

# Dock Strike

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sociation since Longshoremen walked out two weeks ago today.

On that day most of the Port's waterfront revenues choked off.

Port Controller James Hogan estimates that the Port will lose \$185,000 this month in dockage, wharfage, storage and its override on labor and equipment rentals.

Most Port terminal leases with major steamship lines contain strike clauses that cut rent rates roughly in half after the first month of a labor stoppage. These clauses will become effective in August, to the tune of \$61,000 a month.

Port employment totals 700.

The Port has not yet followed the lead of some steamship lines and agencies that have cut personnel sharply. The Port has put some terminal employes to work on inventory and other catch-up work. It also has encouraged some employes to take their vacations, cut overtime and has quit filling job vacancies.

The Port has considered shifting some waterfront terminal employes to work at the airport, but Port officials admit that continuation of the dock strike could force them to furlough some employes.