The Odyssey of a Seaman

By Staff Correspondent

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Employers Plan To Break Parts Of Walsh-Healey Bill Favorable To Union Production Of Goods

Metal Miners

Ask Wage Raise

Underground Workers Vote Strikes Until Demands Are Met

BALTIC PORT, Ohio—Dredging Society is the goal for meeting their demands, more than 90,000 union members of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, have decided to go on strike in the Baltic area at a half day later. The strike is being called for the first time in the history of the union.

During the collapse of the mining industry, the union's membership grew to approximately 100,000. Since then, the membership has decreased to about 40,000. The strike is being called by the miners because they are being paid less than the minimum wage.

The miners have been demanding a wage increase of 25 cents per hour, which they say would bring their wages up to $2.50 per hour. The company has offered to pay $2.25 per hour, but the miners have refused to accept the offer.

Firemen Call Sit-Down

Demand Company Recognizes New Union

NEW YORK, N.Y.—A 10 per cent effort to break the strike of 3,500 firemen in New York City, the company that holds the contract, has been met with a sit-down strike by the workers.

In response to the company's offer, the firemen have refused to return to work and are preparing to go on strike. The company has agreed to recognize the new union that has been formed by the workers.

Seamen In World Ports

Strike Cutoffs To Rebels

San Francisco: A strike vote followed on the morning of Tuesday, the first to be tried, was successful. On the other hand, the strikers were discharged right off the ship by the owners.

The strike was called by the seamen's union, which has about 2,000 members in San Francisco. The union has been trying to organize the seamen for several years, but has been unsuccessful.

The company has threatened to turn the seamen over to the police if they continue the strike.

San Francisco Sheriff

Orders Arrest Of Boy

The San Francisco Sheriff has ordered the arrest of a boy who was seen looting a store during the strike. The boy is a member of the seamen's union and has been involved in several strikes.

The strike has caused a lot of disruption in San Francisco, with goods running out of stores and some looters taking advantage of the situation.

Druggists Declared Unfair

Seattle Firemen File Suit To Stop Strike

EKATERLIN, Wash. (Special to the

Washington Post) Dry-bag store owners have been warned to expect a strike by the Seattle Firemen's Union, which has declared the owners unfair to the union.

The union has filed a suit in the Washington State Supreme Court to try to get the strike stopped. The union is seeking an injunction to prevent the strike from going ahead.

The owners have denied the union's charges and have threatened to go to court to try to stop the strike.

Sentence Meted Out

Woolworths Pickets Arrested For Assembling In Protest

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Pickets of the Washington Post have been arrested for assembling in protest.

The owners have been ordered to pay $1,000 fine and serve a year in jail.

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Attack New Newspaper

Maritime News, 555 Howard Street, San Francisco:

The longshoremen in San Francisco
have had to stay off the job until
the Maritime News stopped
across the picket line at the
International Longshoremen's
Association terminal.

We are writing to give you the
information that we have in
hand regarding these matters.

You have made a number of
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San Pedro Asks Help

Lettest Addressed To "Public
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"The conclusion is inevitable—the Copeland fink book has no reason for being other than as a black- The conclusions in Chapter 4 and Chap-

Lawyer Analyses

Fink Act

It has been indicated that this means, not being lawyers, do not understand the purposes of the Congress, purpose and philosophy and thus to false conclusions too easily. But for which they have at all press- some person who are looking out for the sea- ly interest. In particular it is gratifying to have a critical analysis of the discharge book made by William Shipman. The following constitutes the most significant excerpts from his letter addressed to the VOICE OF THE FEDERATION.

Dear Editor:

I think it seems to be considerable doubt and con-

Another important point is the pay- ment of wages. Wherever it is possible to do so, the captain, first mate, and chief performer are paid for time served on a voyage, and the rating held by each seaman.

When a seaman is a member of a seamen's district where no shipping commissioner has been ap- pointed, the master of the ship is in charge of it. Where the vessel is at sea and discharged before a shipping commissioner, the captain, first mate, and chief performer are paid for the voyage, and they are discharged, and the rating held by each seaman.

Please allow me to quote from the discharge book as follows:

"The stopping of the fink book is but one of the black-listing measures contained in the proposed regulations. This sub-section shall take effect as to ves-
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New York, September 6, 1936

Mr. W. S. Shipman,

I beg to advise you that I have received a letter from Mr. W. S. Shipman, in which he states that he is opposed to the proposed regulations of the Board of Shipping Commissions and Seamen's Districts, on the following grounds:

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Yours truly,

W. S. Shipman.

Date of entry.— Date

Place of discharge

Given to the above named seaman in my

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Sheep’s Clothing

With old-fashioned effort the sheepskin are trying to make it appear that they are offering the only equitable adjustment in the loss of the glass and the manufacturer re-covered with ice on the outside. Finally glass brick was silk thread, despite air conditioning equipment. Glass ports his problem has been solved.

The Voice Grows

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THE VOICE OF THE FEDERATION

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