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VICTORY IN THE EAST

A statement of policy adopted Dec. 4, 1954,
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THE RANK and file longshoremen and the leaders of the ILA deserve to be congratulated on their successful negotiations. They mark the first step in the establishment of real unionism on the East Coast and the beginning of the end for the kind of policies which have saddled the longshoremen there for too many years.

The rank and file, and the leaders who reflected their demands and carried through on them, have strengthened themselves in fighting off the raiders, the NLRB and the courts which have reflected their demands and carried through on them.

The ILUW, like the ILA, has a stake in helping to bring these changes about and will do whatever it can in this matter without, of course, interfering in the internal affairs of the East Coast longshoremen.

The ILWU intends to continue to work for closer ties with the longshoremen of the East Coast for the mutual advantage of all.

Demos Woo Dixiecrats

NEW ORLEANS—The national leaders of the Democratic party are in a jockey for positions in the presidential year 1956, and the chief advantages were won by the party's southern wing.

The main organizational step taken was the election of Paul M. Butler of Indiana as chairman of the national committee. Butler was opposed by the strongest labor states, New York and Pennsylvania, and by close friends of ex-President Truman.

There was little doubt that the party leaders this year were determined to woo the southerners into supporting a national ticket in 1956. The first concession, a major one, was the holding of the meeting here in a town in which Negroes are prohibited by law from meeting with whites in public places.

From the point of view of the ILUW, our confidence in the ability of the rank and file to win through if given the chance has been fully justified. And the voluntary assessments by the members of the ILWU to help the East Coast longshoremen who were blacklisted for strike activities not only was a financial and moral aid of great value to these men and their families, but it helped the union during its most trying days. According to reports, many of these men have already been re-registered for longshore work as the result of the ILA victory.

As we see it, the East Coast longshoremen must now move to consolidate their union and tighten it up while vigorously enforcing their new contract. This means, among other things, moving toward a single coastwise agreement, greater internal democracy and rank and file control, adequate and efficient coastwise grievance machinery, and a decent hiring policy.
San Francisco—In accordance with a decision of the last ILWU Board meeting, an analysis of the Brownell Butler union control law was made and presented to all ILWU locals on November 18. The purpose of this new legislative proposal was prepared by the ILWU Research Department with the following points being highlighed:

• The new law was one of Eisenhower's list of 25 bills which were designed to create the conditions necessary for a Communist free society.

• All US locals of the ILWU had agreed to cooperate with the President and the Republican Party in this legislation.

• The law had been condemned by both AFL and CIO officers.

• Not a single Communist had been allowed to vote on whether or not to cooperate with the Republicans.

• The Research Department's analysis said: "The Communist Control Act of 1954 has been enacted into law and all ILWU locals must cooperate with the new law or face the consequences of the law's enforcement."
ILWU Asks NLRB to Reject SIU Petition for 1-Unit Vote for Cooks

SAN FRANCISCO—The ILWU on December 6 filed with the National Labor Relations Board in Washington a brief demanding the rejection of the SIU's petition for a 1-unit election in all 3 departments of ships.

The ILWU's brief was signed by Norman Leonard, attorney for the union, which urged the NLRB's demand for a 1-unit election that would overwhelm the working cooks and stewards by the hundreds of sailors and engine room workers, and force them into the AFL against their will.

Major points made in the brief include:

1. The desires of the employees themselves require a rejection of the SIU petition.
2. The history of collective bargaining and the NLRB's decision require rejection of the SIU petition.
3. The history of bargaining in other areas and the last-minute change of position by the SIU show no reason for acceptance of the SIU petition.
4. Whatever form of election is held on the stewards department determination in the stewards department is not in the interests of the employees.
5. The relationship of the employees to the election process is to be ordered.
6. Previous decisions of the NLRB especially in the Highland Park Manufacturing Company case (Highland Park Manufacturing Co., 136 NLRB 720), require the dismissal of the Highland Park petition.
7. The petition should be dismissed because of the policy of collective bargaining against Negroes, practiced by SIU.

POINTS ELABORATED

Each point in the ILWU document is elaborated and buttressed by evidence in the NLRB hearings by Harry Lundberg, International Vice-President of the SUP, V. J. Malone, president of the Maritime Federation (which joined SIU in asking for the 1-unit election) and other witnesses at the hearings.

The ILWU briefly states:

"ILWU workers have the right to be the stewards of their own work and to have in place a union that is in their interest. This right has been recognized in the Supreme Court's decision in the Lundeberg case. Therefore, we ask the NLRB to reject the SIU petition in this case."

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News From the Stewards Department

San Francisco—Thirty-nine ILWU stewards have entered a plea of not guilty to charges of committing criminal offenses.

The NLRB has departed from its policy of not prosecuting stewards for having a union of their own, and they continue to conduct their own affairs independent of the union.

The plan is to use the votes of the sailors and firemen in the industry—against the will of many of these men—to vote the members of the Stewards Department aboard West Coast ships into a union of men which they do not want and against which they have already voted in a previous NLRB election.

In refusing to permit the ILWU to use the facilities of the Jim Crow discriminatory practices of the Negro stewards department as a vote, the NLRB is acting in defiance of the rules and regulations. The ILWU stewards department will continue to hold the fire and boat drill at their stop-work meeting.

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The filing of criminal charges was not “criminal,” but were “random” acts of the attorney for the US Coast Guard, the ILWU stewards had been accused of operating a blacklist, and were under cross-examination. The attorney admitted he had attended the meeting ashore, and had been absent from three of the radio and boat drills.

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**Letters from the Ships**

*Letters of 200 words or less from ILWU-SDOC members and others.*

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work on PMA ships at all times.

We would like to take this time to recognize

William Sharp (Delegate)

**Old Colony Mariner**

Cooks Support SDOC

* (NORFOLK, Va.) We the mem-

bers of the Officers of the Old Colony Mariner, 100 per cent ILWU, who served on record as being in full accord

with the SDOC rank and file committee.

We wish to reiterate that we support and wish to take this opportunity to express

our gratitude to the committee

William Sharp (Delegate)

* Prairie Mariner

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* (BONGOHO, T.H.) For a long

time now we have been want-

ing that the official officers of the Marine Cooks & Stewards, Independent, fight for us against tremendous odds. In spite

of the fact that we have

formed good job and it certainly wasn't their

job to fight for us. There are several thousand of us who still feel the same way as I do about

this. We are 100 per cent for

the ILWU.

As yet we wish to extend our gratitude and thanks to the

entire stewards department for its skillful participation and leadership.

Our appreciation is great which was a very unique demonstra-

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t which had in common the

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Enclosed is a check for the

strike fund, which we are very glad to contribute, and also an en-

velope for the phony letters from our friends. From
day to day we are very glad to know that both the

Prairie Mariner, good luck and

smooth sailing.

Mannie (Delegate) V. Mayfield (Secretary)

* Sulphur Mines Cooks

Know What's Going On.

* (PORTLAND) We on the Sul-

phur Mines Cooks know what's going on. We

know that during the past year

we will be ILWU to the end. We will fight ever step of the way and we are asking more ILWU

members to come to Portland for

shipping out. Looks as though it's

now or never. We are new and a good worker makes a good union man. We on the Sulphur

Mines are keeping up the good work and we hope to continue.

Wishing a Merry Christmas and

Happy New Year to all of the ILWU members and we wish you all a safe and ship to ship, local to local.

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Sulphur Mines (Signed)

Boettger

Grady Turner

Grady Johnston

Champ Dixon

Ernest M. Roberts

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Joe Hudon (delegate)

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**ILWU Alerts AFL-CIO & Other Unions to Facts of Stewards Beef**

SULPHUR MINES—The ILWU Stewards Department Organizing Committee (SDOC) has

recently met in San Francisco to discuss the situation of SDOC stewards aboard ships of the

AFL-CIO unions. In a letter to the AFL-CIO, the SDOC presented a list of problems and issues

concerning stewards.

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**O, WELL... MAYBE TWO YEARS WAS ENOUGH, AFTER ALL...**
SAN FRANCISCO — El día 6 de Diciembre la ILWU presentó ante el Consejo Nacional del Trabajo (muy cerca de la CPPA), un extenso memorial, el cual pide la rechazo de demanda interpuesta por la SIU ante el Consejo Nacional del Trabajo, afín de llevar a cabo una elección para una sola semana del mes de Noviembre ante el Consejo Nacional del Trabajo, en Washington, DC.

RAZONES DE RECHAZAR EL MEMORIAL

1. LA SUF se esfuerza por hacer intervenir al Consejo Nacional del Trabajo, niega a un trabajador las libertades que le corresponden, dice el memorial de la ILWU, que se refiere:

1. SIU es el único sindicato que representa a los obreros, en su mayoría, de la raza de Color, el derecho de determinar su libre elección y libertad ante el Consejo Nacional del Trabajo, efectuada en la primera semana del mes de Noviembre ante el Consejo Nacional del Trabajo, en Washington, DC.

2. El mismo se basa sobre los siguientes puntos:

En Extenso Memorial ILWU Exige Rechazo a Demanda de SIU

(Continued from Page C)

El Consejo del Trabajo se ha esforzado por apoyar a los obreros del Departamento de Camara para un justo trato, mediante un programa de sindicalismo de su propia afiliación sindical. Este es un derecho que han de tener los obreros del Departamento de Camara, tanto como los obreros en las otras ciudades, y una vez que se les den el derecho de unirse a la ILWU, no podrán ser expulsados por el Consejo del Trabajo.
Bulcke Tells of Gains In Alaska Welfare

SEATTLE — Gains in welfare services were announced by women and men, and their families were announced by the E. W. P. President Germain Bulcke, following a meeting of the ILWU-Alaska Welfare Fund's union and employer trustees here on December 3.

Increases in benefits effective January 1, 1955, will be:

- $5 increase in $3 per visit; $75 catastrophic coverage, the same as the men's, and maternity benefits.
- For both men and dependents benefits for X-ray and laboratory tests will be renewed each six months for each condition, instead of being paid only once for any one illness.
- Bulcke, union trustee for the Fund, explained that money for catastrophic coverage was obtained from reserves built up during the union's last fiscal year.

The trustees set the policy of the Fund, and it is not expected to pay for procedures that are not actually done.

Health benefits for dependents include higher allowances for doctors' office visits,

Coos Bay Auxiliary Sets Christmas Party for Kids

In Coos Bay, Ore., the ILWU Auxiliary 1 was attended by Local 12, and the fishermen in the area. Mrs. Agnes Russell, Mrs. Elizabeth Fertig, chairwoman; Mrs. Elizabeth Lutes, Mrs. Grace Pettit, Mrs. Pat Hurley, Mrs. Billings, Mrs. Barbara Lopez.

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San Francisco NAACP Files in Stewards Beef

(San Francisco) — An acrimonious battle is continuing between ILWU Local 26 and the Pacific Steamship Co., owners of the Pacificus beef carrier, over the right of Negro seamen to earn a living at sea.

Local 26, which includes stewards department employes, they will be able, if the payroll goes through, to impose their present exclusionary practices in the future. The NAACP therefore asked the hearing officer Louis Penfield, of the Pacific Steamship Co., to exclude such evidence from its bearings.

7th Session Frank Andrews draws of Local 47 has been named ILWU Puget Sound District Council representative to the Washington State legislature for the 9th consecutive time. Andrews has a long history of legislative work for the union, running back to 1943. His slogan "Political action begins at the doorstep." A member of the ILWU International Executive Board, Andrews says, "When you want to get real results, you have to go out to the people and get them to vote their interest. That's the union's business."

When is a Debate Not a Debate? CANAUKA, Main. — Three debating teams of the US Naval Academy (Annapolis) and the US Military Academy (West Point) have refused to debate the issue of US recognition of the Peoples Government of China.

The debating teams were invited by the British Association of America, but declined to argue the issue on the grounds that such recognition is "contrary to US foreign policy."

Sun Francisco NAACP Files in Stewards Beef

(Carried over from Page 1) San Francisco are dependent, in whole or in part, upon economic activities of the waterfront for their livelihood. Many of these men are seafaring personnel. Any case, such as this, which involves the question of the continued right of Negro seamen to earn their living at sea, is one in which this organization has a vital interest and which it believes to be vital to the welfare of all Negro seamen.

Conflicts of interest, which the NAACP considers is insufficient to preclude the question of admitting evidence concerning the exact nature of the policies of these organizations. The NAACP therefore asked the hearing officer Louis Penfield, of the Pacific Steamship Co., to exclude such evidence from its bearings.

Gains Made By 26 At LC Park Plants

SAN PEDRO—A new contract signed by the union for children of longshore members. In the pictures, left to right, Ernest Munoz (standing), James Matthias, Jr., Carlos Espinoza, and his daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Tite, Cindy Lawrence, Claus "Bud" Koch, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cusick, also members of the union.

ILWU Local 13 Signs up for ILWU Dental Plan

HONOLULU, T. H.—Elections for divisional officers throughout ILWU Local 142, held here October 30 through November 12, resulted in the selection of the following:


In the sugar industrial grouping, Rafael Rios is Convention delegate and Joe Jordan is business agent.

Konsal Division: Prysteme S. Ogas, was elected active delegate, with Takashi Akuma trustee and Basilio Perales, executive board.

In the longshore industrial grouping, Joseph Castillo was chosen active delegate and Abraham R. Palancy business agent.

In the pineapple industrial grouping, Benjamin Kadashi is Convention delegate and Dominador Aguayo business agent.

All elected officials of the various Divisions and Districts met on January 2, 1955, Antonio Rania, president of San Francisco local announced last week.

ILWU Moves To Stop SUP Hardting

(Continued from Page 1) must find a permanent solution to this long-standing problem.

The Pacificus was tied up by the union for two years in Raymond Auxiliary 12 which nineteen women joined during their divisional officers throughout ILWU Local 142, held here October 30 through November 12.

Sparking the move to activate the group were members from the Aberdeen auxiliary, Dorothy Curtis, president; Betty Johnson, Goddine Johnson, Dorothy Veki, Violet Bjornsdal and Maxine Akkairen who attended the November meeting and made urgent suggestions on organizing.

The next meeting scheduled for Auxiliary 12 is December 10 at which time they have expect to have more members join.

A member of the ILWU Local 1 at Raymond has been commissioned as a captain and will call for the ship's bell and upon its completion the dockers' wives will be on hand to assist in its dedication ceremonies.

As acting officers for the new auxiliary are Mrs. Lucille Matsu, president, and Mrs. Ilia Dujak, secretary-treasurer.

ILWU Pensions Amused by Magician SAN FRANCISCO — ILWU Local 13, in its regular monthly meeting on December 1, were entertained by Neil Gallagher, who amused them with accomplished sleight-of-hand tricks.

Gallager, who is studying medicine, poured milk into one of the oldtimer's hats, then handed the hat back, perfectly dry. He made a bottle of ink disappear from under a green silk handkerchief, producing in its place a crystal beer bottle with a couple of golden fish swimming in it.

The pensioners asked The Dispatcher to express their appreciation to Gallagher for the gift of his free time and entertainment provided.

ILWU ILLA Meet In the NW

SEATTLE — A joint meeting between the ILWU Puget Sound Council and the International Longshoremen's Association was held here on November 23.

An agreement mutually satis- factory to all parties concerned was worked out between the two councils concerning intertravel scheduling of gangs between ILWU Local 142, at Portland, and ILWU Local 142, at Seattle. The agreement will run for 6 months, from November 23 to May 23, 1955.

The ILWU council selected a 3-year representative for 1955, who will be present at sessions of the legislature, that will convene January 29, 1955. He is Frank Andrews, ILWU International Executive Board member from Local 47 (Olympia).

An assessment of $500 a member was voted for support of legislative representation during his attendance at meetings of the legislature. Andrews has been active in legislative work since 1943 and has been a member of the International Executive Board since 1935.

'Tiny' Fisher of Local 10 Dies San Francisco — 'Tiny' Fisher of Local 10, a former mayor, died in Kaiser Foundation Hospital here last week. He had been suffering from a heart condition.

The Local 10 man, who weighed 400 pounds, was survived by his wife, Mary, and four children: George, 17; Marion Nathaniel, 16; Andrew Lee, 14; and Gilster Ma, 11.

Fisher was buried in Los Angeles after last rites on December 12, at the First Friendship Baptist Church, of which he was a member. His local union paid tribute to Fisher at the funeral.

ILWU Local 13 $’s Up for ILWU Dental Plan

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These pictures were taken In Wilmington last week at the building when members of the union negotiated with the union for children of longshore members, left to right, Ernest Munoz (standing), James Matthias, Jr., Carlos Espinoza, and his daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Tite, Cindy Lawrence, Claus "Bud" Koch, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cusick, also members of the union.
ILWU Hits Ike Plan to Arm the Arab States

SAN FRANCISCO—Acting under instructions of the ILWU Executive Board, Local 26 President Louis Goldblatt, International secretary-treasurer, on November 12 protested to President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and Senators William F. Knowland and Thomas Kuchel, the shipment of arms to Iraq and other Arab states.

In his letter, Goldblatt said that "the record of the unrest in the Middle East for the past years has been one of the most ruthless aggression by the Arab states against Israel. To increase the armed strength of these aggressors ... is neither in the interest of the people of the Middle East ... nor of the United States."

The text of the ILWU letter followed:

"The International Executive Board of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union is deeply disturbed at the recent reversal in United States foreign policy which will result in the shipment of arms to Iraq and other Arab states. At the recent meeting of the Executive Board it was unanimously agreed to inform you of our feeling on this subject..."

ILWU Board Sees New Deal Possible in '56

Los Angeles—Negotiations with the scrap industry here have been concluded by ILWU Local 26, with a 5 cents an hour increase across-the-board and an additional $1.25 a month per man for health and welfare included in the new contracts.

Employee contribution to the health and welfare plan now totals $1.65 a month.

Companies involved were Aaron Fermer, William Yeafe, Eastern Iron and Smelting, William Hale, Nathan Cohen, and Booher Iron and Metal.

Negotiators were Lee Lockridge, Robert Hearn, and Daniel Sheehy assisted by Business Agent Hy Orkin.

Gains Made By Local 26 At Scrap Co's

SAN FRANCISCO—The view of the ILWU executive board on the results of the November national elections was expressed last week in a policy statement as follows:

"In the months before the 1952 elections it was clear that there was widespread disillusionment among the American people with the record of the Eisenhower administration. The give-away program on the country's resources, the tax relief for the wealthy, the growing unemployment, the double-talk and function on many other issues, all shaped up for an overwhelming repudiation of the party in power.

"Yet when the campaign got under way the opposition candidates in many states were weak, and real issues were more often sidestepped and evaded than faced. There was too much name-calling and gutter-level politicking.

"VICTORY "As a result it was not surpris ing when the election was over it was difficult to claim a real victory for either party. It was certainly not a victory for the Eisenhower administration which lost control of both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

At the same time, the winning by the Democratic Party of both Houses of Congress by narrow margins could be termed neither a landslide or a people's mandate. What the winning of the control did clearly represent, however, was at least the beginning of deep-seated dissatisfaction of the Eisenhower administration, and its domestic and foreign policies by the American people.

"There were enough positive aspects of the elections in some states and areas—notably New York, Oregon, California and Hawaii—in some key gubernatorial, senatorial, congressional, and legislative contests, which, because of the issues raised in the contests and the way the campaign were conducted by the candidates, convinced us that a foundation has been laid from which a real campaign in the interests of the American people can be launched in 1956.

"Such should be the political objective of the ILWU and all labor must be changed by the pressure of the American people, and one in which they are primarily concerned and fearful, is that of world peace and the constant threat of disaster. That is an issue facing the American people, and one in which they are primarily concerned--and correctly so.

"That issue concerns the whole world and is demonstrated by the response in the recent elections to the overwhelming support and the mischievous campaign speeches of President Eisenhower and his Vice-President Nixon.

"We are convinced that these two Republican Party leaders by holding out the prospect of further disastrous, international negotiations, and peaceful internationalism in the immediate interests of the major nations of the world, as well as the inimical to the Democratic Party leadership on these issues, presented the Democratic Party stand."

NEW DEAL SEEN "There is no question that union members of all affiliations, and their families, voted overwhelmingly for Democratic candidates, and that they voted more against the Republicans in most cases than they did for a particular Democratic candidate.

"The issue of war is the one upon which neither major party will take a clear stand, and on many major issues the issues of the two major parties are identical. It is in this area that the American people have clearly expressed their desire for a peace treaty."

Answer to Who Said It?