Executive Board Selects Overseas Delegates; Raps JFK Tax 'Bonanza'

SAN FRANCISCO — The Executive Board of ILWU, in quarterly meeting, July 10-18, announced selection of overseas delegates and denounced the proposed Kennedy administration tax cut as "a $1.5 billion bonanza for business." The Board demand ed instead a $5 billion emergency tax on high rate of unemployment.

The board selected 24 overseas delegates to visit and study labor conditions in foreign lands. The delegations are to be visited and the itineraries of the teams will be set later by the union's officers.

The overseas program is a repeat of similar trips financed by international staff members are not eligible to participate.

The selections were:

- Local 1, Raymond, and Harold W. Davis, Local 60, Seward, Alaska.
- Columbia River — Everett Ede, Local 5, Portland, and Eugene Bailey, Local 12, North Bend, Ore. Alternate, Dwain Olsen, Local 21, Longview, Washington.
- Northern California — Charles (Slim) Murray, Local 6, Oakland; Robert Rohach, Local 10, San Francisco; Bennie Hunter, Local 10, San Francisco; Guy Rock, Local 6, San Francisco; Manuel V. Ramirez, Local 6, San Jose, and Columbus Washington, Local 17, Broderick, Calif. Alternate, Dennis Rooper, Local 14, Eureka, and Gerald Preston, Local 34, San Francisco.

Local 6 Hails Support of All Labor

BERKELEY — Ten months and eleven days after 430 Local 6 production and maintenance workers at Colgate-Palmolive Company hit the bricks, settlement was reached in one of the longest strikes in ILWU history.

The vote carried by three to one to accept the negotiating committee's recommendations.

Meeting at the Oakland Auditorium Theatre, Thursday night, July 26, strikers voted to accept terms of a three-year contract, including wage gains in each of the three years, retroactive, an additional holiday, a number of favorable changes in fringe benefits and conditions, and no basic change in long-standing hiring hall arrangements.

The agreement, slated to run until April 1, 1965, calls for a 29 cents per hour across-the-board wage hike the first year for all employees, plus an additional three cents for the basic male labor grade and five cents for first class mechanics.

Effective April 1, 1963, there will be an increase of 3 percent across the board with a minimum increase in the male labor rate of 8 cents per hour; in 1964, the increase will be 3 1/2 percent, with a minimum increase of 10 cents per hour in the male labor grade.

Retroactivity will be paid at 15 cents an hour for all hours worked between April 1, 1961, through September 14, 1961. (The strike began September 15, 1961.)

Hailing the settlement, Local 6 president Charles (Chile) Duarte, pointed out that more than dollars and cents have been involved since the very beginning of the strike, which was the result of a hard company attitude toward bargaining across the table.

"The way in which our members stuck it out," Duarte said, "and the tremendous union support we received all over the country, proves that the company's approach was just a bad way to do business with a militant union. 'Take-it-or-leave-it' is not the answer to inflation."
Nicely Day for the Human Race

YES—LET’S KEEP IT THAT WAY!

ON THE BEAM

By Harry Bridges

Says: ‘Close Nevada Test Site’

Famed Scientist Warns Of New Hazards to Kids

By Dr. Ralph E. Lapp

(R Editor’s note: Following is an abridged address given by Dr. Lapp at Utah State University, Logan, Utah, July 10, in which he warned of serious dangers involved in making tests of the unknown Iodine-131. It was almost totally ignored by the press. Dr. Lapp’s well known book weapons include “Kill and Overkill” (Basic Books) which is scheduled for publication in October.)

With the resumption of atmospheric testing at the AEC’s Nevada Proving Grounds, it is timely to consider the fallout hazards from continued nuclear bursts. So much attention has focused on strontium-90 that research on iodine-131 has been slighted. We know that much Iodine-131 is formed in the explosion, of a 1-kiloton yield produces 100,000 curies of iodine-131, but little is known about the fractionation of the nuclides in local and tropospheric fallout.

RISK TO INFANTS

In assessing the iodine-131 problem, it is clear that the maximum risk involves the infant thyroid. The radiation dosage of the developing thyroid in the late foetal period would seem to be significant especially because of the criticality of this gland, its high radioactivity and its high specific content.

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As the athletes from the USA and USSR paraded proudly around the stadium floor, and we will long remember the two-day meet (in itself a remarkable event), we will also remember that sense of peace and friendship. The cold war was frozen for days before and during the opening ceremonies, and later at the closing festivities when the young athletes of both nations linked arms and paraded proudly around the stadium.

For this is the stuff out of which man’s most profound needs are built—the stuff of peace and friendship. The cold war was stopped dead in its tracks on that track, and few among the 155,000 people who saw the two-day meet (in itself a remarkable attendance record, sports-writers tell us) could imagine these same young men and women suddenly turning on each other with hatred, or desiring anything less than a world in which they could compete with one another.

The prevailing thought was that here was a young, vigorous group of human beings who had no desire to do their own destruction, but who were united in a common purpose, which is itself a remarkable achievement, as they slowly trotted around the quarter-mile track. Overhead there flew the flags of the two nations which are supposed to be locked in the deadly embrace of cold-war, but the audience found only the symbols and signs of peace.

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Master Contract Issue

Canada ILWU Dockers Ask Conciliation

VANCOUVER, B.C.—After a further two months of fruitless negotiations between the ILWU and the Canadian Maritime Employers Association for a master contract covering the whole waterfront, the Canadian Area of the ILWU has decided to proceed into conciliation.

This decision was made after a full and detailed review of the lengthy discussions. The union concluded that the employers were not bargaining in good faith. There has been much talk but little willingness to make concessions or come to terms. The ILWU preferred the conciliation route stated.

The Federation stubbornly says no to the number of basic union proposals including:

- MSA (Medical coverage for one year for widows of active members and pensioners.)
- Ship's crews or anyone else outside the bargaining unit should not do work connected with longshore work such as boats, hatches, lashing cars, checking, driving, etc.
- The Federation be obligated to see that longshoremen are employed as deckhands on cranes, conveyor systems and other mechanical devices in the future for the longshoremen to be used in loading or unloading ships.
- Checkers proposals for clarifying their jurisdiction.

Under the BC Labor Act, conciliation is the next step that must be undertaken when negotiations fail.

Steps Taken To Curb Gas Poison on Job

PORTLAND—An area labor relations committee meeting, held in the Clerk's hall July 7, took steps to halt the increasing hazard to longshoremen from carbon monoxide gas. Six men over the last two years have died from carbon monoxide poisoning, while working a ship at Longview.

A letter was drafted to PMA demanding that as of August 1, 1962, the employers must undertake the following steps to curb the dangerous practice:

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Fight Against Cancer

Magnified 350,000 times is virus which caused cancer in animals, pointed out to Senator Warren G. Magnuson, Democrat, Washington, by Dr. Kenneth En-dicott, Director, National Cancer Institute. Magnuson sponsored 1937 legisla-tion creating the institute, which is now studying possible links between virus and cancer in human beings.

Honolulu Auto Strikers Receive Labor Support

HONOLULU—The 35 ILWU mem-bers on strike against Murphy-Aloha Motors, Universal Motors, Schuman Carriage and National Auto Parts have strong support from other un ions in the islands, which recognize that they are fighting a crucial bat tle for unionism in Honolulu.

ILWU members at Honolulu Auto Center (Ford) which is not on strike are donating 25 percent of their pay checks to the strike.

Individual union members have contributed stacks of groceries and over $1,153.66 in cash to Strike Bum ming Committees which visit plants, docks and factory gates.

In a leaflet mailed to officers of all other unions, the auto workers explained that they are defending all labor by refusing to knuckle under to the employers. They are out to prove that they are so tough they don't have to bargain fairly with service -trades workers in Honolulu. This is another way of saying that "Unions don't pay" and keeping Honolulu unorganized.

Registration Warning By Washington ILWU

SEATTLE—ILWU locals throughout Washington state are calling the attention of the membership to the August 11 registration deadline for the September 16 primary election. A recent survey indicated only 23 percent of members of organized labor are currently eligible to vote.

$1.5 Billion Bonanza

Board Asks Public Aid, More Jobs

SAN FRANCISCO — Following is the complete Labor Day appeal of the ILWU Executive Board at its quarterly meeting, July 16-18:

- We urge the adoption of such a pro gram with all possible speed.
Kennedy Administration Analyzed at Midpoint

A lengthy discussion by the enlarged group centered on the legislative record of the Kennedy Administration as it approaches its midway point.

Where does labor stand in relation to the Administration's performance? What chance is there for majority rule to prevail in Congress? Is the country moving and in what direction? How much better is the life of the average family? What has happened to the pledges for equal opportunity for all Americans?

What was the Kennedy pledge to “get the country moving,” to speed the economy's growth, to attack unemployment, to increase spending for defense and social programs aimed at unemployment? How well is the Administration to bolster our economic health? Is it a “bold, new instrument of American trade policy.”

To guarantee its passage, deals were made all over Capitol Hill.

A BETTER LIFE?

To meet the broad social needs of the people, the Democratic platform promised to update the Fair Labor Standards Act and bring its protection to agricultural workers, to expand government supported housing, to boost retirement pensions and provide medical care for the elderly, to vitalize “the right to a good education.”

To make good on this social welfare program, the President sent Congress an imposing array of special messages and proposals. The results, however, have been meager.

During 1961 a number of bills were enacted. The FLSA was improved, but with such a compromising attitude that the AFL-CIO called White House efforts a “surrender.” Social Security got a moderate uplift.

The most significant issue—medical care for the aged—was blocked in the House Ways and Means Committee and a compromise maneuver was killed in the Senate. What has been accomplished primarily in the field of welfare legislation was some improvement in long-established programs. No new ground was broken.

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Visiting Local Officials at Enlarged Meeting

Where Are We Going On the Economic Front?

The recent stock market crash marked the end of the phenomenal price rises in the US that had taken place in the country but in the entire "western" world. It marks the end, too, of any immediate threat of serious inflation. The important questions now are: What kind of recovery-depression is ahead of us? How long will it last? Can we do to prevent it or to limit its severity? What effects will it have on the trade union movement?

Some of the effects of developing economic illness include:
- Higher and higher levels of unemployment,
- Inflation, unemployment is considerably higher than figures show. Large numbers of people who would be in the labor market seeking work have decided that the search is hopeless and hence are not being counted as unemployed.
- Another symptom of economic difficulty has been recent crises in the balance of payments. Despite a heavy favorable balance of trade, exports regularly exceeding imports, our overseas expenditures for military aid and for capital investment have resulted in our receipts being less than our expenditures.
- The implication that this country experienced in the thirties and which was only ended by the onset of World War II, seems to be threatening to descend on us again, unless, of course, military spending is rapidly expanded to meet a new war emergency.

What Remedies?
- Increase the growth rate. Everybody is saying this should be done. Obviously it should. But nobody—literally nobody—has shown how to do it.
- Reduce taxes. A sharp tax cut would increase purchasing power in the hands of somebody. Who would benefit? Business wants cuts in the corporate income tax and the upper personal income brackets. Labor is pushing for a cut in the lower personal income brackets—in order to increase purchasing power.
- Public Expenditures for Public Works. A growing public works program is a fairly direct and convenient way of spending public money in order to increase purchasing power.
- Union militancy. Will wage increases go to become harder to get, will wages rise even harder to stop up purchasing power? Will wages be pushed to the lower brackets, or a big increase in public expenditures for public works leading to a public work projects.
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**Disability Insurance**

**Private Plans Must Cover Poor Risks**

SACRAMENTO.—The State of California announced that 21 private disability insurance plans will be canceled January 1 unless their programs are broadened.

The order, which will be appealed by the affected companies, at carrying out the provisions of 1961 legislation requiring private plans to take a greater share of poor risks.

This stand was supported in 1960 by the ILWU when the then Local 8 President-Treasurer, Richard Lyons, had stated before a legislative committee, "We believe that the so-called voluntary plans should be eliminated because the people in the industry have been drained off by the insurance companies."

Irving Purnell, State Employment Director, stated that the legislation, which was supported by organized labor, directed him to see that private carriers take more of the "poor risk" business. He announced that companies which conform to this legislation by November 1 will be unaffected by this latest ruling.

Representatives of the insurance companies, however, assured him that they are trying to create a monopoly in the field of disability insurance.

A delegation from the ILWU testified in 1960 that two sides by side plans—one by government and the other by private enterprise—would be incompatible that the private plans would drain substantial wage increases and new benefits carried by the state plan.

**Local 26 Wins 2-Year Wage Fringe Pact**

LOS ANGELES—A new two-year contract was approved by Local 26 Warehouse Union members employed at West Oil Terminals and Time Oil Company providing substantial wage increases and new benefits for approximately 25 men.

During the first year, all employees will receive an 18 cents per hour wage increase, raising the base to $3.16 per hour. During the second year, wages will be increased 12 cents bringing the base rate to $3.28 per hour.

Fringe benefits were expanded to provide for premium rates for time work, a guaranteed 21/2 times the regular rate of pay. This replaced the old premium of 1½ times the regular. Sick leave benefits were improved so that benefits begin on the first day for illnesses lasting three or four days. The Union Negotiating Committee included: Local 26, Walter Orosco, Max Apall, John Melrose; Local 47, Max Apall, John Melrose; Local 13, William Bothun, George H. Furlow; Local 19, George T. Cole, Maine Peck, Carl Norried, and President Hy Orton.

**ILWU Files for Grain Mill Election**

Sacramento.—The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union Local 44, representing employees of the North Pacific Grain Growers' new elevator at Kalama. Date for the election was set for July 27. The election, held to determine if the 229 employees of the mill will be represented by the union, was scheduled for July 27.

When fully in operation, the elevator will be one of the largest grain handling facilities in the Northwest. Organizational activity in the area has been under way for the past 12 months under the direction of special organizational committees of Van Straubenzee and Local 21 labor relations committee members.

**Legal Aid to Be Provided to the Children of John Morgan of Victoria**

The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union (ILWU), to which employee's department of the company's Tacoma elevator belongs.

Longshoremen in the port, formal application to I.A.E. have been made by the members of ILWU Local 23 for some time.
Colgate Settlement
Wins Local 6 Approval

end result that grievances are settled within a minimum amount of time.

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China Aid Urged
By Astoria Dockers

JOSEPHINE, Ore. — Longshoremen
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More About Ratification
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