Program to Save ILWU Steward Jobs
Proposed by Convention Delegates

LONG BEACH.—In a special recommendation proposed by ILWU First Vice-President J. R. (Bob) Robertson on the closing day of the 11th Biennial Convention, the delegates approved a 5-point program to assist cooks and stewards employed aboard Pacific Maritime Association ships in retaining their job rights. An NLRB election, called up by Harry Lundeberg of the SIU with the compliance of the government board itself, ended on April 7 with an "expected victory" for Lundeberg.

COOKS SWAMPED
The election was intended to swamp the ballots of ILWU cooks and stewards employed aboard ships with the US Supreme Court, asking for Lundeberg's destructive policies; it succeeded.

Job rights;
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The final vote was: ILWU, 1,064; SIU, 3,931; Neither, 327.

An NLRB election, cooked up to protest the conduct of the union were renominated without opposition.

The ballot-box is the most recent election. This petition was supplemented on April 6, the day before the votes were counted, by a petition to US Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, asking him to issue a two-fold order:

1. To hold up the counting of the ballots;
2. Proportionate retirement allowances for those members with less than 20 years of service.
3. Full pension benefits to members who are permanently and totally disabled.
4. Continued pension payments to a deceased retired member's wife or under-age dependent children.
5. Pledged ILWU to continue its support to any trade union action that results from the stewards fighting for their job rights;
6. Pledged ILWU to maintain its apparatus to serve the rank and file in any way possible and continue to push a program to unify all maritime workers while exposing Lundeberg's destructive policies;
7. Pledged ILWU to continue the legal moves it has made so far in protest the conduct of the election by the NLRB.

On March 30 ILWU and the former NUMCS filed a petition with the US Supreme Court, asking it to review the January decision of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals which gave the ILWU the green light to proceed with the election it has just conducted.

Acceptance of the case for review by the Supreme Court could conceivably void the results of the most recent election. This petition was supplemented on April 6, the day before the votes were counted, by a petition to US Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, asking him to issue a two-fold order:

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2. To accept the results of the NLRB.

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The Union is Here to Stay

BY HARRY BRIDGES

W E KNOW that certain events or discoveries, in their impact, reach into every family and home in the world, helping to change the future and the lives of the people.

One such recent event was the discovery in the United States of the method to release the energy in the atom. It was an achievement which came about when some brilliant scientific minds and energies were combined and used in a carefully planned and co-ordinated research project, directed and financed by the federal government.

Atomic fission was a world shaking discovery. But so far the only two nations in the world capable of constructing the bomb are the United States and the Soviet Union. These two nations—have directed this new source of energy primarily into atomic weapons.

This past week another great discovery by an American scientist was confirmed by tests. Dr. Jonas Salk's anti-polio vaccine was found to be amazingly effective in warding off this crippling children's disease. And the announcement of this great scientific event brought hope and relief to parents everywhere.

There are some interesting differences between the atomic research and the anti-polio research.

It was the late President Roosevelt, himself a polio victim, who inspired the interest and the research in this disease, and it was therefore fitting that the March of Dimes annual financial success it has been over the past eighteen years.

It was from these dimes that funds were accumulated to finance Dr. Salk's research. Not a penny of government funds was used to bring about the success of these efforts.

W ITH THE proven success of the vaccine, millions of school children will be inoculated, free of charge—again with the March of Dimes picking up the tab.

The Salk discovery is certainly something which every member of this union, whether or not he has small children, will be happy about. Our locals over the years have never stinted in their contributions to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

From the outset the treatment of polio victims, their rehabilitation, and the research for a preventive vaccine, have all been paid for by the small contributions of millions of American people.

It's safe to say that without the generous giving of ordinary American working people the polio vaccine would still be a mystery—as cancer, many mental diseases, and other afflictions still are.

Yet we have in our country the brains, the resources, and the planning skill to lick these other diseases. The same technique which did the job on atomic fission during the war could be used in the medical field.

Nothing could be worse than to continue to depend on voluntary contributions to finance necessary medical research. In the long run there is no doubt that the same sort of project, which turned out the atom bomb, couldn't lick cancer? Given the scientific minds, the organization, the resources and the planning, cancer could probably be understood and largely controlled.

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P ROBABLY IT'S beyond the understanding of the men running our foreign policy, but the Salk discovery does more to enhance the prestige and influence of the US in the world today than all the atom bombs, planes, and guided missiles the Defense Department can put together.

When the ILWU convention talked about a “competitive existence” we meant competitive in such things as discovery and perfecting the best vaccine against polio, or a cure of cancer—or in growing the best wheat—or even the fastest race horses.

This is the kind of world-wide competition on which the US should embark, and in which we should be a candidate for a competition in trying to make this a better and safer world to live in.

If ever there was an ideal achievement to kick-off such a campaign, Dr. Salk's fits the bill. A son of poor emigrant parents who worked as garment workers all their lives, he is happy about. Our locals over the years have never stinted in their contributions to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

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Union Maps All-Out Fight to End Persecution of Bridges and Hall

LONG BEACH — ILWU will take the persecution of its president, Harry Bridges, Director Jack Hall of Hawaii, directly to President Dwight D. Eisenhower, members of both Houses of Congress and the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

The plan is to end the harassment of the union's leadership by the House Un-American Activities Committee at the ILWU 11th Biennial Convention, and was adopted by the 221 delegates in attendance.

PETITION READIED

As a first step in the Bridges-Hall persecution, petitions were circulated throughout all ILWU locals and similar petitions in everlasting Bridges case.

"We urge you to mark your own place among the leading citizens of the world by acting at once to drape the Bridges case.

A delegation, elected by the Convention and consisting of executive board members from each district of the union, will present the petition to President Eisenhower at the White House on June 6. It will also call on Senators and Representatives, appropriate Congressional governmental bodies and on the Human Rights Commission of the United Nations in New York.

STOP WORKS NET

Each local or division of ILWU was asked to hold a stop-work demonstration — the duration to be determined by the membership — simultaneously, with or without the same time the petitions are presented to Eisenhower.

Wires of protest will be sent to the President on or before June 4, from each ILWU local, and funds to help in the fight will be raised in connection with the meetings of the ILWU President Harry Bridges.

"Under the twenty-year leadership of Bridges and Hall, the ILWU and our families have been able to enjoy some of the great material advances of our land to fulfill our responsibilities as loyal citizens of the United States, We, and our families, are Americans today as a result of the leadership of Bridges and Hall, under Bridges' leadership.

DISGRACE TO COUNTRY — The persecution of Bridges is a disgrace to our country. We, and our families, are better and happier homes. (See story in right-hand columns on this page.)

NCDC Calls For Probe of Justice Dept.

SAN FRANCISCO — The North California District Committee, through its secretary Michael Johnson, on May 15, addressed the following letter to Senator Harvey Kilgore, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, to "initiate an investigation of the role played by the Justice Department, in its letter, 'the Justice Department with respect toturn-about witness called themselves liars.' "

These witnesses have indicated that they have not been aware of the systematic lying by the score or more of professionally employed witnesses specifically in the name of, and with the blessing of the government in their perjured testimony by prosecution.

If these witnesses have injured and defamed American citizens, as the NCDC said in its letter, "the Justice Department not under any obligation to publish this perhaps by reason of testimony by these witnesses or any others of their stripe, should be restored to their jobs or freed from prison as the case may be."

Hawaiian Volcano Eruption Destroys Homes of Three Members of ILWU

PAHOA, Hawaii — Three ILWU families lost their homes as a result of the Kilauea Volcano eruption in Kapoho, a village in the Pahoa district of Hawaii. The disaster was caused by the 10th Biennial Convention of the ILWU, Local 142 executive board, will be sent.

"We believe that all persons in- whose credibility has been chal- lenguished or victimized through loss of relatives or friends with whom they expect to spend in event of evacuation. Fifty union members have also volunteered to assist in evacuation work.

MUTUAL AID

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3. Assisted in registering the Kilauea evacuees at the Pahoa gym under supervision of the Red Cross.

4. Worked out a questionnaire, which was accepted by the Civil Defense Agency, for use in con- struction of the questionnaire, in preparation for any emergency. The questionnaire was filled out by the leaders of the plant, an ILWU steward, and worked together with community leaders in canvassing the village.

The questionnaire included the following: Number of persons liv- ing in household, including any invalids: telephone number; num- ber and type of cars, if any; number of relatives or friends with whom they expect to stay in event of evacuation. Fifty union members have also volunteered to assist in evacuation work.

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Jack Hall

Jack Hall, ILWU regional director in Hawaii, was addressed by the ILWU 11th Biennial Convention in executive session. He received from the convention full sup- port against his framed conviction under the Smith Act.

Volcano in Action

On March 12 the Hawaiian volcano called Kilauea suddenly went into action at Pahoa, with results like that pictured above. These ILWU members also lost their homes. (See story in right-hand columns on this page.)

about 1,800 pounds of string beans, grown on Hoochi Muka's 18-acre farm. This took place after the Puu Kii flow, which miraculously missed the village of Kapoho, had cooled off.

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The dispatchers petitioned the national Labor Board on July 20 for an investigation under Section 7(a) of the Labor-Management Relations Act, as amended, of the controversy at the International Longshoreman's Union. The commission has 60 days to conduct its investigation.

On August 1, the dispatchers petitioned the full commission to declare the strike illegal because the union did not meet the requirements of the act.

Delegates vote on the following issues:

- The convention voted to support the International Longshoremen's Union in its fight against the dispatchers.
- The convention approved a resolution calling for a decrease in armaments, world peace, freedom of speech, and the right to strike.
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Our members are gone—and probably will continue one of independence—advancing to the Democratic Party's trade union strength become a role must as a union, and as within the Democratic Party, carried by all the progressive elements in the country, but principally responsive to the needs and demands of the American working people.

ONE LONGSHORE UNION

The convention voted to "do everything possible to reunite again in one union all of the shore-side waterfront workers in the East, Gulf Coast, Great Lakes, West, Canada, Alaska and Hawaii."

In a resolution on the subject, the convention determined to continue support of the Longshoremen's Association "in efforts to retain their own union and to free the rank and file from the restrictions of the Waterfront Commission and from federal laws, injunctions and the efforts of other unions to raid or otherwise take them over."

A special resolution devoted to the Waterfront Commission placed a demand on the government control which, if successful in New York, could be extended to any other part "or, for that matter, to any other industry or union in the United States."

BRYSON RACKED

A resolution of support for Hugh Bryson, indicted leader of the independent National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards, said that the ILWU will continue to support him and other unionists elected as targets of the Taft-Hartley Act.

warned that "there is always the possibility as that of Harvey Matta-"...

The statement went on: "The systematic creation of a reign of anti-Communist hysteria has been achieved through the cynical use of paid informers—many renegades from the union movement. And despite such exposures as that of Harvey Matta..."

Death of FDR is Recalled

LONG BEACH—A moving tribute to former President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who died on April 12, 1945, was paid by the 231 delegates to the 33rd Biennial Convention of ILWU.

In a resolution on the 10th anniversary of FDR's death, the convention reiterated its statement of 1945:

"Not since the days of '34 and its martyred dead in the struggle for freedom has the ILWU experienced such grief as when our dear leader lies in the grave..."

FDR's fight was not only against unemployment, against the Nazi Fascist movement. And despite such exposure as that of Harvey Matta-and the "privileged princes of new economic dynasties who reach for control over government itself."

The resolution continued:

"IGWU paid tribute to the leadership of Roosevelt...in his various election campaigns...announced that he 'welcomed' the hatred of big money. He was self-hailed and deified. Every newspaper in the United States opposed him. All over America strong forces were at work to turn the clock back to the good old days before the New Deal. He carried 46 of the 48 states..."

MEMORY HONORED

FDR's fight against unemployment, against the Nazi Fascist movement. And despite such exposure as that of Harvey Matta..."We honor the memory of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the man who was born of a wealthy and aristocratic family, yet came to understand the working people and their needs and who reached the rank and file of America with his fireside chats, going over the heads of the Congressional obstructionists into the hearts of millions of Americans..."

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Delegate Aaron Birdman, Local 208.

Delegate Albert James, Local 18.

Delegate L. B. Thomas, Local 12.

Delegate Mitsuo Shimizu, Local 142.
Long Beach — "No existing differences, including those between capitalism, socialism and communism, can be resolved by world war," said the 11th Convention of the ILWU in a resolution on world peace passed during its deliberations.

"Wars no longer can be won," the delegates resolved and therefore set forth a program to prevent such a war. "The ILWU is not interested in testing any theories," the delegates resolved, "to find out who can and who cannot survive an H-bomb war. We are satisfied that the only way we can carry out our responsibilities to our country is by doing everything possible to prevent the outbreak of war."

Proposals Cited

In its resolution, the Convention set forth the following propositions:

1. That there are no existing differences that can be resolved by war.
2. That no people want war and war can be prevented by ordinary people speaking out for the negotiation of outstanding differences and the disarmament of the great powers.
3. That proposals from anywhere — whether from religious leaders, the White House or the Kremlin — if they contribute to the preservation of peace, should be welcomed.

ILWU Must Fight

4. That the ILWU "must throw our resources into the fight for peace today — for the duration and until peace has been achieved."

Proposals made by the 10th Biennial Convention of the union were reiterated by the 11th. They include:

1. Cease fires wherever shooting wars exist.

Anti-Picket Law Is Held Illegal

Salem, Ore. — The Oregon supreme court ruled unanimously that one section of an anti-picketing measure passed by the legislature in 1953 is unconstitutional. The court threw out, as a violation of free speech, a section of a law which prohibited picketing by anyone not recognized as the bargaining agent of the employees.

Secretary George Brown of the state CIO council said Oregon union leaders will press for repeal of the rest of the act.

The Eleventh Biennial Convention of ILWU, Salem, Ore., April 4, 1955

Bryson is Backed by Conclave

Long Beach — Delegates to the ILWU's 11th Biennial Convention here went on record last week to support Hugh Bryson, president of the National Union of Marine Cooks & Stewards, in his fight against framed charges of falsifying his Taft-Hartley "non-Communist" affidavit.

Bryson is scheduled to go on trial in San Francisco on May 2 and faces a long prison term in heavy fines if convicted.

In nominating ILWU support for Bryson, the convention said:

"... the ILWU will continue to support Hugh Bryson and other unionists selected as targets of Taft-Hartley. We recognize that the Taft-Hartley "non-Communist" designation of Mr. Bryson is a violation of the labor movement's democratic processes, our labor ideals, and the labor movement as a whole."

Bryson was first indicted during the opening week of the ILWU convention in 1953. His trial was originally scheduled to be held in Washington, D. C., but was transferred back to San Francisco since this year.

One count of his indictment — that of "supporting" an organization that advocates overthrow of the government — was dropped on March 25 at the request of Judge Michael J. Roche. Two other counts remain: the allegation that he lied when he said he was not a Communist, and when he swore he was not "affiliated to the Party."

The following address by the Rev. Stephen H. Fritchman, pastor of the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles, was delivered in Long Beach on April 4, 1955, at the opening session of the ILWU 11th Biennial Convention.

Mr. Fritchman made a plea for peace in America. He spoke of "the new high-water mark of our modern civilization and of the great hope of mankind."

"Peace is the key word of our time," he said. "The 20th century is coming to an end, and we are part of this century. We are the last generation of men who can remember and who will have to shape the peace of the world."

Fritchman said that the leaders of every country must come to the United Nations Conference and work together to achieve peace. He added that the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. must be the leaders in this work.

"The Desert Shovel"

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"Remove the stumbling block from the pathway of my people."

These words from great prophets and sages of Israel 2,500 years ago were spoken by inspired leaders who understood the problems of toiling men and women working under adversity and against stubborn and arrogant monarchs, who offered no concessions without militant and heroic laboring folk standing like flint for their elemental rights.

But only since Dr. Channing's day 120 years ago, and then only in singular cases have American churchmen glimpsed the real duty of organized religion to the great masses of workers in this land.

I HAVE LONG contended that our churches of many faiths should in sackcloth and ashes ask forgiveness from the workers of the earth and especially of this nation for the shame of disregarding silence. And it has been a conspiracy of silence too often all too well. You know all too well the tragic divisions that have often slowed to a snail's pace the progress of labor in this country, divisions partly due to men of little vision within labor, but too often divisions made by the silent conspiracy of churches, by ministers and laymen alike.

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I wish today to salute the ILWU, a union that has no peer in trusting its rank and file, in resisting the seductive blandishments of employers, employers who, failing to destroy union organization, have sought to corrupt it and weaken it and bridle it. These employers who have too often succeeded in getting much of labor to conform to political ideas opposed to labor's interests, to make labor subservient to purposes, cleanups and even anti-labor legislation thinly disguised as necessary control over power-thirsty unions.

I am here to say that we in the house of religion have too often had blinders on our own eyes, have slept through crises when we have not seen the day by day cruelties of an intolerable government and indifferent corporate maladministration.
Shall Blossom'

The workers on every continent, including this nation, this state and this union represented here today can through new unity and resolution end the scourge of war, the cancer of unemployment, the madness of racial and creedal bigotry, the contradiction of poverty in a land of unbridled wealth. It is the task of men and women in churches, chapels and temples to uphold the hands of all who earn their bread by the sweat of their brow, by the expenditure of talent and hand and brain, those who create the wealth and must therefore enjoy its fruits.

It is profoundly true that the justice spoken of in Scripture will be vindicated: those who told shall inherit the earth. The peacemakers shall be called the sons of God. Each man shall sit under his own vine and fig tree and none shall be afraid. The lion and the lamb shall lie down together. The desert shall blossom as the rose. The dry place shall become a fertile plain. These ancient predictions across the centuries shall indeed be fulfilled, not by a miracle, but by the efforts of workers everywhere determined to have it so.

THE CLASSIC story of the life, trial and death of Jesus of Nazareth, remembered this Easter week in our churches, reminds us of a leader who gave hardworking people under Roman occupation and tyranny the courage to throw off the oppressor's yoke. These are parables for our own time. Such militancy is needed at this hour if we are to recover from the paralyzing terror inflicted by McCarthy and McCarran, the abject surrender to a foreign policy clique that bargains with millions of lives as pawns and threatens total atomic retaliation when Asian peoples defend what is their own.

Like Samson, many war-minded men in Washington would pull down the pillars of civilization itself. But the conscience of the American people, especially the people who do the work and make the products and transport them over land and sea . . . is waking up! The tolls of this land ask no favors, they simply seek their inheritance: a good land and a free land, the reward of their labors.

They are resolved that the blood of plain and decent people shall no more fertilize the earth. The will of peaceful men and women shall prevail. We are not communists but we are not beasts of prey, but brothers. We shall beat our swords into plowshares, and our spears into pruning hooks.

As plague and famine have in the past years been conquered, so will be the disease of hate, the malady of fear, the sickness of egoism. As a clergyman I salute your earthy resolutions to see the job of brotherhood accomplished here in your hiring halls, on the docks, in your homes . . . and in our Congresses and in the United Nations. We shall have one world, decent and free!

Bridges Speaks on the Resolution on Peace

LONG BEACH — When we talk of peace, ILWU President Harry Bridges told the delegates to the 11th Biennial Convention on April 6, "we are not talking of peace as a position, a tool of diplomacy, but of making tanks and planes under the Damocles' sword of prosperity, rather than the dubious prosperity of millions of lives as pawns and threatens total atomic retaliation when Asian peoples defend what is their own.

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One Union Of All U.S. Dockers'

LONG BEACH — In a resolution on East-Coast West-Coast Unity, the ILWU 11th Biennial Convention pledged to "do everything possible to re-unite again in one union under one banner all of the shore-side waterfront workers in the East," Coast, Great Lakes, West, Canada, Alaska and Hawaii.

The resolution reviewed ILWU's support to the embattled firefighters of the International Longshoreman's Association and resolved to "congratulate the (ILA) rank and file, the leaders and the entire . . . union for the splendid fighting example they have set by their movement over the last two years.

CONTINUED SUPPORT

The convention delegates pledged continuing support to ILA in its efforts to retain its own union and "to free the rank and file from the restrictions of the notorious Waterfront Commission . . ."

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**Convention Calls for More Political Action**

LONG BEACH—Recognizing the need for increased political activity on the part of all labor unions in the nation, the 11th Biennial Convention of ILWU called on all locals which have not already done so, to set up political action committees.

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**McLaughlin Fund Biased Vs. Gladstein**

SAN FRANCISCO—The US Court of Appeals in the Ninth Circuit ruled unanimously this month that Federal District Judge J. Frank McLaughlin is improperly applying the ILWU political action laws.

Judge McLaughlin has been accused of bias against Gladstein by ILWU locals in Hawaii, which "did an effective job." The ILWU political action committee of ILWU locals has been accused of bias against McLaughlin by ILWU locals in Hawaii, which "did an effective job." The ILWU political action committee of ILWU locals has been accused of bias against McLaughlin by ILWU locals in Hawaii, which "did an effective job.

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**Churchill is Praised By ILWU Convention**

LONG BEACH—A tribute to Sir Winston Churchill, “notwithstanding the criticisms we have received about the British Empire,” the bulletin stated, “he was right when he was right and wrong when he was wrong.”

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**Shipping Improved in Eureka, Calif.**

EUREKA—In 1954 the ILWU longshoremen loaded 37 ships with tonnage of 83,935,764 board feet (lumber).

In 1954, 79 ships loaded 116,526,619 board feet.

The 1953 payroll for ILWU Local 14 dockers amounted to $44,825.50. The 1954 payroll came to $69,143.60.

The longshoremen in Eureka, Calif. planned—like so many other ILWU locals—to build a new hall in the near future.

**In Appreciation**

President Martin Callaghan of the San Francisco Bay Area Longshore- and Warehousemen’s Memorial Association presented an illuminated scroll to Local 142 of the ILWU at the Eleven Biennial Convention in appreciation for the $140,000 which Local 142 loaned, without interest in order to get started, the Bay Area longshoremen’s big bay area Longshoremen’s movement project. “When we’re done with the job” (at right), is President Tony Rania of Local 142.

**Auxiliary in Session**

The ILWU Federation Auxiliaries held their own biennial convention in another hall of the Municipal Auditorium at Long Beach while the ILWU Eleventh Biennial Convention was in session last week.

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**A Membership Drive**

Oakland—A whirlwind membership drive will operate through May 31 by the Oakland Chapter of ILWU Auxiliary, Local 17 has announced.

The Auxiliary has urged members, women or relatives of members of Locals 2, 6, 10, 14, 15, 16, 29, 37, 46, 61, East Bay will be visited during the drive.

Teams of members based geographically in Oakland, Berkeley, El Cerrito and Richmond will compete for the largest number of new members and prizes will be climax by a free Jack London’s at the winning team.

The Auxiliary ladies call attention to the varied activities of the chapter, such as loans for sick children, blood drives to local blood of the local; a program of social events, such as "nothing but fun" for "junior housewives", and paternalistic family.

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HONOLULU—The first annual Territorial ILWU softball tournament is scheduled to begin on April 28-30 and May 1. The series is being sponsored by the ILWU Athletic Association.

The champion of ILWU AAA softball leagues on Hawaii, Maui, Lanai, Molokai, Oahu and Kauai will compete for top honors. It will be the first union tournament of its kind to be played in the Territory.
Pensioner Grateful for ILWU Welfare Plan

SANTA ROSA, Calif.—Local 10 pensioner Walter H. Nordt wrote ILWU PMA Pension Director Howard Bodine recently, expressing his gratitude.

He wrote to thank the ILWU for its welfare plan which has made his life possible. He said that he had been a longshoreman for many years and that he was now retired due to illness.

He mentioned that the welfare plan had provided him with necessary medical treatment and had allowed him to live comfortably in his old age.

He added that he was grateful for the support and care provided by the ILWU and that he and his family were very happy with the plan.

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L.A. Auxiliary 28 Initiates Annual Organizing Drive for April, May

LOS ANGELES — Women's Auxiliary 28 launched its annual membership drive March 25 with a special meeting at which ILWU Local 28 President William A. Burrows spoke on "The History of the Labor Movement." The drive will be concentrated on the wives of stewards and officers of the local and, until April 19, on "a Thirty the 13th" party in May.

Other affairs planned included an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday afternoon, April 2, Lincoln Park, in northeast Los Angeles, and a special meeting March 30, 6 p.m., at the ILWU Welfare and Education Foundation headquarters. Mrs. R. C. Nelson, a prominent member of the ILWU, will speak on "The History of the ILWU.""
**Officers Report to 11th Convention, in Digest**

LONG BEACH — The Officers Report to the Eleventh Biennial Convention of the ILWU, as presented to and accepted by the delegates, was in three main headings: The Situation, The Record 1953-1955, and Pre-
senting the Rank and File Structure.

Following the brief introduction, the first section deals the situation facing the ILWU, stating that the “entire American trade union movement is passing through a present moment of crisis.”

**CONSUMER UNITY**

Covered are ILWU officers’ conclusions about the pending AFL-CIO election, and the ever-increasing threat of labor unity, as illustrated by ILWU’s efforts to prevent the merger of both major federations and its continued support of the New York City Local League of Communists.

**ILWU-BLA RELATIONS**

The ILWU officers report that the AFL-CIO merger was a step in the right direction, but warned that it could be counteracted by the rank and file of both organizations acting independently.

**ILWU BUILD**

Comparable gains were also reported in the Mexican Zone, where locals pushed up wages to the same rate as mainland locals and a cost-of-living adjustment.

**NEW ILWU BUILDINGS**

New ILWU buildings were erected by Locals 14, 24, 21, 1, and 12, and spanning the year, ending a 17-year period for longshoremen.

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**Building Deal Check for $10,000, payment in full for the property on which the future home of ILWU Local 26 will be constructed. The escrow Officer Ardalh Shilling as Local Secretary-Treasurer of the ILWU Local 26, is shown with the check in his office by Houck, L. B. (illegible), a new headquarters is expected to be occupied before January, 1956.**

**Some Things to Remember**

The world lives in Asia. The sooner we remember this, the better. 2. Most of the world is non-white. We must learn to respect our neighbors, 3. Most of the world is abysmally, abjectly poor. 4. Most of the world is ill-fed, ill-housed, ill-clothed, ill-fed. 5. The world is underdeveloped. It lacks tools, methods of production. 6. Most of the world is non-Christian. We need new tools of communication. 7. Most of the world lives in Asia. The sooner we remember this, the better.
**Egg Hunt**

An Easter Egg Hunt was sponsored by Women's Auxiliary 28 in Lincoln Park in Los Angeles April 2, despite high winds. At the left is Auxiliary 28 President Freda Caplan shown organizing the activities for children of ILWU Local 26 members.

**Rebellion Against Lundeberg Cheap Crew Plan Rumbles, East and West**

Rank and file disunion continues in the AFL maritime unions which have been closely dominated by Harry Lundeberg of the SUP.

A packed April 7 meeting of the San Francisco branch of the Marine Firemen's Union voted down President V. J. Mahone's report backing the Lundeberg Tomina plan. Officials of the union told the group they would try to pass the report at the next MFW meeting. The Seattle membership previously had voted the plan down.

**RAIDING THE ISSUE**

The issue in Lundeberg's raiding and crew-cutting program which would hire all SUP crews and move from a 40 to 56-hour week, cutting out other contract safeguards, to compete with foreign flag ships.

**ILWU Book Club List**

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Pamphlets:

(copies) McCarthy on Trial, edited by Albert Kahn, @ $0.50 (paper)

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(copies) McCarthy Report Pamphlet, @ $0.10

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The SUP paper devotes 11 of its 12 pages to justifying the Tomina program and attacking the objecting unions. This is contrasted to the quiet way the program began in February.

**NMU OBJECTS**

The latest issue of the NMU Pilots prints a letter by President Joseph Curran to CIO President Walter Reuther, saying: "I think the repercussions of this situation in trade union circles, if not attacked by the heads of the labor movement, as well as our own in the maritime field, will be tremendous."

The April 8 issue of the Marine Engineer, official organ of the CIO Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, prints a resolution saying: "...it appears to MEBA that this (Tomina program) may start a war among maritime unions that might not end for years, and whose ramifications would profit from such a conflict."

The resolution goes on to discuss the proposal made by the Masters, Mates and Pilots and the American Radio Association in one union for all licensed officers, which is now a part of the AFL-CIO merger body. This move is being considered by these unions to keep out of Lundeberg's domination.

**ARA GETS DEAL**

The American Radio Association-CIO a week ago announced it has "sabotaged" the plan by getting a written agreement from Pacific Far East Lines that it would charter no more ships under the Lundeberg program. ILWU had promised to support any picket lines in protest against the plan. The Tomina sailed under the cut rate in February under the flag of PFE. It is believed that under the new agreement the ILWU would face a war among the maritime unions, if they tried to cut rate in February.

**ILWU locals also cooperate with similar groups in other labor organizations, for after all they are involved with similar economic and political issues.**

And throughout the union structure described above, unity is actually forged on a day-to-day basis by the rank and file itself. And this is possible because every member of ILWU recognizes his right as an individual to speak his piece on any question.

**BECAUSE** I possesses rights as an individual in the ILWU, the ILWU member keeps a sharp eye on the way other local and national unions operate. And he unite "unity" with all other organized workers—the type of unity he has experienced in his own ILWU organization.

As the organized labor movement of our country moves closer together into the one national grouping projected by the AFL-CIO, the rank and file character of the ILWU will play its role. ILWU will utilize its strength and its energy to help extend to the rank and file of the entire labor movement, the democratic processes for which ILWU stands and which have made ILWU strong.