**Rotten Conditions Exposed Before Commission Hearing**

Long Hours, Crowded Quarters On American Ships Blasted

The Maritime Commission which held hearings on working conditions and shipping practices is given a vivid picture of the undesirable living conditions on American ships by the testimony of News Vendors ever.

In 1929, this complement was reduced one man by the elimination of various sections of the report. The C.I.O. Newsboys are still a part of the history of the labor movement, and their story is still being told.

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S.F. Newsvendors Vote To Strike For Higher Wages

Enthusiastic support of strike vote by the News Vendors Union No. 20769, A. F. of L., to enforce demands was one of the highlights of a packed meeting held Sunday, July 25, in Labor Temple, in San Francisco.

On American ships were far in excess of the hours worked, according to the testimony of a representative from the Maritime Conference, when it assembled at San Francisco last week.

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FRONT SERVICES

713 Temple Association

HOLD SERVICES
July 6, 1937.

Dear Brother:

On July 5th at this number, a meeting was held in the Commissioner of Marine Engineers, Mr. W. E. Stinson, for the purpose of discussing the situation. The meeting was attended by Mr. Stinson, Mr. E. C. W. and Mr. H. W. T. Although we are far away, we still have the courage to make our voices heard. The strike is not over yet. We must not forget the sacrifice made by our brave brothers who have fought for our rights.

Sincerely yours,

F. F. DILLON

Recording Sec'y.

THANKS FOR THE MAMA

From Your Federation,

The Mama, July 6, 1937.

Dear Sir:

I have read your paper every day and I am very grateful to you for your support. I am trying to bring new blood to the pages of your paper. I hope you will continue to support the Federation.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. ROSE

Editor of the Federation.

FROM DOWN UNDER

From Your Federation,

The Mama, July 6, 1937.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that the Federation has been granted permission to continue printing the Voice of the Federation. The paper is being printed in Sydney, Australia. It is a small paper, but we are determined to continue printing it.

Sincerely yours,

P. S. HYBERT

Editor of the Federation.

SEND CONCILIATION COMMISSION

From Your Federation,

The Mama, July 6, 1937.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that the Federation has sent a commission to investigate the situation. The commission is composed of Mr. T. M. Free and Mr. H. R. Maloney.

Sincerely yours,

P. S. HYBERT

Editor of the Federation.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

Editor of Voice of the Federation,

Gentlemen:

I have read your newspaper at 7:30 p.m. every day. It is well written and informative. I hope you will continue to publish it.

Yours truly,

Bruce, editor of the "People's Advocate",

San Francisco, Calif.

R. P. KNIGHT.

Delegates,

It has been called to my attention that certain statements have been made in the Voice of the Federation, publicized by the President of the Federation, which I believe to be false and misleading. I wish to inform you that I have evidence of these statements.

Sincerely yours,

PAUL LYONS.

Delegates,

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The conference was notable for its democratic process, where delegates from the various unions had the opportunity to express their views and vote on the matter. The delegates from the ILA were divided in their opinions, with some favoring affiliation and others opposing it. The vote ultimately resulted in a decision to affiliate with the CIO, which was an important step in the union's efforts to gain recognition and improve the working conditions of its members.

The conference highlighted the importance of unity and cooperation among workers in the maritime industry. It also underscored the role of strong leadership in advocating for workers' rights and interests. The delegates' actions at the conference were seen as a significant development in the labor movement and set a precedent for future organizing efforts.

The significance of the conference was further emphasized by the presence of high-profile figures such as Thomas T. Van Cleave, President of the ILA, and Adolph Levy, the ILA's General Agent. These leaders, along with other prominent union officials, played a crucial role in the decision-making process and ensured that the delegates' voices were heard.

In summary, the Seamen's Conference in 1937 marked a pivotal moment in the labor movement, demonstrating the power of solidarity and the importance of collective action in advocating for workers' rights. The conference's legacy continues to be felt in the ongoing struggle for better working conditions and recognition for maritime workers.
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Malone Explains Causes Of Friction Between Eastern, Western Groups

Disburse any funds for the West Coast to be decided as the committee desires. We wish to point out one serious thing, however, and that is the situation that would arise if any of the ships have to be laid up for any reason. It would be the responsibility of the seamen, and not only of the maritime industry but other industries as well, and that the constitution that the National Maritime Union finally adopted would be the finest that human minds could devise. It was a sad disappointment, but we have regarded with some distrust the vote of the union. Our hopes were that the Fishermen's Union, which has been so highly regarded by many workers in the maritime industry, would take the blanket Clause on financial power, and no longer be compelled to go to head offices to send in pay of their wages.

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Official proposals from the National Capital have announced a $75,000,000 general budget for public works, to be distributed among various sections of the city. The principal projects include the building of a new municipal auditorium, the enlargement of the city park, and the construction of a new hospital. The general manager of the city's public works department has stated that the project will provide employment for thousands of the city's unemployed. However, many local businessmen have expressed concern that the project will divert needed funds from other important areas, such as education and health care. The mayor has defended the project, stating that it is a necessary step in the city's economic recovery.