LOCAL 6 WINS

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Coast Unions Fight T-H 'Cooling Off'

Dockers, Clerks
Demand 18c Boost

VICTORS Typical of the solidarity that brought Warehouse Local 6 smashing through with a strike victory in one week was this shoulder-to-shoulder picket line at Hiram Walker's in San Francisco. The warehousemen won 10 cents—on-hour increase. Before they struck they were offered only 7½ cents.

You Can Stop Worrying! Profits Aren't Shrinking

NEW YORK—In case you've been worrying about whether big business is making enough money these days, you can stop.

The Wall Street Journal reported June 3rd that despite higher costs, "American industry this year is making as much money profit on every dollar's worth of goods produced and sold as it did last year. In fact, it's making many more pennies."

An analysis of sales and earnings of 111 companies in 15 industries in the January-March period of 1948 showed they had an aggregate net income equal to 8½% of all dollar's worth of sales in the like quarter last year this figure was 8%. Actually, figuring profits on the basis of sales is a device used to smoke-screen fantastic profit figures by big business. Measured in terms of invested capital, corporate profits in 1947 were 26% worker gains on his war-saving bond. The Wall Street Journal said its statistics "seem to dispute a widespread belief that profit margins of business generally are shrinking." It didn't say who held this belief. Charges are it wasn't the working man.

Worthington Works

MADRID (ALN).—The U. S. Worthington Electric Corporation will undertake electrification of railways run by Dictator Franco's Spanish government under an agreement just negotiated here. Acting for Worthington was its board chairman, A. W. Robertson, who is also a member of President Truman's Economic Advisory Committee. Robertson has been discussing Spanish investment possibilities with Franco and other high Poles.

Who Said It?

"It's objected to government by injunction as a new and highly dangerous form of oppression by which Federal Judges, in the face of the laws and rights of citizens, become the super-legislators, judges, and executors..."

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Steam Can Build Up

CIO, AFL Unions Back Coming Maritime Strike

Labor backing for the coming maritime struggle has been assured by ILWU and maritime unions in messages from a number of AFL and CIO unions.

From Washington, D. C., CIO President Philip Murray pledged the full and official support of the CIO in a statement issued June 18.

Murray said: "The CIO recognizes the justice of the struggle of the maritime unions to maintain the conditions they have fought for and won in recent years, including the union hiring practices."

SUPPORTS DEMANDS

"We support the demands of these unions that the shipowners, with whom they have contracts, must meet in good faith the reasonable demands of their CIO unions. The shipowners must increase wages, hours and working conditions."

The CIO calls upon the shipowners to meet these demands and conclude agreements which will preserve decent human working conditions and preserve the stability and continued operations of the merchant marine on a peaceful and profitable basis.

"We regret that the government board of inquiries has allowed no adequate time or real opportunity for the unions to explain or defend their position."

The Board gave only 16 days' time to five maritime unions to present their cases. The unions, unable to obtain the full attendance of the interests of the shipowners, were, of course, unable to present their case.

The theory—obviously a very cynical theory—is that after 60 days of cooling off, the workers will have lost their stamina and will not be able to continue the struggle. If this is the way it goes, the shipowners are due to hear a most amplified "Nuts!"

TORTURED AND SHOT

Hearing of this from villagers, the first thing by which the boys attended brought papers showing that they had been classified "all those who are therefore classified."

They were among the small group of workers who have not been Communist guerrillas. When the boys and the children were awakened, they found that the villagers had been arrested and were being taken to the police station. The police asked them to make contact with the children and arrested them.

The Kuomingtang party was in power in China at the time. The boys were then secretly shot despite their efforts to free their teachers and relatives to free them.

The Communist party press in Hong Kong said afterwards that the affair had not been Communist guerrillas but that they had been captured by the Kuomintang soldiers. The boys have since been arrested and are now in a concentration camp in China.

THE COMPLETE insincerity of the Taft-Hartley Act and of the government in its administration is exposed by the very fact that CIO unions have been forced to go on strike. Negotiations are supposed to go on for sixty days. At the end of that period the National Labor Relations Board has fifty days to conduct an election among the members of the unions to determine if they wish to accept the employers' offer of nothing to give but much to take away.

In our own language, double talk or anti-Communist. The theory of the United States is that the last five days are to be used for dismissal of the injunction.

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A LL ALONG the way the shipowners knew that Truman was going to invoke the Taft-Hartley Act on the side of the dispute. So knowing, they have met through sham negotiations with Cheshire cat greens and given the unions nothing but arrogant "go to hell!" They intend to go on doing this—-if they have their 60-day period—while they continue to pile up profits out of the sweat of workingmen, not to mention their larcenous dimes dipped into the United States Treasury for all it is worth.

POL BRESW

THE DISPATCHER is in the unfortunate position of going to press without knowing the outcome of the government's petition for an 80-day cooling off period against the maritime strike, in which our union was included: and which was originally scheduled to begin the morning of June 21.

The strike was postponed to June 24 at 10:30 A.M.—yesterday—as the publication date on our paper goes—as a result of a temporary restraining order which was to expire at that time. This means that by the time this issue reaches the dock readers they may be on the bricks and fighting like hell for their demands, or they may be exiled from it.

The arguments of the government for an 80-day extension of the injunction and the resistant arguments of ourselves are put forth elsewhere in the paper.

If, as appeared a strong possibility, the court has now given the shipowners and President Truman their strikebreaking device, then the job before us has been made abundantly clear by ILWU President Harry Bridges.

We must turn the tables and make the "cooling off" period the hottest thing that ever sailed under the name of "cool." It must be a warming up period, ending up with a full head of steam for the strike of strikes—one that will blow through shipowner profits and greed and leave them wishing they never heard of the Taft-Hartley slave law.

They—the shipowners—may yet learn that militancy and resentment cannot for eighty days be bottled up and corkscrew and escape at the end.

Chiang Kills Children For "Reds"

HONG KONG (ALN).—Four Hong Kong schoolboys, all under 15 years of age, are the latest victims of the pathological fear of Communists now afflicting Chiang Kai-shek's U. S. supported Kuomintang party government of China.

The four boys were shot on a picnic from a Hong Kong school, which is a British colony, to the neighboring Kiu Chiu Island. Here, where they were shot by a Chiang Kai-shek army officer, they were shot at by any kind of weapons.

The shooting was discovered only when a truck driver found their bodies on the road days later.

Three Hong Kong newspapers, the English-language China Mail and two leading Chinese dailies, censored after the story. They found that the boys had been executed because they told soldiers at the "Tung Kwun" a report about the story. They said that the soldiers thought they had said "Hung Kwan," which means Red Army, and arrested them.

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West Coast Maritime Unions Fight Taft-Hartley "Cool Off" Injunction

How Fink-Hall Foissie Ran Waterfront

If any dollar thinker, Fink-Hall Foissie and his waterfront employers, really mean it when they say all we will be satisfied on the waterfront if only the union is willing to be "reformed" or "reorganized" in some way, they are in for a surprise. A major challenge to the Taft-Hartley Law will be made by the waterfront workers in the near future. Foissie, the President of the ILWU, is planning to present a "reorganized" waterfront union which would be more acceptable to the employers. The waterfront workers have been faced with a decision: either join the Taft-Hartley Law or continue their fight for union rights. The waterfront workers have decided to continue their fight and have organized a new union, the ILWU, which is more acceptable to the employers. The waterfront workers have been faced with a decision: either join the Taft-Hartley Law or continue their fight for union rights. The waterfront workers have decided to continue their fight and have organized a new union, the ILWU, which is more acceptable to the employers.

Under Truman Order Fight On Jim Crow Is Disloyal

NEW YORK—The president of the Santa Monica, Calif., branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has been suspended from his post. He charges that the NAACP has suspended him because of his opposition to the Jim Crow laws.

SEARS PICKETED

Failure to gain this objective through negotiation, Barren's branch threw a picket line around the store, which was closed for two hours. Marriott's union, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, says that the picket line was put up because the store does not have a union hall.

On May 4 Barren's was picketed by the union, which had been at that time "affiliated" in sympathy with the NAACP. The picket line was put up because the store does not have a union hall.

America Tobacco Vote Won by FTA

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — A "no union" vote turned in by the Charleston Tobacco Workers, here resulted in an important victory for Local 15, Food, Tobacco, Agricultural & Allied Workers (FTA).

FTA, barred from the AFL-CIO hall because of its refusal to comply with the Taft-Hartley Act, last week voted "no union" on a "no union" vote. The result was 704 in favor and 474 against the Taft-Hartley Act. The FTA was formed in 1935 as a result of a split in the AFL-CIO over the issue of "no union." The FTA has been active in the tobacco industry, and its membership has grown to over 30,000.

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The Women

Another Joint Action Committee—that of the combined auxiliaries to the maritime unions—gave the Waterfront Conductors of the Pacific Coast and British Columbia, when they conducted their 30-hour picket line in front of WEA headquarters at 16 California Street in San Francisco.
Matson Lines Shored Up By Huge Financial Empire

SAN FRANCISCO—A new bulwark, provided by the nation’s largest banks and insurance companies, has given added security to the shipping lines and the workers under the Matson Lines. The security is provided by the financial reserves of some of the world’s largest banks and insurance companies, which have lent Matson Lines a total of $250,000,000. The security is provided by the financial reserves of some of the world’s largest banks and insurance companies, which have lent Matson Lines a total of $250,000,000.

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CROCKER AT HOME

Belothing to the elite of the Pacific Coast, the Crockers, are C. D. C. Atchison, president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway, and his wife, Mrs. C. D. C. Atchison, who is the daughter of Henry C. Atchison, president of the same company.

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On-Board Injuries Rising, Says BLS

WASHINGTO (AP) — Injuries on the job on the railroads have increased, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reports. The reports indicate that the number of injuries has increased by 10 percent since 1943.

New Party Is Labor Party, Convention Set July 23

(Cheated from Page 11) The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen has decided to form a new labor party, the Western Labor Party, and to support it in the July 23 election.

Blacklisted Employers

Two months ago, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen announced it would support a new labor party, the Western Labor Party, in the July 23 election. The party, which was formed by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, is expected to receive widespread support in the July 23 election.

Moving Day

ILWL staff working at the shipyard will be moved to the new location on July 23, 1948. The new facility is expected to accommodate the growing demand for skilled labor. The new facility will be located at the new site of 130 Golden Gate Avenue, where the old facility is now located. The new facility is expected to provide more space and better facilities for the employees.

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NAM Demands Congress Enact More Stringent Taft-Hartley Act Curbs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Not content with the Taft-Hartley Act passed by Congress last year, the influential N.L.R.B. went back to Congress, asking for more anti-labor legislation. The upshot of their point committee on labor management relations was that they will not act unless Congress gives them authority.

Headed by Senator Joseph R. (Minn.) Ball (D-Minn.), the committee was met Monday by the members of the Taft-Hartley act and the United Steelworkers (N.L.S.B.). The meetings were attended by only four or five of the 14 members, who knew no more of labor management than they knew of the New Deal.

One of the spokesmen for the National Labor Relations Act asked the committee to relieve the industry by a new act with the United Steel Workers (N.L.S.B.) and the AFL. They also asked that health and welfare funds be excluded from collective bargaining.

HELPFUL DRAFT T-H

They were followed by Gerard Reilly, former N.L.S.B. chief, who, on calling him to the stand, grinned and said, "The only way to keep your act from being defeated is for you to rest your case on the evidence."

He reaffirmed the recommendation of the National Labor Relations Board that the Taft-Hartley law be amended to include the recognition of unions as the sole bargaining agent for employees. "We are dealing with a problem of utmost importance, a problem that has been referred to as a national problem," he said.

WALTERS' EXTREMIST VIEW

-but their efforts were greeted with derision by the Senate. Senator Robert Taft, who had read the report, said it "has been made in a spirit of moderation, a spirit of cooperation, a spirit of understanding." He warned that the bill would be defeated unless the Senate could be convinced that it was necessary.

THE STORY IN THE NEWS

The House labor committee is expected to take up the bill before the end of the session. Congressional leaders have been pressing for a quick action on the legislation, which is expected to be voted on next week.

Ellis Island Hunger Ordal

Recount in Full Story

NEW YORK—The full story of the "Five Men in a Hunger Strike," held on Ellis Island without bail for three months, is recounted in a new pamphlet issued by the Civil Rights Congress and the American Federation of Labor, the Center for the Protection of Foreign Workers. It was published by the American Federation of Labor and CIO, and the pamphlet is being circulated extensively.

"The story of the five men is a striking example of the power of a small group of people to effect a change," the pamphlet says. "The men, who are from different walks of life, have united in a common cause to fight for justice and freedom." The pamphlet is available for free distribution and is available in a variety of languages.

Housing Initiative

Put on Ballot

SACRAMENTO — The California Housing Initiative made the November ballot with 23,000 signatures turned in by June 16. More than 225,000 valid signatures were filed.

The initiative asks to remove the property tax on vacant land, to require that 10% of all new housing be for low-income families, and to provide tax breaks for landlords who rent to low-income families.

The initiative was supported by the California Association of Realtors and the California Apartment Association, but opposed by the California Chamber of Commerce and the California Conference of Independent Colleges.

The initiative, if approved by voters, would create a new affordable housing bond program, which would be financed through the sale of bonds to investors.

The initiative would also create a new state housing authority to help finance the construction of affordable housing for low-income families.

The initiative was supported by a broad coalition of groups, including affordable housing advocates, labor unions, and public interest groups.

The initiative was opposed by the California Chamber of Commerce, the California Association of Realtors, and the California Apartment Association, who argued that it would increase the cost of housing and hurt the economy.

The initiative was put on the ballot in November, and it passed with a narrow margin of 52% to 48%.
SAN FRANCISCO — Confidence and seriousness was the prevailing mood among the 7,000 striking warehousemen in 200 San Francisco Bay houses as they hit the bricks in an 8-day strike which won them 50 cents an hour increase.

At Butler Brothers there was optimism and enthusiasm. All of the doors to this giant mail order firm were manned by Local 6 pickets and no one entered without clearance cards.

Exception to this were the office workers who were permitted through because of company effort to intimidate them while an NLRB election was being conducted. The AFL office workers union was contesting with management whether they want to continue the union shop. Company officials had sent a letter a few days before to all employees telling them to vote for the open shop. The office workers won.

Further, when the strike began, the company told its office workers not to accept clearance cards from the union, because Butler Brothers claimed the warehousemen want to keep you from working. Local 6 strike committee allowed office workers to enter without challenge to ouster this open company propaganda against all unions.

Thousands of packages—large and small—were lying on the platform of the huge plant. And every day's idleness cost Butler lots of dough.

Nearby at the Coffin-Reddington drug house, two lively card games were going on simultaneously. And over on one of the loading platforms a striker was calmly embroidering a handsome new tablecloth.

At one entrance to the plant, a radio blared forth with the strains of the newest popular jazz. There was no occasion for the pickets to get bored. Coffee time was approaching as the pickets waited
On 10 Cents an Hour More for Bay Area Warehousemen

Pictures above taken on picket lines thrown around 200 warehouses in the San Francisco Bay Area last week by ILWU Local 6 give a taste of the unity and spirit of 7,000 striking members which won them a 10 cent an hour wage increase. Upper left: jazz band composed of members of Local 6 employed at Dunkan, Carrigan and Hayden, a hardware house in San Francisco, keeps the spirits of the pickets jumping; upper center: friendly policeman is cleared by the union's striking committee at Union Paper in Oakland, to bring out a bundle of needed paper supplies; upper right: Blake, Moffitt & Towne line in San Francisco; lower left: coffee wagon stops at Union Paper plant in Oakland, on its twice daily round of all struck warehouses; lower center: Oakland strike relief committee; lower right: "On the Air," a radio program with Marge Donley, Merleane Cashmere, Ed Newman, the announcer and Secretary-Treasurer Richard Lyden shown from left to right. Center inset: members of the Oakland division of Local 6 casting votes during the strike balloting conducted at the Oakland Civic Auditorium.
Matson Lines Get Duped By a Bad Check Artist

SAN FRANCISCO — When Matson Lines was unexpected in giving up a Cruise for a large amount of money, it had plenty of money to go where it wanted to go. And, when a company car to a check artist with a $2000 check and a large amount of money, Matson Lines was duped by a bad check artist. A Marine who was duped by the check artist was told by Matson Lines to get his money back, but when he tried to claim it, the check artist had already left.

Progressive Public Figures Back Dockers’ Fight Against Shipowners

N.Y. CIO Opens Medical Center for Strikers

NEW YORK — A delegation of 250 CIO workers who had been on strike for nine days because the segment practiced in the nation’s capital would have been a likely member of the group.

The children declared they did not want to be forced to eat at the children’s park. "We want to be left alone," they said.

One 15-year-old, Vito Gatto, a resident of the neighborhood, gave up his job to help the strikers. "We can’t go on living like this," he said.

The most striking example of the damage done by the Taft-Hartley Act is the system of hiring halls, which has been practiced on the waterfront for years. The system was introduced by the Brotherhood of Longshoremen in 1934.

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Havenor said: "I want very much to see the two states of New York and New Jersey where the Taft-Hartley Act is in effect. I know that it is a difficult task to enforce the law.

"I am interested in the possibility of obtaining an injunction to stop the hiring halls in New York City."

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Canada Has Its Mundit Threat, Too

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Arbitrator Sacked

Former Coast Imperial Chairman Arthur Millin has refused to continue to serve as arbitrator in the event that U.S. Federal Judge Christopher J. Grant inquires the grievance machinery of the old longshore union as part of a preliminary injunction.

On June 16 the ILWU notified Millin that he had served 20 years on the board of the ILWU's Scientific Arbitration Board. After expiring at midnight on June 16, the arbitration diminished on the coast contract. At the same time, arbitrator associations appointed by the ILWU board in San Francisco, San Francisco, and Portland, Ore.

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WAREHOUSE & DISTRIBUTION

Quart of Milk

Gladding McBean got a thrashing down on its coast by a crew of Local 17 warehousemen in Lincoln, Calif. Local 6 warehousemen in Lancaster, Calif., and Local 17 warehousemen in Baltimore, Md., voted small matters workers in Pennsylvania took the pay holiday on Thanksgiving.

Local 6 likewise voted "no" to Pacific Clay Products in Alameda. Members of the union, who voted 1,000 to 500, are demanding a 10 cent an hour increase.

The union's negotiating committee has informed the company that it will not be able to negotiate a new contract to the satisfaction of the union's membership. The company has offered a 10 cent an hour increase, which is not acceptable to the union. The union has given the company 30 days to make a new offer.

PROFITS UP

The employers refused nothing on the unions' demands for four more holidays with pay and the vacation "principle." They say they do not believe in paying men for days when they do not work. The employers made the next week the employers called a "fair amount." The union pointed out that the employers amounted to $30,000 more than a year ago.

The unions further pointed out that Gladding can pay a living wage, with a $24,000 profit of $1,000,000, as compared with a profit of $120,000 in 1928. The buying power of the workers today, however, is less than it was in 1928 when wages were only 30 cents per hour.

Gladding has a working capital of $4,180,000 and an all-time high of $15,000,000 last year, and represents the highest paid in history.

Fertilizer Boost

Local 6 signed with the Western Fertilizer Company in Petaluma, Calif., last week for a 26-cent per hour raise, effective July 1. The lowest rate is now 31 cents.

The new one-year contract provides for an automatic wage opening when and if the employers start open for wages in the plant with the strike, and the house wages will be at least 25 cents per hour higher than the Teamster rate.

Local 6 has 28 members working at five of the company's plants. Those in the experimental plant received their raises retroactive to January 1.

Local 26 Slams Disputes in CIO

LOS ANGELES — Another demonstration of the union's growing power program of the Independent CIO National CIO-PAC came from the executive board of ILWU Warehouse Local 26.

The board voted to send an delegation, to a conference at the request of the local's CIO National CIO-PAC. The conference is to discuss the future of the union and its relationship to the CIO. The local's CIO National CIO-PAC has been active in organizing new locals and in supporting the CIO's national campaign for a strong CIO.
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Washington Rump CIO

SKATELT. — ILWU Longshore Local 19 contended at the outset, isolationist moves of the Washington State Committee for National CIO Policy in a letter to that rump outfit June 1 signed by Secretary Jack Price.

"The longshoremen, asked by what authority an "Abuse of Con- vention" was held, followed by a recent series of meetings of the National CIO Union, there is, in the words of the National CIO, has set up its own "abuse council.

KEEP LABOR UNITED
Local 19 pointed out that this division in the CIO came at a time when labor must be united on a fundamental task in support of the United States. The right of the employers to carry out their contracts is a matter of principle, as is the right of the workers to have a voice in their own affairs.

"Our membership sees this as a vote to weaken the CIO in this state, as a vote of giving the employers and 'employer's friends' a chance to carry on the job with the backing of the United States government and the backing of the United States government. The vote was a red-baiting, witch-hunt vote," said the longshoremen.

They demanded strong disciplinary action by the Washington State Committee for National CIO Policy for its divisive tactics.

Labor Dept. Calls Hawaii
One of Best Organized
WASHINGTON (AP).—In two years since 1945, Labor Department reports, Hawaii has changed from one of the country's unorganized states to one of the most highly organized areas of the U. S.

Injunction Protest
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Reveal the Ways Maritime Commission Helps Shipowners Swindle the Public
WASHINGTON, D. C. — The U.S. Maritime Commission keeps the records of how much it spends to protect the interests of shipowners. In 1947 the Seattle Merchant Marine and Fishermen's Committee charged with the prosecution of the coast guard, the Maritime Commission, and the War Shipping Administration.

Local 26 Grotes Chicago
Labor Party in Herbst
ILWU Local 26 here joined the Committee for a Democratic, Far Eastern policy in sending greetings to the China Trade Union Conference that opened here May 15. A national labor federation is 90 years old this year. The conference was held in the audience room of the conference.

Fight Sugar Bosses' Splitting
SAN FRANCISCO.—"For five months I've lived with the people down there, I've really got to know them and I see the rush and the rush and the rush and the rush that is going on," said one of the local vice-presidents.

Robertson returned to the mainland with a new organization and a battle against federal employers with problems different from those faced by its local here.

In the Territory the members, particularly in sugar and pineapple, struggle against the isolationists and are on the front lines of the struggle, as they face the threat of the loss of their jobs.

Seek to Soften Strike
The Big Fire sugar employers have started a campaign of softening up for contract talks on August 31. They are trying to make the sugar grower believe that the strikes are going to continue, and are trying to make the workers believe that the union is not going to continue.

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Small Crowd Turns Out For Truman
SEATTLE, Wash.—A scant 5,000 persons heard President Truman deliver his speech on the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the Dutch at the West Coast. More than 100 members of the Seattle Labor Council and the Seattle Labor News, both of which the President addressed June 15, were represented in the audience. The audience was composed of the Northwest's labor leaders, including the National Maritime Union, Marine Cooks and Radio Operators. ILWU Local 19 and 9 were out in force, a large audience paid $1 each admission to the rally.

The.NLRB tells to Bargain on Health
WASHINGTON (AP).—Employers are required to bargain with employees over health and accident insurance programs covering their workers. The NLRB made that decision yesterday, the NLRB announced June 23.

"Voices of Freedom" Awarded
WASHINGTON (AP).—The Voice of Freedom Committee will present a special radio award, June 25, to Arthur Gastes, whose weekly national program is sponsored by the United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers (ILWU). The awards were presented in ceremonies at the United Nations, New York.

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