SAN FRANCISCO — Isthmian Steamship Company, wholly-owned subsidiary of United States Steel Corporation, informed the ILWU by letter October 25 that it had withdrawn from the Pacific Maritime Association and no longer considered itself to be bound by the Coast Longshore Agreement.

The maneuver was expected since all other preparations for scab dock operations in the Isthmian MERA beef had already been made. The Coast Labor Relations Committee of ILWU sent immediate reply to Isthmian's letter and ILWU attorneys obtained a temporary restraining order [reinforced] under California law. It became clear that Isthmian, in collusion with Lundeberg and Ryan, were getting ready to rekindle the atmosphere of a jurisdictional dispute and outlaw picketing under California law.

STILL LEGALLY BOUND

Although legally bound by the ILWU-PMA Coast Agreement, Isthmian's latest step in declaring itself not bound obviously is for the purpose of signing an agreement on the same terms as the Brotherhood of Marine Engineers, SIEUP.

MAJORITY IN MERA

Although 75 per cent of the engineers were in good standing in MERA, Lundeberg immediately recognized the Lundeberg outfit as the representative of the engineers and signed an agreement.

Then it went into a California settlement of the strike resulting in a sweeping national Longshoremen's Association. The revolt is against employers, the men will go back to work.

Who Said It?

"Whatever the outcome of the war, America has embarked on a career of imperialism in world affairs. At best England will become a junior partner in a new Anglo-Saxon imperialism... this involves... the acceptance of a new international control over government... with the most important contribution it can make—men in government..."—in his domestic policies also..."

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Workers Are Soaked Again

ON NOVEMBER 1 your taxes are going up again. Nearly 12 per cent more, to be exact, will be bitten out of your paycheck. In addition to that, a whole flock of "invisible" taxes will be imposed on such "luxuries" as tobacco, liquor and what have you.

Meantime, the wage freeze remains solid. You can't get more unless you put up a fight for it, and then you may not get it if the Wage Stabilization Board decides that it doesn't want you to have it.

The unique theory has been advanced that wage raises are "inflationary." Zooming prices are apparently not inflationary. Profits that top any previous peak in the history of industry are not inflationary. Only wages.

The ADDITIONAL 12 per cent tax and the invisible bites will hit the man and woman with low wages far harder than it will hit the bosses.

Figure it out with pencil and paper and it becomes obvious that a man with a salary of 14 grand a year can more easily pay 12 per cent more than the man or woman who earns $1,400 or even $4,000. And by far the largest part of the population earns less than $4,000 a year.

The extra tax goes for "defense"—which is where most of our money goes. We are practically all manufacturing industry today—cannot afford to have what they like to call a "peace scare."

This also explains why they insist that any time a group of citizens or even a foreign nation say they want peace, this is merely "propaganda"—also it is "subversive."

Let's make the equation a little more complicated: War scares equal higher taxes equal higher profits equal demands for peace.

Then we get a new equation: Demands for peace, when they are effective, equal lower profits equal "Communism."

This explains why people are being indicted these days for demanding peace; why they are being convicted for demanding peace; why they are being jailed for fighting militantly to defend their unions.

THINK OF these things when your next paycheck comes with that additional 12 per cent tax figured in and the hard-earned bucks figured out.

It will explain such things as the Bridges-Robertson-Schmidt frameup. It will explain why ILWU and every militant union in the country has a fight on its hands.

It will explain why we have such a stake in peace.

BY HARRY BRIDGES

THE DOCKERS in New York are angry, tough and solid. And the reason was this: a cook's contract on the Astoria brothers, Anthony "Bang Bang" and Jerry—another brother is Alber, notorious as the trigger man of Murder, Inc.—showed up at a Brooklyn Army pier with a couple hundred gunmen to drive them back to work.

One of the racketeers and file leaders shouted "Okay, let's go back to work." The Anastasia thugs said they had the matter licked and went on. The men sat on the job for an hour and walked off again.

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A WEEK AGO 5,000 of the strikers in six locals rallied at Manhattan Center and voted unanimously for the expansion of Anastasia. They made it clear they are not going to be intimidated or panicked by cries of fear of strikebreaking with Marshall plan or Korean arms or swayed by accusations of Communist infiltration or threats of losing membership.

It was generous of Ryan to credit me with starting the strike. But this has not impressed the strikers to whom he is still a gangster, and dump it.

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ILWU Tuna Sales Break Records And Reach an Untapped Market

SAN FRANCISCO — ILWU fishermen have broken all known records for sale of fresh Albacore and canned tuna in cities west of the Rockies.

Fueled to direct sales because of the fishing peace treaty which allows the importation of frozen Japanese tuna, the fishermen have discovered an unexpected market for tuna, a fish that has previously only been sold in cans.

An estimated 800,000 pounds of fresh tuna have been sold. Sales in Los Angeles alone have reached 850,000 pounds.

They sold 1,000 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler on the East Coast.

They sold 500 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the Midwest.

They sold 300 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the South.

They sold 200 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the Northeast.

They sold 100 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the Midwest.

They sold 50 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the South.

They sold 25 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the Northeast.

They sold 10 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the Midwest.

They sold 5 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the South.

They sold 2 cases of tuna for $100 each, to a wholesaler in the Northeast.

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ILWU Files Brief in L. A. Case

SAN FRANCISCO—The ILWU has tendered a brief as amicus curiae in support of the Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas asking responsible bail for persons arrested under the Smith Act. The case was argued by the ILWU's new local counsel, Richard B. Smith, and now held in Los Angeles in lieu of bail set at $25,000 each.

The brief was prepared by the union's attorney, T. T. Sidwell.

"It's (the union's) concern with the pending matters arises not from any direct identification with the views of defendants; but from its own protection and self-interest and the demonstrated threat and again how the Smith Act has failed in amounts up to $25,000, and is accordingly in the union in industrial controversy.

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San Francisco, 1948, the ILWU brief replies. "The economy was that the bail for the union's members was fixed in amounts up to ten times amounts fixed for strikers elsewhere, a substantially larger that same offense.

"The union also recalls the revoca-

ion of the bail of ILWU Presi-

dent Harry Bridges in 1950, which shows that it is not in the nature of punishment in habeas corpus proceeding of the Korean War. It also points out that the union's regional director in Illinois, Jack Hall, was in the midst of sugar con-

fiscation case.

Hall, also charged with viola-

tion of the Smith Act, was held in jail for $75,000 bail at the request of the government, and the bail was reduced to $5,000 by the Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois.

"The brief calls on the court to grant the request and to grant Hall his full bail, to allow him to continue his work and to speed up his trial.

"The brief also makes the point that the union's experience over the years "demonstrates the economic threat of the Smith Act's" and there is no clear and definite reiteration of the rule that the sole purpose of a certain type of legal proceeding known as a habeas corpus is to examine the legality of the confinement of an individual by the state and to grant a writ of habeas corpus if it is found that the confinement is illegal.

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Aussie Labor Defeats Plan For Fascism

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ILWU Wins at Crockett Strike

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San Francisco. The membership of Local 6 consisted of 1,597 voting members. The Local, under the leadership of Business Agent A — Paul Heide, 1,752; Ray Dauter, 602; Business Agent B — Ed Newland, 1,473; Louis Concini, 944; Business Agent C (run-off between two candi-
dates) — Joe Conti, 1,131; Bob Moore, 769; Leslie McFarland, 608; Joe Zuber, 1,201; Ray Roy, 292; " out at the time of the election was Joe Lynch, the incoming branch secretary.

In addition to the 1,597 voting members, there were 368 members who were not eligible to vote, bringing the total to approximately 1,965 members.

Dubiey and Lyncher resigned as secretary and vice-president of the branch, respectively, when the election was held.

The new contract will run from September 1, 1951, to September 1, 1952, providing for a wage increase of 10 cents per hour, effective October 1, as a down

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Cutler Lab Joins

The membership of Local 6 (Cutter Laboratories in Oakland) is now 750 members. The local is one of the largest in the United States, and it will provide a larger pool of skilled labor for the"

Cutler workers, formerly mem-

bers of Local 225, have voted to join Local 6, bringing the total membership to 232 in secret ballot, according to the secretary.

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Albers Gets More

Local 6 members at Albers Markets in Oakland voted unanimously at a plant meeting to accept a 99-cent wage increase, effective October 1. "This is a down payment on what they feel is still coming to the union."

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Fish & Other Foods

The September 3 issue of Food Topics gives some interesting data on the"" on the relative consumption of fish, as against other protein foods in the market.

Almost a billion dollars worth (retail value) of fishery products were consumed in 1937 by Ameri-"can families, institutions, restaur-

ants and government. Fifty-five per cent of this total was sold to the consumer through combination grocery stores.

As will be noted in the table, products sold through combination grocery stores amounted to 1.17 per cent of the dollar volume of sales of these stores in 1939. Fresh and frozen fishery products ran from 1.22 per cent of sales in 1938 to 1.31 per cent in 1948.

As against sale of fish, the sale of the" per cent ad valorem for tans was handled in air-packed tins weighing with their contents not more than 15 pounds.

Sardines in Cans

August was a peak month in the California salmon fishery, ac-"cording to the California Depart-"ment of Fish & Game. California processors received a total of 7,536 tons during that month, bringing the total for the season to 12,800. The California fishery laboratory reveals that the monthly peak of canned salmon is equal to 137,970 cases of 48 one-pound cans.

Homing Salmon

From Eureka, Oregon, word came that the salmon we used to moving up the Eel River this fall will have an even more exciting season, now that the new spawning grounds, owing to the improvement of the river's r"e"e, are more accessible. The salmon are expected to present the charter.
ILWU Women Back Walsh "Pal" Line

SAN FRANCISCO — ILWU Women's Auxiliary No. 16 of this city has endorsed three candidates for the ILWU Advisory Board and County Board of Supervisors.

The three are: George Walsh, Mrs. M. E. Carr, member of ILWU Local 10, and Charles T. Augustus, former executive secretary of the Affiliated Clubs and Organizations that fought for jobs for Negro people.

Walsh and Carr will discuss Better Accident Prevention through Emphasis on Safety and Enforcement.

Squawk

Joe Ryan's Tacoma local here is squawking about the fact that ILWU longshoremen deputized to the sheriff. Cargo being loaded and unloaded is being guarded by persons who have been deputized from the sheriff's office.

Scab Operations Planned

PMA charged the ILWU with importing scabs in an attempt to obtain a larger workload than is normally available. The ILWU has denied that they are bringing in scabs and have said that they are just trying to fill the void left by the strike of the United Steelworkers of America.

High Court Will Hear ILWU-Juneau Spruce Beef Case

WASHINGTON—In an unprecedented action, the Supreme Court reversed itself this week, stopping the suit of several dock workers against the company for the entire period of the strike. The court, in a per curiam opinion, ordered the district court to restore the workers' rights.

The decision was based on the ground that the company did not have a clear and unequivocal policy of firing workers.

In the case, the workers claimed that they were discharged for protesting against the company's policy of firing workers for union activity.

In July, the Supreme Court had ruled that the company had the right to fire workers for union activity, and that the workers had no right to seek damages for the discharge.

The court now reversed that decision, saying that the company had not shown a clear and unequivocal policy of firing workers.

The case was brought by the ILWU against the company, which operates the meat packing plant.

The company has denied that it fired workers for union activity, and has said that the workers were fired for violating company rules.

The case is significant because it is the first time that the Supreme Court has reversed itself in a labor case.
Puget Sound Fishermen Turn Down Canners' Low Offer; Quit Fishing

No Fish

Two members of the Puget Sound purse seiner "Pershing," stripping seine in keep-

SEATTLE—From 600 to 1200 Puget Sound fishermen have been thrown out of work this fall be-
cause they refused to fish at prices they considered to be little short of starvation wages.

At membership meetings held on Saturday, October 13, by all locals of Fishermen and Allied Workers Division, Local 3-3, ILWU, there will be no fishing at starvation wages, State Department policies are to blame.

Bob Robertson to Speak in L. A.

Bob Robertson will speak at the opening session and will join many trade union delegates already

registered to participate in panel discussions of the use of the deportation drive and harassment of foreign born workers to att-
kack living standards and the rights of organized labor.

Robertson was co-defendant with Harry Bridges and Henry Schmidt in the franchise trial which ended with their convic-
tion. The case is on appeal.

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better price before the deadline of

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SOLIDARITY SHOWN

Membership meetings on ac-

cepting or rejecting the packers' offers showed good solidarity.

The men said that either every-

body or nobody would go fishing.

When the packers' offer was

rejected, patrol committees were

selected by the membership and

immediately began checking on

whether anyone was going to fish

in spite of the membership de-

cision.

A patrol committee chartered

a plane in Seattle and flew over,

the Puget Sound area from Roll-

ing Bay to Point Roberts. Only

four boats were found. Two of

them were in Seattle and the other

two had apparently left, probably

after the crews got a clear picture of

the situation. At the Salmon

Banks on San Juan Island one

member, allegedly representing

Harley Sampson who had threat-

ened the patrol committee with a

loaded shotgun. Apparently

this whole incident reflected the

reality that a member of the patrol

committee had taken a photograph

of the boat.

ONLY TWO BOATS FISH

The fact that only two boats

out of several hundred fished, con-

tinued to the membership de-

cision to stay on the beach until

the deadline, but they did nothing

about it.

A TRICK OFFER

Second there was a gimmick in

this backhand "offer." The opera-

tions apparently hoped that

they could make the Fishermen

think they were making better

offers and could keep the fish-

ermen voting time and again on

the same offer until they were

lured to go fishing. They hoped for

cheap fish and at most for a chance to break the union. Had the packers been act-

ing in good faith, there was plenty of time to come through before the original deadline voted by the membership.

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The rank and file, meantime, is

spreading the rebellion up and
down the coast. Albany is out

and pickets have been formed in

Philadelphia, Baltimore and Chester, Pennsylvania.

Local 12 Is Guest of

NORTH BEND, Ore. — The

ILWU Auxiliary here invited all

women members to a reception

guests at a Halloween party Octo-

ber 21. A speech was made by the

Chairman, who presented the

women with a check for $100.

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