Ranks Hold Solid as Shipowners Push Phoney Propaganda Line

Europe Interim Report
Scandinavia

(Editor's Note: The ILWU rank and file delegation which visited Europe this past summer returned to San Francisco. October 9. A comprehensive summary of their observations, along with the final interim report will be carried in the next issue of THE DISPATCHER.)

Report No. 8
Copenhagen, Denmark.
September 8, 1948

Mr. Harry Bridges,
President ILWU.
San Francisco.
Dear Harry

Report No. 7 was submitted to you from Stockholm on August 29. Since then we have been in Sweden, Norway and Denmark and this evening we are flying to Amsterdam. In the Scandinavian countries rationing and price control are still very much in effect because of a shortage of many things. For instance, invariably we must purchase our ration coupons before we eat in the hotels and restaurants. It is being handled very efficiently and fairly, the people make no complaints and accept the fact that rationing, etc., is necessary.

In all three countries as in Finland we are subject to labor movement in which people of all political shades are unifying held membership and office, the only restriction being against Nazis and Fascists and known enemy collaborators. Labor is completely allied with the Social Democratic parties who have great strength and influence in the various parliaments. The government as is generally known are Labor Party and Social Democratic, many members and officials from the trade unions holding cabinet posts.

Moreover, the labor movement have their own daily papers including the Communist with large circulation besides publishing line weekly and monthly publications.

SURPRISED AT U.S. LABOR

It is a fact that to nearly all people we meet that American labor has no party of its own in the political field. They state the American labor here invariably mention it when they discuss the Taft-Hartley Act. They know all about the fact and are unanimous in their opinion that the thing is disastrous and that the blame be on the American trade unions themselves for allowing big business and big finance to monopolize the political field.

In Sweden and Norway they have many industrial unions, particularly in metal, transport, and also the building trades.
Hitler-Type Thinking

THAT'S THE WAY I DID IT--CUT HIS HEAD OFF AND YOU'VE GOT HIM

HOW FAR do the shipowners want to go?

Their every public pronouncement swears they will not negotiate with the present leadership. They say they cannot and will not do business with communism and or irresponsible leadership.

The shipowners have become so wildly fascinated with the sound of the word “responsibility” that when it comes to showing any to the people of the West Coast through truthfulness in those public pronouncements they forget what they want, the use of the Molotov picture. (See Page 5.)

After ILWU exposed this phony maneuver, the shipowners grew wilder still.

Their ex-FBI public man is reported to have sworn at citizens of San Francisco who followed the union's suggestion to telephone the shipowners and ask why they are putting so much effort into misleading the public. He upsets the shipowners to look silly.

They didn’t think of a better comeback, however, than more repetition of the “We’ll never, never do business with communists” line. They issued a “white paper” repeating this.

A MORE honest statement of the shipowners’ inner ideas would cut the chatter and say simply. “We'll never, never do business with unionism.” Any dockers who are on the Pacific Coast waterfront in 1934 or 1951 will have no doubt in their minds as to whether the shipowners intend union busting or not. Every docker who has noted the shipowners’ 14 years of screaming against the ILWU will doubt that they like union of the workers choosing.

A docker who thinks through the shipowners’ idea that they have a right to run who will not lead the union will come to the conclusion of necessity that what the shipowners have in mind is to select who will lead the union.

We can easily understand why the shipowners would like a company union with officials well-trained in the art of sellout. We can understand why the shipowners have their eyes glued on their goal of 20,000 longshoremen crawling on their bellies and costing very little indeed.

The dockers are militant because experience has proved it the only way to maintain a decent living.

And the dockers understand that the shipowners have taken a lesson from Hitler who cut off the leadership of German unions, then went on in no time in bringing every rank and file worker under his thumb in the fascist labor front. The shipowners won't stop with the leadership either. They want to go all the way, and that means fascism.

The ILWU doesn’t like fascism. It has therefore called the shipowners’ hand with a proposal for a rank and file negotiating committee to settle with the strike, no officials, local or national, allowed.

If the shipowners don’t want to go all the fascist road of union busting, they should have no quibble about accepting this union proposal.

U. S. Bigshots Say Franco Is a Worthwhile Friend

By ISRAEL EPSTEIN

Senator Chan Gurney, Republican of South Dakota, is chairman of the Senate armed services committee and one of the most powerful Americans on military matters. Gurney has just returned from a visit to Spain. On October 5 he presented a plan for a U. S. military alliance with Generalissimo Francisco Franco for the common defense of the Americas. The fascist Spanish dictator, Gurney says, “would make some observations” to the leaders of the Allied forces and it might be well for them to have them and that makes it “bipartisan.”

Finally to cap matters, dispatches from Paris describe similar activities by Secretary of State George C. Marshall, a man who is seeking a peace accord with the United States and their leaders, “The fascist Spanish dictator, Gurney says, ‘would make some observations’ to the leaders of the Allied forces and it might be well for them to have them and that makes it ‘bipartisan.’”

There are more dispatches, these dispatches, is trying to get the United Nations to rescind its outlawing of Franco and the last Nazi Axis satellite still ruling a European country. The UN General Assembly, on December 12, 1946, had asked all member states to recall their embassies and diplomats from Spain.

The supporters of U. S. leaders not only making up to Franco but soliciting his advice for western “defense of democracy” is sickening. That it is made public now, with no apologia of the same brats reactionary drive that led General Lucius D. Clay, U. S. assistant secretary of state and chief of occupation in Germany, to extend leniency to Nazi financiers, militarists and torturers like the Koch of Buchenwald, Clay, by the way, visited Madrid last May—on his way home from the U. S. British-French-Luxembourg conference which made western Germany a partner in the western alliance.

Although the White House has heard little of it, Washington deals with Franco are old. The only new thing is that Africans are now deemed to be so punch-drunk from Franco’s earlier lines that frankness is thought safe.

The Taft-Hartley law of Representatives actually amended--including fascist Spain, Marshall plan on March 30, when the proposals were cut down by a House-Senate joint committee. The Republican United States News & World Report reported even further back, on January 30, that U. S. troops had been rushed to Europe, by Spain's airfields developed and equipped by Americans for American planes. General Franco has signed an agreement to that effect. It is not, the “Berlin crisis,” or the development, that led to flying with fascists.

What did they name? Some names may give us a clue. Myron C. Taylor has been chairman of the board of the U. S. Steel Corporation and more recently U. S. envoy to the Vatican. Some paragraphs, with eyes of the Eisenhower administration officials reported in April. The same time a vast official Spanish mission, composed mainly of bankers, came to the U. S. It was headed by President foreign minister, Lequerica, who, through his ties with Nazi Kraft, was formerly Franco's chief contact man with Hitler. Lequerica, as ambassador to France in 1941, was in charge of the surrender of France to the Nazis.

Soon after Lequerica's Washington visit, Worthington Electric Corporation was awarded the contract for modernizing Spanish railways. Frank Taylor II declared he would build factories in Spain, Facts began to fill out a plot created by Spanish economist Jose Barcelo in 1945 that there is a communist conspiracy between the Spanish and American. U. S. Defense Secretary Stimson, Marshall plan administrator Averell Harriman are all still directors.

So the new alliance rolls along. The question now is what "worthwhile" friends. As Big Jim Farley calls them, Franco can be for the U. S. leaders, Gurney reminds us, for one, that Franco has been "anti-communist since 1936." He goes on to say that Franco, since then, has overthrown the Spanish republic by armed revolt,“militarized workers, suppressed Spanish unions, outlawed small unions and Propagandists, sent troops to Hitler, sheltered Nazi saboteurs plying on Allied shipping, and helped films criticising anti-Semitism.

France still shuns republicans, liberals and unionists every day. Is this the work to teach the world, if we are to be so "only" beginners at such games but want them all to play over the world?

Typo Union Presses for Labor Daily

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — The poverty-stricken AFL-owned and managed daily newspaper has become immediate with the announcement of the AFL's International Typographical Union's strike for better working conditions and wages.

At its convention in August the IU wanted the more than 100,000 daily workers backing the Taft-Hartley law, called on the ILWU to back and rush toward labor's own paper with state wide circulation.

A strike on such a paper would be neither AFL nor CIO nor particular union. In spite of difficulties, there will exist among various sections of the american labor movement, said the IU, there are many subjects on which all of us are substantially united, such as opposition to a government by injunction, repeal of the Taft-Hartley law, extension of social security, relief of the tax system that will lighten the burden of workers.

LABOR LACKS VOICE

The IU called attention to the present lack of labor, in telling the story of organized labor even to the workers. To whom the press has given biased, and often deliberately falsified, account of strikes and litigation it which the workers, unions have been involved.

But there is no one perfect press of America, while it has done a courtesies to the job of, it is, with the wrongs perpetrated against labor, there has nevertheless been an effective program for the fact that leadership of each individual organ has been treated with particular favor, a particular craft, or a particular union.

What all labor needs is a daily tor mutual defense against common enemies.
Wallace Takes Campaign Directly To Striking Waterfront Workers

SAN FRANCISCO — Progressive Party presidential candidate Henry Wallace took his campaign for the workers of the waterfront here when he made his first appearance in front of a crowd of maritime union picket lines, everywhere he stopped he was greeted by large and friendly cheering crowds of strikers.

While Truman and Dewey ignored the maritime unions and labor in general, Wallace honored the unions by visiting their strike lines and talking to them of his 100 percent support of their causes.

He gave strong words of encouragement at each place where he stopped. Beside calling at the headquarters of Local 10 he spoke a few words at the longshoremen’s hall and marina on the bay.

WON SACRAMENTO CROWD

In addition, Wallace visited the joint Action Committee, the Marine Council, and the seamen with large groups of pickets concentrated around the piers where West Coast ships are laid up by the strike.

The day before his mind up speech in San Francisco’s Civic Auditorium, he drew a crowd of more than 10,000 at the Civic Auditorium on October 6. A critical question put to him by a laborer drew Wallace a short speech on the need for unity of the working class, and the need for workers to stand together and fight for their rights.

The San Francisco meeting was marked as the greatest political rally in San Francisco history by many longshoremen politics.

The enthusiasm, the talking and Dewey rallies, was evident at the Wallace meeting.

On the picket lines, the workers and their families were strong and united. The picketing was strong and militant on every front.

Broad Support Encourages Maritime Unions to Hold Fast Against Destruction by Shipowners

SAN FRANCISCO — The Progressive Maritime Workers’ Union and the United States Maritime Council strike committee plan to hold fast against the destruction by shipowners of maritime unions.

JAC TROJAN

The United Marine Workers’ Union has decided to hold fast against the strike called by the United States Maritime Council.

ILO UNIONISM

The ILWU Local 13 publicly committee, will call on the shipowners to withdraw their threat of destruction of the ILWU.

Speaker’s strike will be authorized by a vote of the ILWU.

A new strike list of maritime unions has been authorized by the ILWU.

FRENCH DOCKERS JOIN

A French request came from M. Maudin, general secretary of the French National Federation of Port Dock Workers.

Our dockers will refuse to unload ships coming from France if they are not paid in full America by strikers or by soldiers.

ILWU members in non maritime unions are working their voices and money in support of the strikers.

The ILWU has made a determination to support the strikers in their fight for a living wage and a better life for all workers.

The ILWU will continue to fight for the rights of all workers and to improve the working conditions for all workers.

THE END
Professional Scab Tries To Break N. Y. Picketers

NEW YORK.—The National Alliance of Marine Cooks & Stewards (CIO picketers) which has organized a 4 that notorious underworld ele- ments were picketing the streetcar, the strikers in New York. Theanasia, professional strike- breaker, was attempting to break up the picketing, but was met with a violent attack. John J. O'Dwyer September 23.

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THE ONLY THING RED WAS THE SHIPOWNERS' FACES

Harry Bridges, ILWU President, and V. Molotov, Foreign Minister, U.S.S.R.

The shiopowners ran into a boomerang on October 3 and 4 when they ran an advertise-ment in which they used a picture of Harry Bridges with Foreign Minister Molotov of the Soviet Union.

The ILWU came back with an immediate ad in which it reprinted the picture of Harry Bridges with Molotov and then showed what the shiopowners con-cemed from the public—namely, that the picture was taken at a United Nations reception which was attend- ed also by shiopowners.

The reply advertisement by the ILWU included the facsimile of a letter from Adrien Falk, an outstanding supporter of the shiopowners—in which he thanked the persons who had invited him and said that he would not cancel any engagement in order to meet such a "vital and brilliant world figure as Molotov."

V. P. of Stupidity

The ILWU was able to print in its ad a picture of Henry F. Grady shaking hands with Molotov. This picture was taken at the same reception at which the Bridges picture was taken. All over San Francisco, even up and down Montgomery Street, people were laughing at the employers.

A small businessman told the employers they hit below the belt.

"Who in the hell is the vice president of stupidity for the employers—he is doing a good job."

Resentful Businessman

Several small businessmen called the international headquarters of the ILWU as a result of the two ads. One of them said:

"I called the employers and told them that I very much resented their dragging into the picture two good friends of mine."

He referred to two people mentioned in a list of guests who were present at the Molotov reception, which was held during the formation of the United Nations in San Francisco in 1945.

Hit Below the Belt

"It was the union who dragged those names in. The employers' representative told this small businessman oh, no, said the small businessman. "it was you who dragged them in because the union had every right to protect itself after you hit below the belt as you did."

The employers' man, who was identified by the small businessman as Robert Mayer, is a former FBI agent who is now employed by the shiopowners, said to him:

"Why Not Say So?"

"We feel we are justified because we know that Harry Bridges is a Communist."

The small businessman said:

"If that is true why do you not say so straight out? Why do you not take an ad in which you say that?"

"Accordingly the small businessman who called the ILWU, Mayer said:

"Why should we waste our money."

The small businessman said:

Lewis Says Truman Is 'Cowardly, Scheming, Dangerous and Malignant'

CINCINNATI (AP)—Opening the fourth convention of the United Mine Workers (unidentified here October 8, President John L. Lewis made a scathing one-hour-long attack on President Truman as "a man totally unfit- ted for that position.

Performing in his usual oratorical fashion, Lewis called Truman a cowardly schemer... dangerous... malignant... a man of hypocrisy. At no time during his speech did he refer to Republican candidate Thomas Dewey.

Lewis condemned the Republican-controlled 80th Con-gress, accusing it of inaction and in-activity. The National Association of Manufacturers and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Some 3,000 delegates were on hand as Lewis tore into Truman's record. The President's position on the Taft Hartley act.

"Mr. Truman says he is against the Taft Hartley act. He says he voted the act. He did vote the act for the record to be used in this campaign. It is the majority of his party in Congress voted to enact that reprehensible piece of legislation.

"But he did not try to have his veto sustained by Congress because if he had tried to have the Congress sustain his veto in any ordinary way the Taft Hartley act would not have passed the Congress again over the veto of the President."

Lewis pointed out that the UMW would never accept any restraint on its right to strike, "for higher wages or improved working conditions."

"Malignant labor leaders who have lobbied the mine workers' coalition de-manded that the mines be shut down and the country's economy be disrupted."

"It is true, too," he said. "That many leaders of the AFL and CIO could be called down to the White House at the whim of the President. And while there they would tell out the labor movement and tell out their own union for a bargain."

Attorney General Tom Clark was called out again with Tru-man for special choice of Lewis's lieutenants. "The (Clark) type," he added, "one of his famous men... who was caught right at the control box in the basement at the telephone."
Oakland Council
The Oakland City Council has refused to reconsider a earlier action taken in the matter in question by the Joint Action Committee of the San Francisco Area. A large group of maritime union strikers met with the Council on September 26 but they failed to convince the Council it was in the public interest to telegraph President Truman asking him to bring pressure on the Maritime Commission and through the Commission get negotiations with the unions started again.

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Overtime Beef
Maztoo Teamster Co., is refusing to pay Maztoo and Stewards Union members for overtime at the plant.

Commercial Agreement
A contract between ILWU Local 12 and the Commercial Ma-Co of Oregon was signed last week to cover the loading of several foreign ships in the port.

Welfare
In an effort to get San Francisco welfare relief agencies to consider the plight of striking maritime workers, the Welfare Committee of the JAC held a public demonstration at the San Francisco City Hall last week.

Legion Puppets
The ILWU was informed recently that the WEA made a deal with force, high in the councils, with the American Legion to activate individual members of the Legion. The plan is to use the Legion's influence to organize the workers and then to force the unions to submit to the Legion's demands.

SS General Gordon
Shipworkers Local 24, ILWU, tied up the APL liner General Gordon for five hours on October 3 as a result of WEA's refusal to contribute its pro-rata share of the dispatcher's salary. The WEA's position was that they would accept the dispatcher's services but would not reassert paying him for his work. The ship was later cleared, however, for unloading of mail and baggage, when the union assured that the ship workers would reconsider their refusal.

Stockton Port
Port Commissioners of Stockton, Calif., have voted to open the port for terminal operations allowing Army cargo to be worked. These authorities also went on record as being neutral regarding the strike.

County Institutions
The JAC of San Francisco recommended that the salaries of the SS Tamarack union at Alameda, be reduced from $500 to $400 per week, and that the same be cleared and removed by County authorities.

Madison Elephant
Local 10 longshoremen were notified by the Governor of Wisconsin that in elephant designed for the zoo of Madison, Wis., will be unloaded if the operators of the steamship line and the stevedoring contractor cooperate. The local previously voted to unload an elephant which was purchased for the Sacramento Zoo and which had been bought by funds made up from school children's pennies.

Police Violence
Police violence against strikers and workers on the Oil Workers' picket lines in Richmond, Calif., was intense on the San Francisco JAC. Standard Oil has been getting the cooperation of the Richmond Police in its efforts to create a "hot" ship movement, naming its Richmond refinery workers.

Protest to Mayor
A five-men delegation visited San Francisco's Mayor, Elmer Robinson, Thursday, April 1st, to protest police interference in the distribution of JAC leaflets at Renz Discount Store.

Tacoan Beef
Sailors of the Pacific Coast were informed by some officials of the AFL sawmill union on October 11 that WEA pickets have started shipping in Tacoman, Wash., and that they were working the "hot" ships.

Merle Rengers, a WEA official in Seattle and one of the six men who were arrested for picketing work was released. A small longshoreman's union group in the area, however, was working, and the 12 workmen were working a boat and a man who had gone through the picket lines came off the ship.

Blow to Greek Labor Protested
SAN FRANCISCO — A new blow to the trade union movement in Greece was dealt by the President, Harry Bridges and Secretary, Communist Louis Goldblatt September 28.

In telegrams to Secretary of State Cordell Hull of the Greek Ambassador, Vaillant Debraniez, the occasion was called a "serious blow to labor by the Royalist Greek government—United States support." Bridges and Goldblatt urged the President and the people to face the threat of violence and the others facing the death penalty for trying to strike "be released and that all suppressions of union rights be immediately."
Sugar Local Maps Fighting New Program  

HONOLULU, T. H.—The executive board of the ILWU's huge sugar local, now at war with the sugar workers since September 18 and 18, one year after the ili inspection was opened, for a new contract program for the next six months of continuaremployment.

The sugar delegates adopted the new International Executive Board's proposal for the 1942 campaign to strike a hurricane affecting the International Union for a second time, and the contract was to follow in 1943, with the ILWU's Hawaii Local 6, the local to strike. The move was to drive the trade union movement.

A report to the delegates, representing more than 50,000 sugar workers in the country, had been made by the AFL, and the ILWU membership had been raised by the ILWU's Hawaii Local in January and subsequent overwhelming vote of the rank and file to stick with the ILWU.

His latest boast that the industrial workers at Lahaina had shown him, now chartered by the ILWU, was halted when the ILWU's Hawaii Local 6, the local to strike, had been raised, and the locals in the country had been raised by the ILWU's Hawaii Local in January and subsequent overwhelming vote of the rank and file to stick with the ILWU.

The board pledged support to Honolulu Rapid Transit bus drivers on strike, who had been on strike for wage increases.

Backers today have included the ILWU's Hawaii Local 152 in its coming negotiations and to the US government division of the sugar, which has announced a wage cut and a company attempt at a break in 1943.

The sugar workers recommended Mayor John Wilson of Honolulu and his Democratic candidates for territorial office.

**SUGAR & PINEAPPLE**

**Sacramento Contract**

Thompson & Holmes in Sacramento on October 17 after all the workers and contractors joined the union.

The new contract provides for a base rate, a range of 27% from $1.50, an increase in the already-scheduled six paid holidays, vacations, overtime pay, and no discrimination.

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and Thomas to the scene. President Truman's support of Albro's position in a telegram which he sent to the Maritime Commission demanding that it and the government-owned American President Lines get to negotiators.

An ILWU advertisement in the newspapers October 18 promised the workers of the shipowners by calling their bluff on longshoremen. If they were not willing to deal only with a well-out committee, they naturally failed to answer a union offer to elect a negotiating committee directly from the picket line. WANTED SCABS

A similar offer made by the Marine Firemen two weeks ago was rejected unless the Firemen would be willing to scab on the longshoremen.
The Firemen made a point of the fact that its leaders had signed Taft-Hartley, but not with the union. They had not been with the ILWU.

George Killinger, American President Lines president, and Mr. Lambsch, Sailors Union of the Pacific boss went to Seattle in order to look into the AFL longshoremen in the port of Tacoma, Washington, to work divided ships. This move was made in close collaboration with the WEA.

Waves of Men Told

On October 12 a large number of SUP and AFL Sawmill Workers Union went out of the port to the front line and set up a picket line in Tacoma where two ships were tied up. One of these was a foreign freighter called the "Vangelador" and the other was an SUP scab ship, the Sti Rosenberg.

None of the off-ship workers involved were represented by either Seaman's International Union or WEA.
The ILWU notified all of the individual shipowners and the agents for foreign lines that these are scab ships and maritime unions in other cities who have been asked to tie these vessels up for the duration of the strike, or until further notice from the ILWU.

SHIPMEN MORE

Meanwhile shippers and others were chalking at the doubletalk of the shipowners. One shipper of Brazil nuts who tried to get his cargo off a ship and received the cooperation of local ILWU in Wilmington, but was rebuffed by the shippers. To the story in a letter to other shippers.

One small business man in San Francisco who was told by the same people that the shippers would be satisfied if they were not only paid in gold business was told by the same people that the shippers were to ask that they would be satisfied if they were not only paid in gold but "mind your own C-- D-- business." He was plenty sore.

Reports from Los Angeles on the Coast indicated that all local Joint Action Committees and local strike committees of the maritime unions were in censure of one-two-three fashion.

MURRAY TELEGRAM

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L. A. Shipper Launches ILWU cooperation

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WEA negotiations difficult. He said this represents the opinion of one who is strictly a neutral third party on the "situation."

He then related the stumbling blocks the WEA foresees in the way of getting the Brazil nuts unloaded from the ship. "I was astonished," he said, "when these men first came to me and told me they were supposed to be a neutral third person in the picture and offering to work free. I really thought these people would be neutral, that they would be more than that. And they would not."

He then introduced John O'Farrell, WEA's head of negotiations, and John O'Farrell, the head of the AFL top brass "complete obedience to the old political parties and machine organizations."

The delegations pledged to work for election of Progressive Party candidates. TAYLOR, in the third district, and Theodore 'Ted' Wulff, WEA's national representative, were picked up in two of the three districts.

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Reincke's Case is Part of Battle Against Forces to Destroy Democracy

HONOLULU, T. H. — In an ILWU radio broadcast Attorney Richard Gladstein, in Hawaii, defeated teachers John and Aiko Reincke, tied in their case to the efforts of powerful forces in society to destroy democracy.

"It is not a simple question of two school teachers who had job and now don't have it, or a man who has a job and now doesn't have it. It is a man who lives in a democracy in the United States where he should be able to support his family, and the ILWU is fighting to make sure he can," Gladstein said.

The Reincke's spokesman in their case, Mr. Reincke, one day had no teacher, had no job, no income, and was living in poverty. They wanted the ILWU to help them today by doing the same thing they did in the past.

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