ILWU GIVES T-H LAW MAJOR SETBACK

IPP Drive
 Goes Into High Gear

SAN FRANCISCO—Attention of the nation centered this week on California where Independent Progressive Party petition drive went into high gear to secure the remaining signatures necessary to place the party on the ballot.

Eleanor Kahn, state director for the provisional committee of the I. P. P., announced on January 19 that a 10-day emergency mobilization starts January 23 and continued to February for all canvassers carrying petitions.

The drive will be asked to work two hours a day for those 10 days in order to get the signatures necessary to place the party on the ballot.

Miss Kahn stressed that this is the first battle to be won and predicted that it will be victorious of the 8,000 canvassers, a plus additional ones volunteer for the first time this drive and will devote two hours a day to it.

The I. P. P. at the same time, appealed to all unions in California which have endorsed the party to do everything possible for the drive.

The drive is to be held in the counties of Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Jose.

PLANT MERGER

A hundred delegates meeting at the second annual convention of the CWA in Chicago took steps on January 13 toward affiliation or merger with the third party planned by Henry Wallace.

The convention gave the authority to state chapters of the CWA to affiliate or merge with the third party for the President Committees or the national third party in their respective states.

Delegates will be sent to a national third party convention of Wallace supporters to be held April 12. This is planned as the session at which the organization ground work will be laid for the new national third party structure.

Editor John Huban of The International lorner's and Warehousemen's Union of Orange County, Calif., has been named as a delegate to the meeting.

Grenetites Steel Local 1289 predicted

Sentiment Overwhelming
 For ILWU In Sugar Vote

HONOLULU, T. H. — Incomplete ballot returns received at ILWU headquarters here up to press time of the Dispatcher January 29 indicate overwhelming sentiment among the territory's sugar workers to remain with the ILWU.

Incomplete returns from the Island of Hawaii, including the Pepekeo, Honokaa and Kahua plantations, showed 5,002 voting to remain with the union against 125 desiring to break away.

On Oahu incomplete returns were 3,032 to 36 in favor of staying with the union.

The vote in the Islands of Maui and Kauai was running over 90 per cent to stick with the ILWU.

Not a single plantation has split off.

The incomplete vote indicates 85 to 90 per cent of the sugar workers took part in the referendum.

The referendum, in which the voting ended January 18, was ordered by a special convention of the sugar workers Local 142 of the ILWU, following an attempt by Moses Ignacio, suspended vice president for the Hawaii division, to lead the workers out of the ILWU and into a new union to be styled United Hawaii workers.

On recommendation of the national ILWU officers, who were represented at the convention by Secretary-Treasurer Louis Goldblatt, the convention ordered the referendum to determine if the rank and file desired to stay with the union.

The union's officers promissed that if it was a majority desired to leave the union to go into another it would then be recommended to the minority that it also leave the ILWU to stick with the majority.

In the event the majority chose to remain in the ILWU (which is the apparent result) the minority was to be again polled on the question of remaining with the majority.

Examiner Dumps NLRB Unfair Practice Charges

SAN FRANCISCO—A major test of the Taft-Hartley Act as a strike-breaking tool this week in a sweeping finding of a trial examiner which exonerated the ILWU of every charge made against it by employers and the National Labor Relations Board.

The case involved ILWU Warehouse Local 46 and the Sunset Line & Twine Company of Petaluma, Calif., with the California Association of Employers also a participant.

The report was based on a complaint filed against the ILWU February 7, 1947, in which the union offered no testimony.

Examiner Whitemore found that the union's strike against the Sunset Line & Twine Company was "precipitated by action of the company on August 27, 1946, and that on or about September 7, 1947 the company has refused to negotiate with Local 6 concerning... the settlement of the strike.

UNION RAIDS RULING

The ruling, examiner's report, Vice President Joseph McCauley said;

"The report expresses the fact that the company, through the California Association of Employers, has been using the National Labor Relations Board and the new provisions of the Taft-Hartley law to prevent the ILWU from enjoying the same solidarity in their out and out effort to avoid collective bargaining."

GOMP Brain Trust Coins Slogan to Catch Idiots

WASHINGTON (P.D.)—Taft-Hartley & Dominy's Grand Old Party. When the four feet in the governmental head trough in 1946 by using the slogan "Had Enough!" ready with a new whiz-eroo for 1946:

"Save What's Left!"

To which a wit added; "Did you say left?"
The NAM Has a New Look

Looking for the Poor Little Runt—He's my Only Support

The NAM HAS a new look like the new look of malady, it will hide some things. As exposed by George Seldes In Fact, NAM's plan is to cover up the enormous profits of American corporations by using the "sales dollar" as the basis for presenting figures about profits to the public. Full page ads, not to be signed by NAM, but by individual corporations, are soon to start screaming over the land:

"Look how low these profits—only 4 cents on the sales dollar!"

Of course, the fact that the corporation's total profits may have jumped in a year from something like four million dollars to a couple of hundred million dollars won't be mentioned. Nor will anything be said about how these profits increase the volume of sales dollars.

JUST IN CASE any of our readers have forgotten what NAM is, it's the National Association of Manufacturers, which ghosted the Taft-Hartley slave labor law, and which exists for the purpose of persuading the American public that "free enterprise" is holy, and that the more billions it steals out of the pockets of the American people with price gouging, speeches and low wages, the holier it is.

It was the NAM which successfully campaigned to kill price control, also through full-page newspaper ads, radio, etc., in which the people were told that prices would go down if OPA was killed. That was as phony as everything else that ever came out of NAM.

Currently, NAM is going directly to workers with pamphlets, ads and other means of communication with a sales talk on how the Taft-Hartley law protects them from their own unions. They don't say that the "protection" they have in mind is the busting of those unions.

The propaganda, that is all of it that we have seen, insults the intelligence of the workers more than NAM may suspect, for it assumes that American workers admire scabs and are anxious to give to scabs the right to work—in another's job.

Another "protection" NAM has in mind for American workers is to protect them from any use of their organized strength at the polls where slave law congressmen can be elected or defeated.

All over the land workers are learning that the Taft-Hartley law protects them from decent wages, protects them from shorter hours, protects them from decent shop conditions, protects them from the right to bargain collectively, protects them from the right to strike and picket, protects them from union security, and even protects them from the right to squawk about it.

But, of course, NAM has figures, and figures don't lie. But lies do figure and NAM has the best in the land, both in their own paid staff and in those volunteers who freely and deliberately spew out the lies in ponderous voice over the airwaves and with pontifical pen in the editorial columns.

So, now let's shed a tear because the corporations are only making a measly 4, 5 or 6 cents on the sales dollar!

Navy Is Ready to Lick Anyone In Sight In 1948

By Israel Epstein

Allied Labor News

When the strongest country on earth proclaims that it is ready to lick anyone in sight, nobody in the world can feel comfortable. Yet, that is what the United States had in 1948 begun—making sure that the very year will be one of alarm, if not war.

On New Year's Day the U.S. Navy Department suddenly announced that a major group of the crack 36th Naval Air Division would join the fleet in the Mediterranean sea, thousands of miles from America's territory. The news was, it said, "sufficiently proof that the American military establishment had been few, armed with rifles and pistols only. This batch was the usual number. One of the amendments held in Hawaii, Mr. James D. Hopkins, general editor of the News, had been kept out of the know who the Navy action was, as a result of a leak, it said. The public was not informed what it is going to cost.

Troops Meant for Greece

Lacking any official word, many commentators guessed the troops are meant for Greece. Why? A large part of Greece's population is revolt against a hated king and a government so unpopular that neither British armies nor U.S. weapons and money enabled the king to rule. The fact that the king is supposed to be under investigation by the United Nations. Accusations of Albanian and Yugoslav aid to the rebels have been made but not made clear.

The UN has never asked the U.S. S., which is a member, to intervene militarily.

Other writers have speculated that the troops aim at Italy. Why? Italy's new Labor government wants to be more aggressive and to keep Mussolini's old-time fascists from sailing back into the government under new colors.

We'll Rule the Waves

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, retiring Navy chief of staff, came up January 15th with a statement more frightening than those possible by which is good enough. He indicated that U.S. forces all over the globe is no stop-gap but a new policy. Recalling that Britain's "ruled the waves," limits boasted that American naval power can rule waves and lands masses.

Since the seas are "free," he declared, "the naval forces are able, without resorting to diplomatic channels, to establish offshore areas in this world floating airfields with machine shops, ammunition tanks, mobile offensive bases that can be employed with the unique attributes of secrecy and surprise."

One is not clear how the Navy plans to go about this. One of the biggest tasks of the War will be to set aside 10-dwarfs and even every man outside the fleet that was 100 years ago. Greece, Turkey, China, India, and New Zealand.

1947 Wasn't Bad Enough

It's only human nature that, having heard this, every foreign country will now start to work or hope that it can do something about it. Uncle Sam will stop admitting that it controls only three miles beyond its borders. The whole world was meant to ignore safety when warships could shoot only cannon balls, and not shells of any kind. Germans can be expected to reply that "the freedom of the seas" is being violated. But, the world needs a flood of civilization vs. barbarism or "democracy vs. totalitarianism."

They will brush off as irrelevant such precedents as the American navy's firing off no less than 130,000 square miles of free and open water near Eniwetok, island, western Pacific, as an "availing means of defense." The us will be able to use Miller and Co. for our own purposes."

He concluded that the Marshall Plan was Big Gun in Arsenal of Capitalism

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — A straight forward criticism of the Marshall Plan by former Harvard University Economics professor Paul M. Sweezy is featured in the November issue of The Catholic Worker, the monthly organ of the Society of the Catholic Commonwealth.

Starting with a summary of what the Marshall Plan purports to do, it observed that their way is working in practice. Sweezy argues that "the availing size of America's military establishment at this time is to restore the world as far as possible to the status quo ante."

Sweezy points out in a speech he made in May and quoted in the Catholic Worker, "the "sudden age" before 1914. A crucial demand would be that the United States begin to prepare to return to pre-1929 depression times. But the very basic minimum" seems to be just ante World War II, with an accompanying calculation that next time we go to war, the American government "would like it best if all the other capitalist democracies" were at the same table, with "union, Greece, Turkey, China, India and New Zealand.

He concluded that the Marshall Plan is a part of this policy. "The U.S. will be able to use Miller and Co. for our own purposes."

For my part I can not interpret the facts of American policy in 1948 as anything but a continuation of Capitalist's past Division of the world, as a part of this policy. The Marshall Plan is a part of this policy. "The U.S. will be able to use Miller and Co. for our own purposes."

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Wallace Offers Plan For Peace

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Henry Wallace in a speech here following the announcement that he will be the “Free” Party’s candidate for the Presidency on the Third Party ticket in 1948 outlined his foreign policy, based on world unity, peace and friendship.

On the one hand, Wallace pointed out the Truman-McMullen doctrine is a "plan to interfere in the internal and external political affairs of countries requiring it. This leads directly to civil wars and international conflict.

On the other hand, "in concept and administration will guarantee that the United States fight against any country or doctrine but against hunger, poverty, and chaos."

Wallace feels his plan will be constructive and would provide for re-establishing the western countries, strengthening world collaboration in the United Nations, and the Truman-McMullen plan as now conceived and put into practice sans to creating another cold war around the world. It will at the same time Jewish-born government of moral stagnation in the countries receiving earmarked aid, stem the United States under the Truman-McMullen plan.

According to a leading economic, Paul Sweezy, "blackmailing the United States will become the standard occupation of statesmen; eventually, the whole thing will blow up in the form of civil wars or the region will become the battleground of an American-Soviet conflict."

How the Wallace and the Marshall plans compare is shown below:

**Marshall:**
1. European Recovery Program to interfere in the social, economic and political affairs of countries requiring aid.
2. Administration to be carried out by official U.S. "Observer."
3. The receiving aid to get if it has our kind of government and subordinate their economy to ours.
4. Priority in reconstruction and restoration for Germany, subordinating Western Europe economy to Germany.
5. Aid furnished by United States only after beneficiary nation has declared its "Communist" elements. Countries where kings, fascists and reactionaries dominate or have large powers in government, the United States will not.
6. Military aid, machines, supplies, Army and Navy advisers to help armed forces to establish or maintain government.

**Wallace**
1. Economic assistance to all nations whether they are capitalist or socialist.
2. Military assistance to any nation that asks for it.
3. No restrictions on how the money is spent.
4. No conditions attached to loans.
5. German industrial heartland of the Ruhr to be seized by German national administration and controlled by the Big Four.

Big Business Kids the Public, But Tells Itself the Truth

SAN FRANCISCO—While Wall Street big business stooges are publicly claiming that labor is paying for its own blowup by engaging in ineffective political action, they admit otherwise to themselves in their own trade organs.

On January 12 an editorial in the Pacific Shipper, spokesman for the shipowners, said:

**POLITICS COUNTS**

"In the case of American labor history so far, reveals that the success of the unions, as well as the overwhelming evidence that the police power is striking a brittle, but it is true that a marked improvement in the face of the most moderate demands of the unions. There is no reason to believe that the labor movement demands political power to bring men to the ballot box.

"This is certainly a far cry from the grave warnings which such NAM organs as McClure's publications based on foreign-language newspapers ads recently to the effect of a recent political action was "Labor's blind alley."

Docker Elected

Clyde Miller, old-time longshoreman, former president of ILWU, was elected head of the Washington State CIO Council last month. Miller triumphed in a heated race over William Allen, United Stevedores. Left to right: Max Wadsworth, outgoing vice president of the CIO Council, admires oath of office to Nick Sra, new president; Ted, to Clyde Miller, key of Sra, new president and Al Finley, released as secretary-treasurer.

ILWU Fires At Matson Rate Grab

SAN FRANCISCO—the ILWU intervened in the Matson freight rate grab by filing a Maritime Commission last week to protest the wage increases granted the company by the Maritime Commission.

The union contended that freight rates should be higher, not lower, to maintain a standard of living in Honolulu, Hawaii and San Francisco.

The ILWU fired its food prices were taken by the ILWU Research Department and early January in Honolulu and San Francisco, Honolulu food prices were found to be higher than elsewhere.

**PRICES COMPARED**

The union priced identical foods in both cities, basing its selection on the items used by the University of Hawaii Committee in computing a food budget for wage earners.

In Honolulu, market prices were as follows:

- Pork, 44 cents per pound
- Sausage, 35 cents per pound
- Fish, 25 cents per pound
- Bread, 40 cents per pound

In San Francisco, market prices were as follows:

- Pork, 45 cents per pound
- Sausage, 40 cents per pound
- Fish, 50 cents per pound
- Bread, 40 cents per pound

On a per capita basis, Honolulu food prices were found to be 10 cents more in Honolulu and 20 cents more in San Francisco.

**As of December 15, 1947, more than 600 federal employees were fired under the federal loyalty check program.**

War Talk Is Center of All Problems In Washington

By WILLIAM GLAZER

ILWU Washington Representative

WASHINGTON D.C.—President Truman's report to the Congress on the State of the Union was overshadowed by the recent economic report making a complete picture. And it's not a pleasant picture to continue apparently about the high cost of living, and staying at peace with the world.

The budget asked for 68 billion dollars to be spent by the federal government in 1948. Truman called for 1 billion dollars for the Army and Navy. The Marshall plan amounts to 2 billion dollars, or about 7 billion dollars for the Marshall plan. The military expenditure plus the Marshall plan amounts to a foreign policy which is part of the military drive will cost the American people 38 billion dollars.

The pressure in Washington is something that must be seen to be appreciated. War talk is the center of every political and economic problem that comes up.

**NOT HUMANITARIAN NOW**

The Marshall Plan, and the Marshall idea, have repeatedly been described as a humanitarian venture to aid the integrity of the world and to help the European countries in their reconstruction. The Executive Board of the ILWU in its recent meeting made it evident that the unions supported a program of feeding and aid. The unions' position was expressed that the objectives originally outlined by the Marshall Plan have long ago been subverted and distorted.

Now we learn that the Marshall Plan has become nothing quite different from Marshall's original claim. Secretary of National Defense Forrestal outlined the plan of the Army today to the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee January 15. Their testimony was to the effect that unless Congress voted the Plan as the State Department was now working on it, the State Department would have to resubmit its draft and increase our expenditures on military items between 20 and 30 per cent.

**PLAN AS USEFUL AS GUNS**

Congress was told that instead of 71 billion dollars for the armed forces between 1948 and 1952 would be demanded unless the Marshall Plan was voted up as proposed.

The Plan, at least as far as some of those administration spokesmen are concerned, is as useful as guns, men, planes and bombs.

**The entire budget message and the inability of either party to explain the situation on housing and rent control, and on taxes, all comes back to the same Marshall Plan.**


**CHEAPER THAN ARMY**

The need now in Washington is for the formulation of a foreign policy that is not only sound but one that will not be to the detriment of our people.

What is the Marshall Plan in addition to the Marshall idea, which is to be found in the passage by Congress, could not be realized without making immediately our economic arms and bringing back the draft?

On putting the question another way, is this a promise from the United States immediately in the course of the Marshall Plan? Is the Marshall Plan the first step toward the rearming of the armed forces will be a definite answer to this.

**TROOPS INVOLVED**

Marily. As was pointed out in the course of the House hearings, some Congressmen are already beginning to look toward U.S. control of the grounds of the European countries participating in the Marshall Plan. As a result of Representative Lodge (R., Conn.) suggested that the United States immediately in the course of the Marshall Plan is a 'strategic error'.

**Discussions such as this one, and they are going on in Wash-**

**ington, every day, always the same way; agreement that greater budget expenditures expenditures are the same way; agreement that greater**

The latest whisper was the sug-**gestion that the U.S. would send troops to Europe to protect the investment made in the Marshall Plan.**

If no Marshall Plan there would be troops as the alternan-**ce, why don't we try to look at the way?**

Film Artists See Studies Over Contract Brooch

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Damage suits totaling $31,385,225 were filed by three Hollywood notables January 7 against the movie moguls who blackballed them because they defied the House committee on unAmerican activity.

The three are writers Ring Lardner Jr. and Lester Cole, and producer-director Edward Dmytryk.
CIO Urges Members to Fight Draft

WASHINGTON (AP) — All CIO leaders and members should write and wire their representatives in Congress opposing peace-time compulsory military training, top CIO officials wrote all national and local affiliates January 15.

"We want to help feed and re-build Europe but we do not want peace-time military conscription," said the letter. It was signed by Legislative Director Nathan Cowan and Council Director Alexander H. Nodding.

Local 8 members in the town of High Point, N.C., and local 1 members in Miami asked all 1 to join in condemnation of conscription.

"The CIO's press is not in favor of a national policy of opposing military conscription and that all labor groups are united against peace-time draft," the letter said.

NEWS FEEDBACK

LISTS REASONS

1. It is not a preventive world-wide defense

2. War on American workers

3. The health and strength of United States citizens cannot be better improved by a national health program than by peace-time conscription.

4. World peace can be achieved by building a strong United Nations, expanded world labor movement and by carrying out needed social reforms.

Curtis McCollum, Local 6 member in Schmidt Lithograph warehouse, San Francisco, expresses his opinion on the Third Party and Wallace for president. "We are altogether for peace; we are for progress in 1948 so let's support the Thirpy Party.

Chuck Drury, Local 2 sealer, queried on the Third Party and Wallace. "It is a great idea. So is Wallace." When members come into the hiring hall who have not yet registered, he said, the union takes them down by auto to registrars' offices.

Violet Thompson, tireless stewardess at Best Foods in San Francisco, says that she thinks the Third Party is the "Road to Wallace in '48." Other ardent workers who have not shown up are: Norman Power, Killester South, Carl Hooper and Larry Osborn.

Frank Nichols, Local 10, says: "I think the Third Party shows the policies we are still going to stick to FDR's policies. Wallace will be our best bet to carry on the program of our great President Franklin D. Roosevelt."

LISTS REASONS

Four reasons why the CIO is against compulsory training were listed as:

1. It is a preventive of world-wide defense
2. War on American workers
3. The health and strength of United States citizens cannot be better improved by a national health program than by peace-time conscription.
4. World peace can be achieved by building a strong United Nations, expanded world labor movement and by carrying out needed social reforms.

THE LABOR MOVEMENT

Anne Zayas, Local 377, at Best Foods, known as the night- ingale of the plant, says she has one petition for the Third Party almost filled and an enthusiastic member of the Wallace in '48 Club at the plant. She's only one of many Wallace well-wishers.

Bob Levine, interviewed at the packers' hiring hall, says: "As a matter of fact, we went to Wall Street to buy union stocks. I've never had my stock in gold yet. I'm a Democrat. Wallace. He's about as good an ally as we've got but I won't have to wait and see how things shape up before I make up my mind."

Joseph Chinler, Local 2, in response to questions on Wallace says: "I haven't decided on it yet. I'm a Democrat. Wallace. He's about as good an ally as we've got but I won't have to wait and see how things shape up before I make up my mind."

Mercedes Garcia, wife of Best Foods, is a charter member of Wallace in '48 Club. Her looks are any sign, she must be a Platt at signing up registered voters who want to see a new party on the ballot in California. She says we'll put the petition drive over.

THE LABOR MOVEMENT

Eastern Iron Rehires Steward, Strike Ends

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Eastern Iron & Steel Co. has ended its war with the United Steelworkers, ending 10 days of strike action at the plant.

The company said it will rehire all workers who were laid off during the strike. It also agreed to meet with union representatives to discuss the issues that led to the strike.

The union had previously stated that the company had refused to recognize the union as the bargaining representative for the workers.

The strike began on January 15 after the company announced plans to lay off several hundred workers. The union had expressed concerns about job security and wages.

The company had previously denied the union's allegations and had stated that the layoffs were necessary due to economic conditions.

The workers had been working without a contract for several months and had been seeking an agreement that would provide for better wages and benefits.

The union had also expressed concern about the company's plans to expand operations, which workers feared would result in more layoffs.

The strike had left many families struggling, as the workers were the primary income earners for their families.

Local 100 members employed in the plant who circulate the petition for the Third Party. He's been head of the Wallace in '48 Club, May 7.

T. J. Sullivan, steward at Best Foods, pledged that all members would work in the plant and distribute their contract benefits equally. He said: "I have no idea how we can beat the labor unions."

Rutus Cockerham, Local 38 steward, head of the local. He said: "I think the Third Party is alright. That's my idea. We want to beat the labor unions and get them out of the working man. I see Wallace."

K. Kiefer, steward at Schmidt Lithograph, backs up his buddy McCollum. He said: "It's a good cause."

Frank Carlo, secretary, committee member at Best Foods, says the Taft-Hartley law is what we can expect of the present reactionCongress. "The way to get rid of this evil law and avoid others even worse is to get behind Wallace."

THE LABOR MOVEMENT

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Puget Sound ILWU In PAC Meetings

SEATTLE, Wash. - The ILWU Puget Sound Sub District Council last week voted to participate in the Congressional district conferences of PAC.

At the same time, the Council urged all ILWU locals to establish active PAC committees whose first objective will be to raise money for political action and get all eligible members registered.

The Council gave its official stamp of approval to the new officers of the Washington State CIO. Confidence was expressed that the CIO State convention will be carried out by these progressive officers.

Secretary-treasurer of the ILWU Council, Lawrence Krabbe, predicted that backed by 100,000 new officers, the CIO will make gains in 1948 in the State of Washington.

F.D.R. Birthday Dance Set for January 30

LOS ANGELES—ILWU Local 38 has scheduled its first annual dance for January 30. FDR’s birthday, Leo Brown’s orchestra will be featured in a dance at the American Legion Post at 10:30 p.m. A professional vaudeville team has been booked.

Purpose of the affair is to raise at least $5,000 for the local League’s Political Action and Defense Fund to be used in 1948 elections.

Members of other Los Angeles unions are invited.

Where Are Your Twelve Million? CTAL Asks AFL

MEXICO CITY, (CTAL)—The affirmation by Bernardo Dohmann, of Chile, that twelve million workers will be represented at the conference called in Lima by the American Federation of Labor, for the purpose of forming a rival group to the CTAL and splitting the labor movement in Latin America, caused no little excitement in labor circles here.

Dohmann’s statement was broadcast by the United Press.

Observers here suggested that Dohmann’s total is all the more startling when it is realized that the seven million union members affiliated to the AFL in the United States, consisting of more than seven million Chilean unionists is based upon Dohmann’s estimate of the total Chilean Federation of Labor having been transferred to the CTAL.

The CTAL was pointed out as one of the most important labor organizations that have been repudiated by the AFL.

LIMA REGRETTED

Messages received here also indicated that the AFL organizers of the conference were regretting their choice of Lima as the seat.

South American unions suggested that if the meeting had been called for Chicago or some other U. S. city, it would have achieved at least as good results as in the Peruvian capital.

Meeting in the capital of Peru, AFL officials and their hired agents will be open to Latin American scrutiny, Beavers, the American Federation of Labor, a union official, who were found previously to make a more or less secret, though well paid, trip to the U. S. E., were not expected to reveal themselves as readily in their own countries.

Truman Talks For Peace But Budgets For War

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Truman in his State of the Union message delivered to the joint session of the House and Senate January 7 gave lip service to some progressive principles.

But in a breakdown of the budget message Truman made January 20 the real facts of the situation are revealed and the demagogy of the original speech is shown in its true light.

STATE OF THE NATION

1. Extend unemployment compensation, old age and survivor benefits.

2. Increase federal allotments to schools.

3. Provide a large housing conservation program.

4. Raise the minimum wage rate from 40 to 75 cents an hour.

5. Enact universal military conscription.

6. Continue support to Greek and Turkish governments.

7. Maintain special United States “responsibilities” in Germany, Japan, Austria and Korea.

8. Begin a “special program of assistance and relief to China.”

9. Lower taxes for the majority of the people and raise them on corporations.

BUDGET

1. For the first four items in his program Truman allotted 21 percent of the increase of $1 billion. This includes all boneless appropriated for social welfare, housing, education, research, agriculture, natural resources, transportation, finance, commerce, industry, labor and general government administration.

2. Out of the total budget, Truman calls for an increase of $1 billion going to national defense and another $1 billion for foreign aid (but not “for Marshall Plan intervention (international affairs).”)

3. Under the last item, lowering taxes on the common man the Truman Budget asks for a $2 billion tax-rate cut credit for 1947). To offset this budget line Truman proposes a 75 percent cut on corporation profits above $15 per cent of their 1932-1948 profits level, but the President knows the present Congress will not even follow this piddling tax-proposal. The House is ready with the Know-Nothing “jackal” income tax proposal.

Thoroughly believing the gesture toward progressives in his State of the Union message, Truman requested many billions of dollars for conscription, continued aid to fascist regimes in Greece and Turkey, and for the administration of American one-way plows and planes in Germany, Japan and Korea. China and other American-controlled areas would get special loan in a later date from additional war reparations alone.

Set off the total of $8.4 billion for all internal services combined against the $18 billion for war preparations alone and you have the big deficit reinstated program of the Truman-Wall Street administration in a nut shell.

Restrictive Covenants Hit By U. S.

WASHINGTON (AP)—A decision to the effect that the losing American prestige in the international arena brought to the U. S. Supreme Court January 16, in cases involving the constitutionality of restrictive racial covenants.

The covenants, widely used in dozens of states, operate to bar Negroes, Jews or non-Caucasians from owning, occupying or renting property covered by the agreements.

At the four cases, originating in California, Michigan, Missouri and the District of Columbia were opened for argument, three Supreme Court justices disqualifying themselves on grounds that they either lived in or owned restricted real estate property. They were Justices Stanley Reed, Robert H. Jackson and Wiley Rutledge.

INJURE PEOPLE

United States Solicitor General Philip Perlman opened the argument by declaring that the covenants should be outlawed because they “involve discrimination which works irreparable injury to all our people at home and harm to our relationships abroad.”

All of the covenants, Perlman said, “involve discrimination based on race or color.” He illustrated the variations in the four cases involved.

In the District of Columbia cases the covenants provide “that said lot shall never be rented, leased, sold, transferred or conveyed to any Negro or colored person.”

The Michigan formulation says the property shall not be used or occupied by anyone or person of any color or race other than a Caucasian race, while the Missouri deed contains an exclusion of occupancy by persons "not of the Caucasian race.”

Equal relief is placed by the government on Supreme Court decisions prohibiting any agency of any kind from participating in any action that might deprive any group of the enjoyment of fundamental civil rights merely because of race, color or religious belief.

Aunt Minnie

By ARAM
Local 10 Longshoremen Turn Out In Force To Protect Members’ Jobs

SAN FRANCISCO—More than a hundred of them turned out here January 14 to map a program for protecting their jobs from the threat of blacklisting and longshore gang war.

Faced with the imminent threat of the employment of ironclads by half a dozen Wall Street-affiliated companies, the Local 10 Longshoremen’s Union and the Waterfront Employers’ Association adopted a resolution calling for a mass meeting of all union members.

The meeting was held in the union hall on January 17, and was attended by nearly all members of Local 10. The officers of the union addressed the meeting, urging all members to remain united and to support the union’s program.

Local 10, which represents longshoremen at the Port of San Francisco, is the largest union in the area and has more than 12,000 members. The union has been involved in a long struggle with Wall Street-affiliated companies over the issue of job security.

The union’s program calls for a unified front among all workers to protect their jobs and their rights, and for a coordinated effort to resist the efforts of the companies to break the union.

The meeting was well attended, and the officers of the union pledged to continue their efforts to protect the jobs of all workers.

The officers of the union also urged all members to remain united and to support the union’s program.

American Patrol Ordered To Referee ILWU Guards

SAN FRANCISCO—The National Labor Relations Board on January 16 ordered the American Patrol Service Company to referee the dispute between ILWU Local 24 and its members.

The order was issued after a hearing was held in San Francisco, where representatives of the union and the company appeared to present their case.

In its decision, the NLRB stated that the company was violating the National Labor Relations Act by interfering with the union’s right to represent its members.

The order requires the company to cease and desist from interfering with the union’s activities, and to refrain from any action that may impair the union’s ability to represent its members.

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