ILWU Offers Work Assist To Flight Engineers

SAN FRANCISCO—Fifteen flight engineers employed by United Air Lines are being offered assistance by the ILWU in attempting to get back to work. The company here voted on October 22 to be extended on a day-to-day basis with the right to terminate the contract on 24 hours notice. The company then insisted on its right to cancel the contract also. When asked whether the company planned to cancel the contract, Mr. Cutter stated that he did not know. The company's books were examined by an enlarged committee which included: all fourteen department stewards and the ILWU executive board, and a large committee which would include Coast Guard passes issued and Coast Guard appeals board on November 4.

VIOLENCE NOTED

The ILWU Board, noting that violence and bloodshed have returned to the picket line in the USA, stated that the situation as exemplified in the Square-D, Perfect circle and Packaging-house strikes should be a warning to the entire labor movement of what is likely to happen when the present boom deflates and the inevitable recession takes over.

The Bridges resolution hailed the fifth victory of the ILWU president as a result that cannot be matched (because of) the support of working people all over the world, with the courage and unity of the members of the ILWU as its foundation.

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It extended "thanks and appreciation to all other unions and individuals, both in and out of union work (for) the outstanding support of Harry Bridges in the audit and prosecution of the company."

Predicting that the Bridges victory "augurs well for Jack Hall" (ILWU Local 142) Regional Director), the ILWU Board called on all locals to take note of the fact that the screening process has remained from the beginning, that Coast Guard passes issued and Coast Guard appeals board on November 4.

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Hilo, T.H.—Workers employed by the Robert M. Yamada Transfer Company here voted on October 22 to be represented by ILWU Local 142 in collective bargaining.

Of 83 workers eligible to vote, 76 cast ballots and seven did not. Four ballots were void.

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The workers are employed in the company's coffee farm, agricultural and trucking departments; all voted as a single unit.

ILWU Local 6 Strike or Lockout

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ẦN FRANCISCO—A vigorous call for exchange of American trade union delegations with similar delegations from Europe and the Orient highlighted the October 27-28 meeting of the ILWU executive board here.

The board also denounced the Bi-State Waterfront Commission of the Port of New York and predicted that even the shipowners "will begin to see that they have helped build a Frankenstein monster that is as much a threat to their affairs as it is to the longshoremen and their union activity."

In its policy statement on exchange of labor delegations, the board said: "It is a diagram to the US labor movement that no trade union delegations have so far been exchanged... We believe the time is ripe for an exchange of union delegations, not only with the US but with the neighboring states but also with China."

TO FURTHER TRADE

The statement authorized the ILWU officers "to explore every avenue for developing a program for the exchange of union delegations representing AFL, CIO and Independent unions with the trade union centers of the major European and Asian countries of the world... The principal objective of such delegations should be the furtherance of trade exchange."

Other resolutions adopted included a demand for all ILWU members of Coast Guard appeals boards to resign immediately, in view of the decision of the US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit holding Coast Guard "screening" illegal: others dealt with labor struggles "old style," the Bridges and Jack Hall cases, the attack on the International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers under the Brownsville-Butler Act, the case of James Mattson, leader of the United Electrical Workers Union (UE) who is threatened with deportation, and the lynching of 14-year-old Emmett Till.

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ILWU Board Decisions

See pages 4 and 5.
Now They Tell Us!

THE SCREENING program was based on the famous Magnon act, which authorized the President of the United States to take steps to protect American ships from sabotage of which there has never been any. Some smarty among the elected American public proceeded to adopt a program which soon emerged as a Presidential Executive Order.

And what an order it was. It gave over to the Coast Guard the absolute and unchallengeable power to bar from waterfront or seagoing employment anyhodt it wanted to bar for any reason. After much pressure the Coast Guard finally got around to informing its victims that they had been accused of this or that. By whom? When? That was none of the accused person's business. Prove, if you can, that you did not wear a red necktie on January 29! Prove, if you can, that your wife was not a member of the American Committee his said was attended by some students believed to have red parents! Prove, if you can, that you did not cause men feared to speak out in the face of the screening program. It's the sort of thing you can never measure.

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The Coast Guard has ninety days in which to appeal this outrage to its arrogance. The Coast Guard is operating is both bad and illegal. And that the screening of its ranks and elected officials is a violation of the Constitution to say that due process has been denied. We know all along that it was rape. We said it. But we didn't have the power of a court to stop it. Men have been driven into poverty, men have committed suicide and who knows how much suffering has been experienced by their families?

That the program was the height of anti-union ludicrousness was demonstrated by the fact that a screened seaman could and did buy a ticket and sail as a passenger on a ship from which he had been screened as a worker. And there was the so-called "security risk" among the longshoremen who was harried by a Navy dock when in work pants but assigned as a Naval Reserve man to guard the same dock from other "security risks".

The court said that accused men should be allowed to face and cross-examine their accusers. The Coast Guard has ninety days in which to appeal this outrage to its arrogance.

The importance of the victory won in the Circuit Court and the test of its value lies in how many screened seamen will be able to get back their union books and get back their jobs in the trade of their choosing.

THE LONGSHORE division of the ILWU in California, after all, and compromise, we in the ILWU recall that when the CIO leaders had changed their stripes they tried to change the ILWU by directing us either to conform or face expulsion. We don't change quite so easily, and we have obviously survived the expulsion. In fact, the CIO's life style is waning. And that the CIO's life style is waning and who will honestly deny that from the time CIO became an organization which had no room in it for the ILWU, from that time its own days of survival as an independent labor federation were numbered. The idea was, of course, that once out of CIO we'd be raided harrased and persecuted into line. But it hasn't worked out that way.

These are two heads of the same monster—screening and Taft-Hartley. The Taft-Hartley law has become a potent weapon for entrapment and for the weakening of trade unions. The manner in which the NLRB's agents on the West Coast have deliberately tried to disrupt and harass the hiring hall and the dispatching and registration system is a good example. Another is the deliberate encouragement of anti-union employers—under the protection of Taft-Hartley—in signing backdoor agreements and forcing disputes which the NLRB can label "jurisdictional," and in this way make the disputes the basis for law suits and heavy judgments against the union, while within the union Taft-Hartley stands as the protector of the disrupter and anti-union trouble maker.

It's not surprising that under the impact of Taft-Hartley more and more unions have found themselves in the position of having to fight the NLRB. And worse, ever since Taft-Hartley the NLRB has been able to make up screening programs with which we can resist the effect of these laws upon our members and our organization without being sucked into hopeless head-on collisions which could only end in disaster for the ILWU.

Our ability to fight—and to survive—can be found nowhere except in the ranks of our own membership. If they understand the score we can take each new move against us in our stride—and come out stronger and more unified than ever before.
Dental Plan Renewed in Wilmington

WILMINGTON, Calif.—Enrollments for the pilot dental program are open at Locals 13, 63 and 94 here, with coverage extended through June 30, 1956, as agreed in the last longshore negotiations.

For the seven-month extension of the program, starting December 1, families covered by the ILWU-PMA Welfare Fund have a choice between the service dental plan and the insurance company dental plan for their children up to age 15.

TIME TO SIGN UP

Families not enrolled for the program’s first year must sign up at their local now in order to have their children covered for the extension.

Families already enrolled need sign up again only if they want to change from one plan to the other. No new signup is needed for those who want to continue with the same plan.

The locals will take signups through December 1. No changes or new enrollments can be accepted after this signup period is over.

All dental coverage ends automatically when a child reaches his fifteenth birthday.

SERVICE PLAN

Under the service plan, a group of dentists provides care for any child enrolled. Dental care is covered by the ILWU-PMA Welfare Fund’s first year must sign up at their local now in order to have their children covered for the extension.

Insurance company plan maximum benefit for the extension is $53 per child. For a change in the maximum from the first year’s $75 are the shorter period of time covered and the fact that there should not be as much work needed now as before, with the contractor accomplishing all much restorative care as possible.

Under the insurance company plan, the children may go to any dentist who is a member of the American Dental Association or eligible for membership.

Payments are made up to the amounts in the plan’s indemnification schedule, up to the $53 maximum. Benefits not used during the first year cannot be carried over to the extension. The $15 insurance for dental accidents continues.

NO ORTHODONTICS

Both the service plan and the insurance plan exclude orthodontics care purely for appearance, and care provided through the Fund’s other health plans.

SAN FRANCISCO—Enrollments for the Bay area dental program extension, October 1, 1955, through June 30, 1956, are 2,010 in the service plan, 1,417 in the insurance company plan, a total of 3,427 children covered.

Three Year Contract Won by Local 26—LA

LOS ANGELES—Negotiations between ILWU Local 26 and Gates Rubber Co., continued last week, with the signing of a three-year contract which provides for a 10 cents an hour across-the-board increase now and annual re-openings for wage talks. Also gained was a seventh paid holiday, Armistice Day.

185 Accidents to NC Dockers in August

SAN FRANCISCO—A total of 34 compensable accidents (involving over 7 days lost time) was reported for the month of August by the ILWU-PMA Job Level Safety Committee. A report of this type is not necessarily limited to injuries sustained while on the docks. There were 185 accidents during the month, of which 125 took place aboard ships and 60 on the docks. Slip, trip, and fall incidents constituted the majority of those accidents (25), with striking against objects being number two (16 each).

Kaiser Hospital in Wilmington

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Kaiser Foundation Hospital in the Los Angeles harbor area were held last week. The new hospital will cost $1,000,000, is a single story, T-shaped, and will contain 66 beds and complete medical facilities. Innovations include separate corridors for hospital personnel and the public, decentralized nurses’ stations, a private nursery plan to keep mother and baby together. The upper photograph shows a general view of the building from the architect’s drawing. Below, ILWU and PMA representatives pose with State Assemblyman Vincent Thomas (8th district) at the groundbreaking ceremonies. From the left are D. H. McKinlay, Local 63 secretary; Pete Moore, regional director; Bill Stumpf, ILWU-PMA Welfare Fund area welfare director; Jim Cribben, PMA vice-president; Loyd Seeberger, Local 26 business agent; Assemblyman Thomas, foot on shovel; Richard Cacanora, Local 13 member; George Kurakas, Local 13 business agent with foot on shovel; William Marlow, PMA area manager; George Love, Local 13 president; Ernie Bowen, Local 94 president, and L. B. Thomas, union trustee of the ILWU-PMA welfare fund. The ceremonies followed a luncheon attended by Kaiser Foundation, PMA, Chamber of Commerce and labor representatives. The new hospital will be one of the most modern in the Kaiser chain of West Coast hospitals.

Oakland Women Hear UN Report

OAKLAND—ILWU Auxiliary 17 in the East Bay invited members and the public to attend a meeting on November 11 to hear Mrs. Ruth Howard-Pennell speak on the work of the United Nations Children’s Fund. The meeting was scheduled to be held in United Nations Hall (160 Grand Avenue, Oakland), with Mrs. Susan McKeown, vice-president, presiding.

Corporate profiles thus far in 1955 are running about 20 per cent ahead of 1954 levels; for big companies the figure is closer to 15 per cent.

Nominations in Local 26 to Close

LOS ANGELES—Nominations for officers of ILWU Local 26 for 1956 will close November 17. It was announced last week. Nominations must be made on petitions signed by at least 10 members in good standing, and must be delivered to the local’s office on or before the closing date.

Business agents, recording secretaries and sergeants-at-arms will be elected for both Los Angeles and Wilmington. President, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and three trustees will also be elected. The new executive board will have 25 members, elected by the 12 industry divisions of the local.
For Trade Union Delegations Overseas

The Big Four foreign ministers are meeting this week in London: There is a strong possibility that the agreement reached at the Summit Conference last month may be ratified by the time the conference adjourns. The conference is expected to focus on the Middle East question, and it is hoped that a settlement can be reached. It is also likely that the conference will discuss the situation in Vietnam and the Korean peninsula.

A DISGRACE

It is a disgrace that the U.S. labor movement that no trade union delegations have so far been exchanged. And this, despite the fact that official delegations from British, French, Canadian, Italian, and other union centers have already travelled all over Eastern Europe and China.

We are only beginning to see the exchange of union delegations, not only with the states of the Western countries and countries of Eastern Europe, but also with China. Many existing trade restrictions have already been dropped or modified in order to help speed the development of free trade throughout the world.

The ILWU, because of its geographical position, is particularly interested in seeing a growth in Asian trade. Not alone China, but India and Indonesia—countries with which the United States should have increased trade.

We therefore, authorize the officers of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union to screen any program for a trade union delegation in order to represent the interest of the American working men.

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The principal objective of such delegations is the furtherance of trade expansion.

The ILA and the Bi-State Commission

A FRANKENSTEIN MONSTER

Up and down the Atlantic Coast and along the Pacific Coast, longshoremen are fighting to keep the U.S. Strike-LineScreening Program from being used against them. The U.S. Strike-LineScreening Program has brought to the Hawaiian Islands a Frankenstein monster that is as much a threat to the longshoremen and their union as it was to the lives and property of the people of the Hawaiian Islands.

For Trade Union Delegations Overseas

October 27 and 28, 1955

The Coast Guard Screening Decision

The decision of the U.S. Coast Guard that has been rendered in the case of the ILWU is a victory for the American working men. The decision of the U.S. Coast Guard has given the ILWU a chance to prove that it is not a union that is interested in preventing its members from working. The decision of the U.S. Coast Guard has given the ILWU a chance to prove that it is not a union that is interested in preventing its members from working.

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Here's Candid Camera At ILWU Board Meeting

Here are members and spectators at the October 27-28 meeting of the ILWU executive board as The Dispatcher's candid camera caught them. Above, in order, are First Vice President J. R. Robertson, Henry Schmidt (Northern California), Watson Jones (Canada), Second Vice President Germain Bulcke, Attorney Richard Glaenstein (who addressed the board on legal points), Secretaries-Treasurer Louis Case and President Warren Bridges. (Statements of the board are printed on pages 4 and 5.)

Newton Miyagi, Reino Colatario and William Wah Yick (Hawaii) with vacationing International Representative Andy Sals of Hawaii in the background, Gordon Giblin (Southern California), Charles Ross (Columbia River), Frank M. Andrews and Charles Appel (Washington & Alaska) with Coast Labor Relations Committee member Howard Bodine and Research Director Lincoln Fairley.

Board Calls For Labor Delegations

(Continued from page 1)

dissent and to label as subversive the ordinary activities of trade unions.

Noting that the International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers is the first labor organization to be attacked directly under the new law, the Board stated it would "do everything in our power to support Mine-Mill in this fight... (and) will exert our influence to have the hearing before the SACB delayed until after the US Supreme Court has acted on the constitutionality of the McCarran Act" (now before the high court).

A resolution directed to President Eisenhower, the Immigration & Naturalization Service and the chairman of the Senate and House Judiciary Committees condemned the present attempt to deport James Matles, director of Local 222 (warehouse) here, as "an all-out attack to weaken and destroy UE by raiding, NLRB and court action.

A demand that the deportation proceedings be dropped was part of the resolution.

THE MISSISSIPPI OUTRAGE

Expressing outrage over the lynching-murder of Emmett Till, 14-year-old Negro boy whose admitted kidnappers were acquitted by an all-white jury in Mississippi, the Board said:

"Violent repression (of the Negro people) will not stop (them) in their drive to demand fulfillment of the pledges made to them by American democracy."

The board called on the Justice Department to "use all its power and prestige not only to bring the Till murderers to book but to be prepared to step into similar cases as they occur."

A demand was also made upon California congressmen to support those representatives who are demanding that Mississippi's legislators be refused seats in the Congress on the ground that they were illegally elected "because Negroes were systematically prevented from voting."

Washington Local Wins 10 Cents More

WASHINGTON, D.C. — ILWU Local 222 (warehouse) here recently renewed its contract with the Somerville Company, winning a five-cent wage increase, effective immediately, with another five cents payable beginning December 26.

The ten-cent raise replaces the company's Christmas bonus system, which was a voluntary setup that was not written into the collective bargaining agreement. Jeff Kibre, ILWU Local 222 (warehouse) representative informed The Dispatcher this week.

"In the last goolie years," Kibre said, "it had become a source of considerable friction and confusion, therefore everyone was more than satisfied to... eliminate the bonus."
ILWU Local 10 Starts A Drive on Chiseling

SAN FRANCISCO—ILWU Local 10, at its meetings of the last week of October, initiated a campaign against hiring hall chiseling.

Chiseling by individuals who are members of the local and of the man-out rules of the hiring hall, agreed upon by both the union and the employers, was greeted with enthusiastic support.

ROHATCH REPORTS

The report was given by vice-president Robert Rohatch in the absence of Local 10 president Martin Callaghan. Discussion of the issue was also participated in by ILWU President Harry Bridges, a member of the local, and by Bill Chester, ILWU Northern California Local 6 business agent.

Rohatch told the membership that there was a handful of persistent violators of the man-out rules. It was pointed out that these men by virtue of the fact that they were in the business of obtaining work for a share of the available work, and that they were in line to get the full penalties under the joint dispatching regulations.

Rohatch pointed out that the Local 10 hiring hall is the fairest and most wholesome in the whole state, and that it was the local's job to clean it up. He said the interna-

Local 6 Wins NLRB Vote At Goodyear

SAN FRANCISCO—Announcement was made last week that ILWU Local 6 had won an NLRB election at the Goodyear Rubber plant (Third Street, San Francisco).

The plant has no connection with the Goodyear fire company, but the Local 6 membership in the Local Labor Relations Union, approached ILWU Local 6 and voted to disaffiliate from their former union.

In the NLRB election, held on October 18, there were 27 votes for ILWU, none for the former union, 2 votes were challenged and 2 voted "no union."

Bridges Conquered By Chinese Workers

SAN FRANCISCO—Congratulations to ILWU President Harry Bridges in San Francisco for the dismissal of Inter-

Local 14 Oldtimers Honored at Dinner

EUREKA—A banquet for ILWU Local 14 pensioners was held here on November 5 in the Carson Memorial Building. The affair was arranged by Auxiliary 29 and between 80 and 100 persons were present.

Guest of honor were oldtimers Emil T. Madsen, Oscar Sundell, Oscar Nelson and William Bowie.

John Sundell, president of the longshore local, acted as chairman and introduced ILWU Pension Director Henry Schmidt, who made the main address of the evening.

To Break Ground For 26 Building

LOS ANGELES—Ground-breaking for the new ILWU Local 26 headquarters will take place within two weeks, Secretary-Treasurer Lou Sherman announced this week.

Loans for construction have been approved and as soon as the necessary papers are registered, work will begin.

The Board's telegram was signed by President Harry Bridges and Secretary-Treasurer Louis Goldblatt.

Auxiliaries Convene in Washington

BELLE WICHIGAN, Wash.—The second meeting this fall of the ILWU Puget Sound Council of Auxiliaries was held here, at 807 State Street recently, with Mrs. Rhoda Wishon addressing.

By-laws for the council were read and agreed upon and individual auxiliaries affiliated to the council reported on their manifold activities.

Reports were heard from Seattle, Bellingham, Aberdeen and Raymond (Washington) auxiliaries, as well as from Vancouver New Westminster (B.C.) bodies.

A state-wide meeting of ILWU auxiliaries will be held in Aberdeen on January 29-31, 1936, Mrs. Mildred K. Chappell, secretary, said.

HOQUAM, Wash.—ILWU Auxiliary 2 here is enjoying a busy season according to its secretary, Gladys Hooper, who reported that raffles, public parties and rummage sales are scheduled to swell the treasury for the auxiliary's hospital work.

Union Veteran Frank Jensen, a member of ILWU Local 19, is a union veteran on the Seattle waterfront. The Dis- patcher proudly arrested in its issue of September 30 in reporting his Coast Guard incident. (His pass was lifted immediately after he testified for ILWU President Harry Bridges in San Francisco. It has since been restored.) In 1909, Frank came to Seattle where he attended Lawton Grammar School and Queen Anne High School. He began working on the Seattle water- front in 1920 and has been continuously employed there in the longshore industry where he has a gang. His many activities in the Local include membership in the Local Labor Rela-

ILWU Board Condoles With Widow of Judge McWilliams

SAN FRANCISCO—The ILWU Inter- national Executive Board on October 27 voted to express to the widow of the late Judge Robert McWilliams, its deepest sympathy on the passing of her husband.

In a telegram to Mrs. Lucy McWi-

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ILWU Warehousing

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**Local 13 Scout Troop Growing**

WILMINGTON — The Boy Scout troop sponsored by ILWU Local 13 has 14 members and is slowly growing, Scoutmaster Bob Rhenhardt announced last week. All but three are sons of members of Local 13.

Louis Salas is chairman of the Local's Scout Committee. Other committee members are Lucky Gomez, Jim Corley, Walter Wilson and Rhenhardt. The last three are all "34 men."

Corley has a cabin at Arrowhead, where at least 10 camp-outs are planned for the coming year. He and Wilson are both woodsmen and hunters and plan a program of outdoor activities for the Scouts.

A basket picnic and swim was held by the Troop last Saturday for Scouts and their families at Colorado Lagoon in Long Beach.

Gilbert Salas is acting Jr. Assistant Scoutmaster and together with Scout Hererras took Greenbar training recently to add in the training of other members of the troop.

**Local 26 Ups Its Initiation Fee**

LOS ANGELES — By approval of the membership of ILWU Local 26 of an executive board recommendation, the initiation fee of the local was raised to $10, effective October 21.

"Reasons for the increase," secretary-treasurer Lou Sherman said, "is that there has been no increase in initiation fee in recent years to compensate for numerous economic gains made by the union; and the unusually low initiation fee of the local as compared to other unions."

**ILWU Local 26 Stewards Choose Gil Gutierrez**

LOS ANGELES — Elections held by ILWU Local 26 Stewards Council to fill vacancies caused by resignations saw Gil Gutierrez installed as chairman and Sid London as new secretary.

Elected as co-vice-chairmen to represent the scrap industry on the Council were Elton Powdrill and Jesse Jones.

The home mortgage debt alone is about 30 per cent of the total disposable income (income after taxes) compared with about 15 per cent a decade ago and 23 per cent in 1929.
Federated Auxiliaries Make Report to the ILWU Board

SAN FRANCISCO — Mrs. Valerie Taylor, president, and Mrs. Norma Wyatt, secretary of the ILWU Federated Auxiliaries, reported to the ILWU Executive Board on October 28 that chances looked good for developing the women's auxiliaries in their community, in Washington, Astoria and Bandon, Oregon, Port Alberni, B.C., Port Townsend and even in Alaska.

"Auxiliary Growth," Mrs. Taylor said, "is entirely too slow considering the demands of the times and the forces at hand which could be concentrated."

The reason for the slow tempo, the Auxiliary president maintained, can be found in the fact that "International and local unions have been concentrating all their time and energy on organizing work, to the neglect of the local auxiliaries."

The ILWU Board recommend to its district councils that local and union auxiliaries cooperate with auxiliary organization, such as "Never Underestimate the Power of a Woman" (which appeared in the Local 6 Bulletin last September).

Recent examples of this growing ad

The Executive Board adopted the report.

Local 6 Strike

Out Lockout Seen

Report to the ILWU Board

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ILWU Local 6 is currently in negotiation with the Cutter Laboratories of Berkeley (see story on page 1), and the bosses there have been taking the same adamant position and challenging the rights of the union, and the reason for this attitude is the same as the NAM formula for strike-breaking and union-smashing.

These outlaws, or feel, that they have an administration power now, under General Executive Board, will support their efforts to put the unions in their place. For the National Association of Manufacturers, to get tough with the trade unionists, to "back to work" movements.

Examples of this, of course, are the miffed $1 an hour minimum wage and some of the recent Supreme Court decisions in recent months—because of mass dissatisfaction with the way things are going.

Too many of us, I'm afraid, feel too good these days, when the administration—with the knowledge and support of big business—is helping up the axe to use on us, in the form of the National Labor Relations Board.

We have to get ready to meet this attack, which will come through the new National Labor Relations Board, for FLIR sellouts are spending their days trying to hand down our hank and file.

The answer, of course, to all such threats is a stronger ILWU, organized and mobilized (as always) to resist the attack and to fight actively for its rights. For this reason all of us must place our faith, now and in the future.

Big business is trying to become still bigger. The Federal Trade Commission reports that business mergers in 1954 were up 200 per cent over 1919.