TAFT-HARTLEY KICKED IN TEETH
Shipowners to Army: 'Go to Hell!'
Army to Shipowners: 'Okay, Thanks!'

Proposals Voted Down By 18 to 1
SAN FRANCISCO — The most sweeping Jilt yet given to the Taft-Hartley Act by the ILWU was served up last week by striking longshoremen, who walked out on the ILWU who voted against complying with the law's optional provisions by better than 18 to one.

The vote, a ringing "solidarity forever!" reply to the redhosing attempts of the shipowners to cut the union, was the same striking members of the union cast a similar vote to reject the last take-it-or-leave-it contract offer of the shipowners which was handed to the union just before the shipowner representatives walked out of the negotiations on August 25 to precipitate the strike on September 5.

REPUDIATION COMPLETED
The overwhelming and all-but-utomistic vote against Taft-Hartley and the shipowners, together with the recent 100 per cent effective boycott of the National Labor Relations Board's order taken on the shipowners' Taft-Hartley "final offer" August 30 and 31, constituted the most complete repudiation of the Taft-Hartley Act since it became effective more than a year ago.

(Cited by local news sources on page 3.)

The Taft-Hartley Act itself suffered a serious blow on September 12 when the Supreme Court of California, in a majority ruling, struck down the controversial Taft-Hartley Act of 1947 as an unconstitutional interference with the right of workers to form unions.

The decision, which reversed the earlier decision of the Court of Appeals, is expected to have far-reaching implications for labor relations in California and throughout the country.

Cops and Pickets — Los Angeles police turned out in full force at San Pedro September 9 to protect Harry Irwin's shipyard on the Long Beach waterfront. About 1000 pickets lined the waterfront, while the police turned back the marchers. The scene was tense but peaceful.

Almost Roth's 'Adventures' To Flock at Union Side
SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Employers Council has been busy making plans to welcome former ILWU president A. H. Roth back to the union.

Roth, who had been expunged from the ILWU for his role in the strike, was welcomed back by the council, which is now working on a new contract for the union.

Strikebreak! Order Truman And Royall
SAN FRANCISCO — Despite the warnings of the Pacific Maritime Association, the U.S. Army has not been able to handle essential cargo at pre-strike conditions. The Army has been forced to ask for union help to keep the ports open.

The Army has been ordered to go ahead with strikebreakers at San Francisco and Oakland, where the ILWU has a strong presence.

By Pass Hall

The order required the Army to bypass the barge ball, which it has used during the past 12 years and during the war when direct hire was a necessity.

Following orders, the Army officials in San Francisco issued a call for the strike to apply at the Army's employment office of Fort Mason at 8 a.m. on September 9.

The Army has already established picket lines at both ports, and the strike is expected to last for several days.
Of Hearst and Pimps

WHEN the chips get down Hearst gets dirty. His is not just the yellow journalism for which he has been infamous for so many decades. It is a journalism of senile hatred for the workingman. When this senile hatred is fed, as it has been fed, by the hysterical fantasies of profit-corrupted shipowners and strained through the emotional profligacy of an air of vulgarity, the result is nothing short of cataractous.

Since the beginning of the West Coast maritime strike this result has stunk up the pages of all the Hearst papers of the country, and none more than those of the San Francisco Examiner. That newspaper—the term being used for want of a more suitable printable term—has sent its reporters to search for the lowest dregs among the stoop-pigeons and quote them as "unionists," "waterfront observers," or under some invented term to lend fanded authority to their slanders.

At the same time, it has consistently ignored or distorted the statements of union officials or official spokesmen, while giving excited and exaggerated play to the libelary flatulence of the shipowners.

It is not surprising that a committee calling on the editor had at least a little effect. It is an accepted fact that anyone doing wrong operates in fear just as a burglar is gripped with terror by a creaking floor.

Hearst and his stooges seek to split the unity of any union in a struggle and make it defeat itself. They live in constant fear that the ranks will discover the deception and hit them in the circulation department, which would in turn put their advertising on the downgrade. They play both ends against the middle. They gain advertising from big business by helping to wreck unions and keeping workingmen divided, but it is upon the workingmen that they depend for circulation figures. Therefore, the more Hearst papers left unpurchased on the stands and the more subscriptions cancelled, the quicker will Hearst be stopped in his lying.

Almost all Hearst reporters apologise for working for him. Their usual line has been: "Well, it's a living." So is pimping.

World Labor Roundup

By Allied Labor News

CHINA
PEIPING—Chinese workers in general are not optimistic that the new currency laws will do anything to stretch their meager paychecks. But 1,100 printers consider the measures were off of all. The printers, until the new law took effect, were working under strike conditions.

Strikebreak! Order Truman And Royall

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for men to work under strike conditions.

It was pointed out that even the California state law requires that in recruiting strikebreakers the employer must state that strike conditions prevail. The Army ignored the law. A later statement said: "The union will resist this strikebreaking move with all of its resources, including a call to longshoremen to unload ship cargoes at their points of destination."

All West Coast maritime unions in joint meeting, Sept. 14, adopted a four-point policy as follows:

1. The unions reaffirm and restate their offer to the Army and the shipowners to work and transport all Army cargoes under the conditions that prevailed September 1, prior to the strike, with the exception of the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, which agrees to man ships and may be paid under the conditions of the tentative agreement reached before the strike, and the American Federation and the Pacific American Shipowners Association.

2. The union will support the program of the Army as strikebreaking, and an attempt to deceive the shipowners' desire to destroy the longshore and seamen's hiring halls.

3. The unions collectively agree that they will regard all strikebreakers as unfair and will not recognize the proposal of the Army as strikebreaking, and the unions will not perform, or all ships manned by such workmen as scab work and will refuse

the service.

4. The unions further agree that they will solicit all labor organizations, both local and public, to support the union policy of the Army, and the President of the United States, to change the Army policies, and to remove Army cargoes moved under strike conditions, and to refuse to hire and accept the settlement of the strike between the unions and the shipowners.

The shipowners gave their "go" on handling Army cargoes on September 13. The "go" delivered in a hard rebaiting and slanderous statement against the unions.

PAPPERS SELL SILLY

The union answers: "As for the shipowners' name-calling and charges of communists, we have already repeatedly pointed out the real issue which is: Shall Army cargoes be moved? The unions answer: No. The shipowners say: To hell with the Army cargoes.

The shipowners' flat rejection of the Army request left newspapers looking silly since they had been for weeks or more digging up fantastic stories to make it appear that the unions were unwilling to handle the Army cargoes and that the shipowners were turning out paper money to keep up with inflation. Now they are jobless.

ENGLAND
MARGATE—The faces of some leaders of the British Trades Union Congress turned red during the first day of the TUC's annual conference here when observers noted two seemingly contradictory actions. The conference opened with a vigorous attack against activities of Communists in unions. Later the conference awarded a gold medal for distinction of unity and sincerity to Sir Rowland Car.—a Communist.

SOUTHERN AFRICA
CAPE TOWN.—The pro-Luxembourg and neutralist Nugget newspaper appointed a commission to guarantee wage rate agreements in the mines and to organize "power" against its enforcement. The union voted down this call for a resolution to bar Communists from leadership.

JAPAN
TOKYO.—The 40,000 strong Allied Japan Taxpayers Union has announced its refusal to recognize any tariff legislation suggested by General Douglas MacArthur or, on his reorganized "power." against its enforcement. The union voted down the proposal to bar Communists from leadership.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA
BRNO.—An agreement between Czechoslovakian and Hungarian unions will permit outstaying Czech workers to spend vacations at top-notch Black Sea resorts. The workers, who will receive the trips in exchange for cash—payment plus all expenses of their travels to be paid by the governments delegated by Czech unions. They will stop at leading hotels and have rooms in the famed resort areas.

owners were standing by willing and able.

"It is a curious thing," said an Allied Unionist leader in the very leaders who are accusing us of a conspiracy. The reason the movement of essential cargoes are themselves refusing to accept essential cargoes without a request to move those cargoes.

The excuse of the shipowners for not handling any cargo was that it would be required to send it to the "Communist party line used" unions.

Prior to the shipowners' outbursts there are pelting Army cargoes on East Coast ports.

When the United States notified Army several days ago that it was prepared to handle cargo necessary to the nation, the Army cargoes is that East Coast would have profusely detestful effect. However, it might mean permanent loss of morale in the west and it might mean permanent loss of morale in the western states and ports, for logic would require that cargoes be handled by the unions in the east and successful in the east. We urge that the labor movement be in harmony and workers people you reject the shipowners schemes and governmental plans hence forth in harmony with the Army which has acted in good faith."
How Longshore, Shipclerks, Watchmen's, Walking Boss Locals Voted on Proposals

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In 1966 the Bonus of Victory, union of iron workers, won the first national agreement with management providing a sliding wage scale.

The Marshall Plan Scheme to Make Over Europe for War Economy Revealed

BY WILLIAM GLAESE

WASHINGTON: Representatives of Western European countries, meeting in Paris to work out a program under the Marshall Plan, have decided to divide the first year of the Plan among the countries of the Western European Economic Cooperation, with the understanding that the countries of the United States are to get a proportionate share of the Marshall Plan funds.

GERMANY GETS PRIORITY

What is happening is clear. The European countries, trying to work out a program under the Marshall Plan, decided that many dollar countries would be declared a priority in accordance with the Marshall Plan.

One French spokesman, commenting on this situation, pointed out that the United States had already stated that it would not accept aid from the Marshall Plan.

The refusals of the United States to move in on this issue, and the importance that is placed on the building of the Marshall Plan for Germany is further revealed by the fact that a real spill has developed between the British and the French, and there is no sign that the United States is prepared to supply the Marshall Plan for Germany and set up a separate Marshall Plan for Germany.

General Sir Brian Robertson, British enemy, and General Charles de Gaulle, French enemy, have reached an agreement on a joint plan. But this time the British have agreed to let the French have control of the Western European economy.

The French are carrying on the United States, but the French are still in control of the United States, and the Marshall Plan aid will continue to be controlled by the United States.

The Marshall Plan, however, has been made up, but either the United States will have to start another Marshall Plan or the United States will have to make up. Either the United States will have to start another Marshall Plan or the United States will have to make up. Either the United States will have to start another Marshall Plan or the United States will have to make up.

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Here Are Excerpts from Capp's First Radio Script

Before I begin this news comment, I have an exclusive for you. Listen carefully—it won't be repeated. Regularly.

EXCLUSIVE! I don't know any more about what's going on than you do. I just know the scene, and so I'm just as confused as you are.

For instance, take these two important dispatches. Both of them are coming from the capital, Washington, and are relayed to every American's heart—housing.


Let me tell you what I heard on the radio—straight from the Times:

"SMALL HOUSES AT NO. 1080 OF 41,000 OF ALL AMERICAN CITIES." But just when you're feeling great about this, the Herald-Tribune spoils everything with this headline:

"HOUSING SHORTAGE STILL WERE 7% AMERICAN CITIES." Oh, shucks, let's get back to the good old New York Times, the part about that wonderful 25% of Americans who have no shortage of homes.

Of course, the story didn't mention how much they cost, and having

Looking some of the prices about this, you would think of some of those sadists, 'd say the only shortage was money. But get it! Those busy little real estate fellows can't solve all the shortages. The real thing is, that, in 25 per cent of all American cities, any plan, hard-working chap who wants a place to live, he'll sell $40,000, can have one! And the other 75 per cent of America, where young vets are crowded into garages, tents and converted chicken coops, is simply the same. It's 25 per cent of America where the sale of houses is one for everybody.

And now for the Al Capp Bjp. To the most American of the hour. The fellow who got behind the latest week of the 40 weeks of the year, Drew Pearson. Look here, Drew why do you have to use your headline: "Chairman of the Un-American million men, happy from today on." Why do you keep asking him questions in your newspaper column and ever the hell. Why do you keep nagging him to answer questions?

I predict that J. Parnell Thomas will never answer your nasty, nasty questions. And I also predict that you can't do anything about this—so there.

PACKERS PROSTITUTE

There's only one man in America that can threaten to lose a fellow American into the clink for refusing to answer incriminating questions. And that man, fortunately for J. Parnell Thomas, is J. Parnell Thomas. Fortunately for J. Parnell Thomas.

A survey made in New York this week shows that meat prices have risen 116 percent a day. Those nasty un-American price demands were taken off at the demand of a large group of indigent citizens, a group which happened to be composed of unemployed citizens in the meat business. Remember the purpose was to throw meat jumps to adjust themselves to a sensible level.

BILLIONS SAY WELL.

The level they've adjusted themselves to is merely sensible. What you happen to be in the meat business.

Well in a recent issue of the Saturday Evening Post, one of the largest meat-dealers in America ran a full-page ad:

"It showed a mother looking at a fat, happy baby—and underneath the picture it says you can't

Tell A Meat Fed Baby, And the rights—yes you can.

For instance you can tell his name. It isn't Vanderbilt or Morgan—it must be Douthit.

These are the only babies that can afford meat.

Young Progressives at Call. Conference

SAN FRANCISCO—Young Progressives of California announced September 10 the opening of the Western Republicans Founding Conference, Saturday, September 18 in the Casino of the Hotel Riviera in San Francisco.

With the sending of 2,000 calls to the conference, Young Progressives expect over 750 northern California citizens to attend the two-day conference as delegates or observers.

Contrasts for All Local & Offices Appoint Committees

SAN FRANCISCO—Filing office in ILWU Warehouse Local 18 was set up on September 14 for the union's October elections. Races are expected for all officers' positions, business agents, Board of Trustees and Executive Board.

Capp said the things for which many radio commentators have long been hampered. He deftly tore the mask off profiteers; he showed up the failure of any real action to solve the housing crisis; he put the blame for the high prices of most housing. He belonged—to profit. Housing, he said, is one of the great issues of our time. Experts from these points were made with a liberal dose of the Capp brand of good humor. (See excerpts from the broadcast below.)

RADIO MOUGIS FLINCH

The executives of the ABC network and A.C. Leta, was learned it was expected to make a big talk of talk on the air. And so Capp's second broadcast on the night of August 22 announced mo- tions of such "political" matters as business in which the flinch- ing and the miserable situa- tion in housing.

Instead the broadcast dealt with some of Capp's mildly humorous experiences as an alleged teenage Lederlein, and it was ex- pected his two remaining broad- casts would be of a similar politi- cal nature.

The abrupt nature of the change made it clear that Capp was told to stay away from "poli- tics," and immediately raised the question of what had happened be- tween this one broadcast and the next two. Capp, when asked about it, would not talk about it.

Voice learned from a source close to the network that Capp's firing system that had been told

was a direct lesson to the editor that the Press that the people didn't take well to this kind of dictatorship, Capp declared.

At the end of the interview, discussing the question of how to get in radio, in Radio, we asked Capp what advice he would give to any budding young commentator for.

"Marry a vice-president's daughter," he grinned, "that's the only way."

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Labor Will Vote for a New Deal

BY KATHLEEN CRONIN

PORTLAND, Ore.—"If labor wants a new deal—"if it is tired of high prices and government by inaction—labor must have a vote for the Progressive Party," she said recently.

Senator Granville Taylor, who has announced his candidacy for the new party, said at a rally in Benson Tech on September 2. He declared that the party represented the "notes on which the fact that labor will be led, by elected leaders, to the fact that 85 per cent of the new- papers are pro-labor and not against him." He declared he was the organizer of the fact that "Green and Murray have not won.

BACK MARITIME STRIKE

The Maritime Workers Union has announced earlier in the day. Taylor commented on the fact that he had arrived in Portland from Seattle after some 4,500 maritime workers in California had voted their strike as "it was the only way they could catch up with the high cost of living."

Speaking re- gret that his schedule was too crowded to permit a visit to the picket lines.

The Progressive Party, Taylor pledged, "stands for a victory in November, "will bring prices down and keep them down. He said this could be done through "price control, some rationing and some price fixing.” In Britain, where the govern- ment has fixed prices," he said, "even though there is scarcity, but it is only 20 cents a pound in Britain, whereas in Washington it is $1."

BY PASS HOUSING

The Refubricians, he said, have "done everything they're going to do on housing—and that is nothing."

He charged it was no accident the New York Refubricians in Washington opened concurrently with the Capp situation. "People could read about it, always a joint subject, while Con- gress' hedges for two weeks and adjourned without doing anything about labor, prices or housing.

Taylor declared, however, that "the best thing that could happen which all other issues pale. "We must all live together or die together," he said, charging that we "must have enough steam bombs in the world, including ourselves.

Local 34 Plans Action Against Disturbers

SAN FRANCISCO—When organized labor revealed that delega- tion from Local 34 ship- clerks, the managing editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, admitted September 10 he got a letter from J. Parnell Thomas, declaring Harry Bridges' being booted at a meeting of the local from two ship-clerks who reported the story to him. The letter had been tipped off before being typed at which the clerks voted on the letter, but which obviously the editors intended to use.

The Local 34 strike committee voted unanimously, September 8, to refuse an offer of Har- mony the individuals responsible for the trouble. The letter incident they called them "rats and d. sitters, lower even than rats," The committee said it would have no stone untouched to discover who was responsible for an attack.
Picket Lines Quiet as Longshoremen Vow Solidarity Will Win Strike
Rally for Victory — CIO unions in the San Francisco Bay area marched in full force behind the slogan "Unity of all unions behind the maritime strikers" on Labor Day. The parade was geared to impress the public with the solidarity of all labor against arrogant shipowners who have union-busting intentions. To lead, Richard Lundeen, secretary of ILWU Local 6 and Chairman of the San Francisco CIO Council, addressed the assembled CIO marchers at San Francisco’s Civic Center. Center inset, one of the floats billed, "We've been Taft-Hartleyised!" entered by ILWU Local 10; upper right: part of Local 10 contingent in the parade; lower left: Local 2 parade stunt; lower right: California Labor School Chorus sings at the Civic Center rally.

Dockers' 18-to-1 Vote Kicks Taft-Hartleyism in Teeth

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The secret referendum among all striking ILWU waterfront workers was precipitated by the shipowners when they emerged from a meeting late September 2 with the announcement that the contract issues would be renewed. That announcement was immediately called back into session by the ILWU President Harry Bridges: "You cannot kick the Taft-Hartley anti-communist legislation. That is a state law and it forbids the formation of unions and the affairs of the union are subject to the law. The shipowners have attempted to obviate the law by offering a contract with no union security clause."

After unanimous recommitting the ballot to the membership, the committee members dispersed to address every striking Longshoremen's Association, labor leaders in Seattle and Portland; and San Francisco.

After the final tabulation of the vote on Friday, September 10, the union dispatched the following letter to the waterfront employers' Association of the Pacific Coast.

"The longshoremen voted 235 yes; 107 no.

The clerks voted 151 yes; 82 no.

The polling activities of the workers were:

The walking bosses voted 31 yes; 83 no.

The watchmen voted 2 yes; 181 no.

The above is the direct expression of your employees, voted through referendum ballot in the secrecy of the ballot, of the winning coalition.

We now officially propose that negotiations be resumed between yourselves and such representatives of our union as are elected by you in an effort to reach a settlement of the present strike.

The union is willing to start from scratch in such negotiations if that is your desire or if it is willing to pick up negotiations at the point you were the last before the strike started.

If you respond to an early reply in the interest of the shipping industry, and the shipowners are the only ones who can get things to the public, we are prepared to discuss.

"You can get as far as you want."

The Taft-Hartley Committee, by Harry Bridges, chairman. The figures on the vote on the letter were those available as of noon on September 10. The totals were later increased by the reporting locals. The final figures are in the tabulation printed on Page 3.

Answer to Who Said It?

Andrew Jackson, 1832

Canadians Won't Work Struck Ships

SAN FRANCISCO—Wide-spread and solid ranks behind the longshoremen's strike struggle became evident last week as pledges of effective support streamed into the ILWU International office here from dockers in Canada and New Zealand, from workers in the United States in other industries, and from employees, from seamen and from fishermen.

The solidarity of Dockers CGT of France wired ILWU President Harry Bridges its members' "solidarity behind your struggle and their wish for a rapid victory."

Fraternal greetings and pledges of "full support in your union in its struggle" came from the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand Waterfront Workers' Union.

BALK AT DIVERTED CARGO

In Canada stevedores stopped speculation by employing others on the possibility of diverting cargo. Negotiators warned that unless a refusal to handle any cargo diverted from any strike area and any cargo which would otherwise have gone through United States ports would be fired if it reached them.

From Watsonville, Calif., shippers of the CIO Food, Tobacco and Agricultural Workers Union, Local 78, issued a call to the ILWU strike committee that their September 3 meeting would be "unanimously voted to send you an assurance of our desire to see you win this battle which our country is now engaged in." These agricultural workers were fighting off AFL Teamsters.

Ten local of the CIO United Public Workers endorsed the ILWU "the only organization with enough guts to stick to its guns," and offered the strikers "hearted support."

Local 153 of the CIO Utility Workers, San Francisco, pledged complete support of the strikers.

In Los Angeles the CIO News-vendor's call for full support of maritime strikers in spite of the fact that they are in a bitter battle with the Hearst and Moody newspapers and fighting off Taft-Hartley ruling by the AFL, was supported by local 200 Coast guards of the SS David Bushnell wired a pledge of "financial and moral support in your fight to retain your working agreement and to retain the Local 10 strike committee.

"The striking longshoremen have not been able to obtain everything that they have been promised," 73 National Maritime Union members on the hook in Philadelphia told the ILWU strike committee.

Their spokesmen Jack McQuaid and Barbara Hopper said that the strike is getting longer and flag-controlled hiring hall is the common practice of a fishing union, particularly in maritime.

"They have not fulfilled their contract for the "courageous stand taken" and "led their members in Philadelphia "despite their leadership."

"They know the score and realize that their strike is an injury to all." A pledge of full support from full and complete victory is yours was made.

Nine candidates for the Oregon legislature this year endorsed President Truman urging that the Army accept the ILWU proposal for loading its cargoes.