Parallel to
Bridges Case
Thrown Out

DETROIT—The statute of limitations on perjury prosecutions in naturalization cases is three years and not five, United States District Judge Thomas P. Thornton ruled here December 4. The federal immigration service contended that the limitation was five years in a case against George Characalla, 59-year-old immigrant, who was naturalized in 1946.

KEY TO BRIDGES CASE
One of the chief issues in the appeal of the conviction of ILWU President Harry Bridges, First Vice-President J. R. Robertson and ILWU Board Member Henry Schmidt is the statute of limitations. Bridges, Robertson and Schmidt were indicted three years and eight months after Bridges was naturalized. In defense of its indictment the government used a wartime amendment aimed at prosecuting war frauds.

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To all members and friends of the union,
to all men and women of good will wherever they may be, to all partisans of democracy, progress and peace, the International officers and staff of ILWU and the editors of The Dispatcher with a Merry Christmas and a New Year that will bring lasting peace on earth.

Sen. McCarthy Jumps on the "Get Harry Bridges" Bandwagon—Falls Off

SAN FRANCISCO—In two enthusiastic membership meetings, held in San Francisco on December 12 and Oakland the next day, ILWU Local 6 members initiated their wage drive.

Packed meetings went on record to call in the Wage Advisory Committee on the basis of the workers' demand that they get every cent allowable under the contract when it is reopened next month.

Negotiations between Local 6 and the Distributors Association of Northern California will begin on January 5, and ILWU negotiators will be backed by a membership determined:

1—to lift the wage ceiling;
2—to achieve labor unity throughout the entire Bay Area in order to accomplish the job;
3—to support ILWU members in the independent houses in their own negotiations which will begin in January.

Members of Local 6 interviewed by The Dispatcher on the San Francisco side of the Bay last week demonstrated their enthusiasm for the wage drive and the steam they are prepared to put behind that drive.

At the Independent Paper, Rubin Morehead, 7 years on the job and Fred Hayes (8 months) were agreed that they wanted a "fair day's pay for a fair day's work."

"But," said Morehead, "the cost of living is going up all the time but our wages stay at the same point. Something has got to be done about it and I think Local 6 can do it."

Morehead and Hayes hale paper, 85 by 11 inches, making 1000 pound bales out of cut-up paper scrap. They figure the job should pay more than the $1.63 an hour they are currently earning.

At the Dohrman Commercial Warehouse, a plant handling home appliances such as stoves, refrigerators, deep-freezes and other such commodities, Raymond Bernard, lift-jitney operator who has spent four years carting stuff like this.

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A Bad Joe

JOE McCARTHY is a United States Senator from Wisconsin. A couple or more years back he decided he was politically in the doldrums and he made a decision for himself that has already resulted in more harm to American morals and justice than has been brought about in a century by out-and-out criminals. Joe decided to make red-baiting his hallmark and Hitler’s “Mein Kampf” his bible.

Some people only redbait reds. Others redbait only reds and progressives. Others only reds, progressives, and trade union leaders (that is, the honest kind of trade union leaders). Joe hit on the idea of red-baiting everybody.

FROM the opening curtain Joe’s show was a sockeroo. Coming as it did in the midst of hysteria already generated by an administration of moral bankruptcy, his big lies went over as and resulted in a majority of patriots and women lost their jobs and even went to jail—and more victims are yet to come.

It was significant that Joe made no effort to smother any distinguishable words on it. He didn’t say “defense effort.” He said “war effort,” and it clearly reveals what he and his crappot backers are out to achieve.

McCARTHY and those who are behind him want a war. In order to get that war, they are going to have to smash every trade union and democratic organization in the country. That’s the way it was done in Germany and that’s the way it will have to be done here—if war-mongers like McCarthy have their way.

Only we do not believe they can have their way. We have plenty of evidence that the majority of American workers are not sold on McCarthy’s “war effort,” do not want a war and are beginning to understand what McCarthy and his friends are up to.

Scratch a redbaiter and you will find a fascist. Scratch McCarthy and you will find a would-be Hitler.

For our money he is a bad Joe. And a dangerous one.

EMPLORER-CONTROLLED newspapers and magazines have spoken about and that means written about the truth about unions. An exception to this rule is when employer publications express their thoughts as to what they think of unions and union progressions. This kind of publication is called “Economic Intelligence,” which is published by the Economic Research Department of the United States Chamber of Commerce, which surely is an employer’s union, primarily set up to fight labor unions.

In its December 1951 issue the boys running the Chamber are complaining about the CIO and Phil Murray. They are heeding that in spite of the fact that Murray and a bunch of unions from CIO, for what he (and the Chamber of Commerce) call “Communist policy,” the CIO is still de- ferred from Moscow, no less. It’s not too much to expect that Murray and other CIO leaders will take some more steps to tear the CIO to pieces in the housing of being called “reds” by the employers and their political hatchetmen in congress and in government.

But read the article for yourself: “In spite of a partial housecleaning, the CIO has never rid itself of its Marxist “pork chop” facts of life. Marx did not invent the economic facts of life and no one has analyzed and interpreted them in ways that big business hates to think about. These economic facts of life must still be mentioned for the record by the CIO phonies in spite of themselves; and the facts are these—wages are held down to low levels because the cost of living. Workers have to organize to fight and to strike to get better wages and conditions. Good unions and bad wages never come on a silver platter from any employer. Every effort by workers or leaders to get both always leads to a head-on clash with the employers.

When Phil Murray and the CIO mention these facts in their speeches and publications it is only because they are unable completely to ignore the feeling of the rank and file. And no rank and file union member yet—CIO or what have you—has lived long enough to find any truth in the Chamber of Commerce propaganda that there is “identity of interest” between the workers and big business.

The Chamber of Commerce and Phil Murray may not believe that there is such a thing as a class struggle and Phil has written articles for national magazines owned by big business saying there is no such thing in the USA; but if this is so, then they are merely imitating the famous character, who looking at a giraffe for the first time in his life, exclaimed: “There ain’t no such animal.”

What the Chamber of Commerce really is saying to Phil Murray is this: “Alright, you got rid of ILWU, the Mine, Mill, MCS and the Electrical Workers unions and the others that you could not control or force to sell out, but farther than you have already gone in selling out the rank and file, you are still asking too much for us to love you. The Chamber of Commerce is this signing notice on CIO and on all USA unions and in effect is saying: “If you want us to love you and not our government agents on your tail and not harass you with Taft-Hartley suits, perjury indictments and witch hunts, you have to go a lot farther than you have already gone in selling out the rank and file.”

The Chamber of Commerce is also saying: “Get into line. Accept and support the wage freeze, the corruption in government, the cold war, and help us prepare for the hot war that we are looking for.” The Steel Workers will do their duty and if necessary, fight January 1, if he doesn’t get a fifteen-cent-an-hour wage increase. Well, if the steel workers get their wage increase, will the employers because of the pressure of the rank and file from below, plus the fact that Murray is well aware of the close connections between the rank and file of the coal miners, and the proven ability of John L. Lewis to secure substantial wage increases for the miners. This combination is going to make it plenty tough for Murray to do a sell-out job at this time on the steel workers.

(More in next issue)

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Juneau Plea
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — ILWU's attorney has appealed a $750,000 judgment awarded to Juneau Spruce Company and Miller & beam was argued before the Supreme Court of the United States here on December 6 by attorneys Richard Gladstein and Allan Brotsky.

In seeking the high court to deny the judgment to Juneau Spruce Company, Mr. Gladstein pointed out that there is no provision in the Taft-Hartley Law (enacted in 1947) allowing such a judgment to be done by ILWU longshoremen.

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The crowd will dance to the music of Hawkins and His Cats, a six-piece orchestra featuring Ruth Hawkins, vocalist.

NAM Draws 3,000 Delegates for Annual "Self-Faffery"

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Gangsters, 'Mr. Big' and Joe Ryan

The stench of the New York waterfront has at last begun to hit the newspapers and the sad, sordid story of King Joe Ryan and his shipowner, political and gangster pals is being pieced together and told. Here is but a scratch of the surface.

not survive if the highly competitive shipping industry would unite to kill it."

Mr. Freeman also asks the question: why do the shipping companies tolerate this situation which costs insurance companies about $60,000,000 a year to cover the value of "lost" merchandise?

And he answers it in three ways: the bosses prefer rule by gangsters because, as the president of the largest stevedoring corporation in New Jersey (Jarka) told the Kefauver Committee, men like Anthony Anastasia, strike-breaking ex-convict hiring boss, "preserved discipline" and "got out the work."

The second reason Mr. Freeman touches on is the fact that "King" Joe Ryan and his henchmen in the Teamsters Union are powerful in local politics. "Mr. Ryan," says Mr. Freeman, "has been a leading Democratic politician for decades. Again, potential witnesses are mortally afraid of violent revenge by mobsters."

Bosss Prefer the Ryans

The third reason Mr. Freeman barely mentions in these words: "Certainly the shipping companies would not prefer a longshoremen's union like Harry Bridges' on the West Coast, which is led by gangsters but allegedly by Communists."

Nobody would expect the N. Y. Times writer to explain what the bosses mean by "Communists" but any ILWU man knows the answer to that one: ILWU has achieved for its workers what ILA will never give them so long as it is possible to maintain Ryan in power by force and violence.

...But anyone can understand why the "shipping companies would not prefer a longshoremen's union like Harry Bridges' on the West Coast"—because West Coast longshoremen are militant, democratic, autonomous and have fought the shipowners to a standstill on wages, hours and conditions. They cost the bosses money that they do not have to pay to ILA men.

WHERE THE N. Y. Times piece by Freeman is a background article, the series of eight articles in The Daily Compass is practically a handbook and history of the ILA, its shady record and the crimes its rule perpetuates. Written and documented by Richard Carter, the series began on December 2 and runs through consecutive issues to December 11. Here is the entire story, as it has been told many times before, but authenticated in ways never before attempted.

Compass Story Extensive

In addition to telling the story of the gangsters and thugs who rule the docks for ILA, Mr. Carter goes behind the scenes and puts the finger on the "respectable" citizens who stand behind the "King" himself.

One of these is William J. McCormack, owner of the Penn Stevedoring Company (and many other companies) who, Mr. Carter says: "is even more important than Ryan." He was chairman of arrangements for the last annual dinner given by "The Joseph P. Ryan Association" on April 14 at the Hotel Commodore.

The highlight of a that annual affair is the tipoff to who is behind Ryan and whom he fronts for. For not only do his personal gangsters appear at this annual shindig, but the most respectable Democratic politicians, judges, shipping magnates, pillars of the church and local society. Says Mr. Carter:

"...this series will give Joseph P. Ryan his due as consort of mobsters and smuggler of labor. But it will avoid the customary error of suggesting that he runs the waterfront. In fact it will demonstrate...that Ryan's job mainly is to give the stevedore employers not only

in New York longshoremen are picked out for work in their willingness to kickback wages to gangster-freemasons. Few are picked for jobs. Ryan's job is to keep them in line. The kind of wage contracts and duelle labor they want, but, in the process, the kind of gangster-freemasons they want."

Men Behind the Scenes

Mr. Carter then proceeds to spotlight the actual gangsters who run the docks for Ryan and the stevedoring bosses—men like Anastasia, Eddie Florio, Danny St. John, Jimmy Clifford, Micky Bowers, Toddy O'Rourke and countless others. Carter supplies the criminal records of all these
men, which are extensive. And he demonstrates that sinister as they may be in their actual relations with the exploited longshoremen, they are merely the front-men for individuals who are even more sinister.

These individuals are businessmen like John W. McGrath, president of the National Association of Stevedores and the John W. McGrath Corporation, one of the largest stevedoring companies in the nation.

He expressed the bosses' point of view about gangster control of the 'front when he said... "...to be perfectly frank, if I have a choice of hiring a tough ex-convict or a man without a criminal record I am more inclined to take the ex-convict. Know why? Because if he's in a boss job he'll keep the men in line and get the maximum work out of them. They would be afraid of him... That's what I pay for...results."

Smuggling of Immigrants

Some of the "results" paid for by the stevedoring companies involve the smuggling into the port of New York of immigrants who are used as longshoremen.

Carter says: "They do not get paid the money they earn... (They) are lured here by the promise of freedom, security and prosperity. What they get is industrial serfdom... Living like cattle—ten to twenty men crowded into dingy waterfront rooms—they go to work on the piers, after first paying $50.00 each for membership books in the ILA.

Job In a Shape-Up Twice a Day. They Get Jobs According to Men of Joe Ryan's ILA. Thousands Attend the Shape-ups. They are Subjected to a Clever Racket Known as the "Shape-Up," in Which a Man is Supposed to Consist of 22 Men and a Foreman, the Purpose is to Hire 15, Speed Them up and Charge the Company for the Other 7 Men, Pocketing the Difference.

The companies do not mind, says Carter, if the worst men do this. There are apparently a lot of things the companies do not mind and they can afford to stand for almost anything from Ryan and his mob, so long as the men are "kept in line" and do not demand—and achieve—the sort of wages, hours and conditions they have won by free and fair bargaining itself forever from the conditions that still exist on the East Coast.

Who Is Mr. Big?

In his Daily Compass series, Richard Carter identifies Mr. Big as William J. McCormack, mentioned above.

McCormack, according to Carter, is something more than a stevedoring employer and owner of a cement-mixing company, a sand-and-gravel corporation and an oil company. He is a bigwig politician in New York's backbay activities.

He is associated with Ryan, Martin Lacey (of the Teamsters), Joseph Papa (also of the Teamsters) and John A. Coleman, former chairman of the Board of Governors of the New York Stock Exchange.

McCormack and Coleman are frequently seen at the annual dinners of the Joseph P. Ryan Association, and Coleman is a fervent supporter of former Mayor and now Ambassador to Mexico, William O'Dwyer.

"O'Dwyer," says Carter, "always accorded McCormack the respect to which he is accustomed. In 1948 and 1949 (when O'Dwyer was Mayor), the Mayor named the harbor tycoon mediator of critical labor disputes in the tugboat industry. The workers involved were members of Ryan's ILA.

"When the hue and cry over dock rackets became embarrassingly shrill, O'Dwyer named McCormack to something the Mayor's Joint Committee on Port Industry, which was supposed to recommend methods of eliminating evils blamed for loss of business in the harbor."

Who Killed Pete Panto?

It is an interesting fact that O'Dwyer was District Attorney of Brooklyn when Pete Panto, the rank-and-file longshoreman who tried to buck Joe Ryan and was murdered for his pains, was found dead in a lime-pit in New Jersey (1939).

O'Dwyer was in court when Abe Reles, a mobster, was ready to "sing" and name the killers of Panto, but O'Dwyer, "keeping the secret of the case," had the witness killed before the judge could hear the confession of the murderer.

That "air-tight" case never came to trial because Abe Reles, the stoolpigeon, "jumped or fell" from a window of the Half-Moon Hotel in Coney Island, in spite of the fact that he was believed by the public to be the man responsible for the murder of Panto, which was the crime of a "short-gang." While a longshore gang is supposed to be something called the "waterfront," with jurisdiction over everything from a boat on the water to the bow of the vessel, a "short-gang" is a group of five or six men who band together for the purpose of committing crimes in the waterfront areas, and their hunting grounds are the shipping yards and warehouses and waterfront installations in the East, as well as all commercial docks, are the following:

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ILWU men could tell the city of New York and its Governor Dewey how to break the shape-up, how to break Ryan, how to get rid of kickbacks, loan-sharking, extortion, violence and crime. They did it all in 1934, and the job stayed done.

NEW YORK—While ILWU men and Marine Cooks are subject to the FBI and the word is practically unknown here.

Members of Joe Ryan's International Longshoremen's Association are not harassed by Coast Guard screening in spite of the fact that many of them have criminal records.

This fact is another link in the chain of proof that the screening program is directed only against independent, militant unions who fight for wages, hours and conditions. Ryan's ILA moves on wages only when the men get out of hand. Then they get peanuts.

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What's This Moral Re-Armament?

Invitation to a Trip and Life at Caux, Switzerland

Part II

By Carl Walker

Little men of the world remained and I
would be out of office. The lack of
money and desire for a vacation were
pervading quarters. Then, like smoke
from Alladin's Lamp, MRA was offering
this trip in April. On October 26, 1951.

I explained the regular procedure of
the ILWU in sending delegates, and that
I could not do it alone but as an indi-
vidual only and that other conflicting
problems such as a lovely wife, short-
time, etc., made it almost impossible to
make this trip.

I didn't stop them, they kept right
away. I talked it over with the officials,
asking the Steward's Council their opinion.
I told them MRA that I wouldn't go without
my wife, that we were in these battles to-
gether, and agreed that we would give them
the $175 we had for a vacation to help pay
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Local 209 Gains

ILWU Local 209 members em-
ployed by Union Terminal Ware-
house Company (Cleveland, O.) have executed a new agreement providing for a wage in-
crease of 1 per cent. The agreement provides for a wage in-
crease at the end of 12 months, or sooner in the event of a change in current WSF policies.
Likewise, the escalator pro-
vision in effect during 1951 is to continue during 1955. This escalator provision is avail-
able to Local 209 members, is an im-
provement over current WSF escalator regu-
lations, as well as the kind of escalator al-
ternative that has been acceptable to all con-
tract negotiations.

Local 9 News

The Wage Stabilization Board has granted ILWU Local 9 members at the Borden Flour Mill (Seatttle) a 1 per cent increase for ILWU members in the Pacific Coast Biscuit Plant (Seattle). It took 16 months for the contract operation to become effective, as the operation was non-existent in January 1951. The new agreement is a "base period" on which to calculate wages.

WSB has also approved wages totaling 12 cents an hour for the warehouse workers of the Bennington Milling Company.

The company has been negoti-
at ed for ILWU workers at the Pacific Coast Biscuit Plant, when approved and in operation, will pay $180 a month, with the com-
pany promised the benefit of the difference be-
tween the Social Security pay-
mant and company contributions.

The plan will remain frozen for three months to give the company time to adapt to Social Security payments. Wives and sweethearts of ILWU members are also covered, as an auxiliary and have already pledged to get two more members aay before their next meeting.

Local 26 Strikers Solid

Local 26 strikers at National Milling Company (Terminal Island, Calif.) have voted 100 to 1 to turn down company demands. The workers are pressing the union's demands for a package including a 25c hour raise, a 4 day week, and other demands.

McKeon Wins More

Local 209 members at Mec-Keon Drug (San Diego) voted to de-
note an increase of 30 cents per hour. The members in this shop are now working the entire year for the entire wage. The new agreement is the culmination of a long period of negotiations.

Local 6 Loses Two Members

SAN FRANCISCO—Two mem-
bers of ILWU Local 6 have quit the union, reportedly because they disagreed
with the union's position before the
War Stabilization Board.

Thrift Gals Get 5

Mary Dickey, Local 26 member at Master Food Processors, received the 5 per cent increase in the nation's Compress Raise. The new rate calls for $1.71 per hour plus $1.50, which includes the union's position before the

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Food Prices Go Higher and Higher

WASHINGTON—The Office of Price Stabilization announced the wage increase for Local 26 workers at the San Francisco plant. This increase was effective November 5.

Staford To Reopen

ILWU Local 26 workers at Stafford's Market, last week voted to reopen their contract for a period of four weeks.

Union demands will be for a new agreement which will include the local's Health and Welfare Plan.

The 65 workers at the mills, which processes alfalfa and clover seeds, are determined to get a wage raise.

Elected to the negotiating com-
mittee were Leon Blyman, Ray Esmore, Mike Pix and Bill Harrison. The election will be held by ballot on December 13.

Wage Reopen Asked

At a special meeting called by the union's executive board, Local 26 workers at California Hardware voted to demand a new wage rate which would bring the minimum wage rate up to 95 cents an hour.

Elected to represent the union were Ken Baker, Don Dobbs, John Drayco, Dick Deming and Ed Stanko. Al Caplan, Local 26 president, will assist the committee.

Quaker Oats Gains

A new agreement was reached with the Quaker Oats Company for members of Local 26. The new pact called for: (1) 12c an hour increase, (2) a 4 day week, (3) a $1 per day night shift pay to apply to paid vacations; (4) a wage opening every six months. The wage raise calls for $1.73 minimum, which includes the 25c an hour increase known to be the highest minimum mill rate west of West Coast presently in effect.

The membership voted unani-
ously to accept the new agreement after having rejected two previous one-cent wage increases. The negoti-
at ing committee consisted of: Elmer Koonce, Ray Espinoza, Paul Roberts, Vernie Backus and Howard Sallinger.

Local 3 Stewards

Local 10 stewards voted to change the date of their next meeting from Xmas Eve, when it was originally scheduled, to January 12, 1952.
Coastwise Campaign to Save Columbia River Salmon Reserves

ASTORIA, Ore. — A coastwise campaign is under way to stop construction of huge dams on the Columbia River which will ruin salmon habitats, according to a demand by ILWU's fisheries division for a Congressional investigation of the Federal Power Commission.

The FPC, in the face of an agreement to set aside the lower Columbia River as a fish sanctuary, announced this week that it will go ahead with the construction of high dams that will have serious results for salmon and fisheries.

Salmon are already taken in unlimited quantities in the high seas, and the construction of such dams would further reduce their numbers.

The Coastwise Campaign contends that the dams on the Cowlitz and elsewhere could spell the end of the salmon fishing industry.

"The fisheries on the Cowlitz and the Pelton dam on the Deschutes are examples of how fishing can be ruined," Absolor said.

In an address before the State fisheries commission, Absolor charged that the FPC is "in the pocket of the power trust." He referred to the commissioners of the FPC as "a few pieces of greenstuff with white hair." He urged the fishermen to resist the building of the dams.

Absolor also contended that the government is not fulfilling its "obligations" to the fishermen.

"And don't forget — in Japan and elsewhere — that the government with American capital, your tax dollar and mine, supports the fishing industries," Absolor said.

In opposition to the FPC's policy of building dams all along the river, Absolor urged the fishermen to launch a "coastwise" campaign "out of the fight to save the fish was pledged by Absolor.

The meetings took a sharp action regarding the imports from Japan and elsewhere, after Absolor said that "bosses," Absolor charged, tried to halt unionization among the fishermen.

"The employers, Absolor said, are "backing it in brine,"

"The Japanese, Absolor contended, are "behind the destruction of the American fishing industry," and the tariff, he asserted, "would simply mean more money for the American fishermen, who is chained to his boat, for instance, is building up a tool industry."}

"In Big Steel, Kibre charged, is a way of eating up the dollars."

"Taxes seem to have been adopted at the general meetings and the local meetings of the fish locals. The meetings of the fish locals have been able to explain this to their members."

"The meetings of the fish locals moved "vigorously to oppose counter measures, to stop the dams on the Cowlitz and the Pelton dam on the Deschutes" and to continue "our program on river development as we have in the past with respect to the Snake River and other tributaries of the Columbia River.""

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Blind ILWU Men Face Deportation

"The resolution, which was adopted unanimously, pointed out the threat to the labor movement and the "future of the American labor movement," in the face of the "continuing struggle of the fishermen to maintain the right to work in the United States.""

The next step in the campaign is to get the "ruling of Local 10 December 3 and 4 of ILWU fish locals in this area," Absolor said.

"The ILWU nation will be divided for a Congressional investigation of the Federal Power Commission," Absolor said.

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