. They were so different. This is one of the great unanswered question marks of the American labour movement in its march to power.

NEW TOOLS NEEDED

At present they appear to be content to share power, but the problem is whether the other American trade unions will enjoy the same success in industrial organization. The American workers are only just coming of age in industrial organization. They are as yet immature and inchoate in the political sense of independent organization and activity, and because of this it may yet come to pass that the workers of the whole American labor in Politics A National View

(Editor’s note: the following article is excerpted from the official report of the New Zealand labor delegate to the International Labor Organization Conference held in San Francisco last year.)

By H. G. KILPATRICK

It takes a New Zealander some time to become oriented in the industrial labour movement in the U.S.A.

In the first place industrial Labour is split into two almost equal groups comprised of over six million members each with the older American Federation of Labour slightly the larger. There is also a right and a left, but the signature labels A. F. of L., and C.I.O., to become oriented in the industrial labour movement in the U.S.A.

The older craft A. F. of L. Unions were, and still are for the most part, very conservative, and very much American. The newer C.I.O. which some ten years or so ago bided its time through the A. F. of L. to form industrial unions and organize the new mass producing industries such as automobile and the like, is probably more forward looking and less conservative than the A. F. of L., although latterly the former has in some cases become rather more conservative in thought and action than the leaders of the new C.I.O. appears to have led to the adoption of increasingly conservative attitudes.

POLITICAL ATTITUDE

One thing which clearly marks the difference between the American labor movements is their attitude to organizing the Negroes. The A. F. of L. would always refuse to organize Negroes even in its own organizational drive, the C.I.O. unions in the main make no distinctions on race or colour, and grant full union rights. In the deep South it is reported, however, that whites sit on one side of the hall while the Negroes stand next to the wall and are referred to as “Brother” and not as “Negro.”

In the North around Chicago I am not aware that such distinctions are made.

U.S.A. unions adopt an entirely different attitude towards politicians in marked contrast to Australia and New Zealand unions. With all their members and financial and organizational power the industrial workers of America are not only independent but have not yet formed and built up their own independent political party to challenge the two older traditional Republican and Democratic parties.

These unions prefer to work in with or against the local and national machines of the two old parties by means of “open warfare” between the respective labor voting groups, as one has “pro-" or “anti-" labor elected officials who are elected by the labor forces in the community. This is the American method of organizing labour power to be reckoned with.

In Australia and New Zealand the labor vote has been so small that the labor vote is not considered worth fighting for, but in the U.S.A. the labor vote is a “vital gap of political immaturity” on the part of organized industrial labor.

For Fascism did not die with Hitler and Mussolini, but arises naturally out of Capitalism in extremes, and as great crimes loom up in U.S.A. due to its colossal productive capacity in a shrinking capitalist world, American labor will in the midst of great battles build its own great party and win power to it. American labor will win power in this world when this happens, for on that day the forces of peace in that country and the whole world will have triumphed. But between those two dates the shadow of atomic war.

UNIONS EFFICIENT

Labour in the U.S.A. is big business. Many of the Unions have memberships of hundreds of thousands and annual budgets of millions of dollars. I was impressed with the organizational and business efficiency of the Unions. The huge funds at the disposal of the great mass unions enable them to use the most up-to-date mechanical appliances in their office work, to buy space (whole page) and time (whole sessions) in press and radio, to employ college trained and often eminent experts in journalism, engineering and various expert economists, according to the nature of the union.

They maintain on a matter of course—as good business—which pay off handsomely—whole research departments of trained statisticians and economists and lawyers to keep them up to date, and to ensure the respect and confidence of their members.

LIVE IN LUXURY

The very size and dispersion of some of the Unions means of course that the top officials have to concentrate on running the Union, and in negotiating agreements with powerful corporations.

Inventories in manufacturing rose by $600 million in December and at the end of the year were at the highest level in history — $31.5 billion. Widspread layoffs resulted.

Deportation Fight

The entire Senetter family objected to the deportation proceedings against Mr. William Senetter by pickinget the federal building in St. Louis. The children are Susan Jo and American citizen and an international representative of the United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America.

This means that many of them rarely meet the rank and file of the Unions and the Unions have no chance of representing the whole range of American labor.
PORTLAND, Ore.—Last week the ILWU distributed a new leaflet to the longshoremen, working people and small businessmen in the great wheat region of Oregon, which states that Canada has already taken away from the United States area her wheat crop and is thus taking advantage of the present crisis in wheat.

Most startling revelation in the report of the Labor Department is the fact that Canada and Australia have already taken away from the United States area the vast emptiness of its wheat consuming market. Canada now exports more wheat to the United States area. Australia is on the verge of wheat to compete with the United States area. Canada "is in a position to make a bid for markets even closer to Portland to compete with the United States area." The ILWU then cited official government figures to prove these markets are being lost to Canadian wheat. The report of the Economic Cooperation Administrators and out of U. S. taxpayers' pockets.

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LOCALS & GRATULATIONS


Creeping Death Hits Rent Control

Washington, D.C.—The report of the 1949 federal rent law which has brought both a boost and a boom to the nation's rent and a creep of homes, farms and businesses has already paid its loan in full, Veterans Administration said

Pedro Auxiliary

Features Dance

San Pedro, Calif.—Entertainment talent will harmonize will feature the cotton and jeans square dance planned sponsored by the auxiliary Octo-

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Pension Principle

The principle of pensions was agreed upon by the CIO affiliates for ILWU longshore locals in British Columbia and the Shipping Federation of B. C. last month. Both parties plan to look to the financing of pensions by a levy on each ton of goods on inward and outward cargoes in British Columbia.

The Shipping Federation opened talks with an outright demand that joblessness is now rising in all areas and that the NMU's support of the ILWU in this action were reprimanded by the TMU without discrimination.

NMU NOTIFIED

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South Africa Cops

Shoot Strikers

JOHANNESBURG (ALN) — One worker was killed and several were wounded when police opened fire on unarmed strikers. The police shot one worker, who had walked out in protest against new Jim Crow employment legislation by the government of the Union of South Africa. The NMU crossed the picket line. However, the NMU crossed the picket line. Here are Bridges' charges in full.

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Denham Has a Chance To Mislead Teen-Agers

WASHINGTON (FP) — Union parents might keep a wary eye out for the Betty Bets Book, a volume on career guidance, published recently by Grosset & Dunlop.

Designers of a vocational guide for teenagers, the volume includes an introduction to professional fields and various professions which might be entered by those who have followed them.

To be more effective in their "labor relations" career, the editor called on the National Labor Relations Board General Counsel Robert R. Denham, a man known the nation over as an expert in the field of labor relations.

Members who were sick and off their jobs, Stern added, received benefits from the California State Disability Insurance Fund compensation totaling more than $140,000 and $300,000 in unemployment insurance.

NO FEES

Shipping Up

According to the latest reports, shipping has been a 10 per cent increase in Pacific shipping in the last four-week period.

This upswing was reflected in pay scales which worked, PMA said November 7.

All ports except those on the California River were included in the increase; San Francisco jumped 18, Los Angeles-Long Beach 10, Oakland 4, Portland, Oregon 10, and Columbia River ports declined 12 per cent.

$1 Million Saved

In his annual report for the period November 1, 1948 to November 1, 1949, Welfare Director of the AFL's Clothing industry said that the department obtained or was refunding for its members, through various agencies and services, approximately $2,400.

He noted that 4,450 members had contacted the office and received services, mostly in checking monies due them or information necessary for organizing for its members, through various agencies and services, approximately $2,400.

New Contracts

New contracts with Texas T. Harbor, SOPAC Ship Maintenance, and Sweet Trucking were signed on October 25, and November 1. Two other companies and local 13 in San Pedro have agreed to be bound by the Coast Longshore agreement and pay the same wages. Such men as are hired by the three employers will get an additional 10 cents an hour above the Coast scale in lieu of vacations.

The employers agreed to pay welfare benefits obtained recently by the ILWU in negotiations with the Coast Longshore Agreement.

The employers are bound to shield the working and dispatching rights of the PMA agreement. The contracts expire June 15.

Trans T. Harbor employs men to assemble and nestle loads, while Sweet Trucking does business in connection with loading, sheeting or otherwise preparing a ship for bulk cargo. Sweet Trucking uses men for stacking, sorting and building for lumber vessels at berth 223-D.

Arbitrating a New Agreement

A new agreement was reached between ILWU Local 9 and Arbinger Dock Co., in Seattle, Washington, October 24, covering dockers.

The new base rate of pay is $1.45 an hour. When employed on a monthly basis, the guards are to receive a $250 minimum.

The new contract provides a wage review on September 30, 1950 and terminates June 30, 1951. The agreement represents the crew and back the machinegun-equipped police opened fire on unarmed strikers. The police shot one worker, who had walked out in protest against new Jim Crow employment legislation by the government of the Union of South Africa.
Big Business Breaks Some Records With Profits Measured In Billions

NEW YORK (FP)—Big business profits in July, August and September surpassed those in the same periods in 1948, and in some industries surpassed them, with auto industry profits leading the way.

An Associated Press survey of 314 corporations in major fields showed a total net profit of $1,832,044,881 in the third quarter of 1949. This was 4.3 per cent higher than the $962,102,819 in profits reported by the same corporations in the second quarter of 1949, reversing a nine-month downward trend.

The profits were only 4.1 per cent higher than the $1,206,225,160 in second quarter profits of 1948. The highest second quarter profits in history last year were $1,492,000,000.

AUTOS HIT HIGH

The largest profit increases were among the companies, General Motors and Chrysler, which reported profits $860 million higher than their all-time record in the 1948 third quarter. The profits of all 27 auto companies total nearly $97 million in the 1948 third quarter level.

Of the 24 industrial groups surveyed, seven showed increases in profits in the third quarter over a year ago, while 14 reported lower profits in the third quarter over the second quarter this year.

The industries which surpassed the 1949 records were: automobilers, utilities, chemicals, air transport and aircraft, brewers and distillers, food products, bakers and confectioners, and drug, cosmetics and soaps.

FORD ASSETS

Meanwhile, the Ford Motor Company lifted the dollar curtain on its financial status in an annual report filed October 31, declaring that the company's assets had increased 50 per cent since it was organized in 1903. The report did not include operating data for the past quarter, but it did show that total assets of the company reached a record high of $1,149,240,000 at the end of 1948, an increase of $1213 million over 1947.

Exposition from CIO Means Seizure Attempt

The pattern set by CIO after expelling the United Electrical Workers and Farm Equipment Workers, is expected to be repeated, in event of its almost certain expulsion, the following: CIO will attempt to claim all ILWU property, including those of the Union's headquarters and holdings and will lay claim to all monies in ILWU treasuries. It will even attempt to get local union members to turn over treasuries without asking by your leave from the rank and file of the union, in order to offer juicy pie in return.

All these things are happening now in UE and PFE.

Expulsion from CIO

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Striking Local 6 warehousemen in Crockett, Calif., told California & Hawaiian Vice-President William Tyler in an open letter November 4: “We are tired of your bluffing and we want peace all along the bridge of ships” to Hawaii.

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“Stealing Local 6 warehousemen away from the company,” said C & H Count F. E. Williams, “is now featured as the "Orchid Girl" in a New York ice follies.”

Orchid—Marilyn Ruth of Canada gracefully demonstrates the ease with which she became amateur figure skating champion. Marilyn is now featured as the "Orchid Girl" in a New York ice follies.

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Last Lockout Victim Gets Out of Jail

LOS ANGELES—Another phase of the still-echoing film studio lockout of 1946 ended here with release of Arnold Freed, victim of a one-year prison sentence for selling newspapers across the street from a mass picketing line.

The thousands of movie workers rounded up in wholesale arrests and the thousands tried in the largest mass trials in U. S. history, Frewed drew the stilled sentence of the five men finally sent to jail. ILWU Local 13 member Jack Brooks was freed last May.

The technical charges were violation of an injunction against picketing, disturbing the peace and failing to disperse. Actually, Freed was at least 50 feet from the picket line and was selling copies of the California newspaper, the World, which supported the film workers.

Peace Slogans Are Criminal in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO (ALN)—It is now a crime to chalk peace slogans on walls in Brazil. Police in a number of towns have arrested members of the Partis ans of Peace organization, which has the support of a large part of Latin American labor as well as other groups, for this type of activity.

Utley Warehouse

A new agreement between Local 9 and Utley Warehouse in Seattle provided a 5 cents raise for the union’s 250 members and its jurisdiction for some penny chantooted groups.

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The workers had walked out September 25 and continued other discriminatory violations of the contract, and to continue all grievances under the contract.

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CIO Says "Be Ruled or Be Wrecked" as Dictatorship Mask Is Torn Off

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the instructions of his membership, when the membership is wrong."

It was made amply clear that Mr. Bridges was ready to give that all unions remaining in the CIO choose the order from the top brass in all matters or be subject to attacks, raids, splitting and combinations, contracts and finances, or forced mergers with unions which do take such orders.

When the ILWU rank and file officers learned that they could protest denial of democratic rights at a meeting outside the ILWU, they learned the lesson anew at CIO vice presidents were named by CIO vice presidents as "legal, but hysterical" name calling, "all unions remaining in the CIO must take orders from CIO top brass."

Mr. Bridges was among the delegates who protested denial of the autonomy of locals and the right to make policy and decisions by secret ballot. This the national board was expected the board would consider all the implications of the CIO, in violation of Article VI, section 10 of the CIO Constitution."

Similar challenges were preferred also against the officers of each of the unions, and expulsion of the unions was demanded.

Since Article VI, Section 10, had just been amended to make such activities, if true, illegal, it means the democratic unions will have to stand trial ex post facto, for allegedly violating a law which didn't exist. Even courts throw that kind of thing out.

TRIAL BOARDS SET UP
Several trial boards were set up. To try the ILWU and Bridges there were named O. A. Knight of the Oil Workers, J. E. Fadling of the Wood Workers and Joseph A. Fisher of the Utility Workers. The three were called "legal, but against the officers of the ILWU. The Union, as a result of its longshore strike, or to table any issue."

Bridges was challenged by a new committee of the United Steelworkers of America, the United Auto Workers of America, the United Food, Tobacco, Agricultural & Marine Cooks & Stewards, the United Cannery, Agricultural, & Marine Workers. The ILWU, choose its officers and set its policies without regard to the rank and file, to vote for or against or to table any issue."

over and over ILWU and CIO delegates were denied the floor, a plan for barring the leadership of the democratic unions from the board in the convention election, which was dropped in favor of a "point of similarity" motion which would have a combination of mainland and Hong Kong interests in the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service. To drop its deportation proceedings against Harry Curran, Bridges, John L. Ritenour, CIO executive director, and a number of the rank and file of all unions, the ILWU, chose to bring formal charges against Mr. Bridges and others at the CIO convention to expose and meet the threat of CIO to force ILWU to be part of its dictatorship, or to be expelled from the CIO, to be expelled from the CIO.

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