Clerks and Dockers Balloting; Shipowners Stall for June 15 Taft-Hartley Assistance

SAN FRANCISCO—Pacific Coast longshoremen and shipsclkers of the ILWU are presently deciding if they will authorize strikes in their respective divisions June 15 to back up their demands for amendment to their agreements. An official notice of strike ballots which are being held all across the coast by shipsclkers’ locals is returnable no later than Wednesday, May 12.

Longshore negotiations came to an abrupt end April 19 when the negotiating committee for the Waterfront Employers Association of the Pacific Coast, headed that day by Marion Plant, said it was without authority to bargain and reach agreement.

Indications are that the employers were only stalling through motions to await June 15 and anticipated strikethrough aid from the employer-dominated National Labor Relations Board were present in three previous negotiating sessions.

On April 16 the shipowners objected to meeting longer than an hour and also objected to any regular schedule for meetings, pleading “other commitments.” The union committee, led by ILWU President Harry Bridges, made it clear that it stood ready to negotiate steadily, including nights and Sundays, until an agreement could be reached.

When Plant said his committee could not commit itself to “principal,” the negotiations, he in turn asked the union committee if it possessed authority.

“We have full authority to reach an agreement and sign a contract,” was the reply.

TWO STRIKE QUESTIONS

Authority to the Coast Negotiating Committee was given by the Coast longshore and clerks’ caucus held March 19 to 23 and recovered April 8. All ILWU agreements are now subject to rank and file ratification by secret ballot.

Two questions are being voted on by both the longshoremen and the clerks. Question No. 2 is exactly the same as the 1945 law on both ballots. It comes from the joint conference which the ILWU caucus held April 7 and 8 with the National Maritime Union, Marine Engineers Beneficial Association and Radio division of MEBA, with the Marine Firemen’s Union represented by an official observer.

THE QUESTIONS READ:

“Are you in favor of striking together with other maritime unions on June 15, 1946, remaining on strike until all maritime unions have secured satisfactory agreements— and in case the shipowners refuse to bargain collectively or refuse to permit any one of the maritime unions, the contract for all union shall be that the employers do recognize and bargain with THAT union.”

The strike demands question set forth on the longshoremen ballot:

“Are you in favor of empowering the Coast Longshore Negotiating Committee to call a strike on June 15, 1946, to enforce the following demands which have been submitted to the employers: 1. Longshore Hiring Hall—to oppose any strike or demands

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Lies, Profits and Slavery

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Greek shipowners take their American brothers — run their business profitably with $30 million in sales and profits. Details of their shady deals were revealed by the Senate inquiry into the Greek Seamen's Union. While the masters of Greece struggle to reconstruct their battered country, Greek ship owners hold millions of dollars in American banks. Their profits allow them to invest in their country's economic recovery. Parliament has enacted measures to reduce costs, but politically influential businesses resist these changes.

THE WAY big business glibly lies with the help of press, radio and government is something for the batters to compare with Hitler's antics but that's not much comfort to the victims of those lies who live in a different world. We who work for wages that never come near keeping up with the upward sweep of prices were victimized by the lie that the end of price control would bring down prices. So many people believed that worker that too few raised the proper kind of hell with their congressmen. The lie was exposed too late.

Only now is another big whopping lie being fully exposed. The lie was that the Taft-Hartley act was solely to protect workingmen from the leaders of their unions, who were painted as evil, grasping, domineering and crooked in a stream of propaganda that splattered newspaper and blared through the radio tubes.

W E CAN W ONDER now if anysteel workers feel that they were protected from anything but a pay adjustment. Ditto any auto workers. The absolute and now undeniable fact is the Taft-Hartley act was an attack upon so-called executive trade union leaders, but directly upon the living standards of the American worker. There's no way to plan, thick or thin, and it comes out the same — the purpose was to sweat out more of workmen and lengthen the number of hours that labor works free for monopoly. That is the meaning of Taft-Hartley and its intensions that are the meaning of the Meaning Act, police rights and that is the meaning of United States Steel Company's double talk about "cooperation" to stop inflation.

Only a few months ago U. S. Steel raised its prices by something like 80 million dollars. Then when the steel workers came up for a badly needed raise, U. S. Steel caved in to a 25 million dollar price cut in a grandiloquent gesture and said, "We can't afford to raise any wages now. You have to keep and help us stop, inflation." The trick was just as mean and contemptible and checkmate as is the habit of some merchants in holding "sales" where a dollar item is first marked up to two dollars and then for the "sale" marked back to a dollar and a half. The trick also reveals how big business reacts to no-strike clauses.

This is not an accurate phrase of 40. per cent so-called " loungers" and "bothersome" people, because the Greek government, upheld by U. S. dollars, allow them to. The recent census lists their holdings in cash and other assets, such as apartement buildings in Manhattan, holdings not contributing anything to the recovery of the nation.

INVEST IN "RUNAWAYS" Indeed the Greek government has not invested any of the funds for the purchase of vessels from the U. S. Maritime Commission and private U. S. shipowners to be operated under the flag of Panama and Honduras, subject to no income tax. Seamen know vessels flying these flags as "Runaway vessels" with labor and safety standards below internationally accepted minimums. Shipowner lie-ins with the government to the wrong ends. The new vessel is a ship sailing the Argentine flag. Former Minister of the March has reported that the new ship is a "Runaway vessel." "We have received less than the real value of the vessel," he says in his new book. New York

Greek Shipowners Profit While Greek People Starve

The Greek ship owners for money to continue his studies in the U. S. Government on credit for operation under the Greek flag, and they hired a ship owner ship.

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WFTU Urges Labor To Realize Its Power and Fight For World Peace

PARIS (ALN)—In May Day World Federation of Trade Unions greetings to world labor, the United front called on workers to "ensure the moral and numerical strength of the movement for trade union rights and liberties" to improve workers' lives and protect workers' rights to safeguard and extend trade union rights.

In its resolution, the WFTU called for the coordination of efforts to fight against fascism, fascism and Japanese imperialism in World War II. Only then, it said, can there be "better living conditions for workers and the working class, stable and lasting peace... and democracy for the people of the world".

Undersea remains of fascists take many forms, the WFTU says. Big capitalist monopolies, have a common menace to workers' interests and peace. In many lands, workers struggle to get the wages they were promised, with rising profits and rising wages for the few. To preserve this, workers everywhere are increasing in numbers, becoming anti-fascist, anti-colonial, and democratic forces to fight for private workers' collective means of expression and defense.

Labor gains in strength despite all labor legislation and attacks on democracy in many countries. Despite these attacks and the efforts to crush labor and democracy are gaining strength. Big business monopolies are supported by monied minorities and "the public authority colludes and plans special deals with the independent traders who use undeveloped and colonial lands."

Labor can defend world peace against fascist nations, the WFTU declared. Now as in World War II, it must "protect the gains of the past and the present, and lasting peace can only be found in agreement and unity among the victory nations."

Who Said It?

"I see in the future a crisis approaching that undermines me and my fate because I have the safety of my country. As a result it is obvious that I can and have been enrolled and as a result of corruption in high places." - Friedrich Engels

"The money power will endeavor to preserve the reign by which they find the prejudices of the people until the wealth is again in their hands and the republic is destroyed." - (Turn to Page II for name of author.)

Sky Is Limit As U. S. Corporations Profit Zoom To All-Time Highs

The profit records of leading corporations tell the same story over and over again. The depressed years of 1947 were up, way up above 1946 and any previous preceives of every wartime year.

When the word "up" is translated into dollars, the figures are quite startling. The profit for specific corporations and industries and for the country as a whole are sufficiently lucid to indicate the extent of the country's economic recovery that has now been underway for almost a year and to show that all is not well.

The National Industrial Conference Board estimated last week that the average of 1948 profits for 75 leading industrial corporations was more than $2 billion. This is a record for any year and an increase of about 25 per cent over the earnings of the same companies in 1947.

The profit figures were the highest since early 1929, when the profits for the year were $2.2 billion. This was the first year in which the profits exceeded the 1929 figure.

One hundred and thirty-three companies reported their profits from $327.1 million in 1946, to $460.2 million in 1947, to $658.8 million in 1948, a rise of 23 per cent.

Profit and stock prices rose in general. The average stock market prices in 1948 were $107.1, compared with $102.8 in 1946 and $94.5 in 1947. The Thirty-day average was $107.1. The rise was 6.5 per cent.

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PARIS (APN)—In May Day World Federation of Trade Unions' greetings to world labor, the United Front of Trade Unions declared war on fascism, and called for "to ensure the moral and numerical strength of the world's labor movement, to safeguard jobs, wages and social peace for the few years of hope for a third World War; to protect workers' rights and liberties; to impose worker discipline and international working class solidarity; to safeguard and expand trade union rights.

The United Front of Trade Unions' call is for united campaigns against fascist, militarist and imperialist policies in all countries throughout the world. It demands that trade unionists wage a political campaign against all forms of fascism in every country, and that they boycott and resist Fascist regimes and governments.

Wallace Warns of Danger To Trade Unions in U. S.

NEW YORK—The "trade union movement is in grave danger..." Henry A. Wallace warned an overflow meeting of 2,500 CIO and AFL-CIO members. "If we don't put an end to the slashing attack on the Taft-Hartley Act and the Wagner Act policy.

The fight to defend American workers is indivisible from the national, the economic policies of Truman, Vandenberg and Forrestal," Wallace's statement said. The IWW party presidential candidate and his running mate, Peter Dulin (Illinois), were unable to attend the rally because of the closing of a family business.

"Our foreign policy has provided the reasons for labor to organize in a united front against fascism," Wallace said. "Every action we take is motivated by the defense of national security and is based on carefully manufactured war threats.

MINIMUM $1 AN HOUR

Wallace charged that the "reactionaries of both parties are in a united front against union building legislation which will enable us to build a united front against the war. They want the return of the long working week at straight time pay..." he said. "We must retain millions of workers from the protection of the Taft-Hartley Act. The fight is for fair labor standards, the party said.

The third party, Wallace said, is a "fight for a minimum wage of $1 an hour and for extension of the act to all workers." A message from Taylor called on labor to take the "offensive movement for CMT. Otherwise, he warned, everything you lose will be lost, completely, to work, to labor unions.

CROSSOFT Freedom of expression in art was crossed out at San Francisco's Rincon Annex post office April 16 when the Postmaster General ordered the Public Buildings Administration to cover up the Anton Refrager mural panel which depicted the 1934 waterfront struggle. Significantly, the panel shows the old shapely picture of maritime hiring, an embargoist's ship, and a courthouse, all ships that have been built in San Francisco, a CIO committee is presently working with a committee of prominent artists for a protest rally at the Rincon Annex on May 8.

Collaboration With Bosses Pays Off in Lost Jobs

NEW BEDFORD, Mass. (APF) — A dollar-hungry employer's yen for more profits has brought unemployment to 900 members of Local 661, Textile Workers Union, CIO, here.

President Phillip H. Rea of Naumah mills closed his plant and dismantled machinery for shipment to overseas buyers because he says there is more money in it, the union charged in two full-page advertisements in the local's newspaper.

"We charge that Naumah mills had a moral obligation to continue operating in New Bedford, an obligation to the federal government and to the workers, without which help the company could not have been founded," the ad said.

"Do you favor strikes? Do you know any Communist? What will you do in Mexico? Who invited you there?"

Who Said It?

"It is in the future a crisis approaching that unites me and my fellow workers as one in the safety of my country. As a result of war, corporations have been created that will be an era of corruption in high places.

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When the word "up" is translated into hard cash, it means an increase in corporate profits for specific corporations and industries and for the economy as a whole. The increase for 1948, in fact, is not likely to be any shorter than, or slower, than the record years of 1947.

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Joe Worker can get a better idea of what a 15 per cent return means if he looks at his savings bonds—assuming that he still has some. The rate of return on these government savings bonds is only 2.9 per cent. The return of the corporation is about six times greater than what he gets on his savings bonds.

One hundred and thirty-three Class I railroads increased their earnings on stockholders' equity from $1,971,000,000 in 1946, to $2,971,000,000 in 1947, a rise of 22 per cent.

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Synthetic Candidate

The "Chief" above mentioned is that old friend of the people, William Randolph Hearst, who has devised it in his patriotic duty to elect General Douglas MacArthur to the Presidency without benefit of ballots. The people of Wisconsin who elected a mere 8 delegates for MacArthur to 19 for Taft and the people of Nebraska, who mustered all of 650 hundred votes for Hearst’s "Man of the Hour" against another man to whom they were slightly in disagreement. But that doesn’t daunt the lord of San Simon, who now says editorially that if the people want two other guys in preference, let MacArthur be the compromise. The only difference between having a favorite candidate and you having a favorite candidate is that you don’t own a chain of newspapers.

Former Shipchaler Has Music Played in Europe

SAN FRANCISCO — A former member of ILWU Shipchaler’s Local 29 who is now a major music composition played by leading symphonists orchestras in Europe, cannot find an audience for his music in America.

Joining up an up and coming young composer, Lothar Klaus, gave his musical career during his service in the merchant marine on the San Francisco waterfront.

He was born in Czechoslovakia in 1904 and with his family he came to America when he was very young. As a young man he studied languages and took a doctor of philosophy degree in the University of Berlin in Greek. He went to Berlin where he secured power in Germany he immigrated to the United States where he became a citizen.

AMERICANS REFUSE

The 1930 depression days were no fun at all for him, he decided to study music and make a new career for himself.

His first orchestral work was finished in 1934. In 1935 he came world War II and Klausia gave up music in behalf of the war effort.

This first work, however, called "Quartet and Leader" was offered while he was a member of the ILWU to conductors of several American orchestras but everyone would risk playing the work of an unknown composer, with no commercial appeal.

The symphony, says Klausia, was a joint poem. He himself has played it on the piano but never before it was played by full concert group despite its being completely copyrighted.

PERFORMED IN ODESSA

Last winter another music and conductor, Leopold Egerin, at the invitation of Russian Embassy in the Boston Symphony, told Klausia he had been invited to perform Klausia with the Belgrade and Sofia and Odessa city orchestras. After both had agreed to take a tour of Klausia’s "Here and Leader" with him from Odessa.

Examples of the piece were played by the Symphony orchestra in Chicago last winter, while a performance of "Here and Leader" was enthusiastically over his friend’s work. On the last lap of his three-concert season the tournament piece in a performance by the "Here and Leader" was given a tour around the world. The “Here and Leader” has been broadcast over the

By HAROLD J. SALEMSON

HOLLYWOOD — Hollywood On Trial by Gordon Kahn, just published by Boni & Grues of New York (paperbound, $1 cloth, $2.75), is the history of the Thomas committee’s investigation “which led to charges for consorting with Congress 10 of the movie industry’s outstanding craftsmen.

Edited by Kahn, one of the 19 ‘unfriendly’ witnesses called to Washington but never put on the stand, has not only the story of the inquiry, but also the story of the Libel Suit filed by a Frankistic blacklist—the first of its kind in American history and an ominous portent for all of labor.

Hollywood On Trial’s 220 pages are packed with more drama than any movie adventure script. Following the whirlwind burst from the arrival of the subpoena in Hollywood through the hearings and later events, the book condenses the testimony of the friendly witnesses—including their unconvincing humorous highlights —and gives in full the statements of the "unfriendly" men who were put on the witness stand. Most of these statements were refused a reading by Thomas. Their publication as a body here gives an excellent picture of the deep Americanism of these former Depression-music-greed political wielders.

INCLUDE FINEST WRITERS

Edward Dimotry, Adrian Scott, John Howard Lawson, Lesley Cleve, Louis B. Mayer, Leo, David Ossorio, their names are associated with some of the finest films in Hollywood history. They are men with much of what is best in our literature and theater.

The story of their "trial" as witnesses before the House committee on un-American activities is as shocking in retrospect as the broadcasts of the hearings of the House committee.

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LOTHAR KLAUSIA

national radio network of the Soviet

On this was February 26, 1948.

Alex Stanovich, professor of music at Kline University, attended all of the performances Klausia’s "Here and Leader." He acclaimed it as "an exciting and distinguished piece of music" and he added that it "could not be accepted in the Soviet Union" as an "outstanding contribution to the literature of orchestral music" because it "reflected the weaknesses of the Western capitalist society."

During the time since the accused recorded his music in Europe, Klausia has been unemploye. He says that he would like to conduct in New York and Chicago if he can.

ILWU Protests Killing Of Salcido by L. A. Cops

LOS ANGELES — ILWU Local 8, with other CIO unions, has protested the killing of 17-year-old Augustus Salcido by Police Inspector William Kyles, who shot the dead five times. The police killed Salcido for questioning as a theft suspect.

SALCIDO KILLED 18,000

Traffic accidents killed 18,000 Americans in 1947.

"It wasn’t me. I’m a shi-sho man myself."

Clyde Miller

Unable to Go To Europe

SAN FRANCISCO — Clyde Miller of Longview Local 21, one of the members of the ILWU rank and file delegation scheduled to visit Europe for a study of labor and other conditions, will be unable to make the trip to Europe.

TAYLOR NEXT IN LINE

"Due to conditions at home, which I have discussed with you at the Caucus and the conditions I have incorporated in the letter, I am not certain that I can operate on it. I am fighting it, but nothing is determined yet.

"I assure you that I appreciate the fullest degree of confidence placed in me by the nominating the officers and Board of the International.

"A delegation from Europe will be allowed to go and return with a detailed report that will be of great value to the union."

Richard Taylor, member of Local 208, Chicago, the first alternate, has been notified that he will fill the spot on the trip for Miller.
Labor Delegates Help Launch National Committee To Win Wallace Victory

By GERMAINE BULKE

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ILWU Pledges Support
In Fight to Free Ingamrs

OAKLAND, Calif. — By a unanimous vote, delegates to ILWU Local 6 here laid the responsibility for the imprisonment of a Negro mother, Mrs. Rose Lee Ingram, and her two daughters in Georgia directly on the Truman administration. Full moral and financial support to the family to free the Ingram family.

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ILWU is a labor union with a platform of setting up a free society international. In every shop and plant in the country, it spends millions of dollars for the national campaign.

The ILWU Committee elected as officers are: Unite Electrical Workers president, Albert J. Pittenger; AFL-CIO President, William Green; and AFL-CIO Railroad Brotherhoods chairman, John S. Crockett, to form a Labor Committee with a program of setting up a Wallace-Free government.

Big Vote on Edged

Many women’s groups have turned over the vote-getting machinery to promote work to the Wallace campaign. The nation is particularly enthusiastic, with representatives of many national organizations, women, and others all working to elect Wallace.

Kansas Cops Crack Skulls, Wreck Union Hall in Attack on Picketers

KANSAS CITY, Kans. — Cops with skull-cracking orders from their chief, tore down on pickets at the Cudahy Packing Co. plant here and then carted off 118 of them, including two women, 20 members of the United Packing House Workers, and 20 others.

Forty-five strikers were among the group arrested here for the longest time, including two women, required hospitalization. Mass picketing continued for about a month despite police efforts.

Detective Captain El Dahlmann, head of the police force, ordered men to "crack skulls if necessary." But this was not enough. Further, they did manage to do so. After ordering the pickets to disperse, the police began to charge, swinging their clubs into their line and the strikers started to fall back on the street. The police then broke through the picket line, and the union hall was wrecked by enraged cops. Strikers had to pay $100 for damages.

The union charged that the police were guilty of a "most senseless, unreasonable and vicious ex-

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U.S. Money, Threat of Armed Intervention Retard Democracy in Italy

BY ISRAEL EPSTEIN

The U.S. government last week ended with a voice of 40 per cent for Premier de Gasperi's Christian Democracy and an additional 19 per cent for other groups including communists, left-wing Popular Front, and democrats.

Despite U.S. headlines, the power of Christian Democracy has not lessened. United Press Survey showed the result of the votes for the National Assembly, compared with 31 per cent for a group of communists and left-wing Popular Front, in the entire right wing did not increase its lead over the left. The total vote for the communists, the right and left, was about 11 per cent of the entire government party made inroads on other groups. But "the right wing" of the entire right wing did not increase its lead over the left. The total vote for the communists, the right and left, was about 11 per cent of the entire government.

The pontifical New York Times declared that "the Italian people have a winning victory for the democratic coalition of Premier de Gasperi." Actually its "democracy" is no instant to that of east-west coalition to organize the United Nations. The New York Times writer, received credit to the energetic effectiveness of U.S. diplomat, representative in Italy. "If says Italian premier, not being, coming from, it was not the fault of "the Italian parliament" (who) broke all precedents by going up and the country, the Italian left, which knew them and trusted them.

Howard K. Smith, CBS correspondent, described the situation. "In an election day broadcast from Milan. "They’re total mass of communists control 81 per cent of Italy’s power, 

Italy’s voters, no major party, are divided. The communists, the Italian left, which knew them and trusted them.

DECEMBER PEOPLE ASHAMED

How this shift up with U.S. press-prediction propaganda "DOWN TO THE ELECTORATE," they were so independent. They were, so independent. The Government and Americans...
DOCKS & TERMINALS

Clerks and Dockers Balloting; Shipowners Stall for Talt-Hartley Aid

(Continued from Page 1) by shipowners to change hiring hall rules and practices that will return the ports to wage and working conditions that prevailed prior to 1934 during the wage negotiations. "We declare ourselves unalterably opposed to acceptance of the contract, plus the new proviso," said representatives of the dockers for halls inasmuch as shipowners have stated that said formula is an open-shop contract provision.

"Amend present contract regardingent hiring halls and wages, all longshoremen will receive an annual vacation with pay.

"Elimination of present disciplinary and penalties provisions of the contract, plus a new proviso to the effect that in the event of strike work by longshoremen either as individuals or as groups of individuals is not to be considered as a strike of longshoremen.

"Elimination of the present practice of requiring longshoremen to take a seven-weeks’ vacation at the end of the year to remain in the service.

"Squeeze Play

The new Admiral in charge of the Naval Supply Depot in Oakland, California, is Mr. Jackman, formerly member of the Coast Labor Relations Committee, now working as a member of the Board of Inspection on April 23 that five civil service employees were discharged for leaving service from the SS Virgo on piers 8 of the Port of Oakland. John Jackman, Jackman said that the attempt to return these employees by civil service personnel is being carried out under the direction of Admiral Bayless. Heretofore, he added, such changes were not allowed in vessel service though occasionally on fleet supply ships and krait vessels.

Marine office workers, members of ILWU 90, employed at the Harbor Terminal, have received a $1.50 a month increase in the board wage effective April 10.

This new boost was made in accordance with the provisions of the current contract between the company and the maritime office workers local and cover maritime office employees in the company’s two Richmond and its Port San Francisco terminals.

Michael Johnson conducted negotiations at the Harbor Terminal. He pointed out that the board raise is in addition to the raise of 1.50 a month, the 13 employees will receive. The minimum base rate is $5.00 a month.

Stewards of the ILWU elected two delegates to act on the strike committee. Local 19 met on April 25 to discuss strike and to discuss issues of the strike and reported that the longshoremen in the strike organization, Marine Cooks and Stewards and NUW in San Pedro have come up to no strike.

Strike Committee

San Francisco Labor Council in the Port of San Francisco area have voted to set up local strike committee, following reports on the Longshore Caucus at San Francisco, by their delegates.

Local 13 in the Long Beach held an initial meeting on April 19 urging members to send in reports which would enable the Coast Negotiating Committee to make a decision. A stop work meeting of Local 6 in Portland, Ore., had been held April 14 and heard reports on the Longshore Caucus in San Francisco by delegates from the local.

Ives Bill

Hearing on the Ives Amendment to the Merchant Seamen’s and Harbor Workers Compensation Act, held April 14 before the Senate Committee on Commerce, was held with union and employer spokesmen participating. The hearing was held to allow testimony on a bill to allow the harbor to be worked, taking place on the ship. The minimum wage was $1.50 a week, the highest increase in the past 20 years. A $1.50 raise was voted, and the new bill raises the minimum wage to $1.50 a week. The Ives Bill is expected to pass its final vote shortly.

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ILWU Denies Legality of Maui Arrests

HONOLULU, T. H.—The ILWU is challenging the legality of the arrest of 18 Long Pineapple strikers arrested last week.

The union is characterizing the strike, which began in December when the owners of the pineapple plant denied the workers a wage increase, as a lawful work stoppage to protest against the unfairness of their working conditions.

The ILWU also claims that the workers were not given proper notice of the strike before it began.

In letters to the owners of the plant, the union demands that they negotiate with the workers to resolve the dispute over wages and working conditions.

ILWU Unity Aids Canada Sea Strikers

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The ILWU played an important role in bringing about a fair settlement of the strike of the Masters and Mates, the National Union of Marine Engineers, and the Canadian Communications Association against the shipowners.

Major factors in the strike victory have been the unity of the Pacific Maritime Union Council of all Canadian maritime unions which similarly disapproved the strike. This group includes: the Canadian Seamen's Union, AFL; the International Longshoremen's Association, AFL, the ILWU, CIO, the Plumbers Union, FG Finisheers, AFL; the Shipbuilding, Superintendents and Engineers, AFL; the British Columbia Seamen's Union, CIO; and the two striking unions.

ILWU International representative John B. Haynes reports that the Maritime Council will become a permanent body after the strike is settled to meet at an early date to formulate plans for taking in all unions affected by maritime issues.

Conference Slams P.G.&E.

Power Crisis

SACRAMENTO.—ILWU Warehouse Local 8 sent delegates from all nine California strike areas to the Central Valley Project Conference here, April 30, to hear a program on the power crisis from California's largest electric utility, PG&E.

More than 500 delegates from six P.G.&E. business groups in a grass roots mobilization called by the California AFL-CIO at the request of the National AFL-CIO for investigation of the power lobby's attack on the economic utility of the Central Valley Project. The conference was attended by PG&E president Robert L. Wagoner, who said the company was seeking ways to develop more power resources.

The conference planned a suit against P.G.&E., the American Petroleum Company for refunding of millions of dollars paid by farm owners to P.G.&E. for power they were not able to receive, and a plan to establish a public utility commission to regulate public utilities, especially its membership in the National AFL-CIO, which has interests in P. G. & E.

Who Sold It?

(Answer to question on Page 2c: President Abraham Lincoln.)

Slave Law Roundup

How Taft-Hartley and State Anti-Union Acts are Working

NEW YORK.—As early as yesterday, the United automobile Workers, CIO, fell into a tail another month after the Taft-Hartley Act, is engaged in a campaign of raiding employers against the ILWU.

The Southern Pacific, CIO, announced that a series of raids against union by U.S. was planned in secret cosets held by leaders of the ILWU with a National CIO representative present. The CIO representative was U.S. President Walter Reuther cited evidence that the union was engaged in a mass campaign to drive unionists out of the union shop. So the dead man was counted as voting No.

The immediate repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act.

"Our analysis compels us to recommend the immediate repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act and its replacement, say the minority report," President Elmer Glaser of UAW Local 355, Detroit, commented that the "UAW effort to use the 'bosses' weapon— the Taft-Hartley Act—by conducting raids on other CIO unions can be characterized as a trial action of benefit to only the company. The UAW has stopped the use of anonymous letters to our members with blinding address sheets, microphotographic application cards with the use of a mailing list that could only have been supplied by the company."

Watchdog Committee Demands 1-Yr Report

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A minority report by four members of the-called "watchdog" joint Labor Management Committee on Congress on April 1 called for the conclusion that the era of Government by submission is being reinvigorated.

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