Warehouse Unity Repeats Big Payoff

ILWU Executive Board Challenges K-L-G Act, Backs Freedom Riders

The Board in a statement said that it did not propose to defend Brown as an individual, or his political views or the Communist party. It drew the issue as the right of the membership to adopt a union constitution in basic accordance with the guarantee of the US Constitution, and proposed to ILWU members in good standing the right to be nominated for and be elected to any office.

FREEDOM RIDERS BACKED
“We are confident,” said the statement, “that the courts will uphold us on this fundamental right which runs to the heart of democratic unionism.”

The ILWU Board also adopted a resolution of support for the Freedom Riders who are challenging segregation in interstate travel and took issue with Attorney General Robert Kennedy’s proposal for a “cooling off period” in that struggle.

GNINGS EXPLAINED
"There has been a century of cooling off," the statement said, "and a retreat in 1961 will simply give a new lease on life to the Jim Crow system in the South. To argue, as some do, that the non-violent insistence upon full legal rights is precipitating a violent reaction in the South and therefore should be halted in the interest of peace and order, is the worst kind of hypocrisy. Public peace cannot be based upon the denial of constitutional rights to any individual. This would not be peace and order, it would be tyranny."

Two resolutions of commendation (Continued on page 8)

ILWU Auxiliary Meet Pushes Organizing Plans

SAN FRANCISCO—The ILWU Federal Auxiliary concluded its Tenth Biennial Convention here June 23 after voting to press organizing efforts and adopting some 30 resolutions including a strong demand on President Kennedy to issue a second Emancipation Proclamation to end racial segregation.

The convention was attended by 43 delegates from 19 auxiliaries—including one in Seward, Alaska. This compared with representation from only six auxiliaries at the San Francisco convention ten years ago.

Valerie Taylor of North Bend, Oregon, was re-elected to her seventh term as president. Nadzyne Quartero of Stockton was named Director of Organization and Program—a newly created post—emphasizing the Federation’s growth from three auxiliaries in 1941 to its present total of 30.

Other officers elected were Alice Van Brunt, Longview, Washington, first vice president; Norma Wyant, also of (Continued on page 8)

IBT-ILWU Package is 38 to 40c

SAN FRANCISCO—ILWU and Teamster joint strategy and action has delivered its second big payoff for 25,000 warehousemen in five counties of Northern California.

A 3-day joint strike was settled June 19 with a wage and fringe benefit package amounting to 38 to 40c an hour.

The Joint Warehouse Negotiating Committee of the Teamsters and ILWU, co-chaired by Joseph Dillon of IBT and Louis Goldblatt of ILWU, hailed the settlement as "outstanding progress toward warehouse stabilization."

Similar joint action a year ago won to warehousemen a 21c across-the-board wage increase. Concentration on "the areas of significant gains made were in this area.

NIGHT AND DAY TALKS
The agreement was reached by the Dusters Association and the San Francisco Employers’ Association meetings which during the three days of strike went on night and day.

Recognized by the Teamster and ILWU locals involved followed as quickly as meetings could be called. Work resumed, however, on the day of the tentative settlement, excepting in the case of Teamster Local 857’s strike against the United Employers’ Association. In this case settlement occurred a few hours later after the Joint Warehouse Negotiating Committee announced its full support, including further strike action if necessary.

INDEPENDENTS RESUME
Independent warehouse operators were allowed to resume operations as fast as they met the terms of the master agreement. An outstanding holdout among the independents was Best Foods in San Francisco, where ILWU Local 6 members had to continue their strike for a week before the company met the master terms.

As the negotiations for San Francisco Local 6 members were still on strike against West Coast Mackinaw in the East Bay, IBT and ILWU were working together in negotiations with the Mackinaw Company for its divisions in San Leandro, Richmond, and Alameda.

The full force and prestige of the Joint Committee is also behind the drive to win settlements from independent houses with subsequent termination dates on their contracts, and is taking for membership victories recently won.

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The Practical Meaning of Unity

By Harry Bridges

WITH THE ILWU-PMA Longshore Pension Plan presently open for amendments and terminating June 30, a whole series of issues of concern to the longshore division are coming to a head at this time. An effort will be made to work these out by direct negotiation or, failing agreement, to refer them to arbitration.

The Longshore and Clerks Negotiating Committee decided to separate the pension plan amendments from the other demands made under the June 15 wage reopening. The Coast Labor Relations Committee must negotiate out the pension demands, or arbitrate them.

Our pension proposals are complicated by the fact that the Internal Revenue Department still has not approved the fund set up by the Mechanization and Modernization program. We expected to use money from this fund so that the men who had reached the age of 65 with 25 years of service could retire starting July 1, under the new retirement plan. Our proposals are not agreed to. We have the men who have reached 68 and who face mandatory retirement. These men, too, have to be assured that they will get their share as soon as Internal Revenue approval is obtained.

On the pension program as such, we aim to clean up the problems created by men who are 65 or over and who have 15 or more years but less than 25 years of service. The fund will include the men who will reach the mandatory retirement age of 68 and still will not have 25 years of service and thus are not eligible for the regular industry pension. Further, we are proposing a pro-rated pension, starting after 15 years of service and ranging up to 25. Thus, these men could retire, under our proposal, at age 65 with a pro-rata pension which would include their share of the Mechanization Fund.

In this way we hope to meet the need of the men who, under the present terms of the pension plan and the Mechanization Fund, would be denied any pension and still not be eligible for the benefits of either program.

Again to facilitate retirement, we are proposing amendments to both the pension plan and the mechanism agreement to take care of men who are 65 or older and who thus are entitled to the maximum death benefit of $5,000 (after approximately 19 years and 5 months service to all the longshoremen). We would make them eligible to retire immediately with a monthly benefit based on the number of months before they became eligible for the regular industry pension rather than on the years of service. They will be kept informed of developments.

They must be assured that they will keep on working. They would thus use their share of the Mechanization Fund to retire and to qualify later for the regular pension benefit, which they could otherwise do by continuing to live and to work.

FINALLY, WE are proposing that the regular ILWU-PMA pension be increased from $100 to $125. This would go for men already retired as well as the new pensioners. And in all cases of retirement, under whatever program or combination of programs, medical care would continue.

What has been outlined here are the demands we are making on the employers. None of this has been agreed to, and actual negotiations of the plans for the ILWU-PMA Pension Plan are still open for amendments and terminating June 30, 1961, under the regular pension plan.
WAREHOUSE HOLDOUT

A week to win a contract at Best Foods

The ILWU local in San Francisco, ILWU Local 6, was on strike for the third straight year against Best Foods, a major food processor. The union was demanding a raise of 50 cents per hour, but the company offered only 25 cents. The strike was one of many across the country, as warehouse workers across the United States went on strike for better wages and working conditions.

ILWU-HILS Grain Deal

As Boost to Canada Economy

The ILWU in San Francisco has signed a contract with Best Foods, a major food processor, for a raise of 50 cents per hour. The contract covers all warehouse workers in the city, and is expected to boost the local economy. The ILWU has been negotiating with Best Foods for a number of years, and this is the first time they have reached an agreement.

CLATOS COUNTY

JOB AID REPORTED

A contract was signed between the Clatsop County Federation of Teamster locals and the Employer, setting new wages and conditions for warehouse workers. The agreement includes a raise of 50 cents per hour, and the establishment of a new job program.

CUBAN ORDERS GO TO CANADA FIRMS

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ILWU Helps Win Last Minute Social Welfare Gains As California Legislature Ends Session

(Special to The Dispatch)

SACRAMENTO—A breakthrough for farm workers in the social insurance area emerged at the last session of the California legislature, particularly the Labor Committee, was one of the major reasons labor got so little of the last-minute session of the California Legislature.

Many ILWU lobbyists—John DiBlasi; ILWU lobbyists at the session, feel much of labor's program was doomed early in the session when Senator Hugh M. Burns (D, Fresno) and his fellow members on the ILWU-drafted committee picked a Labor Committee sponsor in the majority of men not noted for their sympathy.

"They said," DiBlasi, "was the real problem, not particularly the Senate Labor Committee, but the committee that killed the ILWU's checkoff on low rates and many other labor proposals.

FOUR VOTES NEEDED

The vote was dead, and labor lost, when the seven member committee and Hollister spent most of his time teaming with Burns, Murphy and Williams to make this impossible.

The story here was that liberal Senators backed the checkoff committee at this session because they knew what would be handled in the political "nosebleed issue of a minimum wage bill that included agriculture. This was one of the bills the committee subsequently killed.

STATEMENT CHALLENGED

Claims contended out of 40 members of the Senate requested specifically not to be placed on the ILWU’s agenda.

This statement was challenged at the ILWU’s regular conference here in April by Sen. Alan Short (D, Stockton), a member of the labor committee at the 1959 session.

He asked for the labor committee at the last session, but did not get it.

Whatever the case, the net result was one of frustration for labor lobbyists.

"Unless you had four out of those seven, says DiBlasi, "you were dead."

The best labor could put up was Roda, Cobey and Quick.

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Warehousemen's benefits for California's 254,000 needy aged and minor gains for labor in the new contract field were other features of final action.

Warehouse workers and "B" list longshoremen under the approved rate of $5 a week increase in unemployment insurance benefits as a result of changes made in that law. In the case of warehousemen this may amount eventually to an increase of $7 a week increase on claims filed after February, 1962, because of the wage increases in the new contract.

LOYBISTS SURPRISED

The warehousemen's workers have been drawing $48 a week in benefits when they are jobless, Percy Moore, effective officer at this conference, said the "do nothing" label he knew labor had been carrying through the major portion of the session.

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OBJECTIVE FEATURES

Employers and insurance lobbyists, meanwhile, cried "doublecross."

"We were not even sure that the labor group was interested in some of the provisions that we thought were important."

The bill providing increase in weekly benefits and minimum wage and the continuation of voluntary insurance plans which have robbed the state's organized aged under the social insurance tent and left the workers under unemployment insurance without adequate protection.

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RODAYS CONCEAL

From the ILWU point of view, the disability insurance bill in the form approved by the committee last week, was a complete defeat for labor.

Senate action adopted the measure that the administration has been fighting since 1950, will now confine farm workers to farm insurance coverage.

Governor Edmund G. Brown was dejected, however, to avoid leaving the "do nothing" label he knew labor was carrying through the major portion of the session.

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VICTORY FOR THE AGED

While labor was ekeing out small gains, the state's organized aged under Pension Veteran George McLain were securing the most spectacular gains of the session.

A social welfare package was adopted at the session that will:

- Boost the state's basic old age pension from $65 to $500 a month
- Increase the aged aid allowance in cases of special need from $115 to $500
- Provide new medical benefits for the aged (and poll 648,000 votes against Brown).

McLain's determination to assert independent political power was further emphasized in April when he raised publicity the possibility of launching a third party. It was shortly after this threat that the Brown administration began to move with some vigor in the social welfare field.

ILWU RECOMMENDATIONS

In addition to the direct gains to the aged, the Legislature also placed on the 1963 legislative agenda the need for a new law that, if approved, will be used to contract rental housing for the aged.

The act is strongly recommended by the pre-session recommendations of the ILWU, which said social welfare and social insurance legislation were the prime areas of need facing the legislature.

Labor and minority groups, however, did very poorly by comparison. Key civil rights bills such as the Hawkins Fair Housing bill were killed. Minimum wage died. So did all the legislation of significance affecting labor's right to organize.

"I don't think," says DiBlasi, "that labor came out with more than a dozen bills—the most significant of which being the disability insurance for farm workers.

"I think," he adds, "labor certainly should have gotten more than it did—especially with both houses being Democratic and labor largely responsible for them being elected."

In the words of Thomas L. Pflaum, secretary-treasurer of the California Labor Federation, last minute gains just saved the session from becoming a "major fiasco" for labor.

Mortality Rate Declines

NEW YORK—Between 1500 and 1600, Health, in its annual puthest, reports, the mortality rate in this country dropped from 17.2 per 1,000 population to 9.4—a decline of 45 percent.
Local 13 Exchange Program Aids Mexican Dockers

WILMINGTON—A unique exchange program between longshoremen of the Los Angeles-Long Beach Harbor and Mexican dock workers has been initiated by ILWU Local 13 with the expectation that it will help longshoremen better wages and working conditions for Mexico-

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Hawaii Legislature Compacts ILWU for Health Study

HONOLULU—The ILWU, together with other individuals and organiza-

tions, has been invited by the Hawaii State Legislature in a resolution adopted at its June session to conduct the govt study conducted in 1958 among sugar-

ners at Puna Sugar Company.

The ILWU's Unit 3 at Olae donated $500 to the study, which came from the McNayrter Foundation and US Life Insurance Co. through its local agents, Brainard & Black.

Sparkling the entire undertaking was Dr. Nicholas Steuermann, Puna Sugar

chief physician, assisted by Mrs. Aene H. Farias, a research worker.

The ILWU Membership Service Department worked closely with Dr. 

mann in mapping out certain phases of the program.

As a result of the study he did, Dr. Steuermann has been invited to the coming conference of the Council of International Organizations of Medical Science, which will meet in Rome, Italy, this year.

The Council will conduct a sym-

posium on population studies in relation

to chronic rheumatic diseases. Dr. Steuermann will speak on the result of his

study findings.

The resolution passed by the legis-

lature commends Steuermann for being invited to attend the world con-

ence in Rome, and for being the "first country doctor to be singled out for such a distinguished honor."

Steuermann's survey at Olae revealed that Filipinos in Hawaii suffer from

gout more than do other races. The res-

sits of the study showed that as a group they have higher than normal

blood uric acid levels. This is a condi-

tion found in people suffering from

arthritis, as well as in their non-gout re-

latives.

The study was conducted by 428 blood samples from well known healthy Filipinos and from 75 individ-

uals from other races who were used as controls.

Steuermann's paper on the study, which appeared in the Hawaii Medical Journal, stated that the findings would warrant further study along the same lines. He is planning a similar study on gout to be conducted, in
Dock Safety Action Asked By California Assembly

SACRAMENTO—For the second session in a row the ILWU faces the task of getting a dock safety bill it wanted out of the California Legislature.

But it did get this time a resolution by one house of the Legislature calling on the state Committee on Industrial Safety "to take all action necessary to enforce its regulations in the maritime industry and, including revision as it may find necessary pursuant to this resolution, the employment of adequate personnel for investigation and enforcement."

The resolution was adopted unanimously by the state Assembly on June 26, the final day of the 1961 session, after fears of desperate measures were revealed to get the Senate to approve even a token dock safety measure.

The ILWU proposal would have written into the state Labor Code specific dock safety requirements such as mandatory installation of bull rails on piers. It was opposed mainly by Ed Leonard, lobbyist here for the California Self-Insurers' Association, a group of employers who carry their own workmen's compensation insurance.

The bill died in the Senate Labor Committee, and all efforts to revive it from tipping, falling, collapsing, rolling or tipping, and to consider in its review the subject matter of Assembly Bill No. 2106."

This was the ill-fated ILWU measure, which passed the Assembly but ran into snags in the Senate. All 80 members of the Assembly voted for the Gaffney resolution.

ILWU Board Acts on KLG, Civil Rights

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were adopted by the Board. The 30 to 40 cent package in wages and benefits won by warehousemen of the ILWU in the state of California through the 1961 action of ILWU and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters the Board said:

"Moving ahead has become increasingly difficult for American labor today in the face of strengthened, unified employers and a White House administration which is already on record for sacrificing improved wages, hours and conditions for the national interest. Nevertheless, the outlook is far from hopeless, providing only that labor unions and their united strength fully and fully uses it for the direct and immediate benefit of the rank and file. This was done in warehouse, and this explains the gains last year, this year, and for the future."

On the victory of 11,000 ILWU sugar workers in Hawaii, which added up to a 20 cent package won after a twelve hour strike last May 3, the Board said:

"The policy pursued by ILWU in the sugar negotiations in Hawaii was carefully developed to bring about the maximum mobilization of rank and file under most difficult conditions. The results again prove that when the membership is united the union continues to move ahead."

Six new members of the 15 man board were installed. These were Lou Sherman of Los Angeles and William (Bill) Ward of Wilmington representing the Southern California area, George Oldham representing Puget Sound and Alaska, Rev. Daniel of Vancouver, B.C., representing Canada, and Tadashi Ogawa of Oahu and Thomas Yagi of Maui, representing Hawaii.

Others of the Board are ILWU President Harry Bridges, Vice President J. R. Robertson, Secretary-Treasurer Louis Goldblatt, Charles (Chill) Durfee and Henry Schmidt of San Francisco and Frank Thompson of Broderick, representing Northern California, Charles Bons of Portland, representing Oregon and the Columbia River, Frank M. Andrews of Olympia, representing Puget Sound and Alaska and Joseph Kealolo representing Hawaii.

ILWU Intends to Fight K-L-G Section 504

Since the enactment of Taft-Hartley in 1947, the American labor movement has been steadily subjected to more and more government intervention, supervision and direction. The Kennedy-Landrum-Griffin Act has turned out to be the most extreme form of government intervention in internal union affairs that United States labor has ever seen, and all done in the name of freedom for rank and file.

In October 1959, shortly after the enactment of K-L-G, the ILWU—along with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters—was singled out from the entire labor movement for the first application of the law. The ILWU was ordered, under Section 504 of the law, to report on the communist or criminal status, if any, of all officials and employees of the union. Acting through the union's counsel, the ILWU rejected this demand as unconstitutional and prepared to test this section of the law in the courts.

In regional conferences held up and down the West Coast in following weeks, the stand of the national officers on K-L-G was endorsed by the membership. This policy was carried up in the following:

(1) Comply with K-L-G registration, bonding, and election procedures since these burdens were not worth fighting and feeling to meet and (2) stand firm on the basic ILWU principles which appeared to be threatened—first, the observance of all legitimate picket lines and the ILWU contract provisions on picket lines; and, second, the ILWU constitutional provisions that any member in good standing is eligible to stand for and hold any union office.

The International Executive Board, at its quarterly meeting on November 30-Decembe 1, 1960, unanimously approved this policy and the court challenge and test of Section 504 of the K-L-G law. However, in a letter dated December 1, 1960, addressed to the union's attorneys, the ILWU Executive Board adopted the ILWU Executive Board app

Federal Action to Enforce Equality for All Urged

THE ISSUE in Alabama and Mississippi today is the right of American citizens, white and Negro alike, to travel in
Ad Policy Statements

by the June 26-27 meeting

I been sent to all ILWU locals.

They appear below in abridged form.

...and a White House administration which leadership which is fearful of the power... ILWU-IBT Unity and weakened today by division and dis...

...the Bay Area is now in its fourth year, ...operating under the unified leadership of members of both unions. This example in warehouse, in the San Francisco area, shows that unity and understanding still prevail for working people. The two year, 20 percent package sugar settlement which ended a 12-hour strike on May 3 was the culmination of months of difficult collective bargaining... Victory of Hawaiian Sugar Workers Hailed... "The policy pursued by the ILWU in Warehouse cooperation in..."...the ILWU members continued to enforce conditions on the job and maintained voluntary dues collections during the following months. When a strike vote was taken on March 31, 98 percent of the members voted to strike despite the fact that these workers had been out for four and one-half months in 1958 for their legitimate demands. Preparations for a long drawn out strike speeded up throughout the union... Local 8 Meet Votes Okay for Grain Pact... PONTLAND—The grain handlers' agreement with grain operators in four ports was ratified by Local 8 at a stop work meeting June 14... The main point covered in the settlement was the amount of the gain operators' mechanism fund contribution for 1960. Also provided for were... Local 8 Goes on Strike: "Anything short of this represents... The ILWU representative reminded the local has sent letters on the subcommittee, presided over by Sen. Pat McNamara, was to the effect that a $70 maximum "is not the full answer." Such a ceiling, he said, "falls short of bringing the benefit structure back to the line with the benefit structure of the Longshore Act." He added: "It will mean that a substantial portion of longshore workers will continue to be shortchanged on their disability benefits."

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WEST COAST FIGURED

The ILWU representative reminded the subcommittee that the "historical record of compensation insurance," as well as many provisions of the Longshore Act, "clearly establish that workers are entitled by right to recover two-thirds of their lost wages." "It will mean that a substantial portion of longshore workers will continue to be shortchanged on their disability benefits."

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WASHINGTON; D.C.—Final approval of legislation boosting weekly benefits under the Longshore Compensation Act became a definite possibility when a Senate Labor Subcommittee completed hearings June 20 on the Morse-Magnuson-Zelenko bill. The House-passed measure, applying to shipside accidents, increases the maximum weekly payment from $54 to $70 and makes commensurate adjustments in death benefits and the total allowance for long-term partial disabilities. Senators Morse and Magnuson predicted early action on the bill and said the outlook for "favorable floor consideration looks good." The two West Coast legislators, who co-sponsored the Senate version, said approval of the compensation boost was "imperative" in order to "make it possible for injured workers to make ends meet." A member of the Senate Policy Committee, Magnuson promised he would urge the leadership "to bring the longshore bill to a vote as quickly as possible, and to the floor of the Labor Committee.

Only one controversy marked the windup of the hearing on compensation legislation. This was a demand by the District of Columbia employees, whose workers are covered under the Federal Longshore and Harbor Workers Compensation Act, that they be granted a separate compensation program. "It will mean that a substantial portion of longshore workers will continue to be shortchanged on their disability benefits."
**Installation Ceremony**

ILWU Vice President J. R. Robertson installs new officers of the ILWU Federated Auxiliaries at the recent San Francisco convention. Left to right are Valerie Taylor, president; Alice Van Brunt, first vice president; Norma Wyatt, secretary; Gladys Hoover, treasurer; Gertrude Hadley, Canadian vice president; Nettie Graycroft; Washington vice president; June Poletto, Oregon vice president; Jeannette Whitney, Northern California vice president; Ruth Harris, Southern California vice president and Nadyne Quartermaster, director of organization and program.

**10th Biennial Convention**

ILWU Auxiliaries Mark Organizing Gains, Press Civil Rights Action

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North Bend, secretary; Gladys Hoover, Hoquiam, Washington, treasurer; Nettie Graycroft, Seattle, vice president for Washington; June Poletto, Portland, vice president for Oregon; Jeannette Whitney, Stockton, vice president for California; Ruth Harris, Los Angeles, vice president for Southern California; and Gertrude Eichhorst, New Westminster, vice president for Canada. They were installed by ILWU Vice President J. R. Robertson.

**CORE SUPPORTED**

The civil rights resolution called for full support for the drive by CORE (Congress of Racial Equality) program on bus travel, condemned the Democratic party "sell-out" on civil rights and opposed the "cooling off" period urged by Attorney General Robert Kennedy. In other resolutions, the delegates:  
• Voted support for a national peace plan.  
• Backed the Seventh World Conference against A and H bombs to be held this summer in Tokyo.  
• Opposed US alignments with reactionaries throughout the world and called for adoption of "economic and cultural policies" making this country a "symbol to the peoples of Africa, Asia and Latin America in their hopes for freedom, equality and an end to abject poverty."  
• Strengthened the need for a National Peace Plan.  
• Condemned the film "Operation Abolition" as slanted and untrue.  
• Opposed the Walter waterfront screening bill.  
• Supported the Seward demand for longshoremen who mail to and from Alaska be returned to steamship service rather than trucked by highway.  
• Urged return to the US of two recent deportees to their Oregon families.  

ENCOURAGING GAINS

The convention voted to continue a drive for new members begun several months ago in the San Francisco area and to initiate a similar program in Southern California. Also adopted was a resolution opposing slavery in South Africa.  

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Mrs. Elaine Yoneda, a delegate from San Francisco, called for a "world wide for our children," she said.  

**Openning Prayer**

The Rev. Hamilton Bowell, chaplain of San Quentin Prison and president of the San Francisco Ministerial Society, delivered the invocation at the tenth biennial convention of the ILWU Federated Auxiliaries. President Valerie Taylor is at his right, Secretary Norma Wyatt at his left.

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After ILWU Vice President Robertson told the delegates that encouraging gains had already been made, he said the auxiliaries had significant new potential in Alaska and Canada.  

In an address to the convention, ILWU President Harry Bridges forewore threats to civil liberties and union rights as a "result of recent toe dancing" by the US Supreme Court.  

ILWU, he said, refuses "to join the mob" and become part of efforts to maintain the status quo in undeveloped lands and "ram it down their throats, whether they want it or not, with bayonets and A-bombs."  

HEAVY PRICE PAID

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Following Mrs. Yoneda's report, the delegates voted $150 from Federation funds, contributed $560 more themselves and urged all affiliates to contribute funds for Hiroshima and Nagasaki bomb victims.
Norma Wyatt Wins Essay Contest Prize

SAN FRANCISCO—First prize in the essay contest conducted by the ILWU Federated Auxiliaries, in connection with its 20th biennial convention here, was won by Norma Wyatt of Auxiliary 2, North Bend, Oregon. Mrs. Wyatt is secretary of the Federation. The subject of the contest was "What the ILWU Auxiliaries Mean to Me." Mrs. Wyatt promptly turned over her prize money to COHUE (Congress for Human Economic Understanding) in support of the Freedom Ride in the South.

JFK Warned Seamen Mcy Strike Again

SAN FRANCISCO—Seamen's unions, facing an imminent threat that wage disputes might lead to a strike would be brought to an end by a Taft-Hartley injunction, declared this week by the 20th year, of the ILWU remained one of the country's leading maritime unions. The United Steelworkers of America, the National Maritime Union, and the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, are all involved in wage disputes with the National Maritime Board. The unions are seeking higher wages, shorter work weeks, and better working conditions.

17 More Receive Pension Benefits

SAN FRANCISCO—Four Dock Workers were retired this week from the PMA pension and thirteen widows with surviving ILWU members, were notified of their pension benefits as of July 1, 1961, Henry Schmidt, Pension Director, announced.

The were: Local 16: Fred Schwer, Local 84: Clyde Robinson, and Local 94: Nels Sogstadius, on the ILWU-PMA regular pension plan. The disability pension plan was John Barnes of Local 19.

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The hearing was the latest in a series of NRLB actions involving the aluminum magnate. Earlier last week, an NRLB hearing was concluded in conjunction with the steel company's efforts to fend off the United Steel Workers Union. The hearing was held in lower Lincoln Park on Thursday, July 20, under the auspices of the Auxiliary. The affair is scheduled to resume at 10 a.m. and members and friends have been welcomed anytime of the day.

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Stars in New
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Reagan, the movie and TV star, is the 
secret weapon in America's latest 
drive against medical care for the aged. "Op- 
erations Coffeecup" is the label AMA 
have given its new offensive, and "Rea-
gon's melodious voice is used in a spe-
cial appeal to the ladies. The record is an 
attack on the King-Anderson bill providing 
for the aged including medical care. 
Reagan warns the ladies that unless there is immediate pressure on Con-
gress against this bill "one of these 
years you and I are going to spend our 
sunset years telling our children and 
our children's children what it once 
was like in America when men were free."

After the record is played, there is 
a 'letter-writing bee to Congressmen. 
Reports from Capitol Hill are that the 
record has substantially increased the 
volume of mail opposed to the King 
hill. "The record is heard by phy-
cians throughout the country, Drew 
Pomper reported in a recent column, 
with a covering letter asking them to 
forward the record to their colleagues.

"Physicians have asked doctors' 
wives to assume full responsibility for 
Operation Coffeecup, an all-out effort to 
stimulate as many letters as possi-
ble. Congress opposing socialized medicine and its menace as proposed in the 
King Bill."

Type! Which Do It Now!

This advertisement is urging doctors 
to fall in behind other nations in their 
assault on medical care for the aged. 
Secretary of Health, Education and 
Welfare, Abraham Ribicoff, warned June 5 
at a meeting of the Columbia River 
Pensioners' Memorial 
Association, "were held June 14— Sur-
prise--Local 8 and active member of the 
National Association of Operating Room 
People, setting damages at $90,000 which 
was the judgment was awarded to the Phil-
adelphia Fund and the Trust Act. The Fund's suit to collect 
royalties from Phillips is still pending. 
In the meantime, the Fund and the 
UAW and the miners, and Dr. Warren F. Draper, 
executive medical director of the UAW program, said that no 
change is contemplated in Hospital 
Care 
Financial and surgical services to miners 
mainly maintained by the Fund.

Those readers who intended to but didn't vote on selecting a 
typeface for The Dispatcher are urged to do it now. (See page 
5 of the issue of June 16.)

to Your Ear

US Court
Hits Union 
Health Plans
WASHINGTON, D. C.—The United 
Ministers of Labor is appealing a $760,000 
judgment against its Welfare and Re-

dependent pension fund, the fund which 
was authorized by a law which the Fed-

eral government has declared invalid.

The union lost the first round when 
the judgment was awarded to the Phil-
adelphia Fund and the Trust Act. The Fund paid out $2 million in 1960 to 7,956 physicians and 
to hospitals in 49 states and the Dis-

Tricks in vitamin advertising

An article from the June 16 issue of the San Francisco 
chronicle calls attention to the false claims about 
vitamins that are rampant in the advertising 
industries. It points out that false claims about 
vitamins are made to 
make certain products appear more effective 
than they are, and to 
make people spend money on products that 
do not provide the benefits claimed for them.

The article also warns about the dangers of taking 
high doses of vitamins, which can be harmful 
if not taken under the guidance of a 
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claims made by vitamin advertisers, 
including claims that vitamins can cure 
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cure-all. It also mentions the 
problems associated with taking 
large doses of vitamins, which can lead to 
health problems.

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Don't Try to Be 
Your Own Doctor

The article emphasizes the 
importance of seeking 
medical advice before 
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self-treatment, 
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US Falling Behind in Medical Care

Riciboc Warns Graduating Doctors
SAN FRANCISCO—The US is begin-
ing to fall behind other nations in its 
health care programs and medical care.

According to the article, the government is 
not doing enough to ensure that all citizens 
have access to medical care. The article 
also highlights the need for improved 
medical care, particularly in areas such as 
cancer and heart disease.

The article points out that the US is 
falling behind other countries in medical 
care, despite having the resources and 
technology to provide high-quality 
care. It calls for increased 
investment in medical 
education and research to improve 
the quality of medical care in the US.

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for improved 
medical care 
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A US Health Plan
Backed by Baruch
SAN FRANCISCO—Baruch Baruch 
Lane, chief economist for the US 
Health Care 
Services Commission, has announced 
that a national health care plan 
will be proposed in the near future.

The plan, which is being developed 
under the leadership of 
Pearson, is expected to address issues 
related to the cost of medical care, 
access to care, and the quality of care.

The article highlights 
the need for a comprehensive 
approach to 
health care reform, 
and the importance 
of involving all 
stakeholders in the 
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Local 29 Elects

SACRAMENTO—Labor bills were killed in a session by the California Legislature, One way, reported by Labor Journal writer Michael Johnson, was via the silence route.

Johnson was attempting to get a bill (SB 262) through the Senate Labor Committee. The author of the Senate version, Sen. Randolph Collier (D-Yreka), would have required an employer to get to the bottom of an industrial accident in his service to offer the disabled worker other employment within the worker's capabilities—if such a job was available.

"The bill was presented," relates Johnson, "and nothing—absolutely nothing should not be forgotten—said anything. No one moved to pass it. No one moved to kill it. It just died a jaunty death."

Local 60 Hits

Villasenor, Black

SAN DIEGO—Fernando Villasenor was named president of ILWU Local 60 in elections held last month. Black was reelected secretary and treasurer and Emery Huff vice-president.

The local's newly elected Executive Board consists of W. E. Mathis, Joe Arciga, Harold Hastings, Vince Torres and Arthur Villasenor. Percival and Joe Arciga were named to the Labor Relations Committee and A. L. Martin was elected steward at-large.

Seattle Longshore Payrolls Increase

SEATTLE—Longshore payrolls in Seattle during 1960 registered a million dollar gain over 1959 according to figures announced by the Waterfront Employers of Washington. The 1960 figure was $12,534,843 against $11,561,089 for the previous year.

The report said that Tacoma was up to $1,760,075 from $1,525,783 in 1959. Other ports registering longshore payroll gains were Bellingham, Everett, Tacoma, Kelso, Longview, Portland, The Dalles, and Vancouver.

Vancouver Labor Opposes Canadian Membership in OAS

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The Labor Council, representing some 75,000 organized workers here, has given its official approval to a letter from the Street Railwaymen's Union asking the Prime Minister of Canada to reconsider his decision to support Canada's entry into the Organization of American States.

"Our members feel," the letter stated, "that our country can make its best contribution to the commonwealth by not becoming a member of OAS."

The action of the national leadership of the CLC in supporting Canadian membership in OAS, said President Kennedy, was apparently taken without consulting member organizations, some of whom were opposed.

EDITORIAL CITED

The Street Railwaymen's letter was also quoted in an editorial in The May 31 issue of OCF NWS, the paper of the BC section of the CLC, as an example of the feeling of the union's members, the second largest political party in BC. The editorial said:

"It is submitted that the United Nations should be the main instrument of our foreign policy. Such regional arrangements as the OAS, which are manipulated by their more powerful members as weapons in the cold war struggle and not primarily as instruments of our foreign policy. Such arrangements, it is submitted, would weaken the United Nations and its agencies. Everything that Canada does as a member of OAS she could do far more effectively and honestly as a leading member of the United Nations.

"It is argued that our friends among the people of Latin America need Canada's support in order to raise standards of living. This cannot be disputed. But why, in the words of Mr. Labourer, "should we become involved in a sea war?"

"Canada is send us a photo of the unique method employed:

"We will be a “severe blow to the coastal communities of Alaska." They warn that it will mean a drastic curtailment of shipping and a loss of wages for longshoremen in Juneau, Ketchikan, Sitka, Wrangell, Cordova, Seldovia and Seward as well as Seattle and Portland as a result of the Alaskan cargo originate.

Labor Supports Reapportionment

OLYMPIA—Support for the League of Women Voters initiative to reapportion the state legislature, is announced by Norm Schur, secretary of the industrial union division of the Washington State Labor Council and Schur is also secretary of the Joint Labor Lobby.

Schur said that the support of the entire labor movement will undoubtedly result in the initiative which will apportion legislative seats on the basis of the population.

According to the 1960 population figures the state's legislative districts now range in population from 20,000 to 100,000 but all have the same representation.

"The proposed reapportionment would provide that the variation be no more than 20 percent.

Oregeon Time Snarl Hit

AORGEON—City councils here and in The Dalles have called on Gov. Hatfield to call a special session of the legislature to untangle Oregon's time snarl.

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BIG SHOTS AND LITTLE FISHES

BY FRED GOETZ

THE AFOREGOING item speaks well of the qualities of the native Alaskan salmon. According to Merrick Perry of 621 Water Street, Bryte, California, a member of Local 17, Salmon, main line, his recent pound-fout-pound, there isn't any scrapier fish in the universe than the scrappy brown trout from the Scott River in Skilakky county. After the trout-out-going period in the Scott River will be a "severe blow to the coastal communities of Alaska."

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Free World Dept.  
S. Korea Division


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A new Cabinet is made up of military men. Military officers run the government, and a few civilians are put in place to assist in policing the country.

"Political parties and social organizations have been banned. Strikes are forbidden. Wages and benefits are lowered. TheIL and unions virtually non-existent, as the threat to the men is long foreseen, as Van Camp opened up its tuna plant by June 1 of that year. Tuna workers in ILWU, who are observing the 75th anniversary of their first union, have been invited to work in despair.

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We HAVE asked many times in the past column—What happens to working men and women who are displaced by mechanization, by reorganization, by modernization in the industries, by modernization of industries, by modernization of any type of situation could easily affect our way of life in the West Coast waterfront. If we had not started some time back to make steady jumps, and their employment opportunities are all but closed to them.

The men who worked at Van Camp had a little better, but few of them have found permanent employment. Out of the 326 male workers, some 244 found casual work in longshore, construction, packing sheds, field work. A few found steady employment, but the vast majority have worked less than full time since the canneries shut down. Earnings are receiving Federal Old Age and Survivors Benefits—between $89 and $190 per month.

The remaining 334 men—and a large proportion of these are the primary breadwinners in their families—are totally unemployed. And all of them have lost exhaustion—all unemployment benefits. Forty percent of this group is between 45-60 years of age, which means that employment opportunities are all but closed to them.

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The two men, Hamish Scott MacKay, a carpenter, and William Mackie, a house painter, were thrust aboard planes flying from Vancouver and Helsinki on the same day last November by Immigration agents, while relatives watched in despair.

2 BC Locals Hold Meeting on Automation

VANCOUVER, B.C.—For what appears to be the first time in its history, the Vancouver and New Westminster locals of the ILWU have held a joint meeting of locals.

The immediate issue bringing the two locals together was the problem of movement of members from one coast to another, growing feeling in favor of jointly working out problems which are common to both locals that will assist in policing the contract between the union and the shipping lines.

This joint meeting was followed by a similar joint meeting meeting at Nanaimo on Vancouver Island with close to 20 local executive and board members present. The purpose was to work out a common approach at the membership level on such matters as manning, safety and control enforcement in the industry.

The joint executive board meeting also discussed ways and means of strengthening union machinery in day to day working with the employers. The conference indicated the need for a coast council at an early date to help unit the industry for a coast contract.

Waterfront Exhibit At Seattle Museum

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