FRESNO — Co-ordinated negotiations by two ILA locals and one independent union have produced a big two-year pact for approximately 1,600 workers (at the peak of the season) at 9 cotton compress facilities in the San Joaquin Valley. The agreement was negotiated by ILUW warehouse Local 26, Los Angeles; Cotton Compress Local 27, Fresno; and the Independent Western Chemical and Industrial Workers Union.

Contracts in all facilities run for two years. Wages were increased by 50¢ across the board for the first year and by 50¢ the second year. Health and welfare plans were also improved. Some 620 of the cotton compress workers are members of the ILUW. Those employed by Anderson-Clayton, Calr and Summit in Fresno are members of Local 57, those employed by Calr, San Joaquin and Depend Western, also in Fresno, are members of Local 26. Another 460 members at the Western Chemical and Industrial Workers Union are employed by Anderson-Clayton in Tu- lars, and by Producers and CalWest in Fresno.

The negotiating committee consisted of Presidents Robert Lascano, Parrell Echols, John Avila, Alvin Cordova, James Walker, Floyd Taylor and Business Agent Ernest Clark, all of Local 57; Local 26 Secretary-Treasurer Max Aragon, and Eddie Turner, President of the Western Chemical Industrial Workers.

No Progress in ILA Strike

NEW YORK — As this issue of The Dis- patcher goes to press, negotiations between the International Longshoremen’s Association (ILA) and its employers on the Atlan- tic and Gulf Coasts are moving slowly, the employer association has formally split, and the ILA’s dock strikes against all con- tainerized “automated” operations is enter- ting its second month.

Negotiations held over the October 22-23 weekend concluded with the New York Shipping Association declaring that it would go it alone and bargain with the ILA inde- pendently of the Council of North Atlantic Shipping Associations (CONASA) with which it had been affiliated. NYSA opted for talks with ILA representatives in the East and West, however, while it remains in the Conasa talks. Conasa is expected to commence talks in the East with ILA Local 142 by the end of this week

The ILA agreed to a temporary escalation in charges for crewing and on the 16-speed agreement.

The picketing committee of the ILA said it would hold an all-out strike if the employers refused to speed up the pace of talks.

Unity Wins Big Pact at Compresses

At left, a portion of the turnout at the Laupahoeheo Unit 1106 on the Big Island stop-work meeting held October 21 to get a report on the status of sugar negotiations, and take a strike vote. The strike vote (at right) was con- ducted by the unit balloting committee. Similar meetings and voting were held on the other 13 plantations through- out the state.

97% Strike Vote — Sugar Workers Shut Down All Island Plantations

The 97% strike vote was a victory for the ILWU Local 142 members against the Big Five sugar companies, following a strike that began at midnight, November 2. All plantations are down. Negotiations, however, are continuing. The ILUW negotiators make every effort to bring in a satis- factory agreement.

BIG STRIKE VOTE

The strike was called after the local sugar negotiating committee received a 97% authorization to call a strike if and when necessary in holding back on all plantations throughout the islands October 17-21.

Local 142 has proposed a 50¢ wage in- crease, improved pensions and improved job security in a 15-month contract.

Sugar workers have not had a pay in- crease for 21 months. In March, the pres- ent agreement was extended to November 3 to give the union time to work for legis- lative or presidential action to clear up the confusion which followed the expiration of the Sugar Act in 1974.

ILUW played an essential part in the successful effort by a coalition of forces to obtain support the industry needed to sur- vive.

Last summer, International Secretary- Treasurer Emeritus Louis Goldblatt, Local 142 Vice-President Eddie Lupa and Wash- ington Representative Pat Tobin lobbied hard and long to win support for the US sugar industry, which was in a desperate plight because of the decline in the world price and the price which the government supports; the US sugar producers.

The scofflaws of the executive suites are miffed. They’re feeling meaner than a junkyard dog.

So are their supporters in Congress, in the trade and industrial associations, in the US Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers, and the National Right to Work (for less) Com- mittee and its cohorts on the right wing. They’ve ticked off because they see in the prospect of labor law reform the end of the road for nearly a century and almost complete defeance of the laws governing labor-management rela- tions. The temps of their opposition, and the emotion-ridden language that marks it, will pick up as labor law reform goes be- ""
Working people have had to fight stiff opposition for many years whenever they tried to form a union. New unions have had to fight hard to hold their own - but the opposition is beginning to feel the pinch, and new and energized forces are springing up constantly, coming on strong and making the old associations that have been around for years of their official stationery. The Business Roundtable uses top corporate officers for lobbying on the conserva- tion-right wing lobby which, up to this point, was blocked and was picking up maximum wage in some of the House, and the lobbying corporations. Its annual reports disclose that it was the variant "bosses"

**NEW GROUPS**

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conservaiton-right wing lobby which, up to this, had a hot streak going in 1977, having run a series of articles titled "those besides its president. Reed Larson, who has signed fund-raising appeals have been members of Congress using facsimiles of the official stationary.

THE LAWYERS KEEP BUSY

Seven years ago the committee's first fund-raising effort was a tax-exempt group, The National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation, which has 11 full-time lawyers to help employees in litigation against unions. The founda- tion took in $5 million last year, but that amount has been reduced against them and the case is one in its way to the Supreme Court.

Last year, NRCFTC turned its own political action, the Employee Rights Committee, into a political action committee for its pet candidates.

In 1975, a right-wing fund-raiser name Jim Martin started a somewhat similar group called Americans Against Union Control of Labor, which was organized as "a division of Public Service Research Council," a more in-name organization. The purpose of the organization is to oppose the unionization or collective bargaining by private employers, as well as federal and municipal levels.

The first fund-raising letter of Americans Against Union Control of Government was signed by Ralph de Toledo, a public figure who has been active in the field of political action.

One of his books, "Little Caesar," is an attack on Cesar Chavez and his farm work- ers, another is called "Let Our Home Burn" and it is a call on organizing all public service employees.

RODAY PACK

Another relatively new group is the Business Roundtable, composed of top officers of the country's very biggest corporations. It is currently co- operating with several of the American Tele- phone and Telegraph Company and Du- Pont. The Business Roundtable uses top corporate officers for lobbying on the conserva- tion-right wing lobby which, up to this point, was blocked and was picking up maximum wage in some of the House, and the lobbying corporations.

THE BOSSES' BILL

in the House, former Labor Secretary Raymond A. Moore, who has been corporate policy would clearly not represent other employees at the moment, since the law would clearly not allow employee access to the union hall.

The first attack was on the bill's "equal opportunity to reply." The Union Amendment, which would allow an employer to visit workers in their homes to argue against union representation.

The amendment was proposed by Rep. John Ashbrook (R-Ohio) and the bill, then proposed a series of amend- ments that would have left the measure intact. The amendment was defeated on a roll call vote of the "bosses bill."

Ashbrook and Rep. John Ashbrook (R-Ohio) came late last year when an Idaho em- ploye had signed authorization cards, or there are not enough. If the company is organized, "the election would have to be held within 25 days. The original bill set a 45- day limit.

With the modifications accepted by the House, the bill would pass, according to the New York Times, with the approval of $11 billion a year.

The biggest loophole is the investment tax credit, which currently costs the US Treasury $12 billion in lost tax revenue. The Chamber of Commerce, the guardian angel of big business everywhere wants to increase this by 20 percent.

Even the supporters of the capital gains exemption, benefiting almost exclusively the wealthy, and cost the Treasury $9 billion in lost tax revenue.

Corporations and their mouthpieces, not too concerned about profits in the past months, want more tax breaks for busi- ness.

The Business Roundtable is already gearing up for the upcoming debate in Congress over tax reform that is expected this fall or early next year.

Corporations are presently taxed for 42 percent of their profits. But actual tax collections under the existing system of tax loopholes.
Hefty Wage Hike, Fringes, Settle Frito-Lay Strike

HONOLULU — Frito-Lay members of ILWU Local 142 are now back at work with a much-improved new agreement, following a month-long strike which lasted from August 16 to September 12.

The new three-year contract calls for a hefty wage hike, averaging out to 31 percent, which will be paid out in five increments. The first boost was paid out, retroactive to August 1, and the final will come on August 1, 1979. The agreement expires on August 31, 1980.

The negotiated agreement also includes a non-contributory pension plan for operators, quality control men, and truck drivers, will also get their share of wage boosts. Driver-salaried will see their guarantees raised to $300 and commissions to 9 percent.

The contract, which was ratified by an overwhelming majority at a membership meeting held on September 10, includes a non-renewal period for temporary transfers, increases in social security disability payments and even medical, prescription drug, dental and vision care benefits, plus whatever improvements are negotiated in the 1979 master contract negotiations. Workers at the family-owned farm produce ice cream cones.

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Local 6

Three-Year Pact at Safe-T-Pacific

SAN FRANCISCO — "We had to try it out," they said, Mark Clark, chief, local 6 steward at Safe-T-Pacific, where 70 members are involved in the negotiations.

He said a new three-year agreement, which runs from October 1, 1977 to September 30, 1980, provides wage increases of 7% each year, with limits on life insurance for them. 

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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ILWU Credit Unions Plan Mutual Support and Coordination

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FREE REHABILITATION SERVICES AVAILABLE

Many disabled persons may be missing out on valuable assistance by not realizing that rehabilitation services are available, free of charge within their local communities.

According to social security officials, applicants for social security disability insurance benefits are automatically considered for rehabilitation. However, it is not necessary to be eligible for social security disability payments or even apply for them to receive these services. Interested persons can take the initiative in seeking out life insurance for them. 

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South Cal Council Raps R-T-W Initiative

LOS ANGELES — Delegates to last month's Southern California District Council meeting started gearing up for a campaign to defeat a new right-to-work legislation in California's public workers. (See page 3.)

Each credit union will have one director on the Association's Board.

Deadline — November 11

Motions passed at the meeting include a call for an end to charges for payper deduction and the extension of payroll deductions coastwise. The delegates also called for the right of pensioners to save withdrawals from their accounts.

The Association's next meeting will take place at the time and place of the next longshoremen's clerks and walking boxes caucus.

Local 6 Negotiates New Learners Contract

STOCKTON—Local 6 members in Stockton were ratified a new contract at Learners, including a first-ever pension plan, along with improved wage, holidays, vacations and more.

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Local 21 Solidarity Appreciated by Engineeirs

LONGVIEW—Operating Engineers Local 218 thanked Local 21 recently for "your 100% support of our strike against Continental Grain Co."

Without the support shown by you, we would not have won this fight and would have lost not only the help of the unions, but our jobs," wrote Claude M. Thompson, business managent of the Port of Melbourne, at the Port Melbourne, in the state of Victoria, Australia.

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**From the Labor Movement**

**Don’t Sign Phony R-T-W Petition**

Californians — don’t sign that dangerous petition for an initiative measure aimed immediately against all public workers, but ultimately against all people in California who work for a living.

That is the appeal which is being made by the California Labor Federation to all union men and women and all friends of labor.

The proposed measure is an initiative constitutional amendment designed to cripple the organization of effective unions by California’s 1.4 million public workers.

It would subject all public employees who “directly or indirectly” even try to encourage a strike against a public employer to mandatory dismissal and loss of all tenure and seniority: it is being circulated by a group calling itself “the Committee for Individual Rights.”

**Astoria Container Pier**

**Portland** — United Farm Workers of America, California, have been trying to obtain the right to pay for construction of the facility and purchase of a crane.

The article quoted Port Director George Grove as saying that some of the contains liner and its representative call on Astoria, providing we have the physical capabilities.

**Woodworkers Hear Cesar Chavez**

PORTLAND — United Farm Workers President Cesar Chavez was a featured speaker at the 30th Constitutional Convention of the International Woodworkers of America, held here October 24-28.

"We produce enough food in this country for all who live in it, and to support half the world," Chavez told the 317 delegates.

"You get the bitter irony that the people who produce the greatest abundance of food for the table — the farm workers — have not enough for themselves.”

The IWA’s four top officers, Keith Johnson, president; Fernie Viala, first vice-president; Bud Ribbinger, second vice-president; and Robert Gerwig, secretary-treasurer, were nominated for reelection without opposition. Johnson and Viala are Canadians. The union, which has 120,000 members, is headquartered in Portland.

**Major Problems**

Major problems confronting the IWA, now 40 years old, include organizing difficulties in the south; spreading unemployment and the fact that “political control is in the hands of right-to-work states, reactionaries and raving fools of many titles,” John son said in his keynote.

A controversial resolution on unemployment charges there are "rousely a million persons without jobs in the United States and 100,000 in Canada.” It resolved that "these nations can no longer tolerate token workers in tinfoil, with an economic system in need of major overhaul.”

Another resolution scored the “Pinchot military fascist dictatorship in Chile which has abolished all trade union rights,” urged the United States and Canada to sever all relationships with the Junta, and called for a campaign “to boycott Chilean trade.”

**ILWU MESSAGE**

Greetings to the convention included a wire from the ILWU Northwest Regional Office and a hand delivered message from Portland longshore local 8, which said in part:

“we trust that our two unions’ long history of cooperation will continue to strengthen and expand in the face of ever increasing attacks on union solidarity.”

**Public View on Unions**

As soon as major strikes break out, and before details are known, about 32% of the public automatically side with management, while 28% favor labor, according to a new Roper Poll.

**Religious View**

Catholics and city dwellers tilt towards management. Union members, blacks, Catholics and city dwellers tilt towards the union.

A companion poll shows 47% of the public think that, without unions, US living standards would have been like those in “underdeveloped lands.” But 64% believe that “union leaders are crooked” and that “unreasonable” demands by labor have fueled inflation.

**US Picks Up Marbles, Leaves World Labor Body**

WASHINGTON, DC — President Carter has decided to pull the US out of the International Labor Organization, the main labor agency of the UN.

The decision is more than a year in the making, with a 107-3 Senate vote in favor of US withdrawal. The US was one of 13 countries that could not agree to the 1972 reforms of the ILO.

**NOT UNANIMOUS**

Other unions, such as the Auto Workers, Meat Cutters, and the Machinists had urged the US to remain a part of the ILO. In a letter to President Carter last month, the ILWU International President Fer man also urged continuation of US membership.

Since 1945, Herman Arias, the ILWU has looked upon the UN as the best hope and its constituent agencies as the best hope for maintaining peace in the world... 84% belief that “international unions are the solution” and it is important that the US not isolate itself from that body."
Bridges Named Vice-President

FRESNO — To mobilize the political muscle of 300,000 senior citizens, some 1,500 delegates from senior citizens' groups met here October 18-19 to form the Congress of CaliforniaSeniors.

The Congress, a coalition of retiree groups, was formed to speak for senior citizens groups from throughout the state, according to its executive director, Richard L. Nelson of Sacramento to look after the needs of the senior citizens in the state legislature and in the state government. ILWU President Emeritus Harry Bridges was elected one of the Congress' three vice presidents representing Northern California. On the board of directors are Jack W. Smith, former of San Francisco, California, and Charles Drasnin, formerly of Long Beach, Los Angeles County.

1,500 California Seniors Mobilize

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Burma—Son of K. Burma, Local 500: Connie E. Elder—Daughter of H. Elder, Local 500; John J. Benetti—Son of J. Benetti, Local 500

Local 17 Slow-Pitch Softball Tourney

SACRAMENTO—Members of warehouse Local 17’s “extra board” team defeated Safeway’s (days) to win the Sacramento Valley local’s annual slow-pitch softball tournament, October 8. Aside from nine teams from Local 17’s houses, participants included teams put up by longshore Local 18, warehouse Local 8. Bud Garvey Mourned

SAN FRANCISCO—Clarke Local 34 lost another retired clerk with the passing of “Bud” Garvey on September 16, 1977. Garvey was active on the Labor Relations and Executive Committees for many years and also served as an Assistant Agent of the Local. A very popular man, he will be sadly missed by his many ILWU friends.

Dockers, Widows On Pension List

SAN FRANCISCO—Following is the November, 1977 list of dockworkers retiring as pensioners. It lists various ILWU-PMA plans:

Local 10, Portland: Ray Delk, William Moss

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Local 14, Eureka: Thomas De Butts, Robert Dowling, William Lau, Bert Watman

Local 15, Wilmington: Sam Antich, Luis Baker, Anthony Grilli, Arnold Hopkins, Michael Kostrubec, Robert Munoz, Pedro Ortega

Local 16, Bureaux: Fred Klassen, Lou Warden, Fred Clark, Lonnie kendrick, Joe Rons

Local 21, Longview: Grover Currie, Robert Dardis, Leonard Sundquist

Local 23, Tacoma: Elsworth Findley, Charles Furse, George Davison

Local 34, San Francisco: George Davison, Regency Entry, Edward Klein, Terrence Phillips, Robert Schultz

Local 52, Seattle: Leo Backer, Henry Mayer

Local 62, Wilmington: Charles Grcin, Roaminov, Violette, William Woodworth

Local 91, San Francisco: Rudolph Fardig

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Scholarship Fund—Fred Ponce has been established in his memory to the Wilmington Auxiliary 16. The ILWU Coast Committee has contributed $100 to the fund.

The Collective R.A. of approximately 45% is deceptitive—ther were a number of errors.

Canada Area Scholarships Awarded

VANCOUVER, BC—The ILWU annual scholarships have been awarded to the following successful candidates. Undergraduate Scholarships: Gary K. Burns—Son of Mrs. Burns, Local 500; Connie E. Elder—Daughter of H. Elder, Local 500; John J. Benetti—Son of J. Benetti, Local 500

Thomas P. Meyers Scholarship: Joan M. D. Lamb—Daughter of W. Lamb, Local 500


Vocational School Scholarships: These were awarded to the next two candidates for Entrance scholarships. No applications were received for Vocational School Scholarships: Deborah A. Gorval—Daughter of H. Gorval, Local 500; Sheila P. Coughlan—Daughter of J. Coughlan, Local 517.

Stan Ball, 59

VICTORIA, BC—G. W. “Stan” Ball, President of ILWU Local longshore Local 504, died September 9. He was 59. Over the past twenty years, he had served the ILWU in many capacities, including Canadian Area Vice-President. He was one of the Canadian Area local presidents who went to jail in 1969 to uphold trade union principles.

He was a life member of the Victoria Army, Navy and Air Force Club in Victoria, and was a past president.

Drill Team Action

SAN FRANCISCO—ILWU longshore Local 17’s well-known drill team took first place in the San Francisco Columbus Day Parade October 9 and in the Black Cowboys Parade October 22. Next outing is in the San Francisco Veterans Day parade November 8.

Membership on the team is open to all members. Check it out at the drill team’s regular practice sessions Wednesday nights from 8-10 at the hiring hall. Or call Local 17 and leave your name and phone number for captain Josh Willms.

Credit Union Officers

SAN FRANCISCO—Robert Sharp. Manager of the San Francisco ILWU Federal Credit Union, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Credit Union League, composed of 1,700 independent credit unions.

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Local 6, San Francisco
In Hueneme, California, a union hall has been vacated by Local 6 Secretary-Treasurer of Local 6 in a special election held last month. King, who served as International Regional Director since 1869, replaces Keith Eickman who was president of the Bay Area warehouse local.

Local 12, North Bend
In North Bend, Oregon, they hold their election for officials for 1978 December 5 through December 9, 1977. The voting will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Dispatch Hall, Port of North Bend. Nominations will be made from November 23 through December 6 at the regular stopwork meeting on December 1.

Polling will be at the union's hall, 2904 Sheridan Avenue, North Bend.

Local 18, West Sacramento
Local 18, ILWU West Sacramento, California, will hold its primary election December 12 through December 19, 1977, to fill the offices of president, vice president, secretary-treasurer, recording secretary and five members of the executive board. Nominations will be made from November 23 through December 6 at the regular stopwork meeting in the hall, foot of Park Blvd., at the Port of Sacramento in West Sacramento.

Local 19, Seattle
Local 19, ILWU, Seattle, will hold its primary election for officials for 1978 December 9 through December 13, 1977, to fill the offices of president, vice president-secretary, recording secretary and five members of the executive board. Nominations will be made from November 25 through December 8, 1977.

Polling will be during the hours of 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. in all Local halls.

Local 20, Northern Calif.
Local 20, ILWU, Northern California, will hold its primary election for officials for 1978 December 9 to 13, 1977. Nominations will be held at the regular stopwork meeting.

Polling will be between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. December 9 through December 12, for the primary and 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., December 14 through December 17, 1977, for the final election at 84 Union Street, Drive, Astoria, Oregon 97103.

Local 50, Astoria
Local 50, ILWU, Astoria, Oregon, will hold its nominations November 18 and 22, 1977, to fill the offices of president, vice president-secretary, treasurer, recording secretary, and five members of the executive board. Nominations will be made November 23, 1977 at the regular stopwork meeting.

Polling will be during the hours of 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 234 West Marine, Drive, Astoria, Oregon 97103.

Local 63, Wilmington
Local 63, ILWU, Wilmington, California, holds its annual stopwork meeting for officials for the coming year.

Nominations open October 15 - November 15, 1977, to fill the offices of president-business agent, vice president, secretary, treasurer, recording secretary and six members.

Nominations will be open November 17, 1977 and will close at the stopwork meeting.

POLLING will be between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., December 7 through December 9, for the primary and 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., December 14 through December 17, 1977, for the final election at 84 Union Street, West Seattle, Washington.

Local 24, Aberdeen
Local 24 will have first nominations for their 1978 officers at the November 8 stopwork meeting. The 2nd nominations will be held at the December 9 stopwork meeting.

Open offices are president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, 2 dispatchers and 2 relief dispatchers, for one year, marshal, guard and LRC members (2). Also nominated will be Portage Sound Council delegate, promotions committee and sergeant-at-arms.

The final election will be held from December 19 to 23, 1977. Polling will be between the hours of 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 323 East Market St., Aberdeen, Wash. 98520.

Local 40, Portland
Local 40, ILWU, Portland, Oregon, will hold its primary election for officials for 1978 November 21, 1977, and final election on December 14, 1977, to fill the offices of president, vice president-secretary, treasurer, recording secretary, sergeant-at-arms, 2 trustees, 6 executive board members, 2 dispatchers, 1 relief dispatcher, 4 LRC and 4 grievance committee members.

POLLING will be on December 14 at the union hall.

Local 46, Port Hueneme
Local 46, ILWU, Port Hueneme, California, will hold its final election December 15-19, 1977. The voting will be during the hours of 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Dispatch Hall, Port Hueneme, California.

Patrician Cake
LONGVIEW - The Dispatcher quotes in part from Auxiliary 14th Publicity Chairman Diane Hill’s "Recipe for an American," carried in the October issue of Local 21:

"If you are one of the lucky few who enjoy a good idea to bear in mind that a fish weighs but a fraction of its actual weight when it's still in the water. This will help to keep the body thrashing about and breaking the water's surface, it can bring all its weight and "dash" into the struggle.

Depending on prevailing game regulations, enticing the fish and either have a few rigs working for you or use one rig alternately over several holes in the ice. Minnows appear to be the No. 1 choice for ice fishermen in the Midwest but as a general rule are prohibited in the West as bait. But worms, grubs, even some of the new packaged baits work well at times.

When looking a live minnow for bait, make sure the hook is a light one, preferably a thin wire type and be careful to that the point is lightly eared under the dorsal fin and not affecting the backbone. Sometimes a lightinker will keep the bait alive. It's better if you use as little weight as possible and "wory" the bait slightly. But it doesn't swim as well and hides in bottom cover.

Just about any shiny, artificial lure will work for ice fishing, particularly wobblers, with second best being small-bait spinners. The wooden or plastic bauny, minnow-simulating lure to work, but if they do not lend themselves to vertical fishing.

When you are using the artificial, let it sink — like bait — to the bottom, then start retrieving it with a series of short, upward jerks, punctuated with smooth retrieves and split-second rests, etc. For a still presentation, you can let it sink and cause it to dance aggravatingly in one spot.

Ice fishing veterans shy away from using ultra-light lines and with good reason because the line of the hole isn't. can be quite abrasive and this can cut a line in half. Regarding clothing, insulated underwear is a good start, with a shirt or two, a sweater or two, a pair of insulated boots and either a hood or warm hat. Just about any shiny, artifical lure will work for ice fishing, particularly wobblers, with second best being small-bait spinners. The wooden or plastic bauny, minnow-simulating lure to work, but if they do not lend themselves to vertical fishing.

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Two-Week Strike Wins Pact at Aero Alloys

LOS ANGELES — It took a 13-day strike last month at Aero Alloys Division that its employees, members of ILWU warehouse Local 26, wouldn't work cheap.

The company had offered an increase of 5% in each year of a three-year agreement. After two weeks on the bricks the membership voted to accept an offer of a substantial wage increase along with several improvements in fringe benefits.

The negotiating committee consisted of Business Agent Billy Hudgins, Joe Pryor, Johnrawl Davis, Harry Ellis assisted by Local 26 President Joe Ibarra and Secretary-Treasurer Max Aragon.

In addition, a new three-year contract was recently negotiated at Cal-Eureka Bottle Company and ratified by the membership there.

Management rejected a substantial amount in back pay on the cost-of-living clause, in addition to a wage increase. They also imposed no negotiation contributions and maintained the cost-of-living provision in their agreement.

The negotiating committee consisted of Billy Hudgins and Chief Steward Feltus Ellis.

Finally, members at New York Merchant-

ides recently ratified a two year agree-

agement calling for substantial wage increase and an improved pension plan. The commit-

mite consisted of Business Agents Jack Alvarez, along with Garland Calhoun and Rudy Carrasco.

Carter Charges

Oil Companies in 'Biggest Ripoff

In History'

President Carter has unleashed a blister-

ing rhetorical offensive against the US oil industry in an attempt to arouse national support.

In a televised press conference, he railed the specter of "war profiteering" by the companies, which have opposed his energy proposals in the Senate, and suggested that freezing the cost of gasoline in the face of the energy crisis could give rise to "the biggest rip-off in history.

It was the harshest invocation the Presi-

dent has yet directed at the oil producers, who are already one of the most financially and politically powerful segments of the American economy.

"...The oil companies sincerely want it all," the President declared. "We are talking about literally billions of dollars. Never before in our history has this much money been involved in a decision controlled by government policy and by legis-

lation.

Carter asserted that the oil and gas industries were operating outside the free competitive system, a charge that is per-

haps unprecedented from the Presidential podium.

They are not part of the system, he said, "because prices are not free. They are being determined by cartels made out-

side our country, by the OPEC nations, and they are heavily influenced by some control over the rate of production by American companies.

Carter added that energy is the most important domestic issue fac-

ing him and the nation. His hope of sal-

vaging something from his original pro-

posals now rests with a House-Senate con-

ference committee, which White House

strategists are counting on to hammer out acceptable legislation from whatever the Senate and the House-passed version of the plan, which the Presi-

dent described as unacceptable.

Carter's reference to "war profiteering" was an outgrowth of his rhetoric of late April, when he unveiled the energy plan and called the struggle to enact it "the moral equivalent of war.

"But as is the case in time of war, there is potential war profiteering in the impending energy crisis," he said.

After '46 Hawaii Sugar Strike

By SUSAN HALAS

Maul News

The sugar strike of '46 had many reper-

cussions, and not the least of them were political. As ILWU division director Thomas S. Yagi put it, "We joined the Democratic Party and tried to use it as our vehicle to obtain legislation favorable to labor.

"Well then," said Noboru "Pop" Miyagi, an organizer in the early days of the union who is now retired, "after the first strike we went out all to be involve in helping the Democratic Party to build up our machine. First we stop to explain to people what is politics and what party is for people. People know it all the time, because they know the Republi-

can Party is for big business, and at that time we strongly believed the Democratic Party is the party really for the working people; and that was the way we teach them. We hardly ever campaigned because they knew it. We didn't know how to. The hardest work is to go around from place to place, and talk there was no problem, they were happy to see us.

"After the war," he continued, "there was politically no freedom. A Dem-

ocrat was practically unknown. The com-

panies didn't want any Democ-

cratic rally and we used to hide around and listen to what the Democratic say.

NEW LEADERSHIP

Another result of ILWU organizing here was the emergence of grass roots leader-

ship.

"As a leader, to me I felt it was my responsibility, not only to myself but to the great majority who came in with me to go out and organize a union," was the way Shigeto Wakida recalls the responsibility that came with leadership role.

"When I first joined," Yagi commented, "I was just a member. That mean I was willing to abide by the constitution and do what I was delegated to do. I didn't expect to be a labor leader, but I became one because of the interest and the diffi-

cult struggles we have gone through: the pain, tears, sweet and blood. I think I felt I could contribute something for the fellow workers.

"One of the things dear to me," he ad-

ded, "is regional director Jack W. Hall, a great man and a close and trusted friend. He was a great leader. The other great friend and political leader was Governor Jack Burns. Both of them came from a struggle. Very, very thick in it.

"Jack Hall was a very smart man. I had a tremendous respect for him. He was really smart and bright. I think he was a good leader, down to earth. When he said something he didn't bend the nose of the boss. He would say the facts. In negotiations he was our spokes-

man. He would confer, ask, talk to you. 'What you guys want, what you guys aiming for?' He really represented the working man.

A FUTURE FOR SUGAR?

As for the future Clarence Namay's reaction was typical. "I don't know. I can't really say anything. It will be like 31 years from now. I think, according to the way it's going, the sugar industry will be out. I don't know whether they'll have unions or not. It all depends on public opinion.

An opposite view was expressed by Miyagi.

"Fifty years from now sugar and pine will still be here. Otherwise three-

three quarter million people in Hawaii, they'll be starved to death. The sugar industry can't expand. The management will stay about the same. Both sides are really well motivated. I don't think they'll try to kill each other.

Reflecting on the current mood Miyagi said, "The Democrats pushed the saying young generation their wages is good. Been a long time since sugar and pine expanded. Their living conditions is good. They don't have hardships like we went through. So today they become bigger. But these younger don't know the trouble we went through. They let the sugar industry says the same, and that's the difference.

"People are complacent," said Yagi's cousin. "Jack was that kind of a guy, I think is a good thing without any struggle. People com-

coming in. '00 American companies." As younger genera-

tion that wasn't born during the time of the struggle, they haven't realized the suf-

fering people. We were really suffering.

He traced a history, his own and the un-

ion's that covered two decades of trials, hearings, investigations and scrutiny.

"Personally," he said, "it was a good lesson for me. I learned a lot by it. It made me stronger in my convictions and not lose faith in people.

TODAY'S ORGANIZING

Yagi went on to speak about some of Local 42's current efforts, such as the un-

ion's recent unsuccesses in organ-

izing workers at the Hotel InterContin-

ental Maui at Wailea.

"They, have different tactics today," he said. "Let me put it this way, why did the company give workers champagne par-

ties and free night stay in the hotel and all that? To keep the union away. It's just a more sophisticated way. Evictions, shoot-

ings, these days are gone and they're using many other tactics."

"We have changed on the basis we have become more sophisticated and this way. How do you think an employer is going to react in bargining when there is a union demand for an increase which a larger than the government standard, and the employer knows he's going to get hit with higher taxes if he grants it?

TIP, like other so-called incomes pol-

icy proposals which have come before it, is heavily weighted against working men and women. Based on the falses premise that higher wages cause higher prices, TIP would bring the heavy arm of government taxes squarely down on the employers' side of the bargaining table.

The time and mood changes.

Vital Signs

a look at the US economy

Another Plan for Wage Controls

While evidence continues to mount that wage increases are not and have not been the cause of the present inflation, a new idea for controlling wages is making some headway in higher economic circles.

This proposal is called "tax-based in-

flation insurance." It's the kind of thing that would happen under TIP that is that the gov-

ernment would set a standard for what it thought was an allowable wage in-

crease. A company which managed to get through negotiations with a settlement be-

low this standard would be eligible for a reward in the form of a tax reduction. On the other hand, one which granted employees more than the standard would be hit with a surcharge on its corporate income tax.

If it turned out that corporations on balance were paying more in these sur-

charges on their taxes than they were in wages in tax credit, then the govern-

ment would grant to all corporations in general a tax cut equal to the net amount

Productivity Up, Hours Down

The productivity of American workers rose at an annual rate of 4.9 percent in the second quarter of the year. When compared to its level in the first three months of the year, it was accomplished with little increase in hiring coupled with a slight decline in hours worked, resulting in the growth in the productivity.