

Dock Strike Cost May Hit \$16 Million

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The West Coast dock strike may have a \$16 million impact on the Seattle area in its first month alone, the president of the Seattle Port Commission warned yesterday.

Port studies show, Merle Adlum disclosed, that the Longshoremen's Union walkout can put 5,000 workers off the job by July 31.

Those workers represent a payroll of \$4 million a month. In addition, the Port estimates that the strike can cost Seattle \$12 million in sales and revenues of ocean, highway, rail and air carriers and water-oriented industries.

Losses to the municipal Port alone have been estimated at \$185,000 this month and \$245,000 in later months, as reported in yesterday's Post-Intelligencer. Totals for the area are rough estimates, Adlum said, but they represent losses that may increase if the strike extends into future months.

Union and management have not met in negotiations since the longshore strike began July 1. In Seattle yesterday, Shaun Maloney, president of Longshoremen's Local 19, said:

"It looks as though everything's on a

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