Dock Negotiations Break; Strike Preparations Go Into High Gear

‘No, No!’ Says DANC to Pay Increases

SAN FRANCISCO—ILWU Warehouse Local 49’s strike committee has ended its all-out preparation to hit the bricks as the warehouse employees seek to resolve the question of ‘No’ on all demands.

Members here and in Oakland voted May 12 and 13 to authorize their negotiating committee to present demands for a wage increase to the Distributors Association of Northern California.

With the union determined to exhaust every possible way for settling the dispute peacefully, but equally determined to win a living wage, the members elected a rank and file strike committee and gave their executive committee the power to determine which DANC houses to hit and whether or not to strike independent hardware houses that have not signed with the union.

They voted to assess members in independent and non-truck houses $5 per week for the duration of the strike to assist members in need.

20 CENT DEMAND

Only the membership as a whole will have the power to call off a strike once it is called.

Six thousand warehousemen working under DANC contracts are demanding a 20 cent across the board wage increase to bring the base rate for freight handlers to 80 cents per hour, with a ten-cent increase in a number of classification rates.

Another 8,000 working in independent and non-truck houses are indirect, as most of these companies have signed to go along with the DANC settlement.

The San Francisco strike committee, with George Valier chairman and Coffin Flower secretary, elected delegates to the Maritime Conference (Continued on Page 7)

Wallace Tour of West Draws Enthusiastic Crowds

Henry A. Wallace, new party candidate for president of the United States, opened his western campaign with a success that must have sent down old-time political phrases.

Unprecedented, enthusiastic crowds flocked in by the hordes, paying the privilege of hearing his address and watching his doings. A perusal of the trip carried him into California in the middle of May, where 8,000 people in Los Angeles, San Diego, Oakland, and Berkeley turned out to hear him.

Added hundreds of thousands heard him through radio broadcasts over the major networks. Undoubtedly in this presidential campaign, the New Party standard-bearer drew thousands more thousands of supporters, including campaign workers, who shipped out doughty just for the chance to see him.

OLD-LINE WHEELERS ON

In California alone, the take so far has been over $100,000 in cash and pledges, with many more ticket sales as yet unreported. This is a record that makes the old-line politicians green in the corner because they just can’t see how to get the people out to hear their Wheeler’s orate with wheedling voices and hysterical bellowing against the proponents of peace.

Keynote of all of Henry A. Wallace’s talks has been, we must have peace and an understanding with Russia or all of us will be destroyed.

Friend of Ours

New Party candidate for President of the United States, Henry A. Wallace, with ILWU Local 10 hiring hall in San Francisco May 18 to learn how the hall functions and why longshoremen and all maritime unions are united in their fight to prevent the shipowners from destroying the hiring hall June 15. Picture shows Henry Schmidt, left, member of the Pacific Coast Labor Relations Committee, explaining to Wallace how hall operates.

All Ports Mobilizing

For June 15—San Francisco—All ports from Seattle to San Diego are concentrating this week to shift June 15 strike machinery into high gear and get the ILWU-Coast Longshore negotiators off the hook. The ILWU-Coast Longshore negotiations committee disbanded and returned to home ports to guide and help with strike preparations.

Following the convention, which began May 18, the shipowners outlined what they considered their Tuft-Harley prerequisites and released the budget.

Before debarking, the ILWU committees assured them that it would not again enter into negotiations until the strike is on. The strike is set at 8 a.m. June 15 and is branded as pure "bunk" the shipowners propagate that the cost of a strike of this nature, with ILWU-Coast Longshore demand and particularly rejecting the idea of Federal mediation, would be of the ten-year-old singing job agreement and institute a system of open-shop. They also demanded a long-term contract with no wage reviews.

They maintained their courage in the face of the proposed strike authorization, which ran 90 per cent "yes" convivial. Their attitude was solemn, for shipowners.

At the same time the shipowners continued propaganda and publicly offered to prove the rumors that federal intervention and injunctions would block a strike June 15 or prohibit a strike until 60 days after that time.

They also tried to make the issue a question of the facts given out by the union versus some.

The ILWU-Coast Longshore Negotiating Committee has already notified both the Waterfront Employers Association and the Coast Longshore Union that the conference will be called for the union’s demands and scrap the outrageous demands of the shipowners.

All ports were alerted by the committee to mobilize up to the last moment and make all necessary preparations. The ILWU-Coast Longshore strike call will be effective at 8 a.m. June 15.

The shipowners are banking on their propaganda to catch the United States and bring the union unprepared for the fight.

A committee statement said: "As things now stand a strike at June 15 is the expiration of the present labor regulations is inevitable. Shipowners will have to face the retribution when it comes as the attitude of the people is that they intend to carry out their threat and not budge on any one point that will make it impossible for the
The MUNDT-NIXON "subversive activities" bill passed by the House is now being considered by the Senate. It purports to be a law to expose members of the Communist Party and Communist front organizations to the "pitiless light" of publicity. Instead it is a bill to establish the "that's my doctrine of guilt by association."

During discussion in the House on the measure, Representative Nixson of Calif., decried Wallace as a "fellow traveller" and "unconscionable follower of the party line." What he meant was that Wallace and anyone who supports him is a fellow traveller because he advocates peace with Russia.

The real purpose of this fascist bill is to frighten millions of Americans into silent acceptance of the bipartisan foreign policy of the United States and the Truman Doctrine of war against the Soviet Union.

Under the monstrous Mundt-Nixon concentration camp plan, if you fight against Jim Crow you are a part of a Communist conspiracy.

If your position coincides in any respect with that taken by the Russians, you would be "subverting the interests of the United States and that of a foreign Communist power."

If you are a member of a union striking for a wage increase your union would be acting illegally because a strike would "rupture trade and commerce." Maritime unions facing a shipowner offensive to destroy their hiring halls June 15 would be in violation of the Mundt-Nixon bill and subject to its penalties.

THE ILWU has long had friendly relations with maritime workers in other countries. We hope again to have this solidarity June 15. But if the Mundt bill becomes law this would be branded "conspiratorial" and hence punishable under the terms of the law.

The ILWU is giving the barge owners a two-day warning to cancel all work. Any one of the owners who do not stop work on our members will be directly responsible for their actions. We have the backing of the maritime unions and we have the backing of the workers of the world.

The ILWU will not allow any tactic or maneuver to be used against our members that were not used against the owners.

The ILWU will fight to the end to uphold the rights of our members and the rights of the workers of the world.

We have demands that are essential to our living, essential to the welfare and happiness of our families. We are entitled to more pay, more secure employment, better working conditions, and better working hours.

We are entitled to have at least one day of each week away from our work. We are entitled to live in the world of today and not in the world of yesterday.

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West Coast CIO Fights Mundt Subversive Bill
As Most Vicious Anti-Democratic Legislation

Protests against the Mundt-Nixon "subver sives control" bill are mounting amid CIO unions of the West Coast. The bill is also being held up by administration last-minute efforts to stop it. The bill is aimed at workers who are active in CIO unions or any other labor organizations.

**Protest Activity**

More than 400,000 members of maritime and other unions and arts and science organizations have authorized a demonstration for a block-long double picket line in front of San Francisco's Rincon Avenue post office during the noon hour on May 14 to protest against the bill. The picket was organized by the CIO's West Coast CIO Council.

A prominent banner on the picket line was that of ILWU Warehouse Local 6, shown below. The Federal Public Buildings Administration ordered the local to cease its activities on the grounds that it is a political organization. The local has now been given permission to continue its activities.

**Negro Labor Body Plans Conference**

San Francisco—The new Negro Labor Body has set June 5 for a city-wide action conference on the problems of discrimination against Negroes. It is a project of the National Council of Negro Women.

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Shipowners, Aided by Congress, Back Shipbuilding Plan Called 'Biggest Swindle' in U.S. Marine History

BY WILLIAM GLAZIER
ILWU Washington

The biggest steal in the history of the American merchant marine is going to happen, as the result of the government's shipbuilding program. The very same shipping spokesmen who once stood by in silence and let foreign money go into the pockets of the Russians to help their war effort, now refuse to listen to the demands for work increases at the rate of over $100 million a month. The government, he adds, has deliberately tilted the scales in favor of foreign shipping by spending more on war than on peace. He adds that the government has no intention of establishing new shipyards, but the old ones will be kept up for war purposes.

Early in April the National Maritime Union, in a meeting attended by the leading shipping manufacturers, introduced a plan to establish new shipyards in the United States. The plan was accepted by the government, and the shipbuilding program was established. The plan called for the establishment of new shipyards in the United States, with the government paying the cost of the yards and the workers.

The government has consistently opposed the establishment of new shipyards in the United States, claiming that it would be too expensive. However, the National Maritime Union has consistently fought for the establishment of new shipyards, and the government has been forced to concede to their demands.

The government has also been accused of favoring foreign shipping by providing more money for war purposes than for peace. This has led to a decrease in the number of ships being built in the United States, and a corresponding increase in the number of ships being built in foreign countries.

The government's shipbuilding program is a clear example of the need for a strong, independent shipping industry in the United States. The government should not be allowed to control the shipping industry, as it has been in the past. The shipping industry must be allowed to operate independently, in order to serve the needs of the American people.
Slave Law Roundup
How Taft-Hartley and State Anti-Unions Acts Are Working

NELR Gives Employers Cheaper, Effective Service

According to a statistical report issued May 17 by the NELR in Washington, D.C., 70 per cent of the 239 union elections held in the first three months of 1946 by employers under the Taft-Hartley law have been won by NELR.. It is the fifteenth time, it was reported, that the company's use of standard strike-breaking techniques, plus a few shrewd moves, has led to an NELR victory.

Steelworkers Press Court

Fighting on Affidavits

United Steelworkers, CIO, face a long court battle in their suit to overturn the Taft-Hartley law. May 17 the NELR turned down a suit by United Steel Co. to bar them from an election in which president is CIO chief, Philip Murray. NELR has not filed non-communist affidavits.

AFL Guards' Unit Rule Out by Labor Board Eidict

Plant guards cannot belong to the AFL, the NELR ruled May 10. The Board of Directors of the two Indiana plants of Schenley Distillers Co. was instructed to fire guards and the firm's attorneys to protest the decision.

The board held that the industrial guards is the Federal Labor Union (IL), cannot claim to represent the group because the Taft-Hartley law requires that the labor organization must be fully accredited and the workers voting under the Taft-Hartley Act.

The House reduced the Bureau of Labor Statistics budget by one million. This is the result of a budget that was prepared by the Taft-Hartley act.

June 4 is Housing Deadline

S.A. FRENCH -- There is a housing deadline June 4 for anyone who received a federal government loan or mortgage. Federal law requires that 200,000 valid signatures are to be submitted by this date.

On the other hand, in S.A. FRENCH, is a housing loan for a place on a city council building in that town. The purpose of the loan is to set up a state housing loan program.

The petitioner, a group of young people who live in the Cali- fornia state government, were the first to apply for a state housing loan.

The loan application, which was a request for a state housing loan, set up a state housing loan program.

BUILDERS FUND

It would cover costs to states for employment services and unemployment insurance, according to the Housing and Home Finance Agency, which was established as a result of the state loan program.

Public Workers Fight Keefe Rider

Atlantic City, N.J. -- The United Steelworkers, CIO, held a meeting here May 26 to discuss the Keefe Rider that was set up by the National Executive Council. The rider would bar them from federal government work.

The rider does not effect the admission of members to the Steelworkers union, which was established as a result of the state loan program.

Nazi Storm Trooper Picked to Head Ford Motor Co. Plant in Germany

BERLIN (AP) -- Hitler's storm trooper leader, who was captured in England during World War II, has been picked by Nazi officials to run the Ford Motor Co. plant here. Nazi officials have been in negotiations with the Americans to run the factory.

In a report Monday, the Associated Press quoted an official in the German government as saying that the Ford plant will now be run by a Nazi official.

The official said that this will make it easier for the Americans to regulate the operation of the plant.

The United Steelworkers, CIO, has been in negotiations with the Americans to run the Ford plant.

PAC-Sponsored Eisenhower

Propaganda Lambasted

SAN FRANCISCO -- The pamphlet operation of the Patriotic American Council, a group set up by the CIO-PAC, has been the subject of a scathing attack.

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US. BUCKS CRASH METURO RADICIES

INTERLOKING FRAUD

The Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters is seeking a settlement of its grievances with the Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Co. of Chicago.

The union has offered to settle the dispute if the company will agree to its demands. The company has rejected the proposal and has stated that it will continue to operate the Pullman cars until a new agreement is reached.

The Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters represents over 30,000 workers in the railroad industry and is known for its strong bargaining power. This particular dispute has been ongoing for several months and is expected to continue for some time.

**Reminder**

Six ILWU poster up in all longshore and clerks' hiring halls and effect the representation of the workers. The poster states the position that the workers are taking in opposition to the company's decision to extend the contract. The poster has been widely circulated and is expected to have a significant impact on the negotiations.

**T-H Notices**

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**San Pedro Candidate Asks**

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**CIO Council Endorses**

Garry in 5th

San Francisco — At its regular meeting on May 21, the San Francisco CIO Council endorsed Charles M. Garry for Congress in the 5th District.

Garry is running as a Democrat for the seat of the Independent Progressive Party ticket.

Earlier the CIO Council had recommended a slate of candidates for the 5th district. The resolution to recommend Garry was made by the San Francisco Municipal Election Committee of the ILWU.

**Local 12 in Los Angeles**

Local 12 in the Los Angeles area has endorsed Garry as well. The endorsement was announced by the Local 12 Executive Board.

**Women's Auxiliary**

The Women's Auxiliary of San Pedro has endorsed Garry as well. The Auxiliary has a long history of supporting workers' causes and has a strong following in the San Pedro area.

**Dock Control**

ILWU Local 91 has signed a contract with the Central Area Terminals. The contract includes a 10-cent wage increase for the workers.

**Strike for Red Man Tobacco**

The ILWU Local 91 has called a strike for Red Man Tobacco. The strike is in response to the company's attempt to cut wages and benefits for the workers.

**Need for a New Agreement**

The workers have stated that they are prepared to continue the strike until a new agreement is reached. The company has stated that it is willing to negotiate, but has not offered any significant concessions.

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Campaign

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Wages and Security

Local 200 members have renewed their agreement with the United States Bank in Cleveland for 5 cents per hour wage increase and union security provisions.

Stick with ILWU

Feed mill workers in Petaluma, Calif., overwhelmingly rejected proposed cutting of wages and voted to stick together in Local 6.

Cleveland Renewed

Local 200 members at the Wool Envelope Company in Cleveland have ratified a new agreement improving holidays and vacation pay and conditions.

Action Against Munch

BBi Voted by Local 209

CIT, S.C. — Denials to the Cleveland Labor Committee by the President of the United Brotherhood of Teamsters, now fighting the Munch strike, is the be-all and end-all of this strike, according to the ILWU local.

CIO Community Service Los Angeles Bureaus Open

CIO members here with medical, housing and educational problems may take them to the CIO Community Services bureaus, run by trained social workers set up for the welfare of all CIO members.

Food Stockpile

Local 6’s stockpile of canned and fresh fruits and vegetables is growing fast with great quality and at the same time the entire stock is being turned over to striking CIO Packinghouse workers.

Pilsbury Offers

Pilsbury Mills is offering a 10-cent bonus to those employees who join the Pilsbury workers’ strike.

Local 6 at Deadline as DANC Says No Pay Raise

(Continued from Page 1)

A joint meeting with Seattle Local 9 and the Northwest Millers Workers’ Union was set for last week in Portland.

Eight Get Back Pay

Local 62 collected more than $500 in back wages for 14 members at United Raybestos in Toledo under an arbitrator’s award on May 1.

Wico Unfair

Local 6’s Executive Board voted the CIO to place all Wico workers on strike after the company broke a strike agreement last week.

Recognition

The California Packing Company in Oakland, Calif., signed with Local 6 after the master contract May 21, granting substantial improvements in wages and conditions now, and the first agreement to work without whatever the warehousemen win in current negotiations with the Interburses Association of Northern California.

The company recognized Local 6 in April after 11 out of 12 workers joined the union.

Dough for Scabs

Robert Wissmann & Laci Rice Mills locked out Local 377 members in New Orleans May 4 in the first major negotiations resulting in wage increases, union security and paid holidays for the employees.

The mill is offering $1 an hour to white workers to work, though they negotiated for $1.50 per hour, and black workers are all Negroes, some with senorities in the plant for 20 years.

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ILWU Pushes Statehood For Hawaii

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The ILWU is continuing its fight to make Hawaii a state. In spite of the bottling up of the statehood movement in the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,

This committee voted to visit the islands before acting on the bill. If they do not act before March 20, the House of Representatives may act on the bill, and it was being studied for this purpose by the Senate committee. The Territorial ILWU has asked all mainland locals to support the movement and to let their senators know of their support. The House Committee last year and a visiting senator, Guy Gordon of Oregon, saw the ILWU's records. Hawaii's red, the committee was told, is a creature and justification for statehood. The islands are asked only for self-government, though they are vital to the economic life of the country, have the huge sugar and pineapple industries, and have many people who proved their loyalty during the war.

Ports Mobilizing for June 15

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Improving the individual experience is also entering a conspiracy with the rising cost of living. This is done by allowing a non-union laborer to work on the waterfront for a lower salary. The union is trying to build up the ranks of the union and delay unionization programs.

The ILWU is threatening to strike the Port of San Francisco, which could mean a strike of 10,000 men in the Port of San Francisco and 5,000 in the Port of Los Angeles.

Wallace's efforts against the war have been seriously disorganized, the negotiations continuing. His visit to the state would help save the Wallace campaign. His visit was planned for a strike, but the ILWU has not yet decided whether to go ahead with the strike.

Local 10 Condemns ERF; Okays Wallace

SAN FRANCISCO — Longshore, in the history of Local 10, completed May 12 on city dock labor, and the general presidency, investigating the Wallace movement and condemned the Marshall plan for the ERF.

Two issues were added to this strike, which carried overwhelmingly the ILWU union and the ILWU-unrelated strikers out.

Washington's Official Hands On Stand at Soviet Yes to Peace Talks

By ISRAEL EPSTEIN

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