

MARITIME UNIONS SCRIPT  
Friday December 3, 1948  
Station K O L

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Good evening ladies and gentlemen. Well, it's taken 93 long, tough days. But we've done it. We've won the long, rugged battle. Today all the striking maritime unions have won their demands and the maritime strike is over.

We met every weapon the employers could throw at us. We fought back shoulder to shoulder. And we are now the first bunch of working people to challenge the Taft-Hartley law and win. Other unions have knuckled under, some have fought hard and lost. But we on the waterfront are made of tougher stuff. And we took them on and beat them hands down.

Today the Marine Cooks and Stewards, the Marine Firemen and the Radio Operators, who were the last to reach agreement, held meetings up and down the coast to get the okay of the rank and file to sign the contracts.

We felt, ladies and gentlemen, that many of you would like to hear how the men right off the picket lines felt about this news. We thought you'd like to go right into the union halls with us, hear the announcements made and get the reaction of the men who run their unions, the men who fought for their unions...the men who won this strike. So we got a recording machine. First we attended the Marine Cooks and Stewards meeting yesterday afternoon, later that evening we went to the Longshoremen's meeting. We regret we couldn't get to the Marine Firemen's meeting. Now the recording that follows is amateurish, because we are not experts in such things. The guys who will speak are just ordinary working men and women, not trained orators. And you must remember, they are hearing for the first time the news that their fight was not in vain. We take you now to the Marine Cooks

and Stewards regular meeting at 110 Cherry Street where we cut in on the report of the acting port agent, Brother Robert Ward. He will make the announcement of the agreement being reached...and you'll see how the members reacted when they heard for the first time the good news. The next voice you hear will be that of Bob Ward.....

Planning - 10.00 - 120.00  
 IFA 19-7 - 15.00 - 180.00  
 MEYS - 25.00 - 300.00  
 IFA 19-9 - 15.00 - 180.00  
 STA - 5.00 - 60  
 WE - 5.00 - 60  
 Fee - 5.00 - 60  
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IFA 19-8 - \$800  
 MEBA - 120  
 GYL - 240  
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