President Legalizes Waterfront Blacklist

Coast Guard Can Bar Anybody

What the employers could not do, the Coast Guard will try to do for them.

President Truman made this possible yesterday when he signed an executive order making legal and binding the phonny screening program concocted by Labor Secretary Maurice Tobin and the CIO.

The order permits the Coast Guard to blacklist union members and cancel their livelihood, so far the Coast Guard have to tell anybody which employer asked for it.

The officers of the ILWU immediately blasted the order as "a union blacklist dressed up in the guise of a security program."

"INCLUDI ES COMMERCIAL"

The Presidential order authorizes the Coast Guard to keep anybody off a ship or a dock when it "deems" that his presence "would be inimical" to the security of the United States.

The Coast Guard can now issue "identification credentials" and make all workers show them to get to their jobs on ships and in any waterfront area. It chooses, regardless of whether the job is commercial or military.

A worker is denied his credential on the ground that he "is not suitable security clearance."

The order says appeals will be made in "all fairness consistent with the guiding of security."

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APPEAL IS CITED

The executive order has a section titled "Appeals," saying appeals boards will be set up with one member drawn from management, one from labor, and one Coast Guard officer.

The Secretary of Labor nominates the management and labor members; "upon suitable security clearance."

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"PENALTIES STIFF"

Penalties for failing to comply with the order or interfering with it are up to 10 years in jail and a $10,000 fine.

The ILWU officers' statement on the new blacklist scheme said: "In the absence of any of the called security program so far, we have proved good that union men with long records of militant union activity are being blacklisted."

"The ILWU Longshore, Ship clerks and Walking Boss Caucus held in Seattle last week took notice of this and went on record to move against the Coast Guard screening program being used to discriminate against any union members, and against any at all."

ILWU Board at Work—The ILWU Executive Board, meeting in Seattle, October 10 and 11, faced and made decisions on problems such as CIO expulsion; screening blacklists; wage freezes; rising prices, the McCarran act and other pressing dangers to the union and its members. Shown around the table in Local 19's hall were Andy Nelson of New Orleans, Stewart MacKenzie of Vancouver, B. C., Bernard Lucas of Chicago, Jack Steinhart of Los Angeles, Charles 'Chilly' Duarte of Oakland (partly obscured), Stenographer Jean Hatton, President Harry Bridges, Secretary-Treasurer Louis Goldblatt, First Vice President J. R. Robertson (in far corner), Second Vice President Germain Bulcke, Enos Adams of San Pedro, Bert Manfield of Portland, Frank M. Andrews of Olympia, Wash., John Maleta of Seattle and Ernest Arena of Honolulu. Not caught by the camera were Board Members Gilla Gallardo of Lihue, Keauai, and Jeff Kible and Joe Jurich of the Fishermen's division.

"SEATTLE—As we are getting deeper into a war economy, we will also get deeper into a real economic pinch, said the International Executive Board of the ILWU and the longshore, ship clerks and walking boss caucus meeting here."

"Among other things, the statement adopted by the two meetings said:"

"(1) A wage freeze is almost certain. For political reasons, the administration hasn't clamped down before the elections, but the President already has the authority to 'stabilize' wages and it'll certainly move soon."

"Rises just begun"

"(2) Prices and rents have only just begun to rise. It is predicted from Washington that they will go up at least 10 per cent by next June. Moreover, it's certain that price control won't be as tight as the wage freeze."

"The Economic Control Act is full of loopholes which will permit prices to go on up. There will be no price rollback."

"(3) The result of frozen wages and rising prices is, on the one hand, a decline in the standard of living. Such a decline is a necessary part of a war economy. There won't be enough for guns and butter. Too. So the simplest means of tightening belts is to just let prices go up while holding wages down. That squeezes the people with the smallest incomes."

NOT ENOUGH THINGS

"Under these circumstances the 1% year contracts negotiated by some unions become meaningless. They offer no protection at all because they are tied to the phonny BLS index and because in an economy producing guns, there just won't be enough food, clothing, automobiles, and other things. No contract is any good which doesn't permit a union to use its full economic strength at frequent intervals."

ILWU Board, Caucus Warn Against Bad Economic Pinch in War Economy

Board Says "Good Riddance"

SEATTLE—ILWU came out fighting to protect jobs, conditions of jurisdiction, and union rights in doubleheader meetings held here October 10 to 14.

The Executive Board met on the afternoon of October 10. The meeting was followed by a Coast caucus of longshoremen, ship clerks and walking bosses on the 12th, 13th and 14th.

The two meetings adopted a series of hard-hitting resolutions and reports which included the following:

A determination that loss of CIO affiliation is "good riddance" and that no appeal will be made against the use of screening programs for discrimination, provided ILWU is not expected to go further in such support than it has in the past.

A decision that ILWU maintain the status quo as an independent union until the next biennial convention in April, 1951, at which time the officers will report all offers of affiliation.

Full support to the Marine Cooks & Stewards of any other maritime union in their attempts to resist the use of screening programs for discrimination, provided ILWU is not expected to go further in such support than it has in the past.

A determination to resist and expose the American Medical Association's plot to delay and prevent adequate health care.

A demand for outright repeal at the earliest possible moment of the infamous McCarran thought control law.

Reaffirmation of the August Caucus decision to strike if necessary to maintain the bargaining and jurisdictional rights of ILWU officers, and the independent measures which are taken to maintain the bargaining and jurisdictional rights of ILWU officers.

Reaffirmation of the pledge to devote all necessary resources of the union to defeat the frameup against ILWU President Harry Bridges.

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Denunciation of CIO corruption, raiding and interference.

(Continued on Back Page)
crook or racketeer can last and prosper as long as he gets and keeps an in with the politicians. In the case of an ordinary racketeer, it's all because of his political pull. He gets and keeps an in with the politicians and his protection is secured by the community which senses at once that the ordinary racketeer is scorned if the press and radio are ready at all times to rally to his support and praise him. The rank and file raised their activity. It enabled the shipowners to say: "So you didn't support our pals in your leadership? You're out!"

This leads us up to a repeat in history. A repeat of what is said, and which we suppose is inevitable. By one accident or another, some inadequate, even octogenarian operators, came to power in the CIO. And Joe Curran, because of his bumbling, stumbling, snuffling, stupidity, which was mistaken for naiveté, and his painstaking honesty, became president of that suddenly-relaxed giant, the NMU. He came out of the fog. He was cocktailed, dined and flattered by those who the newspapers told him were great, holy and mighty. It was heady stuff and his background faded before it.

Then came the reckoning. Poor old Joe couldn't keep up with the parade. Neither could Philip Murray, James Carey or the other empty men. The rank and file raised questions. So, they like the ISU phoney, had to make a deal. They have made it.

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Two ILWU Members Among First Victims of McCarran Plot

The Justice Department started using the McCarran police state law this week, and two of the first group of 19 victims are ILWU members. The Secretary of Labor says all will be sent to Ellis Island to await deportation. Local 6 warehouseman Ernie Fox was picked up for immigration violation agents at 6:50 a. m. last Sunday in his San Francisco home. He's in jail. In Seattle Ernesto Mangaoang of Local 7-C Alaska Cannery Workers was jailed.

Seattle and Others—

The row of Seattle and Northwest delegates facing the table catercornering across the top picture taken at the lower picture is NAM Got Everything. NAM stands for against labor meeting.

President Truman named the five men listed as the first group of 19 victims of the McCarran Law. They were said to have been picked up at San Francisco on October 27.

"Now we know it could happen here," said the Board resolution which continued:

"A few years ago it would have been unthinkable that the U. S. Congress would pass legislation like this. To find similar laws it's been unthinkable that the U. S. The Bill of Rights as we know it now will be destroyed. The Board urges all locals to demand of their Senators and Congressmen that they vote against this infamous law."
Caucus Officers—William S. Lawrence of San Pedro chaired the dock caucus at Seattle. He is shown above, reaching for his watch probably to join last week to invite the ILWU President Harry Bridges, and the other maritime workers, that it was only through real unity and fighting solidarity that their unions were built, and the workers given a chance to improve their jobs and living standards.

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The AFL predicted the workers’ living costs will rise even more in February than in January. “These increased prices,” Wilson warned, “are due to rising costs of living, more than to any increase in the cost of labor.” He said, “The cost of living is included in the wage structure.”

Wilson also warned that the AFL’s members’ wages have not kept pace with the rising cost of living. He said, “The AFL is working to ensure that workers receive fair wages that keep pace with the rising cost of living.”

Wilson went on to say that the AFL is committed to raising wages and improving working conditions for its members. He said, “We will continue to work with employers to ensure that workers are paid a fair wage and have safe working conditions.”

Wilson also addressed the issue of rent control, which he said was a serious problem for many workers. He said, “We will continue to work with local governments to ensure that rent control policies are fair and effective.”

Wilson ended his statement by saying, “The AFL is committed to improving the lives of its members and ensuring that they have a voice in the decisions that affect their lives.”
What's Welfare?
Questions and answers on the ILWU longshore, shipperlers and walking boss Welfare Plan.

Q. If I am covered for hospital medical-surgical benefits by the insurance plan under the Fund, and I carry some private hospital or medical or surgical insurance, can I collect benefits under the Fund?

A. If you get a bill from the doctor or the hospital, the insurance company of the Fund will pay 60% of the insured amount, provided the Fund is reimbursed for money you spent and if the fact that you have another insurance policy does not stop you from getting benefits under the Fund.

Q. If I am in a port under the Insurance plan that is reimbursable close to Permanente or Group Health Facilities, i.e. Stockton, IL, Seattle, or Everett, how can I use the group health plan?

A. For surgery or hospitalization the group health plans have agreed to accept the insurance schedule as full payment. Therefore it would be to your advantage for surgery or hospitalization in the small ports to use the larger ports so that you would have fewer extra costs.

Coverage on Disability

Q. If in Oregon or Washington I am off the job for workers' compensation for a veterans' hospital, for which I cannot be reimbursed for hospital medical-surgical benefits, can I still get my disability insurance under the Fund?

A. Yes. Have the claim form filled out by the doctor in either one of those hospitals and you will be entitled to disability benefits.

Q. In Oregon and Washington if I am off the job for workmen's compensation, can I collect disability Insurance under the Fund?

A. No. However, if you stop collecting workers' compensation you are still entitled to disability repayment under the Fund.

Illness Off the Job

Q. If I am off on workers' compensation because of an injury sustained on the job, and another illness not related, develop, such as an attack of appendicitis, is I recovered for hospital medical-surgical benefits under the plan?

A. If you are eligible, you are covered for any illness off the job, even though you may be getting worker's compensation.

Q. If I lose a leg or the sight of my eye or a hand or foot on the job, do I collect anything under the ILWU-PM Welfare Plan?

A. Yes. Our life insurance policy has an accidental dismemberment clause, and you should immediately file a claim. You'll be sent the specific forms.

Q. If I am under the State plan for your own personal insurance, and I leave to work in a port of the Fund, do I collect California disability insurance?

A. Yes. You write to the State of California Department of Employment, P. O. Box 711, Sacramento, California.

Use Plan to Stay Well

Q. Does the group health plan cover me under no one case of accident or illness?

A. No. You can use the plan for regular routine examinations to find out if you have anything wrong with you.

Q. What should I do to get a physical examination?

A. You should either phone or go personally to one of the group health offices and ask for an appointment for a physical examination. An appointment will be arranged to see a doctor in the medical department.

Q. What is the medical department?

A. The medical department is available in overtime check-ups and examinations and treatment.

Q. How are the specialist departments taken care of?

A. The specialist departments take care of particular health problems, such as skin diseases, eye, ear, nose and throat problems, etc.

Q. Does my physical examination include laboratory tests and x-rays?

A. You will be given laboratory tests and x-rays by the doctor who examines you.

Q. What will this physical examination cost me?

A. It will cost $1.00 for each visit to the doctor. There are no charges for laboratory test or x-rays which the doctor prescribes for you.

Q. If I decide to get a complete physical examination, should I also make appointment with the medical department?

A. No. Make your appointment with the doctor in the medical department and let him decide whether an examination or treatment from a specialist is needed.

Q. What happens to the results of my examination?

A. They will be discussed by you and the doctor. Your medical records are completely confidential. He will tell you what he has found and whether or not you need any more examination or treatment.

Caucus Actions

The longshore, shipperlers and walking boss caucus in Seattle, October 12 to 14, hit hard on the employers, particularly in the sense of maintaining the status quo, and we are satisfied that the union must now defend our work by strike action or prepare to yield further jurisdiction to other unions.

The union has proposed a uniform packaged lumber rate for stevedoring, barge, LSM, LST, NV's and similar vessels.

The caucus instructed the Negotiating Committee to continue negotiations on revision of the Penalty Commissions List, with the arbitrator to be called in if no agreement can be reached.

Welfare Aims Set

The Committee's report on the Welfare Plan was accepted with aims for extended benefits between now and January, 1961, as expanding group plan coverage to remove the $1 visit charge and all other extra charges, enlarging insurance coverage in the small ports, and keeping men who become disabled on the job covered for welfare benefits.

Recognizing dissatisfaction with the insurance plans in the small ports the caucus decided to make a study and report on it in January, 1961, with the understanding that though the employers are committed to pensions on principle they are not committed to put any plan into effect before January, 1961.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Negotiating Committee reported to the caucus on the reasons for a joint contribution plan started current plans in the auto and steel industries and the plan in the rubber industry.

The report destroyed the illusory that so-called non-contributory plans are really non-constraining, since the Steelworkers, for instance, passed up two wage increases to have the employers, at the unions' behest, pay the men's contributions, by contrast, pay their own plan right after the war including an 18% wage increase.

The report went over the innumerable plans already studied by the Pacific Maritime Association, the union committee's ideas of what a good pension plan involves, and its proposal for pensioning all waterfront members 65 years old with 15 years of service at $150 a month exclusive of social security — the money to come from joint contributions.

FOR HIRING HALL

The caucus reaffirmed the position of the August Coos Bay caucuses for hiring the Longshore, a fight to maintain it and a strike if necessary.

Another caucus action was that any local which does not supply men they will contact other ILWU locals before getting men off the street. They will attempt to work out travel time and sub-contractor agreements for their areas.

The caucus moved for full support to locals of Pinkerton guards and watchers if they are not forced to strike to retain their present contract and gain a wage increase.

The caucus instructed the SUP members with the SLP on those waterfront vessels where they yield more and more of the longshore work to the SLP.

PENALTY TALKS CONTINUE

The caucus retains its position to maintain wages without the protection of a signed agreement (the employers have never ratified the contract agreed to September 30, 1940) has not been given in the sense of maintaining the status quo, and we are satisfied that the union must now defend our work by strike action or prepare to yield further jurisdiction to other unions.

A recommendation was made to longshore locals that any extending members of MCS or any other maritime union, except those SLP members expelled for seeking unity with ILWU, will not work or go to work with by the longshoremen.

Seattle Gains

Local 9 ship service workers at Maritime Service and Liberty & Headman in Seattle have won wage increases of 10 cents an hour, making their new base pay $1.80.

For Safety

A letter of appreciation was sent by Local 9 to William Kraft, Marine Inspector of the Safety Division of the State Department of Industrial Welfare, October 18, mentioning particular appreciation of safety catwalks at East Waterway.

The local pointed out that often workers are injured before safety precautions are taken, and that this time safety measures were taken before any accident happened.

Hatch Watchers

In a new award on the hatch watchmen case, Southern California area arbitrator Paul Prasow decided October 10 in favor of Marine Clerks Local 62.

He found that Associated Banning and Furness, Witby & Company had violated the maritime clerks agreement and an earlier award by failing to replace Local 62 members as hatch watchmen on the SS. Elemi or last May, who were used as hatch watchmen on this foreign ship.

Another news award reversed an earlier award made June 17 in favor of the employers, after which the union had asked a rehearing on the hashtags. This evidence made the June award factually in error.

Prasow in his new decision asked both union and employers to concur in the award requiring all employers in the Los Angeles harbor area to hire Local 62 hatch watchmen.

Mortgages on non-farm real estate are expected to rise more than $32 billion in 1960, the total already being above $40 billion, the Wall Street Journal reports.
Caucus Raps
AMA's Anti-Health Drive
SEATTLE—The longshore-shipstrikers and walking box caus-ers, could here denounced the cur-rent advertising campaign of the American Medical Association as a deliberate attempt to mislead, confuse and take away the good health of the people.

A resolution of the meeting stated: "Not only is the campaign a deliberate attempt to mislead, confuse, and take away the good health of the people, but if this money were used constructively, 100,000 families could get complete medical coverage for a full year, or 9,000 doctors to service 6 million people could be trained.

WASTE CONDEMNED
"We know from our own experience the advantages we enjoy as members of sound group health plans. The American Medical Association's advertised program is to limit the expansion of such programs."

It was resolved as follows: that as a trade union concerned with the welfare of its members and all American workers, we condemn this conspicuous waste of the American Medical Association's programs to take away or delay adequate health care by distorting the truth to preserve its monopoly and the drug monopoly, and therefore will do our part to resist and expose this business combine against the nation's health."

Arbitration Won

In a meeting held down Octo-ber 16, Arbitrator Arthur P. Allen found that Charles Bruning, foreman is in the bargaining unit and subject to the contract, and that the contract language on seniority is "simple, direct and unequivocal."

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He said the "company elected to lay off a man who clearly had seniority rights under the contract," and "to make such an exce-ption in this case would open the door to other exceptions."

Local 9 Gains

Local 9, in its recent negotia-ions in Seattle, has won a raft of wage increases and other gains.

Centennial Flouring Mills and General Mills, Sperry Division, both non-merchantable, granted a raise of 7½ cents per hour re-tractive in July 1, making the base pay $1.53.

At Albert Milling and Fisher Flouring Mills, mechanized out-fits, a 7½ cents raise brought the base pay to $1.57½. An addi-tional 4 cents above the 7½ cents went on all rates above base pay, making a greater spread in classifications.

Gained at four mills were Wash-ington's birthday as an ad-di-itional paid holiday and three weeks vacation after 15 years' service. A 7½ cents settlement at Will-ber Ellis brought base rates to $1.63 per hour.

In the warehouse industry, Ut-ley Warehouse granted 7½ cents, and a prepaid medical plan for the workers and their families. The new base rate is $1.74½, and the rate for handling salmon is $1.92.

The scale for workers at Grif-fith & Sprague was raised 18 cents, with the new base-pay set at $1.68. Other gains were seven paid holidays, one week vacation after one year and two after two years.

UP 10 CENTS

A 10 cents raise for minor-wage earners makes base pay now $1.87, and 10 cents at Virginia Dock & Trading Com-pany brought the new rate to $1.92.

At American Warehouse where there is a bonus system, a 10 cents raise brought the base rate to $1.50.

American Can workers, who come under the longshore-con tract, won 10 cents for the $1.92 rate.

A 10 cents raise for Port of Seattle workers brought the warehouse rate to $1.32 and the cold storage rate, with the compen-sation of Hilda Wells who is in New Jersey with her three children, two weeks to claim her job rights.

The company fired 200 men on March 29 on charges of violation of goods, and 300 men, sent down to charges of pilfering.

The number of workers, which averaged about seven years at the time of the firings, will re-main about the same. But in seven months they were off work for a year, and for 1951 variation quali-fications.

Moser Bag

A supplemental agreement, granting all Local 209 members at Moser Bag & Paper in Clevel-land a 5 cents per hour raise affective October 18, was reached after the union requested a wage opening on a mutual consent basis.

The company also agreed to make a joint study for an im-proved incentive system which would result in increased earn-ings for the ILWU members.

Negotiations were handled by the shop committee, composed of Gun Dering, Beatrice Single and Jessie Cornell.

Reinstatements Won

Local 6 won reinstatement to their jobs for four women fired last March by Coffin Redington Drug in San Francisco, in a set-tlement reached October 23.

The issue had gone to arbitra-tion before Arbitrator J. H. Hoff-man last week, but company and union reached agreement before the hearings were completed.

The four, Nora Carbach, Olga Grace, Josephine Carmocci and Hilda Wells, all active union members, were to be back on their jobs within 48 hours after the settlement, with the excep-tion of 25% of the original wage. This wage rate is increased to $1.20 per hour in four months, and to $1.50 by the end of the year.

MCS Hits

Star Chamber

SEATTLE—Representative Hugh Mitchell has promised a pub-liic hearing on Alaska Steamship Com-pany's plans to fire 500 workers at its Cannery. The hearing will be held at the Northgate Market, where Mitchell, a labor leader, said he would hold a hearing and report on it to the House Committee.

Mitchell, acting as a subcom-mittee of the House Labor Com-mittee, has the power only to hold a hearing and report on it to Congress. This hearing will be held at the Cannery, where Mitchell said he would hold a hearing and report on it to Congress. The union objected to the closed hearing as designed to do a hatchet job.

Conference

Caucus for

Foreign Born

NEW YORK—The American Commit-tee for Protection of Foreign-born has called a Na-tional Conference to Defend the Bill of Rights for December 2 and 3 here.

The Call to the Conference makes these points:

"More than 3,000 non-citizens are being prevented from coming to the United States during the life-time of these people because of their labor and social activities while legal residents of this coun-

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"We won't intend to appeal to any snatched conviction of pro- fessional officials." (Second Page)

Snip and save the board and the longshore, shipsclerks and walking bone caucuses to the CIO expulsion of the ILWU.

Both board and caucus, on October 12, was censured by the board and the ILWU in Hawaii.

The caucus was chaired by William G. McMillan, vice-president of ILWU No. 13. San Pedro, Howard Bode, CRMC leader, was secretary.

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"The workers, nevertheless, went on to win the help of their brothers in Hawaii, and the longshoremen, warehousemen and seamen on the mainland.

"Now we find the CIO sending one of its agents into Hawaii. Not to meet with talk, but to disrupt and to make short these tremendous battles, but in order to destroy the Hawaiian employers and with every disruptive force against the labor movement and the cheap politics who have always tried to get their hands on the union. The entire apparatus of the CIO is well maintained by the ILWU. So that this hatchet man, Tom Flynn, made this excursion to Hawaii at a time when ILWU was still part of CIO—again, in good standing. We believe the workers of Hawaii will make short shift of this most recent attempt by CIO to wreck their organization and do what the employers and industry combined financial strength has failed to do in the past.

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SEATTLE—"Good ridance," said the taciturn, said the board and the longshore, shipsclerks and walking bone caucuses to the CIO expulsion of the ILWU.

"We are now an independent union who have nothing to fear but the treachery of our own officers and those who try to interfere in our afl airs or bring injury to our union will find a most unmerciful home.

"The principles of rank and file trade union solidarity and the right of a man to go out of One is an Injury to All will continue to be our watchword.

The caucus further voted to maintain independent union status as an independent union until the next convention in April, 1951.

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