Heart Attack
Chili Duarte
Of Local 6
Dead at 56

ILWU officers this week expressed deepest regrets at the death of Charles “Chili” Duarte, veteran ILWU leader and long time president of Warehouse Union Local 6, whom they described as a capable and devoted organizer and builder of the ILWU from the very beginning.”

Duarte died suddenly on January 4 after suffering a heart attack on New Year’s day at Lake Tahoe where he had been vacationing with his family. He was 56 years old. He was the senior member of the ILWU International Executive Board.

Duarte’s career is deeply associated with the history of the earliest days of organization and strikes on the waterfront and in the warehouse industry. He not only was a charter member of the warehouse union, but also one of the earliest organizers in the CIO. He was fiery and colorful and deeply devoted to the union and to working people.

Over 1,000 messages, wires and calls were pouring into union headquarters as The Dispatcher was going to press. These will be reported in the next issue of the union paper. Meanwhile in Sacramento, Assemblyman John Burton announced that the California Legislature is planning a resolution in honor of Duarte.

He is survived by his wife Marcia, two daughters, Darre Duarte and Mrs. Karla Olivares of Castro Valley, as well as four grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Helen Pagni of Oakland, and two brothers.

His father was a stoker on a ship who settled on a plantation in Oahu, Hawaii near the turn of the century, and then later moved to San Francisco and then to Oakland where he worked as a stevedore in shoveling gangs. “Chili” was born August 6, 1912 in Oakland.

At the age of 16 he quit high school and went to work in his uncle’s shovelling gang in Oakland. In November 1934 he joined the International Longshoremen’s Association. Following the 1934 strike he went to work in the grocery warehouse industry, as a member of ILA.

STOCKTON — The Northern California District Council, meeting here December 21, pledged all-out support for the program of the recent longshore casuscal, demanding that ILWU members stuff and strip containers at container freight stations, as well as a request that all longshore division pensioners be provided with parity, raising those who were pensioned at $165 a month to the current $235 a month.

In a session devoted to important business at year’s end, the NCDC also took action on the following:

• Adopted a resolution calling on the San Francisco Police Department and Mayor Alioto to dissolve the police Tactical Squad which, the council members charge, had been used violently against pickets in the Kaiser hospital workers’ strike.
• Congratulated Reies Tijerina, leader of the Mexican-American Alianza in New Mexico, on his acquittal after a trial in which he was charged with assault on a jail, kidnapping and racial harassment.

San Francisco — Selection of the next overseas delegates will be made by the International executive board at its next meeting, tentatively scheduled for March.

ILWU members who wish to be overseas delegates should get their application forms from their local union offices. Deadline for returning applications is March 7. They should be addressed to Research Department Barry Silverman, ILWU, 150 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, Calif. 94102.

Applicants will be expected to indicate which countries they would most like to visit and to state why they think that an ILWU delegation and report on those countries will be of interest or benefit to the union membership.

N. California Council Backs Union Negotiators, Blasts SF Tac Squad

ASK BURNS TO RESIGN
• Asked Senator Hugh Burns, president pro tem of the California Senate, chairman of the Senate “Subversive Activities” committee and a longtime anti-labor reactionary, to resign. It was charged that Senator Burns was guilty of involvement in a conflict of interest as president of the Menlo Union Life Insurance Company.
• Went on record favoring elimination of the electoral college method of voting, and sent a telegram to the United States Congress favoring a direct primary vote and a popular majority vote instead of the use of the archaic, antique and often unfair electoral college system.
• Requested the secretary to send a card of condolence to Sister Wenaoh Dasrini, longtime leader of the Women’s Auxiliary, whose daughter recently died of cancer.

STRIKEBREAKING
It was resolved that the Northern California District Council demand of the San Francisco Police Department, Mayor Joseph Alioto, and the Police Commission “that the police shall cease their strikebreaking activities and that the Tactical Squad shall be dissolved.”

The ILWU played a role in the Kaiser strike, it was reported by Regional Director William Chester, Chester, Coast Committeeman and Welfare Funds Trustee Bill Ward, Local 10 Welfare Director Julius Spera and Local 6 East Bay Business Agent Bill Burke met with officers of the Alameda Labor Council concerning the Kaiser Hospital strike.
WHEN A NEW YEAR begins there is a natural human urge to see where we’ve been and also to try to figure out where we are now and where we’re going. This desire to take a long look at ourselves resulted in 1968 to establishment of the ILWU weekend workshops—no-holds-barred bull sessions between leadership and the rank and file which provided new insights into where we are and where we are going.

The conclusions provide a healthy outlook for this union. Out of these frank, straight-from-the-shoulder critiques one heard repeatedly powerful avowals of the loyalty and strong affection the members hold for their union. It is also clear that we now have what amounts to a completely new union. The average age of the membership is younger than it has been for years. This membership no longer wants to be repeatedly reminded about the past or made to feel that just because a guy is a veteran of the ’34 strike or other past battles he deserves to be perpetually re-elected to office. The younger members who like to talk about their militancy more than enough opportunities to demonstrate that militancy.

T HE COMING YEAR therefore promises to be an active one—maybe giving some of the younger members who like to talk about their militancy more than enough opportunities to demonstrate that militancy.

Other challenging events include the 1969 International convention at which, we’ve been told, a motion was made to rescind the resolution from the 1968 convention that called for a “free speech.” Like hell it is. It’s nothing more than a form of scabbing.

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Mr. Nixon, Please Read
FDR's Economic Bill of Rights Made Sense 25 Years Ago—And Still Does

From President Franklin Roosevelt's message to Congress on The State of the Union, January 11, 1944. At that time, exactly a quarter century ago, almost everyone in the US thought we were well on our way toward achieving the kind of society FDR projected. With a little courage, it could have been seen on January 20 these "rights" make especially interesting reading.

In our day these economic truths have become accepted as self-evident. We have accepted, so to speak, a second Bill of Rights under which a new basis of security and prosperity can be established—all—regardless of state, race, or creed. Among these are:

- The right to a useful and remunerative job in the industries or shops or farms or mines of the nation;
- The right to earn enough to provide adequate food and clothing and shelter;
- The right of every farmer to raise and sell his products at a return which will give him and his family a decent living;
- The right of every businessman, large and small, to trade in an atmosphere of freedom from unfair competition and domination by monopolies at home or abroad;
- The right of every family to a decent home;
- The right to adequate medical care and the opportunity to achieve and maintain good health;
- The right to adequate protection from the economic fears of old age, sickness, accident, and unemployment;
- The right to a good education.

Chico
Nut Company
Loses Appeal, Must Bargain

CHICO, Calif.—Continental Nut Company, after more than two years of litigation, has announced an appeal to the US Supreme Court and will have to bargain with ILWU. Warehouse Local 17, with headquarters in Broderick, won an NLRB representation election among Chico workers on October 28, 1966, and was certified by the NLRB as bargaining agent. ILWU is invited to send representatives.

On January 9, 1967, Local 17 filed charges of refusal to bargain. The case was sent to the national NLRB in Washington, D.C., and then to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco. The company lost each time.

On October 22, 1968, the appeals court upheld the union's charge and ordered Continental to bargain. The company appealed to the Supreme Court. At year's end, the court announced its refusal to accept the case, so the decision of the San Francisco appeals court stands.

Oscar Jordan, organizer for Local 17, said, "This is no more a legal hocus pocus that can be used in this case. We will make a request that the company come to the table and bargain with us in good faith."

Warehouse Local 6
Signs Up New Members

Oakland and Berkeley, Calif. — New plants have been organized in recent weeks by the East Bay division of Warehouse Local 6. A glass tempering plant in Union City, and Voss International, a pipe plant in Oakland, have been organized.

Business Agent Evelyn Johnson organized K and C; dispatcher Joe Filipich, K and C; and dispatcher Joe Filipich, K and C. These beauty supply houses in Oakland were organized during December by International representative Leroy King, Villegas and Felix Rivera.

PMA Talks To Resume
This Week

SAN FRANCISCO — Negotiations are scheduled to resume during the first full week of January between ILWU and the Pacific Maritime Association on the issue of staffing and unstuffing agreements at all trans-continental freight stations.

ILWU's 22-man negotiating committee reconvened on January 6 at International headquarters to prepare for further bargaining with PMA.

A five-man sub-committee was prepared for continued meetings with a Teamsters' union committee to resolve a controversy which had led to Teamster picketing of some San Francisco piers during December. These problems also related to jurisdiction in the handling, packing and transporting of freight in containers.

The sub-committee met with the Teamster group on December 16 in Los Angeles, then adjourned until early January.
1968—A Year of

A hard-fought six-week strike was won by Warehouse Local 9 in Seattle, with a settlement providing a 90-cent wage increase over a three-year period and other gains, including improvements in fringes and conditions.

Longshore Local 8 in Portland won a wage increase of 40.3 cents and other benefits for its members employed at Ashgrove Lime & Portland Cement Company.

Chemical, Allied and Office Workers Local 20 at Wilmington won a three-year contract renewal with Vegetable Oil Products Company—a package totaling 75 cents an hour in gains over a three-year period. Another three-year pact will be worth 88 cents an hour to Local 20 members at Baker Commodities, Inc.

A good two-year contract renewal was gained by Local 35 at Trona, California, with American Potash Company. In addition to higher wages, Local 35 won greatly improved medical and hospitalization coverage.

After hitting the bricks for 24 hours, the office workers unit of Marine Clerks Local 63, Wilmington, California, with American Potash and Continental Can as well as several fringes were improved.

Out of more than 800 members in the two locals, not a single one broke ranks. Job security, contract language and unsettled grievances were the principal strike issues. These were settled, wages were increased and several fringes were improved.

Women's Auxiliary 41 at Boron maintained a strike kitchen 24 hours a day. The women served everything from snacks to full meals. (A full report on ILWU auxiliaries' activities is in page 6.)

The borax locals were especially thankful to Locals 13 and 63 at Wilmington, California, for its members for contracts covering such (container freight station) work, we will not handle containers off and on ships.

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During September, ILWU’s Coast Labor Relations Committee issued a call for a Pan-Pacific Coast caucus of longshore, shipchirp and walking boss locals to convene at International Headquarters on October 21.

Principal subject on the agenda was ILWU jurisdiction over work performed at container freight stations. Another item was an increase in the pensions of retired members and their unions to bring about common goals and demands for negotiations in 1970.

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Policy: A 7½-cent wage increase was negotiated by the Longshore Locals 8, 20 and 9 in Portland; a 6-cent increase negotiated by the Local 142 in San Francisco; and a 5¼-cent increase negotiated by the Local 142 in Hawaii.

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committee and an equal number of Teamster representatives in an effort to settle a jurisdictional question in San Francisco. The pact led to Teamster picketing of some piers during November.

CANADIAN CONVENTION

The Canadian Area ILWU held its tenth annual convention in May. A range of issues was covered, from pork chops and working conditions to programs dealing with BC-port developments and a plea for Senatorial backing for efforts to end the Vietnam war.

In the referendum following the convention, Andy Kotelow was elected Canadian Area ILWU president.

Canadian conventions were changed from annual to biennial, so that the Canadian and International union conventions will occur in alternate years and hopefully will be spared the expense of two conventions in the same year.

The Canadian Area ILWU pledged full support, financial and otherwise, to the United Fishermen in British Columbia whose members were furloughed, as a result of vicious unfair labor practices.

ILWU longshoremen in Vancouver, BC, were dispatched from a new hiring hall established by the Canadian Maritime Association.

Enlarged Board Meeting

On September 5, the enlarged board meeting was attended by 150 ILWU members and representatives from the PMA and WFA. These meetings were the first of their kind since the ILWU's annual convention in Cleveland in 1969.

PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATION

The ILWU's Pensioners Association met in San Francisco on September 10 to discuss proposed changes in the federal longshoremen's retirement system. Changes were expected to take effect early in 1969.

ILWU President Harry Bridges was appointed ILWU Washinton representative by the Internationals Officers Association. This "hobo" convention of the Pacific Coast Pensioners Association was held near Redwood City.

POLITICAL ACTION

A big share of the union's time and energy went into political action in 1968. In primaries as well as in the general election, ILWU locals helped hold against the tide of reaction.

In Portland, a similar follow-up meeting was held in the hands of the women's auxiliaries.

In Hawaii, Local 142 manned a "Labor for Peace" booth at the state fair in Honolulu. The ILWU handed out thousands of leaflets titled "Stop Showing Your Young Men Into the Vietnam Meatgrinder," and obtained more than a thousand signatures on an "End the War" petition to President Johnson.

In Portland, the ILWU took sharp issue with Governor Burns on the Vietnam war. The ILWU called for a protest, and Senator James Eastland of Mississippi as "a 94-page distinguished career in Senate history.

In October and early November, the Longshore, Skipilock and Walking Boss Coast Caucus shaped its claim of jurisdiction over work performed at container freight stations. Discussions with the Pacific Maritime Association are still in progress on this and the caucuss demand for "fixing up" for pensioners and widows receiving pensions at the $165.00 monthly rate.

"We as a union must take up our share of responsibility for cleaning up racism in the rest of the unions in our nation.

"Our members work in many docks and plants and shops where other unions also have contracts. The time seems ripe for telling lily-white locals that we won't work side by side with them if they insist on maintaining racist sanctions."

On April 9, the day of Dr. King's funeral, the ILWU held a memorial service in the Longshore building in San Francisco, sponsored jointly by Locals 6 and 18. Many ILWU locals in the United States and Canada stopped work in tribute to Dr. King.

ILWU President Harry Bridges was one of two principal speakers at the 18th Governor's safety conference in San Francisco. More than 700 representatives from every section of industry, labor and government attended Bridges' description of ILWU contracts that carry specific provisions for recognizing "longshoremen and dock workers to refuse to work under conditions which they feel are a threat to their health and safety."

The International Typographical Union's annual convention in Cleveland during August heard ILWU Secretary-Treasurer Louis Goldblatt present a check for $1.000 from ILWU to Rev. Ralph Abernathy, President, Cleroxophias Williams of Longshore Local 10 presented a $500 check. The ILWU in Coos Bay, Oregon, sent $200.

Goldblatt addressed the rally: "Someday, and I wish it were now, there must be a powerful, united international action of the poor, the civil rights movement, students, the anti-war forces. Goldblatt Union's if Dr. (Martin Luther) King's dream is to come true.

The President Harry Bridges led an ILWU delegation who attended the funeral of Dr. King in Atlanta. A Pacific harbor edition in The Dispatcher of April 12, signed by the three International officers, stated that "One of our union brothers was murdered last week in Memphis, Tennessee, while he was engaged in union business... Where do we stand in the fight for the equality of man?

"Because we know the time is short, we must undertake two essential tasks:

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The FEDERATED Auxiliaries arrived on the threshold of 1969 with an additional affiliate on the roster, The Los Angeles Warehouse Auxiliary 28, reactivated through patient and uniting effort. Peace and political activity drew almost equal emphasis at the Federated board meeting in September, but a review of board members' reports and a spot check of activities since the Stockton conference indicates that support of ILWU-backed candidates and measures dominated the auxiliary scene this year in the three Pacific Coast states and British Columbia.

Auxiliary women helped defeat Initiative 32 (the log ban measure) in Washington and played a key role in organizing Initiative 345, lowering interest rates in that state from 18 to 12 per cent. In California, the auxiliary effort helped send Alan Cranston to the United States Senate. The effort was spearheaded by Cranston's stand for an end to US involvement in Vietnam.

Canadian auxiliary leaders were active in the fight against repressive, anti-labor Bill 33. They joined Women Against High Prices in urging the provincial government for reduction in the sales tax, as well as demanding action for low cost housing and rent control.

MORSE CAMPAIGN

In the California congressional district it was literally a part of the peace effort. ILWU women worked side by side with students, professors, peace group members and clergymen to return Senator Wayne Morse to Washington. Continued through the primary and general elections into the vote recount, with auxiliary members raising money for precinct filing fees and to tally ballots for Morse during the recount. The recount showed Morse losing by a narrow margin.

Peace slogans and resolutions adopted at Stockton and at regional conferences earlier in the year in Portland and Torrance helped dramatize and focus attention on the revolt of women against the slaughter of their sons in Vietnam.

In San Francisco and other ports, ILWU mothers and grandmothers joined in supportive demonstrations for the Jeannette Rankin Brigade—5,000 "women in black" who marched on the Capitol with a protest petition. The California conference protested the drain of tax money to the Pentagon and called for a "warsiteless world for our children." A month later, delegates to the Northwest Conference notified President Johnson: "We want this war ended and our sons brought home now—alive!"

In September, the auxiliary women recognized the "growing concern among women for young men who feel they must emigrate" or go to prison to escape the draft.

HELP TO STRIKERS

Strikes inside and outside ILWU occupied many hours of auxiliary time. Those supported included the Hawaiian pineapple strike; the three day strike of two California locals against US Borax; the retail clerks' strike in Longview, Wash., and the continuing struggle of newspaper workers against the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner.

Auxiliary members in the Wilmington-Los Angeles area helped plan the boycott of Covey's department store. In Vancouver, Canada, joined the massive effort to keep California table grapes out of the holiday dinner tables and to distribute literature on the farm workers' battles against Agri-business in the vineyards of the San Joaquin.

The cause of retarded children also ranked high on the priority list. Auxiliary 14, Longview, helped Applied Stories for the Handicapped, founded, beloved by the late Alice Van Brunt, and the Progressive Center for Retarded, Auxiliary 4, Portland, supported the Exceptional Children's School, an inter racial effort for "stunted" children 7 aided the Children's Association in Stockton. Clerks' Auxiliary 5-A, Portland, held a rummage sale for the benefit of Emily School.

Many auxiliaries, notably in the Los Angeles and San Francisco Bay areas, concerned themselves with the struggle for civil rights. Members participated in forums discussing police brutality in ghetto neighborhoods and demanded that courses on black history and Afro-American culture be included in the public school systems.

INDIAN FISHING RIGHTS

The Northwest Conference adopted a resolution of Indian fishing and land rights. Stockton contributed to an Ad Hoc Committee of Advancement of California Indian Children and Auxiliary 5, Portland, sent a donation to the Survival International Association.

Less dramatic but a major part of auxiliary effort in 1968 were the meals, goodies and coffee-ands to the unionistas and conferences of the parent union, children's Christmas parties, pensioners' banquets and union picnics. More than 9,000 persons attended the July 19 picnic of Local 500, assisted by Auxiliary 39 in Vancouver.

The other year ending in June, 1968, found ILWU women distributing copies of "Men & Machines" and "The ILWU Story" to students and libraries. During September, Auxiliary 2, Aberdeen, joined round table discussions on "Indians in Unionism," for new members.

The auxiliaries helped spark interest and enthusiasm for Black history and beginnings, through participation in rites and marches in San Francisco and Portland, and the shoreside services held at the head of Stockton Channel, on Bloody July 5.

Seattle Thriftline

Auxiliary 3 held a joint picnic with Seattle pensioners which paid tribute to the veterans.

The possibility of coalition activity with the newly formed Pacific Coast Pensioners Association had all sorts of matter other than picnics and the past history of the union was forecast in a report given at the board meeting in Stockton by an auxiliary officer who had attended the old timers' convention. She noted that the pensioners adopted resolutions on subjects not generally of interest to auxiliaries, such as peace and pensions.

Closer working ties between the auxiliaries and the Pensioners' Association is something "which should be explored without delay," according to Federated Auxiliaries president Valerie Taylor. They could be of value to ILWU lobbies in Sacramento and Olympia, and to the union's Washington representatives in the challenging and difficult days labor will be facing in 1969.

1968 Was a Year of Experimentation for ILWU

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Some ranking in Canada and Hawaii, gave money to help the grape strikers. In San Francisco, ILWU units wore programs of a "Bread and Bureaucracy" September 8 to publicize the boycott.

On March 28, the Federal Maritime Commission approved the agreement providing for collection of most of the National Labor Relations Board's fees provided for in the reorganization and Mechanization Fund.

Neither the FMC nor anyone else apparently had thought this approval was necessary until the maker of Volkswagen cars filed suit, protesting the MCM charge for unloading their vehicles. With FMC's approval, the Volkswagen suit was voided.

Longshore Local 13 at Wilmington and the International officers hailed a great victory for trade union solidarity in the decision of the National Labor Relations Board that strikers and those unemployed because of strikes can be given longshore work.

This disposed of a suit against Local 13 and PMA, charging discrimination against casual workers. It means that ILWU can continue its policy of helping strikers obtain temporary work on docks and in warehouses.

Most ILWU waterfront locals on the west coast observed June 9 by stopping work in memory of Senator Robert F. Kennedy, after receiving a telegram from the International officers stating that "Another terrible tragedy has struck America ..." Some outstanding ILWU leaders died during 1968, among them Francis Murnane of Local 8, Portland; Martin Callahan, Local 10, San Francisco; William Ruth, Local 34, San Francisco; Thomas Mayes, Local 508, Vancouver, BC; and Ernest Manganong, Local 37, Seattle.

During the year ILWU continued its fight for health, safety and industrial relations, along with the California unions, in an effort to exercise control over the cost and quality of medical care purchased by union health and welfare funds.

The organization for this purpose is the California Council for Health Plan Alternatives, which includes representatives of the Teamsters, Auto Workers, Carpenters, Street and Sanitation workers and a number of other unions.

A joint campaign by ILWU, other unions and industry brought about enactment of the Fishermen's Protec tion Act, a step to keep US fishing vessels from seizure by nations claiming wide territorial limits off their coasts.

A big event for Marine Clerks Local 63 at Wilmington was dedication of its own new building. All activities of the members and pensioners are centered in the one building.

Warehouse Local 26, Los Angeles, started three new activities during the year. The first was to bring members closer together and closer to the union.

The local's first annual picnic was held in August, and first annual Christmas - New Year's dance, December 30, and January 10, 1969.

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**Local Union Elections**

**Seattle Local 19 Elects Oliver Olson**

Seattle — Oliver Olson was elected president of Longshore Local 19, and was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Other officers are John Halgren, vice-president; Herbert Liles, business agent; Tony Joseph, night business agent; R. A. Fox, Nick Burnette, Robert Sinclair, Bud Johnson, Bob Smith, dispatchers; Russell Roberts, business agent; Floyd Trepagnier, record clerk and dispatcher; Darrel R. Couilog, marshal; Fred Hunttings; Don Ronse; Henry Lunde, trustees.

**Seattle Clerks Re-Elect Sweeney**

Seattle — Terry Sweeney was re-elected president of Walking Bosses Local 92. Also named for 1969 were Robert Johnson, vice-president; Ed Patterson, secretary-treasurer-business agent; Charles Dean, dispatcher and John Thomas, business agent. Other officers are P. M. Lelli, vice-president; Joseph D. Smith and Vernon Bilderback. Cecil Gatemen and Watchmen's Local 75 who served in 1968 have been re-elected alternating secretary -treasurer; Roy W. Backman, J. Barclay, Lloyd Gabel, Charles Dean, dispatcher and John E. Olson, Jr., recording secretary. Other officers are John Halgren, vice-president; Herbert Liles, business agent; Tony Joseph, night business agent; R. A. Fox, Nick Burnette, Robert Sinclair, Bud Johnson, Bob Smith, dispatchers; Russell Roberts, business agent; Floyd Trepagnier, record clerk and dispatcher; Darrel R. Couilog, marshal; Fred Hunttings; Don Ronse; Henry Lunde, trustees.

**Seattle Local 8 Elects Johnny Parks**

Portland — Longshore Local 8 has elected G. Johnny Parks president. Other new officers for 1969 include Les Thornton, vice-president; Ed Strader, secretary-treasurer-business agent; Rich Ansley, assistant secretary-treasurer; Arvid Panos and A. Ginnis. Other officers are John Halgren, vice-president; Herbert Liles, business agent; Tony Joseph, night business agent; R. A. Fox, Nick Burnette, Robert Sinclair, Bud Johnson, Bob Smith, dispatchers; Russell Roberts, business agent; Floyd Trepagnier, record clerk and dispatcher; Darrel R. Couilog, marshal; Fred Hunttings; Don Ronse; Henry Lunde, trustees.

**Everett**

**Next Dispatcher Deadline January 16**

The hospital strikers showed great militancy on the picket lines. Women as well as men fought back when the San Francisco police tactical squad attacked. (There would have been no violence had the tactical squad not started it, union spokesmen said.)

The hospital workers' new two-year contract brought wage increases, with more to come at the start of the second year. An improved grievance procedure which they expect to use in lightening onerous work schedules. A dental plan for employees and dependent children will take effect next May 1. Time and one-half will be paid on holidays.

**Kaiser Hospitals**

**Labor Solidarity Helps Win Strike**

Oakland — The first major hospital strike in the west was won by Longshore Local 250, AFL-CIO, with the support of ILWU and other unions. The hospital workers' new two-year contract brought wage increases, with more to come at the start of the second year. An improved grievance procedure which they expect to use in lightening onerous work schedules. A dental plan for employees and dependent children will take effect next May 1. Time and one-half will be paid on holidays.

**New Comp Rates Apply In California**

San Francisco — Two forms of compensation for ill or disabled workers went into effect January 1, 1969.

In case of illness or injury not connected with the job, weekly state compensation (after six days) was raised from a maximum of $80 to $87.

For on-the-job injuries or job-connected illness, workers with earnings of $141 a week or more will get temporary benefits of $87.50 a week instead of $70.

**Seattle Longshore Pensioners**

Seattle — The Local 19 Pension Club at its meeting January 13 will install these newly-elected officers: T. R. Richardson, president; Arvid Johnson, vice-president; E. A. Sweeney, secretary-treasurer; Rosco Craycraft, recording secretary; Jack Price, delegate; Fred Richardson, alternate delegate.
Chili Duarte Of Local 6
Dead at 56

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Local 38-44, Weighers, Warehousemen and Clerical Workers Union.

In 1937 he was elected chairman of the Oakland division of ILA Local 38-44 and as a delegate to the AFL Central Labor Council I helped to carry the fight to keep the warehousemen with the longshoremen. He was a witness for Harry Bridges at one of many trials.

Chili was at the first ILWU convention at Aberdeen, Wash., was elected to the International Executive Board and re-elected ever since the time of his death.

In 1958, Duarte was elected to head Local 6 and was re-elected consistently ever since. Between 1942 and 1961, he carried out a program to fight off raids and splitting tactics by Teamsters and later by the CIO and helped keep the local strong and united. In later years he was instrumental in the successful unity program of working with the Teamster warehousemen.

Duarte was invariably described in news stories as being "fierce and colorful" and there is no doubt that when he spoke he never minced words or got involved in a beef he came right to the point.

An example of this was a 1965 dispute and picket line at Firemen's Fund in San Francisco where some of my comments at this Labor Day ILWU rally on Labor Day, 1967 in Honolulu.

Chili said: "When this holocaust is ended, I want to be in a position to say, 'I spoke up.'"

And he did!

A Requiem Mass was offered for him on Wednesday, January 8, at St. Patrick's Church in Castro Valley, and interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward. The family requested contributions to the Diabetes Association in San Francisco or the American Heart Association of Alameda County in Oakland.

"CHILI" DUARTE as he chaired a stewards meeting during the Northern California ILWU-Teamster Warehouse strike

From the Officers of Local 6
About a Comrade We Have Lost

With the death of Charles "Chili" Duarte the warehouse union and the labor movement have lost a friend and comrade who spent all his adult life fighting for the principles of rank and file unionism and for the betterment of people's lives.

The membership of Local 6 feels a loss deeper than we can express. Chili was our leader and Chili worked for all of us, for the entire working class from whose roots he came.

We cannot spell out everything he did and everything he stood for. But certain things stand out and must be said. Above all else, he stood for peace. And he never failed to speak his beliefs courageously.

Chili was a self-educated man, prolific reader and avid student whose memory and knowledge and understanding of people and their histories and their lives was beautiful to behold.

He was an intense worker who never refused an assignment and had the most remarkable grasp of the most complex situations. At the same time he had a delightful sense of humor, was a superb storyteller and a magnificent communicator with rapport for all people.

The officers of Local 6 express their deepest sympathy for Marcia and the family for the loss of a great and wonderful human being. Local 6 and the entire ILWU has lost one of its finest sons and we pledge to carry out the program for which he worked and lived.

I also noted that labor should keep a sharp eye on the political situation in—especially with a Governor Reagan in California, and Nixon going into the White House soon. It's an understatement to say these men are not on the side of labor. And the answer to them is more and bigger unity in the labor movement.

I also spent a few minutes talking about the forces of so-called "law and order" who have been pushing picket lines around—as they did recently in the Kaiser hospital strike in the Bay Area. We know that when even some so-called "good cops" are ordered to do so, they will push labor around. So, I figured it would be worthwhile to forewarn my brothers in the longshore union in case we do have to take picket action here in Hawaii or anywhere else.

Well, to wind this up, I want to say that I was not only pleased to install Local 10's officers, I was doubly pleased. I met a number of people that were there, and I was glad to have an opportunity to let them know that even though I won't be running again for office that I have nothing but confidence in the kind of leadership to be found among the younger men in our union.