SPU, MFOW

At Odds Over Vacation Pay

SAN FRANCISCO — Harry Lundberg of the Sailors Union of the Pacific and the AFL-CIO's ILWU, which is affiliated with Lundberg's union through the Seafarer's International Union, was at loggerheads this week over the firemen's demand for vacation pay equal to that won by the sailors.

Vincent Malone, president of the Firemen's union, has announced a "no-slip-on" policy against Pacific Maritime Association ships and Lundeberg has served notice on the shipowners that they will be subject to reprisals if they grant the vacation demand of his fellow unionists.

Both the SUP and the MFOW recently accepted a $255 monthly increase. Lundberg, however, negotiated a Tacoma type contract which gave up the 40-hour week at sea in exchange for a higher base pay, eliminating overtime and penalty pay.

TWO LINES AGREE

As result of their higher base pay, the sailors became eligible for higher vacation pay. The firemen, retaining overtime and penalty pay, want such pay credited toward vacations so that their vacations will approximate that of the sailors.

Two lines—AFL and PFE—which signed from PMA insofar as deck and engine contracts are concerned had accorded to the firemen's demand as of this writing.

First ship delayed by the firemen's no-slip-on policy was the Trans-Pac, which disappeared for the sail on December 5 with a cargo of Christmas mail and military supplies.

Schmidt Takes Over

Portland—Henry Schmidt, ILWU Pension Director and member of the International Executive Board, addressed a meeting of the Columbia River Pensioners on December 1, and gave a review of the finances of the Pension Fund.

He told the 132 old-timers from ILWU Locals 8 and 12 that as of June 30, 1955, the administrative costs of the Fund came to less than three quarters of one per cent of the total income of $17,411,123.88 for the four years ending on that date.

Schmidt gave a comprehensive talk on the activities of pensioners in other areas on the Coast and their hobbies, and also discussed a measure currently before Congress that would amend the Social Security Act, lowering the eligibility age for women from 65 to 62, and providing disability payments for workers after age 50.

ILWU Washington Office

Changes Its Address

Effective December 1, 1955, the Washington Office of the ILWU will move from 503 F Street to the Colorado Building. The new address will be:

ILWU

Colorado Building

1341 G Street, N.W.

Washington 5, D.C.

The present telephone number (National 8-8770) will continue unchanged.

On the Press

This 94-page history of ILWU is on the press. It should be available for purchase by the end of the year, at 50 cents a copy, and may be ordered now through the ILWU Book Club. (See order blank on box on back page.) The booklet is profusely illustrated and the cover was designed by Rockwell Kent, the noted artist who is one of three

Tom Morse of Oregon

Speaks To ILWU Local 12

NORTH BEND, Ore. — US Senator Wayne Morse (D.Ore.) on December 1 addressed ILWU members and other working people in the Local 12 hiring hall here.

Morse made a hasty trip from Portland to speak to the combined labor groups and attacked the Taft-Hartley Act in these words:

HITS TAFT-HARTLEY

"I am opposed to any 'package plan' of proposed amendments to the TH act unless it has three stipulations. One, I will fight any package plan unless it corrects injunctive abuses—the government by injunction used particularly in weakly organized areas and regions with unemployment problems.

"Second, we must correct the law on secondary boycotts. Not all are bad and if the 'House of Labor' is to be protected, it must be able to work concertedly, as a body with the strength to win a battle.

"Third, TH amendments must not weaken the Interstate Commerce Commission authority between states. The commerce amendment is the most vicious piece of anti-labor legislation ever offered the Senate..."

The Oregon senator said he favored a "Jefferson-Lincoln government for the people and by the people" instead of a "Hamiltonian government with a rule of the many by a few..."

250 Pints of Blood

Is Local 13 Goal

WILMINGTON—A goal of 250 pints of blood has been set for the ILWU Local 13 blood bank drive scheduled for December 16. Local 13 Vice-President Adrian Finch announced this week.

The Red Cross mobile unit will be at the Local 13 hall from 2 to 7 p.m., and transportation from the docks to the hall will be furnished where needed.

50¢ AFL & CIO

Merge Into One Group

NEW YORK—The AFL and the CIO officially and legally became the American Federation of Labor & Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) December 5 in the first session of the merged union. Every action taken was by unanimous vote, from adoption of the resolutions of unification to the election of the two top officers and 27 vice presidents of the new federation.

AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany, later in the morning unani

mously elected secretary-treasurer of the AFL-CIO, reported for the unity convention that 1,481 certified delegates had been seated, representing 133 nation

al and international unions, five depart

ments, 91 constituent federations, 498 state and city central bodies, and 148 directly charted local unions, having a total of 13,683,890 votes. The unity convention called and the rules and order of business were presented by Secretary-Treasurer James Carey of the CIO and the unity report by President David McDonald of the United Steelworkers (CIO). With President Harry Bates of the AFL Bricklayers in the chair, the convention unanimously approved all the reports.

MEANY TO HEAD

Meany's unopposed election as first president for a 2-year term of the new federation was the high point of the proceedings. Nominated by Reuther af

after President Peter Schoemann of Meany's AFL plumbers and steamfit

ters had gained a strong following. The way, the new presiden

ted termed the merger "the most im

portant trade union development of time..." He called for a dropping of the old separate labels. He stated without reservation that that the affiliated unions will have "complete and absolute auton

omy," thus reassuring the International Typographical Union (AFL), disquieted by certain language in the new constitution that seem to open the door to the ITU's traditional jurisdictional auton

omy. The territorial makers also had some reservations.

US Appeals Decision on

CG Screening

SAN FRANCISCO—The US Depart

ment of Justice filed notice last week that it intended to appeal the October 26 decision of the US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, holding Coast Guard screening procedure unconsti

tutional and a denial of due process of law.

The filing of the notice of appeal acted to stay a mandate of the appellate court, thus granting the Coast Guard to stop screening seamen and longshoremen without granting them the rights due to any American charged with an offense.

In their October 26 decision, Judges Pope and McAllister held that the procedures used by the Coast Guard in depriving waterfront and seagoing workers of their rights under the Fifth Amendment was a flagrant violation of the Fifth Amendment to the US Constitution.

"Under this screening system," the Judges wrote, "there is no provision for notice and an opportunity to be heard as generally understood..."
A Voice from Gettysburg

By Harry Bridges

O F ALL the collective bargaining problems facing the labor movement today, those resulting from the effects of automation are going to turn out to be among the most important and the toughest to handle.

Most workers, especially those in the mass production industries, are already familiar with the results of automation. For example, the new Ford tractor is largely automatic. It turns out twice as many engines as the old style plant, and with one-tenth the manpower. Similar examples can be found in industry after industry.

To the workers involved in automation means layoffs, reclassification, and new demands. For instance, the most urgent of the new bodies are those who are being laid off, those for whom training and retraining are required. Job security, seniority rights and the use of the grievance and bargaining machinery in determining production standards and job classification and job protection are all under attack.

One of the signs that automation is at work is the growing number of factory workers employed outside of the production process. The machines not only do more of the work, but they run automatically, not by men. More and more workers are maintenance men, repair men and materials handlers—fewer are production workers.

Unless a union’s collective bargaining approach and its policies are adjusted to meet the impact of automation, the members are in for a rough ride.

I T IS in this light that some of the recent national collective bargaining agreements seem to be so dangerous for the rank and file. The pattern has been to accept a temporary monetary gain instead of hanging tough on job security and guarantees for the individual worker. A wage increase or a promise of a "guaranteed annual wage" are meaningless protections to the worker who needs security on the job first.

Take the General Motors Agreement which runs until 1958. Under this the empire, or industry arbitrator, is forbidden from ruling on any dispute regarding production standards. Meanwhile the much heralded "guaranteed annual wage" has been recognized by employers as a "green light" to automation. It means that a smart employer won’t have to worry about his future payments into the lay-off fund by speeding up automation and reducing the size of the work force.

GE just signed a five year agreement—running to 1960—with the specific proviso that during this period in which many new machines and new processes will come into operation there can be no arbitration of piece rates, job classifications or production standards. The union will either accept the company’s proposals or they’ll go into effect without the union’s acceptance.

Since October 17 the workers of Westinghouse, nationwide, have been out on strike over the refusal of the company to agree to arbitrate production standards. Of course, Westinghouse workers are right in their strike. They understand the dangers of letting the company have a free rein during the period of change-over to automation.

But who can understand the reasoning of a union leader like Jim Carey, who is now striking Westinghouse for something he has already given to GE?

Westinghouse, on general principles, refuses to arbitrate anything which unifies labor or any grievance agreement that they’re honor bound to respect. The ILWU, on the other hand, is demanding the right to negotiate and arbitrate over production standards, re-classifications and the like.

But by its very nature, automation makes such agreements impossible. The ILWU is obviously not opposed to mechanization or automation. We know that at the same time that they are profit-making, the machines not only do more of the work, but they also bring about the destruction of the individual worker. The future is automation, if the workers get the short end of the stick.

And many a union could be wrecked on it...
US Senator Becomes A US Target

WASHINGTON—Apparently fearing it may lose in its attempt to brand the Washington Pension Union as communist-dominated—under the McCarran Act, the Justice Department November 15 asked a court to order the U.S. Senator Tompkins now asks the Subversive Activities Control Board to remove SACB member Harry Cain from the case.

Months ago the WPU failed to get a 1955 vice-president of ILWU Local 10 last week in primary elections held in the longshore local, won re-election to his post by defeating George Walsh defeated Walter Nelson for the post of vice-president in a runoff conducted December 1, 2 and 3. The vote was 1,677 to 1,375.

Elected as chief dispatcher was John O'Leary, and as assistant chief, Samuldoff. Other dispatchers named were Pete Borst, Albert James, John Yasko and Sven Youngquist.

In a letter to the NLRB, union attorney John Yasko and as assistant chief, Mike Steele, Al Valenzuela, Walter Williams, John Yasko and Sven Youngquist.

In the head by a sling-load of lumber killed November 26 when he was struck by a barge at the Moore Mill Dock here. He was 40 years old and was apparently the victim of the Louisville, Kentucky 'sediton' cases. Together with others he was indicted for deporting a Filipino.

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ILWU Blood Bank Assists

Mrs. Rystad's age, ill health, and for the handling of scrap and pig iron.

Facilities to Handle Scrap

LONG BEACH—A modern facility for the handling of scrap and pig iron is being built here by port authorities which will bring such cargoes, now being handled by other ports with modern methods, through the local harbor, Local 13 President George Love said last week.

Several thousand tons of these cargoes have already been lined up for Long Beach, Love said, and once

ILWU Board Hits

Rystad Deportation

SAN FRANCISCO—The threatened deportation of Mrs. Toru Rystad of Seattle, wife of an ILWU Local 19 longshoreman, was protested by the International Executive Board of ILWU in a letter sent on November 16 to General J. M. Swing, commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

"In view of the many special circumstances bearing this case, including Mrs. Rystad's age, ill health, and American-born children, we urge that the deportation order be set aside," the Board said, "and Mrs. Rystad be permitted to live out her life in the United States with her family."

Rystad was deported last week after being found guilty of making false statements on a passport application.

ILWU Board

Meet, Hold Lunch

SAN FRANCISCO—ILWU Auxiliaries of San Francisco, Oakland, Sacramento and Eureka, constituting the Northern California District Council of ILWU Auxiliaries held an organizing meeting here November 6.

The delegates reaffirmed their support of the program and policies of ILWU. A buffet luncheon was served.

Millions of Us Are Now Considered

WASHINGTON—Millions of names of American citizens are in the Civil Service Commission files ready for rejection as alleged "security risks" if they should try to land a government job, CSC Chairman Philip Young said November 28. He spoke before the Senate subcommittee on constitutional liberties, headed by Senator Thomas Hemmings (D., Mo.), which is inquiring into the loss of freedom in the U.S. under cold war conditions.

Civil Service Commission has a file of about 2 million names of people who might or might not some time apply for government jobs and who are allegedly "affiliated with some sort of subversive organization or activity."

Another file, he said, contains the names of 5 million people who once worked for the government or applied for a U.S. job and who have some connection with "security" matters.

This kind of vagueness about screening the political opinions of government workers and their families and associates was made quite definite the same day when the subcommittee heard from Ray Boyle, a distinguished novelist whose books are on the U.S. Information Service library shelves.

Miss Boyle told Hemmings how her husband, Joseph W. Frankenstein, had been fired by his U.S. Information Service job in Germany because he, his wife, was supposed to be a "communist" or a "communization front."

Standing under oath that she is not a communist and never has been one, Miss Boyle defied anyone to find "communism" in her 25 published books.

She said she had contributed to peace and civil liberties causes without knowing they were listed by the Attorney General on what is commonly called the "subversive list."

Now Look Who's Brain Washing Whom!

BOSTON—First it was the communist sect. Now it is the government labor that is being charged with "brainwashing."

The Associated Industries of Massachusetts, losing a blacklist of 55 state legislators, 7 of them Democrats, charged that "a sort of anti-industry brainwashing has been done upon these men" by the organized labor movement.

Hartley Hanson, president of the anti-communist union, said the legislators named had visited "100 per cent for business."

A mong "anti-business" issues cited were proposals for a $10 a week raise in maximum unemployment and workmen's compensation benefits, a resolution calling for the repeal of the Taft-Hartley law, a $360 increase for state employees, making Election Day a holiday, a constitutional amendment to permit a state income tax, a cash sickness insurance plan, and a state requirement that business pay time and one-half for overtime.

7 1/2 Cents Won at LA Firm by Strike Threat

LOS ANGELES—Threat of a stop-work meeting by members of ILWU Local 26 at Inceondent Supply brought a wage increase of 7 1/2 cents an hour across-the-board, with an increase of 17 1/2 cents to the truck driver classifications.

The contract is for one year.

Accidents in LA Harbor On Increase

WILMINGTON—A report compiled by Adrian Finch, vice-president of ILWU Local 2, shortly after the end of the month, was drowned December 1 when he fell off the Standard Oil docks here at 3:45 a.m.

Lopez, who was nearing 60, was walking down the pier wharf when he fell into the water. Local 2 member David Ellis, who made an attempt to save Lopez, and at considerable risk to his own life.

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Insurance Dentists Should Be ADA'ers

SAN FRANCISCO—Federal Welfare Fund trustees this week called the attention of all dock workers whose children are covered by the Dental Program's Insurance Company Plan to this requirement in their dental benefits.

The plan can pay benefits only for care received from a dentist who is either a member of the American Dental Association or eligible for membership.

The trustees urged the families to check with the dentist on his eligibility status before calling in any question, the families should check with the local or area welfare director.

In 37 states east of the Rocky Mountains, no dental building contracts awarded in September were below year-earlier figures for the first time in nearly two years. The decline was 6 per cent under a year ago, and the total for the month represented a drop of 31.5 per cent from the April peak. The drop was only partly seasonal in nature.

Subversive

The civil service chief at first claimed he had never used the term "security risk," but backed up when newsmen showed him his own printed statements using this phrase. He claimed that there has always been a great misrepresentation of these cases, and that this is not private, which I abhor."

He added: "I am trying to define the meaning of a security risk."

The hearings of the Hemmings sub-committee brought out the worst offenses against traditional American liberties carried out recently in the name of anti-communism. Young's frank admission that there is more and more evidence that the risk points up the fact that firqings have been based on many other considerations than protecting the government of the U.S.
Unions in Israel Are Described

PORTLAND, Ore. — Representatives of Portland unions, including the ILWU, heard a first-hand report recently on the growth and outreach into many activities of Histrut, the Israeli federation of Labor unions.

The story was told by Moshe Bar-Tal, Histrut's "ambassador" in the movement of the United States and Canada, at a luncheon meeting attended by 126 representatives of AFL-CIO and independent unions.

Although the nation of Israel was created by the United Nations only 1 1/2 years ago, Palestine unions are more than twice as strong as they were at the time of the Nakba. Today it operates its own schools, hospitals, and an orphanage that cares for almost half of the adults in Israel belong to unions.

About 60 percent of the dues taken in go to the support of the medical center and to the benefit of the world, Bar-Tal said.

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EASY ON BOOZE

HONOLULU, T. H. — Representatives Donald L. Jackson (R., Calif.), who was for 20 days on active duty with the Marine Corps as a reserve officer, told the local newspapers that he thinks the Islands should be investigated again for "Communist influences."

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By Local 142

HONOLULU, T. H.—Tonyo Rania, incumbent president of ILWU Local 142 was re-elected in balloting that took place in the big Hawaii local between October 30 and November 12.

"Who will hold office in 1956 are:

Constantine Samson (vice-president),
Newton Miyagi (secretary-treasurer) and
for the local-wide executive board:

(1) H. P. Schenkel (business agent for long-
shore) ; Dominador Agayan (business agent, pineapple).

In the various divisions, leadership posts went to the following:

DIVISION RESULTS

Hawaii: George Martin (director), Edward C. Poultney (treasurer), Florence Fuerte (local executive board). Frances C. Latorre and Yoshito Takamine (business agents -at-large); Herman del Castillo (business agent -at-large); Willard L. Jr. (business agent for longshore); Noboru Miyamoto (trustee); Nicolas D. Musso (president of ILWU Local 142, function as a union busting and strikebreaking machine.

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Local 207: Manager; Local 208: John

Local 63: LeGrant, L. H.; Local 91:

Local 94: James S. Gudde and Victor Meyers (Local 10)

Local 22: Charles Hamilton, Sam

Local 7 pensioners on November 13 in

the union hall here, followed by a fam-

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Perfect Circle Corporation to Prosecute Seventy Strikers

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WASHINGTON—The NLRB was set back once again November 10 in its continuing effort to declare unions not in compliance with Taft-Hartley Sec. 8(b), the non-communist affidavit section. The latest ruling was by the court of appeals here in favor of the International Union of Mine Mill & Smelter Workers.

The ruling, without a written opinion, was based on the decision by three different judges of the same court of appeals last February in a similar case involving the International Fur & Leather Workers Union. In both cases, the issue was whether a union could maintain its compliance with the political affidavit section if one of its officials had been convicted for having filed a false affidavit.

**HAS NO POWER**

In the IFLWU case last February, the appeals court held unanimously that the NLRB has no power to end the legal standing of a union. It is, instead, limited to receiving the affidavit of the officer, the court held. In the IFLWU case the affidavit of former President Ben Gold was in question. In the Mine-Mill case it involved the affidavit of Clinton Jencks, executive secretary and business manager.

Because another case similar to these two has been decided differently in the sixth circuit court of appeals in Cincinnati, O., observers expect the matter to go to the US Supreme Court. Meanwhile, however, the NLRB attempts to take away so-called "compliance status" from the unions appears checked.

**AFL Threatens to Oust Scab Pilots**

NEW YORK—The AFL-CIO board December 2 at the final session of its last convention before the AFL-CIO merger voted to lift the charter of the Air Line Pilots Association. ALPA members have been scalping on the strikes of the Flight Engineers International Association against United Air Lines.

However, the ALPA was given a chance to stay in the federation, because the granting of a charter-lifting resolution stated the expulsion would be effective in 10 days, December 12, if the strike situation were not cleared up. This met the legal difficulty of the AFL-CIO in either the disaffiliation of an affiliate of the AFL-CIO, destined to come formally into existence December 5.

Insiders at the convention said there was a good possibility that ALPA officials would straighten out their relations with the striking flight engineers, and in this event the charter-lifting would not take place.

**US to Appeal CG Screen Decision**

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to be required by the provisions of the FIFTH AMENDMENT relating to due process...

The judges therefore issued an injunction against the Coast Guard continuing to apply its screening procedures, but which injunction cannot go into effect now unless and until the US Supreme Court upholds the appellate decision.

**INFORMERS HIT**

The judges also took a hard slap at the government's use of informers and students' models and designs. The project: design for a longshoremen's building and dining hall. The designs were many and widely varied in style, all interesting. Architect Henry Hill, instructor of the class, designed the building which is soon to be erected for time longshoremen near Fishermen's Wharf in San Francisco. Top picture shows a student explaining his design to the visitors. Closely inspecting it is Louis Cohn, building consultant for the Memorial Association. At left are William Chester, II, Regional Director for Northern California and vice president of the Association, Henry Hill and William Kirby, an association director. Pictured also are three scale models and a drawing.

**Students Solve Building Problems**

Two members of the board of directors of the San Francisco Bay Area Longshoremen's Memorial Association journeyed to Stanford University's School of Art and Architecture December 5 to examine students' models and designs. The project: design for a longshoremen's building and dining hall. The designs were many and widely varied in style, all interesting. Architect Henry Hill, instructor of the class, designed the building which is soon to be erected for time longshoremen near Fishermen's Wharf in San Francisco. Top picture shows a student explaining his design to the visitors. Closely inspecting it is Louis Cohn, building consultant for the Memorial Association. At left are William Chester, II, Regional Director for Northern California and vice president of the Association, Henry Hill and William Kirby, an association director. Pictured also are three scale models and a drawing.

**Reporters Upheld in Right to Silence**

SACRAMENTO — The California third district court of appeals November 8 upheld the stand of a newspaper reporter who refused to disclose the source of his stories.

In so doing, the appellate court reversed the contempt of court conviction of San Francisco Chronicle reporter Jack Howard levied by the Sonoma County superior court. The case grew out of the strike of the Newspaper Guild and the testimony of the newspaper's cold warvin writer, John Howard, who had refused to identify the source of his stories.

**LWU Local 17 Officers Are Running Unopposed for 1956**

BRODERICK, Calif. — ILWU Local 17 (warehouse) was scheduled to go to the polls in elections on December 7, with all incumbent officers running unopposed. They are: Ben Davis, president; Walter Arnold, vice-president; Frank F. Thompson (secretary-treasurer and business agent); Wilfred Plouffe, recording secretary; Claude Thompson, sergeant-at-arms and Jack Lees, dispatcher.

**BIENNIAL ELECTIONS**

The constitution of the warehouse local was changed last July, by vote of the membership, to provide for elections every two years, instead of annually. Most important reason for the change is to enable the local to ballot for local officers at the same time it votes for International officers. Frank Thompson, secretary-treasurer said this week.

**The officers elected on December 7 will be installed on the second Sunday in January, 1956, will serve until May 31, 1957. In April of 1957 nominations will open and elections will be held in May.**

**OTHERS RUNNING**

Three candidates are to be elected to the board of trustees out of the following four: Harry Gramenz, Howard Hansen (incumbent), Gene La Bonte (incumbent) and Bob McCarroll. A total of 21 members of the executive board are to be elected, and they are chosen by divisions. There is a contest for the three posts on the board for the feed milling industry, between Louis Bianchi (incumbent), Alex Candelila and Ralph Stafford. A special election will also be held the same day to fill the post of trustee of the Warehousemen's Reypendent Association, vacated by the resignation of Dan Ruff. Alex Candelila and Ralph Stafford will contest for the post, which has three years to run.

**Robert Rae Elected President of Local 508**

CHEMAINUS, B.C.—Robert Rae has been elected president of ILWU Local 508. The other newly elected officers are:

Vice-President, Fred Lewis; Secretary-Treasurer, H. E. Irving; Trustees, Donald Beatty, Jack Atkinson, B. E. Platt and Henry Nicholls; Port Labor Board, Robert Rae and Fred Lewis.
New Book Contrasts ILWU & ILA Contracts, Conditions

In the past ten years there has probably been nothing else to which the members of the ILWU have been more interested and concerned than the ILA contract on the East Coast longshoremen to take over their own union and union procedure. The ILWU has been in a fight against tremendous odds. There have been ward court actions and governmental intervention in the form of the notorious Bil-States Waterfront Commission. Through it all the rank and file longshoremen have been behind the good fight against tremendous odds.

BATTLE TO BE WON

There have been many gains. But the main battle has still to be won. The union is still not a democratic, rank and file organization operating in the interest of the men.

There are more longshoremen working in the Port of New York than on the entire West Coast. The work these men do is the same—East and West—the cargoes are similar and the shipowners employ them as they see fit. The ILWU and the ILA differ in many instances the same. The longshoremen on both coasts live with the same sort of problems, and the conditions of work and job control are vastly different.

BOOK COMPARES COASTS

This great difference and the deep, undying interest of the men to combat such an attack for some time. The idea of these attacks is not to hit broad pressure, but it would be a good idea to re- spread the word everywhere.

And to spread the word everywhere, it has ever been. The general public itself.

On the other hand, the shape-up in the East has continued, hand-in-hand with the corruption of the ILA.

And right now we have to recognize that the stage is being set for a repetition of what happened after World War I; and it is necessary to prepare for, also, to save the Haymarket victims.

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Man's Worldly Goods, by Leo Huberman—A final, a stronger one, essentially, to inform themselves about the history and origins of the Cold War.

One, the International Brigades of the Left, Mill & Eagle Workers has already been attacked by the ILWU, NLRB, and the ILA Subversives Control Board, and ILWU has been having such an attack for some time.

No other unions, no one can do the job for them. Only the men themselves have the power to do the job, in unity with their brother longshoremen on the West Coast.

The ILWU Story Book Club

The ILWU Story Book Club announces a review on this page of Shape-Up & Hiring Hall is an outstanding job in all respects.

TOTAL PICTURE

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The ILWU Story, published by the International union, will be available later this month; otherwise, in 1937, we discovered that this hysteria and the red scare and general hysteria were nowhere more expertly and care- fully described than in the recent work of Charles E. Larrow, Shape-Up and Hiring Hall. (See book list below.)

We must examine closely the hiring of ILWU Local 19 and the Seattle waterfront with the ILA and the Port of New York. Larrow, for the first time, has put all of the parts together, and, most important, has added the job compar- ison of the waterfront, rotary dispute- settlement procedures, and the way we might call democracy on the job. The reverse coin of the democracy within the union itself.

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(copies) Eye-Witness in Indo-China, by Joseph Stalins, @ 50 cents (autographed by the author)

(copies) What to Do Until the Doctor Comes, by William Bolton, @ $0.50 (cloth)

(copies) The Southpaw, by Mark Harris, @ 10 cents (paper)

(copies) Labor Fact Book XI, by V. Debs, @ 50 cents (paper)

(copies) The Bending Cross, by Ray Ganger, @ 15 cents (paper)

(copies) The F. B. I., by Max Lowenthal, @ $0.75 (cloth)

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(copies) John L. Lewis, by Saul Alinsky, @ $1.00 (cloth)

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