The FBI Calls Upon Local 6's Secretary

SAN FRANCISCO—The Federal Bureau of Investigation, in the past week, has sent letters, called on ILWU Local 6's secretary-treasurer, Richard Lynden, on September 28 and expressed its outrage over an editorial that had appeared in the Local 6 Bulletin of August 12.

They attempted to get Lynden to come down to FBI headquarters for questioning, but refused his offer to talk to them in his office on hour later.

In a statement, prepared for the next issue of the Local 6 Bulletin, Lynden said:

ANGRY MEN

"In response to an editorial entitled, 'Don't Be Intimidated,' which appeared in the Local 6 Bulletin on August 12, 1955, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) sent two agents to the union office on September 28, 1955, to ask questions of the secretary-treasurer. The agents identified themselves as Messrs. Henning and Rags. Mr. Stmap appeared to be the quiet type but Mr. Henning started off bristically. He said that he had come pursuant to the invitation expressed in our editorial, as follows: 'And we will be glad to explain what almost everybody in San Francisco knows: that the membership runs this union.'

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Union Busting, Latest Style

THE LATEST style of union busting is that being used against Port of New York longshoremen in the form of the Waterfront Bi-State Commission. As a result of a strike which tied up the Port of New York for eight days, the International Longshoremen’s Association has won for the first time opportunity to throw some light on the Bi-State Commission’s skulduggery. At least a citizens’ committee has been formed to investigate the longshoremen’s grievances against the Commission. How much will come to light remains to be seen.

The Waterfront Commission was set up purportedly to end the crime on the docks. And under the old ILA, when Joe Ryan was running it, nobody was unaware of the fact that it existed.

Guiding spirit of the agency, which is staffed by former FBI men and military brass, and is financed by the shipowners themselves, was NY’s former Republican anti-labor Governor Thomas E. Dewey.

Dewey rose to notoriety during the days when he was a prosecuting attorney, but it is doubtful that any real criminals have been caught since the Bi-State Commission went into high gear.

In fact, that was not the purpose of setting it up in the first place.

The purpose — as has been plainly revealed since it started operating — has been to exercise strict government control over a labor union, its members and their right to make a living.

The commission has abused its power of subpoena; it has flooded the registration lists with anti-union newcomers; it has ignored and effectively destroyed the collective bargaining agreement of the longshoremen; it has snooped into the private lives of the dock workers; it has arbitrarily lifted the registration of longshoremen it didn’t like for one reason or another; it has set up a blacklist of militant union men; and it has been cooperating with a rival AFL outfit that still hopes to take over the membership of ILA — when, and if the Waterfront Commission can destroy it.

THERE ISN’T A member of the ILWU who did not feel concern at the news of President Eisenhower’s sudden illness. And with so many people all over the world in hoping for his speedy recovery.

The natural feelings of people at the news was intensified by an almost unceasing fear for Ike’s life. The popular belief that President Eisenhower down would in some way affect the growing peace spirit which is now breaking out on almost every level of the relations between different countries, different peoples, and different social and economic systems.

Whatever his shortcomings, whatever his bl {-world-wide symbol of Geneva, of negotiation, of relaxed tensions, and of an era of goodwill developing in this dawning era of peace.

This is not to say that we believe Eisenhower to be the “indispensable man.”

We have no indispensable men in the ILWU, nor do we have them among our nation’s political leaders either. The country, like some labor union, has leaders, but they accurately reflect and carry out the wishes and meet the needs of the common people.

In this sense, Eisenhower has increased his influence as a political leader by quite openly taking a stand for disarmament and peaceful negotiations — and in this way meeting the wishes and needs of the common people.

The ILA’s fight against the Commission is therefore the concern of every legitimate union in the land.

For what the Bi-State Commission is trying to do in the East is to set into motion a “right to work” law even though New York or New Jersey has such a law, and if it can get away with it in the East, similar Commissions can be set up on the Gulf and West Coasts, for similar purposes. ILWU will certainly not hold still for such a move, and that is why it has stated — and made concrete — its support to the ILA longshoremen in their fight against this attempt to strait-jacket them with government regulations, blacklisting and union-busting.

In this new gimmick, engineered by Dewey and the East Coast shipowners, alert ILWU members will see once more the validity of the ILWU slogan, and perhaps modify it slightly to read: “An Injury to ILA is an Injury to ILWU.”

ON THE BEAM

By Harry Bridges

THERE ISN’T A fact that there hasn’t been a major political figure in either the Democratic or Republican Parties of the FDR and Willkie who has spoken out and performed on the issue of peace as Eisenhower has in the past three months. Though it can be said that Eisenhower wouldn’t be having top-level talks with the Russians if the American people weren’t consciously demanding such actions, and even that’s something when you think of how so many other politicians carry on despite the people’s wishes.

Of course we know that the Geneva talks were especially cordial and friendly because, among other things, all of the ticklish problems which we’re trying to get are set aside for later discussion by the foreign ministers and the experts.

These top-level talks will soon be getting underway.

And there is no question but that the Eisenhower administration includes plenty of influential figures who would like nothing better than to see these talks end on a sour note of disagreement.

The probability that Eisenhower’s active political life is at an end has forced many people to examine the record of his administration. The war danger is far from being completely dead.

But today, instead of the war so many feared last spring, we are exchanging foreign delegations with the Russians while secret talks with the Chinese have been continuing for weeks. At the same time that Ike has advocated in the direction of peace and live, it has left behind a path of broken promises, big steals and anti-labor and anti-democratic actions in many domestic actions — or inactions.

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eat, George Christopher, was "a
source of selfish interests and is
owned lock, stock and barrel by
the hankers and steamship in-
terei.ts.

In reply, Republican candidate
George Christopher traced his
own background as a business-
man and claimed that he had
solved all labor problems in his
personal business (Christopher
Milk) by voluntarily opening la-
bor contracts and by cooperation.

CHRISTOPHER REPLIES
He reminded the ILWU dele-
grees in San Francisco Board of
Supervisors, that he authored the non-seg-
gated housing ordinance, and claimed
that he did not hire Ne-
groes in his dairy, as charged by
Reilly. He said he had two Ne-
gro employees but was prevented
in hiring others by union agree-
ments.

Other candidates for Mayor
had only "practicable" answers.
Donald Bruce, who answered the
majority of the community's
questions, except on taxes where
he did not favor minimum rental
rates or the principle of taxation
based on the ability to pay; he
said that business districts
should pay higher taxes than
residential districts.

Rod O'Donnell said he was run-
ning for Mayor because the "little
people" need attention. He is a
former member of the Marine
Firemen's Union.

OTHER CANDIDATES
Sheriff Dan Gallagh-
ner, running unopposed, has held the
post for four years and said
he had worked with ILWU Local
6, for which he previously served.
Richard Lyn-
den, who was chairman of the
evening, is on the sheriff's
advisory board.

Supervisor Clarissa
Marthian favored FEP, was op-
posed to segregated housing or
discrimination in the Police De-
partment or anywhere else. She
said she agreed in principle with
the program outlined in the ILWU
questionnaire.

NEEDS FACTS
John J. Conlon (incumbent su-

dervisor) also said he supported FEP, adding that
such an ordinance along the lines of
Executive Director Donald Bruce's
speech and saying he would extend
his term of office if re-elected.

Harold Dobbs (incumbent su-
dservisor) said ILWU's stand on
need for FEP he would have no
objection to, and agreed in prin-
ciple to the program outlined in the ILWU
questionnaire.

Bridges wires
Detained in Hawaii on sugar
negotiations, Bridges wrote a wire
to the ball, which was read by Northern California Regional Di-
rector Bill Chester. Bridges said:

"Please extend my regrets and
give my warmest regards to all
members and all of the officers
of Local 6 especially deserve to
carry greetings from ILWU
Local 6 drum corp.

A similar wire was received
from ILWU vice-presidents I. R.
Robertson and Germain Bulcke,
and International Secretary-
Treasurer Louis Goldblatt.

OTHER GREETINGS
Additional greetings came in
the celebratory telegrams from
Bill Gettings, Northwest Regional Director of ILWU, from ILWU
Locals 9, 19 and the latter's pension club, as well as from Dr. Charles Ettola, member of the SF board of supervisors
and George R. Reilly, State Board of Equalization member, who is
running for Mayor of San Fran-
cisco on the Democratic ticket.

Music for the ball was provided
by the Willie Hawkins Combo,
with Bill Chester as master of
ceremonies. An exhibition was
staged ILWU Local 6 drum corp.

COMMITTEE LARGE
The executive committee, which
staged and managed the affair,
consisted of 43 members of
the local, headed by the fol-
lowing:

- Arne de Locano (chairman),
- Sam Barren (vice-chairman),
- Donald Hall (treasurer),
- and Jack Conners (secretary).

Prominent among the guests
present at the ILWU Local 6 ball were
Martin Callaghan, president of
ILWU Local 6, and Mrs. Cal-
laghan; also attorneys Lloyd R.
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Here are some guests at the Local 6 ball who found conversation just what they needed, dur-
ing one of the dances. There are at least two conversations going on here, with one brother
(left) apparently listening to both at the same time.

Brin Walker—all of whom repre-
sent the legal interests of the
warehouse local.

A handsome souvenir program
carried greetings from ILWU
Locals 10, 39, 40, 142, 407
and Auxiliary 16, and many indi-
viduals and firms.

A small greeting, reading
"Thank you for all you have done
for me," was signed by famed
Negro prisoner Wesley Wells,
still imprisoned at the Vacaville
State Hospital. He was saved from
execution for throwing a
 cuspidor at a prison guard by the
activities of ILWU as well as
many other organizations and
individuals.

New Tuna Fishing
Ground Is Discovered
SAN PEDRO—A new alba-
nome fishing grounds about
1,000 miles north of Hawaii,
has been discovered by the US
Fish and Wild Life research
ship, the JOHN R. MANNING,
in its 6,000-mile exploratory

cruise between the US main-
land and the islands.

The report said an "im-
portant concentration of fish,
was found, with 56 tuna being
taken by trawling, and six by
long lines. All were tagged
and released to try to check
through recapitulation the migra-
tions of these widely-ranging
fish.
Our Own "Torchy" Winner of the United Bay Area Crusade Five-cent Ball Fund Drive

SAN FRANCISCO—ILWU President Harry Bridges received congratulations last week on his victory in the fifth trial of workers' organizations in Greece, East Germany, France, Bulgaria, and Yugoslavia.

In a letter from Georgewitz, writing in behalf of the executive committee of the Federation of Greek Maritime Unions, Bridges was congratulated on his victory in the fifth trial.

"On behalf of thousands of Greek seamen we send you our congratulations on your victory in the fifth struggle of the members of ILWU . . ." the Greek seamen said. "We received your parole, faithful to our solidarity and to the solidarity of the working people's interests," and expressed their solidarity with the struggles of ILWU workers and "millions of honest-minded working people all over the world" in their hope for a just verdict.

They wrote the letter, signed Joeh Balint for the Greek seamen, and said: "We are convinced that this time, again, the voice of public opinion will be a deep response, that truth will triumph, enabling both Bridges and your organization (ILWU) to carry on their united activity in the interest of the cause of peace, for the strengthening of the international solidarity of the working people on this earth and for a better life."

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"Please accept the congratulations of the unionists belonging to the Highway Workers of our city of Grevena." FROM RUMANIA

In a letter written before word of Judge Louis E. Goodman's favorable decision in the fifth trial case had reached East Germany, the Romanian sea, air and land transport workers expressed their "indignation about the action brought against Harry Bridges, the faithful defender of the working people's interests," and expressed their solidarity with the struggles of ILWU workers and "millions of honest-minded working people all over the world" in their hope for a just verdict.

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Frank Jenkins Appeals to CG on Revoked Dock-Pass

SEATTLE — The US Coast Guard on September 13 heard an appeal by an ILWU Local 19 longshoreman, Frank Jenkins, of this city.

Jenkins had his CG pass lifted when, on August 10, he was found standing in San Francisco on July 13, not in the custody of any ILWU witness in the fifth Bridges trial. The CG, in its decision at the time, insisted that the lifting of Jenkins' pass be considered a permanent attempt to intimidate defense wit- nesses, which could not be justified by US Assistant Attorney Lynn J. Galler admitted in open court that the US Coast Guard that Jenkins was appearing

COLDN'T FIND HIM

At the hearing, sworn to in turn, claimed to have revoked Jenkins' pass because they were not able to find him" to notify him. The babble man had lived in this city since 1943 and has been working on the docks regularly since 1953.

At the hearing here, held be- fore CG Examiner James M. Donohue, the CG claimed that Jenkins had been a member of the Communist Party in 1935, 1935 and 1950.

Jenkins vehemently denied the allegation. He was then ques- tioned about his ideas about Com- munist and, the US, Unions, dis- crimination against Negroes and other people. WOULDN'T DISCRIMINATE

In reply to one question, as to whether he thought that white should be allowed to work in the company of his kind, Jenkins said that because he was a Negro he would not practice discrimination against any other person.

He was represented at the hear- ing by Attorney Philip J. Petito and nine white officers and rank and file members. His local test- lified as character witnesses for him.

The appeals board will forward their findings to the command of the area. Vice Admiral H. F. Barber. If he upholds the order revoking Jen- cns' pass, it will be appealed to the CG Security Board in Washington, D. C.

ILWU Golfers Sixty golfers participated in the Oahu ILWU Golf Club's second an- nual Tournament played at the hilly Kahuku Course, on the island of Oahu, Sunday, September 18. A total of 42 attractive awards, including clock-radios, donated by Honolulu firms and individuals, was up for competition. Shown here are some of the award winners, Kolengo, from left, Jack Koyama, Clarence Pacara, Shio Takata, Leo Blanding, Ben Matsui, Tosi Nakada, John Nickel, Fred Hischak. Presentation of awards was made at a buffet dinner, held in the third floor "sky room" of the ILWU Memorial Association Building at Honolulu, immediately following the Tournament. Special guests at the dinner were President Harry Bridges and Secretary-Treasurer Louis Goldblatt.

Pretty Soon the Workers Won't Be Needed Anymore

OAKLAND, Calif.—The "us- tine" in auto dealerships was brewed here September 14: A $1,500,000 carbon-dioxide plant that requires only two men to operate. The new plant is capable of producing 100 tons of carbon-dioxide daily.

ILWU Fishermen Ask for Boycott of Japanese Tuna

SAN DIEGO—More than 400 members of ILWU Local 33 (San Pedro Seiner Fishermen) arrived here early Tuesday morning August 23, and for the past three days have been engaged in a well-organized boycott of Japanese caught fish. The group, which is not affiliated with AFL tuna fishermen of this area, contains 300 members, who have refused to go out after Japanese fish for the past six months.

The group is comprised of four kinds, were distributed along the waterfront and throughout the ILWU

"Twenty-five thousand workers extend their best wishes and hopes for the success of the demonstration. The sending of this message was re- ceived with much joy by union leaders, sugar and pineapple captains new in session. A total of 9,000 fish can be caught in one day.

The sign in short, means, "Hail the chief with lots of love."

Labor Peace in Hawaii Is Possible

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Among resolutions adopted by the convention were the following:

—Continued independent po- litics.
—$1 per hour minimum wage for all ILWU members.
—Coverage of agricultural workers.
—Insurance to cover war com- pensation.
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End of Strike Vote

East Coast longshoremen, belonging to the International Longshoremen's Association (Independent), stand to vote to end their 8-day strike against the Waterfront Commission, which they have been fighting. The meeting was held on September 14, and the vote to return to work came after a citizens' committee was set up to hear their grievances against the Commission. (See stories on this page.)

The ILA Convention Proves the East-Coast Dock Union Is Very Much Alive

(Reprinted from the September 1, 1955, March of Labor.)

The 36th quadrennial convention of the Independent Longshoremen's Association (ILA), was held in the city of New York from July 11-15, 1955. The union had just gone through a test of fire and water such as few labor organizations had weathered in recent years.

The predicted death of the ILA by many was greatly exaggerated. Represented at the convention were delegates from every seaport, large and small from Maine, New York to Corpus Christi, Texas.

The success and disruption movement initiated by the AFL and its agents inside the ILA had been decisively defeated and practically all the seaports left by the AFL. The AFL International Brotherhood of Teamsters, which had been attempting to organize a local union in any seaport in the U.S. in the last session of the Great Lakes remains to be won back by the ILA.

The outstanding question before the convention was the fight against the Waterfront Commission, the attempts to destroy the union. The fight against the Waterfront Commission was tied to the "right to work" laws in Texas, Alabama, Virginia, Mississippi and Louisiana, all of which are working against the ILA. This convention voted to fight these laws, morally, politically, legally and by economic action.

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For anyone familiar with past ILA conventions—their purblindness of all kinds of "guest speakers" by Joe Ryan, their usual anti-Red, anti-Bridges tirades, this particular convention was an eye-opener.

Not a single word of red-baiting and the ILA remained silent and was effectively an eye-opener to the delegates.

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Among the important actions taken by the convention were the following:

1. The delegates, by a vote of 1,487 to 120, approved as a strike-ending formula the one of the programs of the ILA, which was passed by the convention in addition to the fight against the Waterfront Commission were proposals for national bargaining with competent and national expiration dates of all longshore contracts, support for the fight to improve the waterfront and shore Labor Workers Act, resolutions for a safety code in the longshore contract, for reduction of Panama Canal tolls.

2. The delegates accepted in principle a mutual assistance pact with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (AFL) but refused the details of their executive council.

3. It was obvious that the convention was disorganized with the terms of the alliance which reduced the ILA to a junior or second-class relationship with the Teamsters.

Outstanding in the convention was the active and spirited participation of the delegates from the south. The ILA is probably the best organized union in the United States and has a long tradition of basic industry there.

The Gulf delegates and par- ticipated in the great "visiting dignitary" from the south played an active role in discussion of the national questions of any basic industry there.

NY Mayor Hit for Discrimination

NEW YORK—Mayor Robert F. Wagner Jr. was charged yesterday by a opposed Negro Hubert Delany drew the fire of five influential Negro organizations here Sep- tember 14.

Among them was the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, which disapproved the mayor's appearance appointed a Negro NAACP official to Delany's place. The NAACP secured the mayor of emerging New York, who served 13 years on the machine of the NY-NJ Relations, Court of the mayor.

The mayor said he was not re- naming Delany because "I feel I do not agree with some positions his party has taken." He later character- ized those positions as "un- fitting," but did not elaborate. Delany and his supporters charged they were given no opportunity to state their case, while oppos- itors of his reappearance were heard by the mayor.

In the anxiety to be safe and secure, to the principle of "be- longing" to a special group, the presumption of inno- cence is often not exposed to confronta- tion or cross-examination. 4. Corruption by blood is un- constitutional, yet the principle of "blood and团购" is used to discriminate against "separatist and insular associations." 5. The principle of examining evidence honestly has gone way, in the anxiety to be safe and se- cure, to the principle of "be- longing the accurate, without serious question, and doubt the sound word of the accused."
Local 26 Member's Son Recovering From Polio

REDONDO BEACH, Calif. — Five-year-old Larry Palmer, brother of ILWU Local 26 President and Welfare Fund chairman Robert Palmer, was attacked by polio August 15, and received his first treatment August 30, in connection with the PMA Welfare Fund in the Portland-Vancouver area.

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**On the INDIAN FRONT**

By J. R. (Bob) Robertson

THE ILWU organizing campaign, to which our Convention last April gave the impetus, is beginning to roll while the strength of the rank and file is showing up in the steady and consistent progress. It is early to report definitive headway and the makings of a sure and steady progress.

Here in the Bay Area, ILWU Local 6's San Francisco Division has been making some headway; down in Los Angeles, Local 11 has reported taking in new members for the last several months. Similarly in San Diego, where ILWU Regional Director Pete Moore has kept up a campaign recently, he is making good in getting new members, with ILWU in longshore, warehousing and in the maritime field.

Up in Northern California, our Stockton local is moving ahead with its organizing program and San Jose's Local 11 has got itself in every corner of the valley, with possibilities of organizing on the Peninsula, which is an extremely important area as far as ILWU is concerned.

In the northwest, ILWU Local 4 (warehouse and longshore) has taken in a group of dock workers and in the Hawaiian Islands, Local 142 is organizing everything in sight in a steady and consistent campaign among miscellaneous workers that carries definite promise for the future.

**AS OUR campaign gets rolling we have to bear in mind that there is a limit to that amount of activity if the interest shown in organization by the rank and file of our membership, especially in those locals I have recently had the opportunity to visit, there has been an excellent response from the membership, and every indication that that response will continue to grow.

It should be emphasized at this point that most of our locals have their contracts headed down and therefore have an excellent opportunity to devote their time and energy to our organizing drive, so we always keep in mind that we have an opportunity to organize at a time when "the grass is greener."**

For the development and building of ILWU is the surest and only guarantee of our continued existence.

**N OR is there any doubt that the changed atmosphere in our country, and throughout the world since the "summit" meeting, is highly beneficial to the national welfare and goes far beyond the narrow question of political security.**

For there has been a relaxation of tension on all levels; there has been a changing of the conceptions of labor and management hunting and the drive toward conformity, and people once more are standing up on their hind legs and speaking their piece about things that they do not like. That is one reason why the prospect for continued organization in the coming months looks very bright, and for our rank and file to continue to show the interest it has exhibited since our 11th Biennial Convention.

Every local has to constantly ask himself what it is doing in this campaign, and push on to further successes. It must be learned from its experience, and that must be turned into a program of action that is the only guarantee of those successes.

ILWU can be justly proud of its long history, and at the risk of repetition it is worthwhile noting that ninety-nine percent of organization is plain hard work, and but hard work is something of which ILWU has never been afraid.

**East Bay Women, Stewards Hit Murder of 14-Year-Old**

OAKLAND — ILWU Auxiliary 17 here has been hit by the murder of 14-year-old Emmett Dwight D. Eisenhower, Mississippi's Governor Hugh White, and US Attorney-General Herbert J. Brownell, the lynching killing of 14-year-old Emmett Till.

Till was murdered by two white men for allegedly "whistling" at the wife of one of the men, and they were acquitted of the murder last week. (His body was found on August 31.)

In their letter to the President, the ILWU women said: "This ruthless killing of a 14-year-old boy must not go unnoticed by the high office which he was forced to take. It is a tragic fact that it is but one of a series of lynchings of a young man of the State of Mississippi in recent months."

These murders have highlighted the imperative need for a forthright and forthright attitude. The ILWU women of the District of Rio, is 10 per cent higher than in other districts of the union, and they have been very active in organizing.

Answer to Who Said It? 1. That is why President Eisenhower Bulletin. 2. It has been the "Welfare Officer" of the ILWU women of the Bay Area this past year. 3. It has been the ILWU organizing campaign, to which our Convention last April gave the impetus, is beginning to roll while the strength of the rank and file is showing up in the steady and consistent progress. It is early to report definitive headway and the makings of a sure and steady progress.

**OAKLAND — The stews of ILWU Local 6 on September 26 addressed a letter to President Dwight D. Eisenhower, protesting the failure of the Federal government to take any action in the Emmett Till murder case.**

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Their letter said: "The murder of two white men charged with the murder of Till were acquitted of the murder charge by an all-white jury after one hour and seven minutes of deliberation."

The Local 6 stewards wrote: "We cannot understand how this inhumane and outrageous act of violence can affect the national welfare and goes far beyond the question of local morality and the black and white social order of the South."

Demanding a Federal investigation of "this outrageous violation of human rights," the stewards asked the President: "As a matter of fact, is there any real and effective anti-lynching law and does your administration intend to enforce it?"

The letter was signed by East Bay ILWU Business agent Paul Lenzer, East Bay Business agent Louis Gonick, and Dispatcher Joe Goldman, and will be forwarded to the President.