

"The Public be Damned" Is the Attitude of the Shipowners

"PUBLIC OPINION," as interpreted in the editorial offices of the capitalist press, is demanding of BOTH SIDES that they end the strike. So far all the newspaper concoctions about public opinion are coming from business men and employers, and politicians who are the mouthpiece of the shipowners.

Even with the "public opinion" of the churches, the employers have not had much luck. After an investigation of the maritime situation, the Social Service Commission of the San Francisco Church Federation, in co-operation with the San Francisco Council of Jews and Christians issued a report ENDORSING THE BASIC DEMANDS OF THE UNIONS.

lement that all other shipping lines are anxious to reach. This in spite of the fact that "before the strike hundreds of meetings were held to make certain business men generally would be behind the shipowners' program."

takable manner that their sympathies and active support is on the side of the maritime unions.

Santa Barbara: Workers' Press Bazaar will be held Dec. 4-5th at Workers' Center, 208 W. Canon. Dec. 4, Variety sale, entertainment. Look for window display Dec. 5, starting at noon. Supper served 6 p. m. Dancing, games, fish pond, good speaker. Benefit Western and Daily Worker 1937 Drive.

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FRENCH DOCKERS STRIKE TO AID U.S. SEAMEN

SPAIN MILITIA IN VICTORIES IN CATALONIA

Expose Fascist Base As Govt. Closes Nazi Embassy

MADRID—While workers' militia engaged in driving Fascist detachments out of a corner of the University City area here, government defenders scored important advances on fronts outside the capital.

The Catalonia War Ministry announced capture of Mount Purburell, strongly fortified Fascist position on the Aragon front near Bujaralozcaspe, 36 miles from Zaragoza.

S.F. Demonstration To Protest Murders By Spain Fascists

SAN FRANCISCO.—In protest against the mass murder of women and children and other non-combatants in Madrid by the Spanish Fascists, the American League Against War and Fascism has organized a mass demonstration here for Saturday, December 5th, 1 p. m., on the Civic Center green.

Fight For Social and Labor Legislation!

(A Call For Action By California State Committee, Communist Party, U.S.A.)

THE STATE LEGISLATURE opens its 1937 session in January. The elections represent a mandate to the Legislators to put into effect the demands of the labor movement and of all the people for progressive social legislation, to increase social security and protect the rights of labor, the civil liberties of people.

Western Worker to Publish Strike Pamphlet Serially

The California State Committee of the Communist Party has ordered 2000 copies of the pamphlet "The Maritime Crisis—What It Is and What It Isn't." The pamphlet is published by the International Longshoremen's Assn., Local 38-79, to acquaint the public with the causes of the maritime strike.

ANTI-SOVIET PACT BARED

BERLIN.—Actually a military alliance for a robber war against the Soviet Union, the "anti-Communist pact" between Japan and Germany was admitted by both the Mikado's foreign office and the Nazis.

The Japanese foreign office claimed the agreement was "not directed against the Soviet Union or any other specific power," but against the Communist International for its "support of Chinese Communist armies in order to fight Japan."

3 Plotters Given Clemency
MOSCOW.—Commutation of death sentences to 10 years' imprisonment was granted three engineers, including Emil I. Sticking, German citizen, it was announced here.

Anti-Fascist Meet Called in State

To all trade unions, unemployed organizations, and other progressive groups in the state, calls are going out for the California State Conference Against War and Fascism to be held in San Francisco on Saturday and Sunday, December 12th and 13th.

STALIN SPEAKS CONVENTION IN TO SOVIETS ON TAMPA REJECTS CONSTITUTION LABOR PARTY

Congress of Soviets 'Nothing's Happened' Since Last Year, Say Reactionaries

MOSCOW—World history was made here last Wednesday when Joseph Stalin, general secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, opened the 8th All-Union Congress of Soviets which is to adopt the new Soviet Constitution, most dramatic document in the history of mankind.

"In 10 days we will have a new constitution," said Stalin. "It will be the result of the victories of Socialism and will show that we have freed ourselves from slavery. It will be a document about which millions have dreamed and are still dreaming, in capitalist circles."

Only True Democracy
"The constitution will be the only true democratic constitution in the world because it is a workers' constitution."

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TIE UP U.S. SHIPS AT HAVRE; SHIP OFFICERS BLAST RYAN; PLAN BIG PARADES IN WEST

250 ILA Men In N.Y. Refuse To Walk Through Pickets

BULLETIN.—French longshoremen in all ports are refusing to work American ships. At Marseilles a small American freighter and the Export liner Exambion were boycotted.

Masters Blast Ryan

Joseph P. Ryan, international I.L.A. president hastened to the defense of the shipowners, with a threat of retaliation against French ships, because of the French longshoremen's solidarity action.

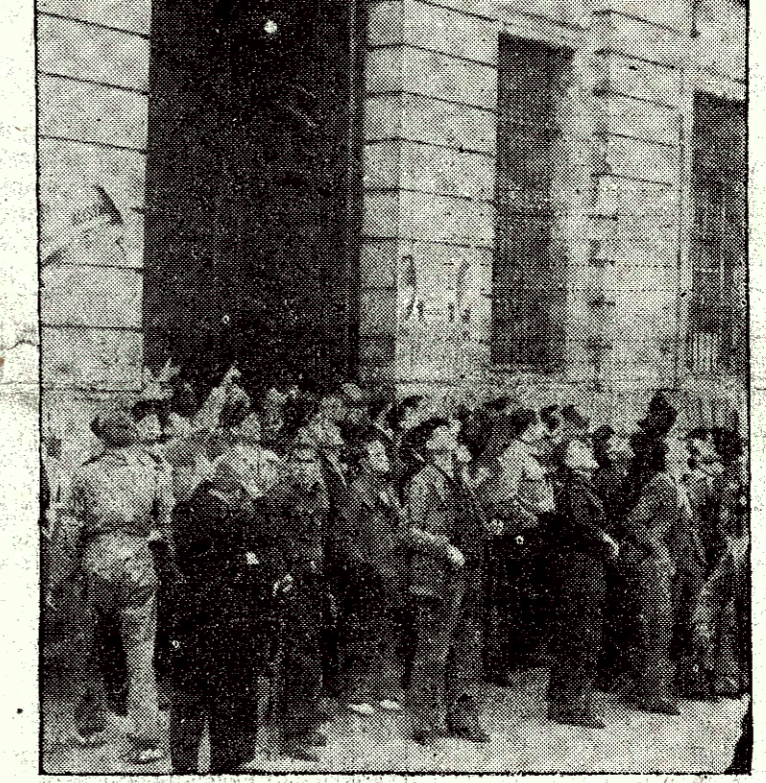
Stay of Sentence For Modesto Men

SAN RAFAEL.—A motion for a new trial won a stay of sentence for Alphonse Buyle and John Rodgers, two of the nine framed-up Modesto prisoners, as they were about to be sentenced.

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MADRID'S PEOPLE AMONG BRAVEST



WHILE MADRID fights off the Fascist armies' attack, a crowd in front of a government building calmly watches the flight of Fascist bombing planes (supplied by Mussolini and Hitler), which have violated all decencies of humanity in dropping bombs in the midst of men, women and children, killing hundreds.

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Radio Broadcasts, Big Mass Meets, Part of Plan

BULLETIN.—The Mexican Confederation of Workers on Thursday night formally ordered a complete boycott of American ships until the East, Gulf and West Coast maritime strikes end.

PLAN U.S. FARM-LABOR CONFAB

CHICAGO.—The two successful independent political parties of the middle west—the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party and the Wisconsin Farmer-Labor Progressive Federation—have plans well under way for a National Farmer-Labor Party conference to be held here early in the coming year.

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STATE JOBLESS INSURANCE ACT IS CONSTITUTIONAL

California Supreme Court Upholds Validity of Reserves Act
SAN FRANCISCO.—The California State Supreme Court has declared the State Unemployment Reserves Act constitutional.

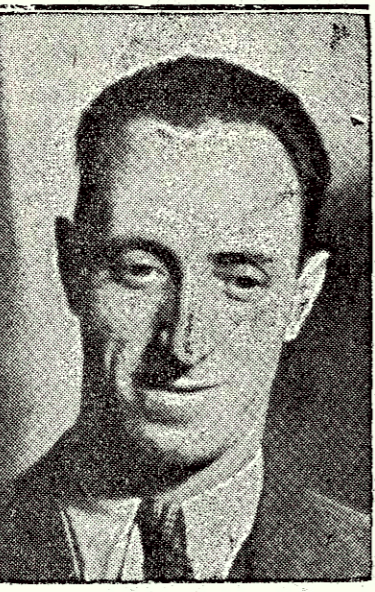
A Special Maritime Strike Page of News and Features

STRIKE BROADCAST NUMBER 1 IT PRESENTS THE WEST COAST MARITIME STRIKE IN A NUTSHELL

Presented Over KGCC, Friday, Nov. 20th As First of a Series on the Waterfront Union Strike

- Q. When did the maritime strike begin? A. Midnight of October 29, 1936. Q. How many men are out on strike? A. Approximately forty thousand who are directly connected with the Maritime strike.

WEST COAST



HARRY BRIDGES, outstanding West Coast maritime strike leader.

HIGH LIGHTS OF HAWAII

HONOLULU.—The ships now strikebound in Honolulu harbor are the Lurline, Diamond Head, President Hayes, Helen Whittier, Maunalei and President Pierce. The last two named ships were tied up late last week.

David Grange is Chief Scabherder

NEW YORK.—Here is an affidavit which shows how in their eagerness to break the East Coast seamen's strike, shipowners and reactionary I.S.U. officials like vice-president David E. Grange care little for passengers' lives.

THE STORY OF THE FAMOUS SAN PEDRO 'BANANA CASE', SHIPPERS TRIED TO GET GOVT. TO SCAB

Unions Took Determined Stand Against Such a Precedent and as a Result Judge McCormick Backed Down

LOS ANGELES.—Awkwardly backing away from his former decision, Federal Judge Paul J. McCormick of the United States District Court in Los Angeles, 'dismissed the infamous "banana case" Thursday, November 19th, "solely on grounds of lack of jurisdiction."

SCABS SHIPPED FROM CHICAGO

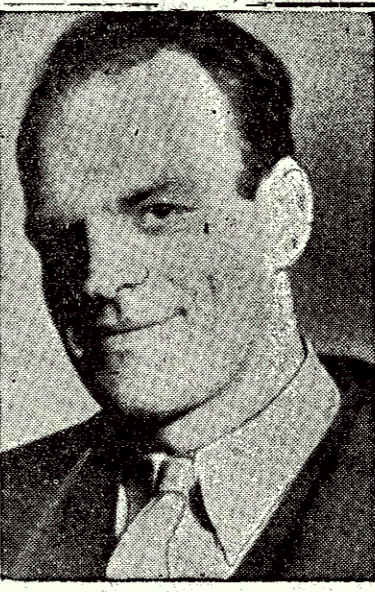
And Officials of ISU Help Ship Them

CHICAGO. — Responding to ads in The Chicago Tribune for able-bodied seamen for the east coast, sailors went to the Great Northern hotel and found an agency hiring strikebreakers to man vessels picketed by rank-and-file members of the International Seamen's Union at Atlantic City.

Radio Men Picket Sheboygan Docks On The Lakes

SHEBOYGAN, Wis.—Refusal by the Reiss Coal Co. steamship lines to negotiate with the union led the American Radio Telegraphists Assn. to throw a picket line around the docks at Sheboygan.

EAST COAST



JOE CURRAN, outstanding East and Gulf Coast seamen's strike leader.

THE CHINESE COOKS SHOW THEIR SPIRIT

Contribute \$69.50 to The East, Gulf Coast Strike

NEW YORK.—A member of the Santa Paula crew relates that a meeting was held just before the Santa Paula docked off 21st St. The twenty-seven Chinese galley workers voted to dip into their wages, among the lowest on any American ship, and came out with \$69.50 for the strike fund.

Good Discipline in East Coast Strike

NEW YORK.—Mayor La Guardia was told by Francis Mulder, a member of the seamen's strike strategy committee, that strikebreakers with criminal records had been imported to New York.

1500 Pedro Marine Strikers Get County Relief

LOS ANGELES.—With forty persons added to the office force to receive applications and investigate relief cases of maritime strikers' families, county relief administration officials estimated here that approximately 1500 families who are actual residents of San Pedro will immediately go on relief rolls.

DAVID E. GRANGE, EAST COAST I. S. U. CZAR

NEW YORK. — David E. Grange, vice-president of the I.S.U., and notorious for his anti-rank and file actions, especially in the present East Coast strike, is a Negro, but Negro trade unionists hate and despise him.

MASTERS, MATES ARE ON PICKET LINE FOR FIRST TIME IN HISTORY; THEY PICKET IN SPEED BOAT

About 700 Licensed Men Are Registered For Duty, and Officers of Biggest Ships Are on the Line

SAN FRANCISCO.—Thanks to the Maritime Federation, for the first time in history, Masters, Chief Engineers and the sea-going licensed personnel are responding unanimously to a strike call.

HAWAII GETS ILA CHARTER

Hilo, Honolulu Men Jubilant

HILO, Hawaii.—The Honolulu and Hilo Longshoremen's Association have been granted affiliation with the International Longshoremen's Association of America! Official word that charters are on the way to local island dockers was received here last Saturday night, by William Craft, district organizer for the I.L.A. The cable, signed by Joseph Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association read as follows:

Longshore charters sent air mail

News of the charter grants was joyously received by members of the Hilo and Honolulu unions. For over a year local dockers have been struggling against overwhelming odds to organize unions of their own choosing. Men have been blacklisted and fired by local shipping corporations for union activities and other militant union men have been on the blacklist ever since the organizations started.

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South Street black and white mingle together. David Grange is not only a jim-crow advocate, but is now before the courts faced with a charge of getting away with \$143,000 of the union's money.

Sharply denouncing the red-baiters, he says: "The technique now of capitalist America is to call all its opponents Communists. This is the last straw of a dying if not a dead order. It is getting so that any individual who tries to be a man and assert his God-given rights of equality and liberty is a Communist."

