A State in Agony

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NEW OVERTIME IDEA

Chief among the demands are a 45-cent hourly increase in wages—spread 15 cents, 15 cents and 15 cents over the three years—and a tax on each overtime hour worked equal to one and one half times the cost of fringe benefits for the same number of hours. Also sought are improvements in fringe benefits, vacations, holidays and hiring practices.

IBT-ILWU Present Joint Demands To Warehouse Employer Groups

SAN FRANCISCO — The International Brotherhood of Teamsters and the ILWU have jointly announced the serving of identical demands for a 3-year agreement upon six northern California warehouse employer organizations.

The demands were presented by the Teamsters-ILWU Northern California Warehouse Council, of which George Mock, International vice-president of the Teamsters, and Louis Goldblatt, ILWU secretary-treasurer, are co-chairmen. The council represents approximately 25,000 warehousemen and women.

This “tax on overtime” would go into a fund which will provide extended medical coverage, pension credits, and supplementary unemployment benefits for individuals on layoff.

The “overtime tax” is aimed at the fact that employers do not pay additional fringe benefits for overtime work. Hence it’s sometimes cheaper to work employees overtime than to hire more workers at straight time.

The new proposal therefore demands that when overtime is worked, the employer also pays into a fund one-and-a-half times the cost of fringe benefits for the same number of hours.

The employing organizations involved are the Distributors’ Association, the San Francisco Employers’ Council, the United Employers, the Peninsula Employers’ Council, the Western Employers’ Council and the Sacramento Employers’ Council.

A subcommittee of the joint Teamster-ILWU committee will consist of Joe Dillon, Mark O’Reilly and Frank Farro for the Teamsters and Louis Goldblatt, Charles (Chill) Duarte and George Valter for the ILWU.

The present warehouse contracts, which were jointly negotiated three years ago, expire on May 31. Teamster-ILWU cooperation in warehouse bargaining in northern California began in 1956.

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2. That the Government pick up all outstanding mortgages on destroyed private homes and buildings.

3. That the government provide extended unemployment insurance for all workers who have lost their jobs.

4. That the Government provide emergency public works projects to provide employment especially in the coastal towns and villages.

5. That the Government proceed to assist in the immediate reconstruction of Seward, the major port of entry into Central Alaska.

6. That the Government undertake to make fishing boats available to replace those lost and to help rebuild canning plants in time for the coming fishing season.

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Meeting last February 25-26, the ILWU Executive Board called for immediate withdrawal of US military personnel from South Vietnam and for an international conference, to include France and other interested countries, to work out plans to neutralize all of Southeast Asia.

Since then several members of the United States Senate have taken the floor on the subject, notably Senators Mansfield, Griswold, Morse, Bartlett and others.

Reading their speeches and the documentary material which they have inserted in the Congressional Record, it becomes devastatingly convincing that in South Vietnam we are in a war that cannot be won, and, because of this, the war is grave enough to be discussed in the Senate this week, especially after the massacre of American lives and full-scale military engagement with mainland China.

Already more than 200 American lives have been sacrificed, and American taxpayers have poured up a daily $15 million in an effort to prevent Vietnamese soldiers to shoot Vietnamese guerrillas. The guerrillas are called the Vietcong. Among excuses given for keeping an American army of advisors in South Vietnam is that the Vietcong is getting arms from the Chinese Communists, and, further, that they will teach the peasants Marxist-Leninist philosophy.

As to the arms, the most reliable reports indicate that most of the arms in the hands of guerrillas, they are American. This is a fact that is almost always avoided by press correspondents in South Vietnam. The Vietnamese peasants would get around to reading "Das Capital."
Scenes in Wilmington as Coast Dock Caucus Starts

Upper panel shows section of the ILWU Coast Longshore, Shipclerk and Walking Boss Caucus which opened in Wilmington March 30, and the chairman's table with, left to right, Coast Committee members Bill Ward, Howard Bodine and ILWU President Harry Bridges; Caucus chairman William Lawrence of Wilmington, Secretary Michael Johnson of San Francisco and Jean Gundlach, secretary to the CLRC members. Below, Sergeants-at-arms Frank Andrews and Tony Garcia registering voters, and Chuck Leveridge and Harold Billiards of Wilmington, who were elected respectively secretary and chairman of the resolutions committee. One of the first concerns of the caucus was the Alaska tragedy.

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facilities were reported completely destroyed. It was later reported to the caucus that the PMA has agreed to the proposal.

In attendance in addition to the delegates are ILWU President Harry Bridges, Coast Labor Relations Committeemen Howard Bodine and William Ward. Also, there are six fraternal delegates, 14 official observers from ILWU Local 142 in Hawaii, five pensioners and several members of the ILWU Federated Auxiliaries.

The Hawaiian delegation appeared to ask the coast unionists to give in-define work visiting rights to longshore workers who have been displaced by automation in Hawaii.

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Observers Among the ladies observing proceedings at the Wilmington Caucus opening were Mrs. Cynthia Lobuglio, daughter of caucus chairman William Lawrence, Mrs. Dan Brown of Coo Bay, Oregon, Mrs. William Lawrence, and Mrs. Martin Callaghan of San Francisco. They accompanied their husband delegates.

Drives in Two States Race Voter Registration Deadlines

SAN FRANCISCO — Intensified voter registration drives are under way in San Francisco, Oakland, and the greater Portland area.

The tri-county drive serving Multnomah, Washington and Clarkamas counties in Oregon is headed by Mrs. Eugene Kelly, chairman of Oregon’s Wage and Hour Commission. She heads a team of volunteer women who hope to phone every eligible citizen of the three counties, urging those who are not registered to do so and advising them of the nearest or most convenient place to register.

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S.F. ILWU Acts To Save Fair Housing Act

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Joint Legislative Committee of the ILWU has launched a community-informational program in support of the Rumford Fair Housing Act.

The newly-formed Rumford Act Committee will undertake to acquaint union members, their families and friends with the pertinent issues surrounding the statewide initiative campaign to repeal the much-praised Rumford anti-bias law and other pieces of civil rights legislation.

The committee includes representatives of ILWU Local 12, longshoremen; Local 6, warehouse; Local 24, shipchippers; Local 2, scalers; and Local 76, clerks, and George Walsh of Local 24 is chairman.

The program was announced by William Chester, northern California ILWU regional director, and David Jenkins of Local 10, coordinator of the union's legislative body.

The Legislative Committee also announced a fund-raising dance to be held May 16 at the Longshore Auditorium, 400 North Point St. Money collected will be used to finance an educational campaign against the Rumford Act repeal.

State Workers Join Fight for Fair Housing

SACRAMENTO — Twenty-one employees of the State Department of Employment in Sacramento, California, have organized a committee to help defeat the initiative sponsored by the public to repeal the Rumford Fair Housing Act and other civil rights legislation.

The 21 have asked other workers in the state to join them in a group called Employment Security Employees for Fair Housing. Chairman of the new group is Lorene Ingram.

The initial letter to fellow employees, dated March 17, says in part, "We believe that all of us can do, as a Department of Employment group, to participate in this conflict, thereby increasing our effectiveness. We think that there is a lot of conviction and talent among our employees that can be involved or employed in Sacramento that can be channeled into some positive action."

The letter points out that the real estate group's initiative would repeal not only the Rumford Act, but several other pieces of civil rights legislation as well.

Fair Housing Loses 2-1 in Seattle

SEATTLE — A fair housing law, placed on the ballot here on March 10, was defeated by a two-to-one vote.

The fair housing defeat in Seattle followed by less than a month the defeat of a similar measure in Tacoma. Unincorporated areas of King County, in which Seattle is located, are covered by a fair housing law enacted by the board of county commissioners.

The Rev. John H. Adams, chairman of Seattle's Central Area Committee on Civil Rights, said that a legislative approach to fair housing for Seattle is now probably beyond hope for at least two years, but that other efforts will be pursued.

Principal opponents of fair housing are the Seattle Real Estate Board and the Seattle Apartment Owners Association. The president of the latter group said that his association is not willing to work with the city's official Human Rights Commission toward voluntary elimination of housing discrimination.

Quake, Tide Swept Away

A few days ago Seward was Central Alaska's most important port and populated areas. Today the port is gone. At least one ILWU longshoreman is unaccounted for.

reported usable at Anchorage, and Alaska Steamship is reported to be attempting to get a ship into Anchorage.

Eight are known dead in Seward, 12 in Anchorage, one in Whittier.

in another target city, Valdez, the situation is described in a few terse words from The Seattle Times: "22 are known dead. The mayor reports 99 per cent of the homes are uninhabitable, the town's only hospital is total loss and the school is ruined. Most of the buildings sank two or three feet. The docks are shattered."

A dozen of the Valdez dead are longshoremen.

Kodiak, a fishing community of 2,000, has 11 known dead. Its fishing industry may have been completely destroyed. 106 boats were tied up in Kodiak when three tidal waves hit; over 40 are still unaccounted for. and so are the men aboard them.

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sages by teletype on Thursday morning to the ILWU and to the coastal caucus now underway in Wilmington:

"We finally had a telephone conversation with Seward, with the help of civil defense. Could not talk to Rider personally. There was only one person allowed to talk—a representative of the Seattle Stevedoring Company, with Rider standing by. One longshoreman is now dead. All others OK. M&K money is on way to his wife as soon as possible, as she really needs it.

"Rider says no possible way to hold meeting with our people yet. He has contacted every one of them personally. All are working in general cleanup. They all expressed wish to remain and rebuild Seward. Confirmed all gear and equipment gone. All docks gone. All railroad yards and railroad equipment gone. Mail delivery will now start again, but other communications will probably remain out for at least a week. Over 600 people still sleeping and eating in community setup at high school. We will continue to try to keep in touch until we can send someone in there."

One hour later:

"At 19:30 this morning I finally managed to get a phone call into Seward and got a chance to talk to Rap and Rider. We were only allowed to talk 3 minutes and most of the information I had sent down earlier was confirmed by him. He told me that there are four more longshoremen missing and unaccounted for. He did not give any names and reported a long detailed letter, would be in the mail by tomorrow."

The letter from Rider reported that all docks are gone except for a useless 100 feet of one of them. All cranes and straddle trucks are gone. All other gear is gone, the warehouse is gone, and the railroad yards are gone. The yards cannot even be rebuilt where they were—the land is gone.

MAYBE A BARGE

It is believed possible that another week's work might make it possible to get a barge into Seward. No ships will unload there for at least a month, Sen. R. L. Barnes said, and that there will be no longshore work "for quite a long time."

Seward has been the principal port for the area. It is the seaward terminal of the Alaskan rail system. Now, it is cut off from Anchorage and other areas to the northeast. High waves and railroad facilities were both destroyed.

Docks at another port in the area, Whittier, are apparently usable, but Whittier's connection with other cities has been cut off. One dock is

The Alaska Railroad, lifeline of most of Alaska's population, no longer terminates at a thriving port at Seward. Waterfront and railroad yards are gone, and even the land on which they were built has disappeared. Today the railroad ends in nothing.

Crescent City Do

CRESSENT CITY — "None of our people or members of our families were hurt," secretary-treasurer William Ohlheiser of ILWU Local 49, reported from this stricken city.

One ILWU member — Dee Spann — found that a building he owned had been spun around by the force of one of the several tidal waves that smashed into Crescent City, but Spann, too, went unhurt. He was kept away from the building pending safety inspection.

The damage to ILWU jobs, resulting from the incalculable property damage, was something else. Ohlheiser said that work will be sharply curtailed until at least one of Crescent City's two docks is back in operation.

"One of them — Citizens' Dock — was completely wiped out," the ILWU official said. "The government is going to rebuild it but it will take three months — maybe four — before they'll be back in business."

Auxiliaries Pledge Aid to Victims

NORTH BEND, Ore. — President Valerie Taylor, speaking for the Federated Auxiliaries expressed sorrow and concern over the Easter weekend disaster in Alaska.

The Federated has auxiliaries at Ketchikan, and at Seward—which was virtually destroyed by fire and tidal wave.

As soon as the need is known, an appeal will be sent out to all affiliates to come to the aid of ILWU families in the strucken ports, Mrs. Taylor said.

Alaska ocean carriers, meeting in Seattle, issued this statement on Monday, the 30th:

"The only dock remaining to serve
Lives, Ports, Homes, Jobs

Work Drops

"The other dock," he went on, "had water over the top of it—that's Dutton. The lumber stored there was sucked out all over the ocean and all the beaches. It will take maybe a week or two cleaning up to get back into order." Ohielhiser noted that the force of the water, and the lumber it carried, did some damage to the inshore end of Dutton Dock.

Working at Port Alberni

PORT ALBERNI, B. C. — The Good Friday disaster in the north-west brought no death or serious injury to Port Alberni, although four huge tidal waves — the highest 14 feet high — struck the area.

ILWU Dispatcher Jack Naylor of Local 503 reported that only one dock at Port Alberni was shut down by the flood.

"Our men are still working," Naylor said. "But things are still mixed up. Some of our members on River Road and Harvard Street are flooded out, but we don't know just how many yet."

The local’s president, Chester Ross, added that "the general feeling around here is that we are all glad that no lives were lost."

Local 503 sent $150 to the Alberni Valley disaster fund — "We were the first union to make a contribution," Ross said — and another $500 followed from the International’s Canadian fund, according to ILWU International representative Craig Prichett.

A wrecked fishing boat, swept far inland at ruined Kodak, dragged the virtual end of Alaska’s fishing industry, Canneries and cold-storage plants as well as the economy, and the fishing and processing for this season may be lost entirely. Appeals are being made to the federal government to help to restore the industry—Alaska’s most important—as soon as possible.

At Valder, longshoremen were actually working a ship, the Alaska Steam freighter Chena, when the wave struck. Miraculously, the Chena stayed afloat, though it was actually bounced on the ocean bottom and then lifted so high that it was visible from a mile inland. Two longshoremen were crushed in the hold, others died on the dock.

In Washington, the Interior Department, which operates the government-owned Alaska Railroad, indicated that it might not attempt to rebuild the rail line in its former form, or even to restore its route.

At least seven vessels carried lumber it carried, did some damage to the Anchorage dock . . . At least seven lives were lost, said, "but things are still mixed up."

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ILWU Man Died in Quake

SAN FRANCISCO—54-year-old ILWU longshoreman Alva Wisdom died in the tidal disaster at Seward on Good Friday.

A steamship company representative in Seward confirmed Wisdom’s death by telephone to S. Kodak.

Of 75 fishing boats in Seward, only four remain, all damaged.

Samuel J. Hutchison, regional director in Seattle for the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, said that a few canneries may be able to start "one-line" operations, but nothing more.

Concerning Seward, Bartlett noted that the town was dependent for a large share of its income upon the work of longshoremen. Those longshoremen will not be working for quite a long time.
Northwest Auxiliaries Conference

Peace Theme for ILWU

Women of Two Nations

VANCOUVER, B. C. — World Peace was the theme of the Seventh Biennial Conference of ILWU Northwest Auxiliaries held here March 20 and 21—the first such meeting to be held on the Canadian side of the line.

Reports of top officers emphasized peace and UN flags bridged tables from which the delegates from the two countries conducted their business.

Keynote speech was delivered by Mickey Beagle, general organizer of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union, and one of seven official delegates from Canada to the World Congress of Women in Moscow last June.

The Canadian labor leader wound up his address with an appeal for stepped-up peace activities, saying: "Women, we who give life should defend it!"

Some 34 delegates and 13 visitors from 17 auxiliaries in Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia attended the two-day sessions here.

Ruth Harris, Federated Auxiliaries vice president for Southern California, brought greetings from the recently held California state meeting. She reported on peace and civil rights actions taken there.

Gertrude Richer, Federated Auxiliaries secretary, spoke of the need to "divert a significant portion of annual arms expenditure to the needs of the poor and hungry and disadvantaged all over the world."

She urged the conference to help send Portland Woman-for-Peace member Helen Gordon to the Women's Peace Force meeting at The Hague in May. Mrs. Gordon was endorsed by the convention in a later action.

The conference adopted observance of International Women's Day as Federated policy.

In other actions, directed toward peace, the delegates called for world-wide disarmament, unrestricted travel rights for labor and industrial delegates, admission of China to the UN, and free world trade.

They also urged auxiliary women "to start now to work toward the end of the US draft law." Canada has never had the draft. The issue is expected to be up for consideration again by Congress in 1967.

Organizational problems drew attention during the two-day meeting. A 17-member committee, using the slogan "There's room for more in '64" resolved to reissue the "Handbook for ILWU Auxiliaries" in a printed, pocket-size format; and to update the Federated brochure, "There's a Place for You," using new text and pictures.

Mrs. Taylor urged defeat of "Democrats who have betrayed labor" and continued affiliation with AFL-CIO, NAACP, CORE and other groups.

She also urged that an "Elect Our Gals" committee be set up in the Co-lumbia river area, where several women related to ILWU longshoremen are running for public office.

Dockers, Widows On Pension List

SAN FRANCISCO — Following is the latest list as of April 1, 1964 of dockworkers retired under various ILWU-PMF plans:


Widows: Emily M. Belmont, Irene Cashman, Stella Cochrane, Rose C. Erickson, Blanche Hill, Verna L. Kindig, Joan Leing, Eleanor Lendahl, Mame Lester, Bonnie A. Lundquist, Rosa M. McNeely, Charlotte Norton, Rosa Perez, Mildred Robertson, Doris Walker.

Atom Risk From Quakes Cited

In Bodega Plea

SAN FRANCISCO — The rate of an earthquake-triggered atomic holocaust superimposed on an "ordinary" earthquake disaster "are too important to the people of this state to be lost in a procedural brouhaha," the California Public Utilities Com- mission was told last Monday im- mediately in the wake of the disas- trous Alaska earthquakes.

The statement was contained in a new petition filed by the northern California Association to Preserve Bodega Head and Harbor, requesting the PUC to rescind the permit it granted the Pacific Gas and Electric Company for its controversial nu- clear power plant at Bodega Head.

PROTECT CITIZENS

The Public Utilities Commission has the "duty to safeguard and pro- tect the citizens," the petition stated.

The PG&E has long been planning construction of a 335-thousand-kilowatt atomic reactor on the scenic peninsula at a site a mere 1000 feet from the San Andreas Fault which triggered the 1906 San Francisco quake and fire.

"It is difficult to believe that PG&E can still seriously insist that 'engineering safeguards' will protect against earthquake damage," said David Penzone, Executive Secretary of the 1800-member conservation group. "Most of the buildings in An- chorage were earthquake proof," he said.

Last January the US Geological Survey reported that a secondary fracture, "may fracture the bedrock at the plant site and that "displacement on the order of a few feet, either hori- zontally or vertically, should be anti- cipated" along this "important zone of weakness."

"The issue of safety has never been met squarely by either PG&E or the PUC, the petition charged.

The ILWU Northern California District Council has recommended the Committee to Save Bodega Bay Har- bor in its fight against the utility corporation's plan to build the atomic reactor on that famed scenic and fishing site.

Record Log Cargo At Willapa Harbor

ABBRDEEN—A record cargo of logs — 6.5 million board feet — was lifted here and at Willapa Harbor, by the MS Tha for the Orient. The vessel completed the loading in 17 days using ship's tackle and an average of four longshore gangs.
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Some 80 percent of the doctors in Russia are women, and 35 percent of the scientists. "In education, about 75 percent of the teachers..."

A Russian's status in life is not measured in terms of the goods he...owns, but on his contribution to the state, Robertson reported. New incentives and cultural achievements are rewarded. If a mother has many large, ILWU given to a..."hedge, wh..." Robert..."s pride, because that..."

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Jobless Pay Hikes Asked in Washington

OLYMPIA — An increase in the minimum wage and unemployment payments is proposed by Jack Gordon, Commissioner of the Department of Employment Security. Gordon said that while maximum benefits are $2,400 monthly, the average payment last year was $832.

Gordon has also been appointed by Governor Albert Rosellini as a member of a special task force to deal with the growing unemployment problem and reductions in defense spending. The Department of Commerce and Employment Security has announced that 42 percent of the unemployment in the Seattle area and throughout the state is attributable to defense in the next 12 years and the state will need 150,000 new jobs.

B.C. Auxiliary Chooses Officers

NEW WESTMINSTER (B.C.) — Auxiliary 26 here played host to the British Columbia ILWU District Council held in Vancouver on March 19, 20, and 21. The delegation...the meeting. The two dead workers, and six of the injured, were members of...workers...injury a dozen others, and...for the job, regardless of..."Robertson noted. He found Russian food "substantial, but not fancy," and clothing the same.

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Clear snapshot of a fishing or hunting scene—and a few words as to what the photo is all about.

Send it to: Fred Geotz, Dept. TDOK, 2516 3W. Iowa, Portland, Oregon 97201.

Please mention your local affiliation, of course. Retired members are eligible.
**Curt Johnson Is President Of Local 13**

WILMINGTON—Results of a run-off election held here March 23-25, named Curt Johnson president of Longshore Local 13. He ran against veteran union officer and ILWU Executive Board member William Lawrence. The final vote was 1318 to 1228.

The vice-presidency went to Sam Puccio, 1308, against C. H. Brady, 1091. The day business agent will be Ed Mondor, with 1964 votes against Art Almeida of 1092.

Others who won posts, and were scheduled to take office this week, included sergeant-at-arms John Mickey Mahon, and day dispatchers: Rasul Monroy, Donald Crew, and Richard Cavasoo.


Caucus delegates were named in the primary held March 10-12.

**In Age of Change, Rank and File Fighting Spirit Is Changeless!**

Warehousemen in northern California have now taken all the necessary preliminary steps needed to get formal negotiations underway. The first steps are behind us.

And when it comes to these steps we experts. Years of negotiating, of planning demands, of organizing forces have taught us lots of “know-how.” We have the techniques of negotiation down pat.

There’s more to negotiation than technique. There’s people!

Drastic changes in working life have taken place in recent years, most particularly as regards modernization, automation, organization, or call it by whatever name you want. It all boils down to the fact that fewer workers are putting out more production, and that new methods of operation have taken much of the human element out of work itself. This may all be for the good, for those who are working. It makes sense to use new techniques and machinery to take the burden off men’s backs. The machine has become very much part of our lives—life has changed mightily.

But one thing has not changed. And that is something that trade unionists have known as far back as men first associated with other workers in order to use their combined strength, and their economic power, to win better lives for themselves and their families.

What has not changed is this: when the worker deals with the employer he is going to get only what he is strong enough to win! This has not changed!

Something else that has not changed is the essential meaning of such age-old, time-honored terms as “in unity there is strength”; and “an injury to one is an injury to all.”

The joining of demands and negotiations by the ILWU and Teamster warehouse groupings reinforce those old slogans—for it is this joint strength that will enable us to meet the new demands of a new period of life—with job security paramount in a period of mounting unemployment and new production methods. The union represents human needs in an increasingly inhuman age.

As far back as I can recall—and I have better than three decades of close experience in trade unionism under any belt—I have never heard of a time when employers were ever really afraid of workers anything on a silver platter. When it seems that they are giving something away easily, a majority of the inside situation will show you that the boss has realized that the workers are well organized, united in their demands—and above all else, willing to fight!

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That willingness to carry through—including striking when necessary—is the only guarantee I’ve ever heard of winning in labor-management negotiations. We discovered this in previous negotiations. When it was necessary to hit the bricks in the last few years, even though the union might last for only a few hours, it did its job.

We’re coming into a most important period of negotiations. Labor leaders hearing from all varieties of politicians—going up as high as any politician can go, in this election year—pledging with workers to keep demands down, and not ask for too much. We’re not too sure what is too much. We know that while workers wages have gone up hardly more than three percent in the last year—profits hit the highest point in history, running well over ten percent! So, we might keep asking those who have really pulled in the loot—the giant corporations, and businesses of every stripe—exactly what is too much.

Labor’s demands are really most reasonable—nothing more than workmen’s wages have not gone up in recent years and security on the job.

And, there are no shortcuts to bringing these demands in the shape of paychecks, fringe benefits, and a job for the majority rests on their shoulders.

In the last of the warehouse convention in northern California means anything I’d say the ranks are indeed ready and willing to act!

**Ernie Bowen New Head of Local 94**

WILMINGTON—Ernie Bowen was elected president of International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local No. 94, in an election held here on Tuesday, March 17.

Elected vice-president was Ernest Melville. Glenn Deatherage was elected secretary-dispatcher, with a week later.

Walter Bertsching, Sidney Lanor, and Dewey Long were elected to the Executive Committee, and Bertsching was also elected members elected to the Executive Board. A constitutional change affecting the duties of the local president was approved by a vote of 172-4.


**Ask Lower Retirement Age**

SEATTLE — A resolution asking Congress to lower the social security ages from 65 to 62 for men and 62 to 60 for women, has been adopted by the King County Labor Council (AFL-CIO).

**Lumber Ships Increase**

PORTLAND—Lumber shipments from West Coast docks—California and stateside—increased 11.8 percent last year over 1962, the Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau said.

**ELECTION NOTICE**

Local 43, Longview, Washington
Local 43, ILWU, Longview, Wash., will hold its election May 4, 1964, to fill the office of president, secretary-treasurer and delegate to Columbia River District Council. Nominations will be made at the regular quarterly local-wide meeting to be held Saturday, April 18, at the union hall, 1318 Commerce Avenue, Polling will be at 1318 Commerce Avenue.

Local 63, Wilmington
Local 63, ILWU, Wilmington, Calif., will hold its election May 4, 1964, and run-off election, if necessary, June 10, 1964. All offices of secretary-treasurer, one of several relations committee and one relief dispatcher. Nominations will be made between April 15 and May 15, 1964. Polling will be between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. at 445 Avalon Blvd., Wilmington, Calif.