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Matson Practice Illegal--MCS

Govt. Conservation and Sale Of Aku Bait Is Advocated

A proposal, made by Senator Charles Silva of Hawaii, to put the Territory in the aku bait business, has been approved by a sub-committee and was slated to be sent to the Holdover Committee of the legislature.

Reporting its findings on the proposal, the research body of the Holdover Committee stated to the sub-committee that pollution of Hilo harbor and other harbors, and activity in areas where nehu, principal aku bait is found, have made the supply scarce.

"Before World War II," says

the report, "five aku boats operated successfully out of Hilo harbor, whereas the present bait supply can support only two boats."

As a means of implementing the proposal, the report recommends considerable extension of the Division of Fish and Game of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, to enable the Territory to conduct extensive research on nehu and other baits and surveys of bait areas.

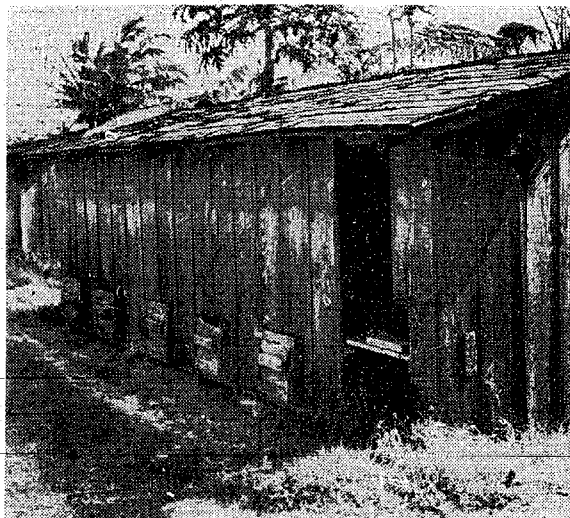
The sale of bait by the Territory would be on a non-profit basis.

Proponents of the plan say active participation by the Territory might enable bait to be caught in areas under the navy's jurisdiction which are not now available to private fishermen. Further, they say, the plan would be a considerable saving to fishermen who, at present, must spend considerable time catching bait.

From the Department of Fish and Game, the RECORD learned that the supply of nehu available is, indeed, being rapidly depleted, both by pollution and activity and that unless something is done to conserve the supply, the fishing industry will eventually be endangered.

William Kanakanui, executive secretary of the Tuna Boat Owners Association, said he believes all fishermen will welcome any proposal which may increase the supply of bait. He had no comment to make on the feeling of fishermen about buying from the Territory, instead of catching their bait themselves, but he said it is true fishermen now spend much time catching bait.

Without opposing the proposal, some legislative sources said they feel Hawaiian Tuna Packers, Ltd., should share with the Territory a part of the responsibility for conserving and replenishing the supply of bait, since it has realized large profits from the industry here.



RATS AND DISEASE are bred only a few feet from Kahuku's passing public, by these outhouses of the "honey-box" type along Wilson Ave. Maintained by the Kahuku Plantation Co., these outhouses represent the only toilet facilities offered some Kahuku workers by the company.

TH Land Purchase Is Quarter-Million Dollar Story for Realtors, Taxpayers

By EDWARD ROHRBOUGH

The last chapter of a story which might be entitled "The Case of the 200 Gees," or "How To Double Your Money In Six Years," was written last week—in three-inch items in the dailies. This last chapter was the story of how Century Enterprises, Ltd. had sold a 10,146 square-foot piece of property on Queen St. near Punchbowl for \$35,908.

The first chapter was back in 1944 when Lewers & Cooke, Ltd. sold a large tract at that location totalling 148,362 square feet to Century Enterprises for approximately \$235,000. The second chapter came last January when Century Enterprises sold the bulk of the property, comprising six lots, for \$404,539. Then there's a short chapter,

written in June of 1946, when Century Enterprises sold a 2,665 square-foot tract of the land to Chong Sum Wing and other parties for an estimated \$10,000—which, if you'll add the parts of the "take," makes the total profit something in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million dollars.

The unwritten chapters, of course, are those which would describe the manner in which officials of the Territorial Department of Public Works spent more than \$440,447 of the taxpayers' money in 1950, when they could have acquired the same property in 1944 for only \$235,000. Those chapters should be the spiciest part of the book.

Worker Killed or Hurt Every 10 Minutes of Every Workday in T. H.

(T.H. Labor Dept. Release)

An industrial worker is killed or injured every ten minutes of each working day in Hawaii.

Industrial accidents alone in the Territory of Hawaii cost employers and workers more than six million dollars annually—not to mention the loss of human life and misery.

A Territory-wide Governor's Safety Conference is scheduled to be held in Honolulu on Oct. 30 (more on page 2)

Roaring Warrior In Ningsia, "Paper Tiger" In Chungking, Gen. Ma Here

By KOJI ARIYOSHI

Gen. Ma Hung-kwei, former warlord ruler of Ningsia province, Northwest China, who is stopping at the Moana Hotel had not been given a single line in the local Chinese language newspapers five days after his arrival here and the Chinese Nationalist government's consul general did "not know" the general was here.

(Next week: Interview with Gen. Ma Hung-kwei).

Yet less than a year ago when the Kuomintang armies were falling back, finally to the island of

Invalidated Seamen Paid Short for 13 Years, Ho Says

The Matson Navigation Co. has for 13 years failed to give some invalidated seamen in the port of Honolulu their rightful due under the law, the National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards has charged. Wallace Ho, the union's port agent, says Matson's practice here is different from that of companies in any other port into which the union sails.

Ho, who was elected port agent just a few months ago, first learned of the practice here after a messman from the Hawaiian Fisherman had been taken off the ship on doctor's orders in late June. After hospitalization and recovery here, the messman, Creamer, applied, through his union, for return passage to his port of embarkation, New York, for maintenance and wages. His request was refused.

Matson officials held that since Creamer had recovered, he was not entitled to such benefits, but should sign on another ship for return passage. They would agree only to pay Creamer's maintenance during the 10 days of his illness, Ho said.

"I was surprised," Ho told the RECORD, "for wages and (more on page 7)

Dutch Woman Seeks Divorce from Local Seaman; Writes Mayor

Seeking information on the whereabouts and matrimonial status of Lau Chin (Paul) Pang, a seaman from Honolulu, a woman who says she is his wife has written Mayor Wilson from Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Signing her letter—"Mrs. Henriette Pang (Wirsema)," the woman writes that she married the seaman in Amsterdam June 4, 1947, that he sailed away nine (more on page 2)

UPW's Weinstein To Address ILWU; AFL Will Hear Stainback, Admiral

Robert Weinstein, National United Public Workers of America official, will be the chief speaker at the Labor Day program to be held at Iolani Palace Grounds by the ILWU-independent unions, following the parade in the morning. Other speakers will include a representative of the city-county government, and various union leaders.

Ralph Vossbrink, chairman of the Labor Day committee, said he expects this year's parade to be the largest in Hawaii's history. (more on page 6)

Governor Stainback, Delegate Joseph Farrington, Rear Admiral Cowdrey and other notables will feature the American Federation of Labor's Labor Day program at Thomas Square, an AFL official announced this week. Also, a "surprise package" speaker was mentioned by A. S. Reile, the official, who said he had virtually confirmed the appearance of the speaker who could not be named yet.

For the AFL, Reile said, Labor Day this year will carry double (more on page 6)

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and 31. Governor Stainback has been named honorary chairman. The governor has expressed the hope that this conference will be instrumental in reducing the Territory's accident toll and will, in so doing, lower the cost of Territorial government.

Coordinating Committee Formed
 Governor Stainback has pointed out that many thousands of dollars are spent each year in providing care for children whose parents have been killed in accidents.

The coordinating committee, representing top level leadership of various participating groups, has been formed to advise and aid the governor in direction and prosecution of this group.

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days later and she hasn't heard from him since.

His friends, however, have informed her that Pang was already married before he married her, the woman writes, and since she is now seeking a divorce, she seeks information that would aid her in court.

The RECORD investigated and found that Pang is unknown at three maritime unions here, and union officials mentioned the possibility that Pang might be employed on an army ship.

He was known, though, at 521-B Hiram Lane, the address he had given in Amsterdam, but residents there said he is presently on a ship.

Anyone in possession of information that might help Mrs. Pang (Wirsema) may communicate with her at NWE. Gpeinersgracht 16, Amsterdam, Holland.

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Political Sidelights

POLITICAL observers on Maui are trying hard to analyze the recent actions of Al Burdick, regarded as Harold Rice's lieutenant. When Rice asked him to support Eddie Tam in the coming campaign, Burdick is reported to have informed Rice that the request was one thing he refuses to carry out. Sources say Burdick, to their knowledge, has not let Rice down in the past.

WHILE DRINKING coffee in mid-morning as Walluku politicians usually do, some of them were wondering aloud last week whether Bud Smyser of the Star-Bulletin had strained himself to set up Harold Rice on a high wall as a big Humpty Dumpty. This was after Smyser had given Rice, following an interview with him, a terrific build-up as "Mr. Politics" of Maui.

Over their cups of coffee, the political analysts pointed out that Rice and Delegate Joseph Farrington, publisher of the Star-Bulletin, have no aloha for each other; that Smyser himself had told some Walluku politicians that Rice's influence is at rock bottom. To illustrate he reportedly had said that while it took reporters two to three hours in the past to see Rice during political campaign seasons because his office was crowded by callers, today a reporter can walk right into his office. In other words, Rice waits for reporters.

This being the situation, the boost Rice got from Smyser as "Mr. Politics" of Maui merely

raised him on a high wall, propaganda-wise, and the coffee guzzlers commented that the Star-Bulletin would get much fun from seeing Mr. Humpty Dumpty fall off the wall, for all the king's horses and all the king's men couldn't put Humpty Dumpty together again.

"ONLY GOD and Harold Rice can change my mind, Police Commissioner Tom Hussey of Maui is reported to have told his colleagues when he stuck with two commissioners in voting for a hearing for Police Officer Tatsuo Murayama who had been demoted. Since no one believes that Hussey had communication with God, it must be Rice who influenced him to vote against a hearing in a later meeting, say some-Walluku political observers.

Expelled Unions Are Undismayed By CIO Act

National and local leaders of the ILWU, the largest CIO union in Hawaii, appeared undismayed by news that the union has been expelled from the CIO.

"We're better off out than in," said President Harry Bridges.

Echoing that sentiment, Robert McElrath, ILWU public relations man here, speaking in the absence of Jack Hall, Regional Director, said the chief difference will be that in the future "we won't have to pay a per capita tax."

The move surprised no one, least of all President Hugh Bryson, president of the Marine Cooks & Stewards Union, also expelled.

Bryson had said only a few days before, "Unless the National CIO suddenly comes to its senses and its leaders revert to basic trade union principles, which I doubt, MCS is out of the CIO."

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Gadabout

CREAM PUFFS are a means of concealed conveyance sometimes, it is said, for carriers in the local narcotics racket. Capsules of heroin, covered by extra protective capsules, are inserted in cream puffs, eclairs and other forms of pastry so they may be carried under the eyes of the police without arousing suspicion.

BEN DILLINGHAM is said to have told his ORAL drivers some time ago that he'd junk the company if they tried to organize a union. If that's true, as reported by his drivers, it might be of interest to the National Labor Relations Board and Arnold Wills, its representative here. Such words might be interpreted as a threat rather than a prophecy. Dillingham, also said, according to his drivers, that the enterprise should be regarded as a melon which would be cut up and shared by employes and employer—and you'd have a hard time finding a union man who doesn't know what size the comparative cuts of that melon are. Sometimes employes who heard that talk came away feeling they got nothing but the seeds.

BILL GONSAIVES, who runs the Seaview Inn at Hilo, has puzzled the people there by his apparent immunity to any traffic law. In spite of a couple of accidents, talk is, he didn't get a ticket. His most recent accident, with a TH truck, has resulted in a civil suit for damages by the truck driver who suffered injuries. Martin Pence took the case and is said to have told the driver there wouldn't be a fee if the suit was not successful.

THE "DON'T KNOW Which Side of Your Bread Is Buttered Department" should include the Pink Elephant bar in the Aala area which, with a clientele made up almost entirely of working people, is a member of the Employers Council.

ELLIOTT A. SMITH, Navy Yard machinist, got beaten at the Gayety Club last Friday night, according to report, because he insisted on pouring drinks on his

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Friends of Willis Wong extend to him their deepest sympathy and condolences on the death of his beloved mother,

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More On Ma

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Gen. Ma Hung-kwei's morale. There under the sharp desert sunlight, according to a New York Times writer who accompanied Chennault, "one thousand broadswords" were whirled by Ma's soldiers as they shouted "Kill!" And 12,000 cavalrymen and others surprisingly well-equipped, passed in review.

At that time Ma boasted that he buries Communists alive and indicated that he would fight the Communist-led forces to their death.

But when the battle for Ningsia commenced a few months later all of General Ma's forces, including nine corps and divisions and two cavalry brigades, peacefully surrendered to the opposition, practically without firing a shot. Gen. Ma, the New York Times reported, had disappeared earlier, "reported to have taken refuge in Chungking."

Mere "Paper Tiger"

While General Ma is reported to be seeking medical treatment in the U. S., some local Chinese sources say that he is either seeking political asylum abroad or is trying to make himself available to the U. S. as a "better man than Chiang Kai-shek." The cold treatment he is getting locally, they say, indicates he is in bad with Chiang.

About a year ago the Ma family ruled an area 13 times as big as Texas with 14 million people. They are Moslem Chinese. At one time the Kuomintang feared them, thus allowing the Mas local autonomy. But actually they turned out to be mere "paper tigers."

Consul General Tonglao of the Nationalist government told the RECORD, "I had not received any news from Formosa so I know nothing about General Ma Hung-kwei. Sometime last week someone asked me if he were here, but up to the present moment I have not received any news."

Tonglao Still Knows Nothing

Then he was informed by his staff that the Advertiser last Friday carried an account of an interview with General Ma.

"Both personally and officially," Mr. Tonglao said, he still knew nothing about General Ma's presence here. "It only was published in a newspaper," he remarked.

General Ma told the Advertiser that he is on sick leave from the Nationalist army.

Frank-ly Speaking

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munist propaganda," Dr. DuBois asked:

Peace Is Not Subversive

"Must any proposals for averting atomic catastrophe be sanctified by Soviet opposition? It is not sufficient today to trace a proposal to a Communist source in order to dismiss it with contempt."

As for myself, I cannot oppose an idea merely because it has the backing of Communists. Under this reasoning, I would be forced to support jim crow and lynching purely because these practices are fought by the Communists. Then where would that leave me in my fight for full equality?

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HAWAII'S LABOR HISTORY

In Chronology

Story of Growth of Unionism In Hawaii

FIRST PERIOD (1850-1900)—Employer Despotism; labor completely controlled.

SECOND PERIOD (1900-1935)—Unsuccessful Attempts at Organization, mostly along racial lines.

THIRD PERIOD (1935-1944)—Small Scale Organization under the Wagner Act.

FOURTH PERIOD (1944-Present)—Mass Organization of the Basic Industries.

1850-1900: June 14—Penal contract law in force, making organization impossible among plantation labor; many local strikes and riots in the '80s and '90s over mistreatment and grievances.

1884: August 9—Typographical Union No. 37, oldest local in Hawaii, chartered.

1899: May 21—Boilermakers Local 204 chartered, followed 1900-03 by locals of 12 other trades. Union membership in early years "white," mostly Coast haole, and strongly anti-Oriental.

1900—At least 25 strikes involving over 8,000 Japanese plantation workers; no attempt to organize unions.

1901: March 16-July 2—Machinists Lodge 341 strikes Honolulu Iron Works for 8-hour day and union shop; both strike and union smashed.

1901: December—Trade and Labor Council formed by 11 unions; chartered by AFL in 1903; almost dead by 1905. Revived in 1910 and again dies.

1903: April 18—Federation of Allied Trades, with 600 members, organized to fight Oriental competition. Union movement in Hilo dead by 1905.

1903: June-1906 January—At least 14 strikes by Japanese plantation labor, involving over 13,000 workers; no union organized.

1909: May 9-August 5—Strike of 7,000 Japanese plantation workers on Oahu for wages and conditions equal to those of Portuguese and Puerto Ricans. Led by newspapermen and hotel keepers. Leaders Makino, Negoro, Soga and Tasaka imprisoned on charge of conspiracy. Strike lost; no union formed, but wages afterwards raised and "welfare program" begun.

1916: September 19-End of October—Strike of 1,700 union stevedores for higher wages (won) and closed shop (lost); first instance of interracial solidarity among workers.

1918-1920—Wave of organization resulting from high cost of living; all efforts end in broken strikes or company unions. Chief strikes: O. R. & L. stevedores (Aug. 1918); Catton, Neill Co. and Honolulu Iron Works (Aug. 20-Sept. 27, 1919); H. C. & D. teamsters (January 19-25, 1920); Mutual Telephone Co. (May 3-Aug. 1920).

1920: January 19-End of July—Strike of 8,000 plantation laborers for higher wages, guaranteed bonuses and 8-hour day. Filipinos led by Pablo Manlapit begin strike, followed by Japanese. Part of Filipinos return to work at Manlapit's order, Feb. 10. HSPA refuses to bargain collectively and spends \$12,000,000 to break strike. Wages and bonus increased and racial differentials reduced. "Benevolent paternalism" and anti-unionism prevail on plantations for next 24 years.

1921: July—George Wright of Central Labor Council and Samuel Compers of AFL defeat planters' attempt to import Chinese coolies under contract.

1923—Anti-picketing law passed (in force until 1945)—one of many anti-labor laws.

1924: April 1-September—Strike of about 3,000 Filipinos on four islands, led by Manlapit. Strike broken; Manlapit sent to prison, later driven from Hawaii.

1924: September 9—Hanapepe riot; 16 strikers and 4 policemen killed.

1935: September 5—First organization of Honolulu longshoremen (chartered Oct. 5, 1937 as ILWU Local 1-37).

1935: November 4—First issue of "The Voice of Labor," continued under various names through 1941.

1935: November 22—Organization of Hilo longshoremen (later ILWU Local 1-36).

1935: December—Successful strike of Hilo longshoremen, followed by organization of all Big Island ports.

1936—October 30-1937 February—West Coast shipping strike; 500 to 1,200 seamen "on the beach" in Honolulu spread unionism.

1936—Metal Trades Council chartered by AFL.

1937—First year of successful organization by CIO and AFL in Honolulu, continuing slowly through 1938-40. Unions organized include Bartenders, Brewery Workers (with closed shop), CIO and AFL Street Railway Workers, Dairy Workers (union shop contract), Butchers, Hod Carriers, Quarry Workers, Plasterers, Painters, Moving Picture Operators and Newspaper Guild.

1937: April 5-29—NLRB hearing exposes anti-union work of employers and police.

1937: April 20-July 19—Strike of 4,000 Filipinos of Vibora Luviminda. Union led by Antonio Fagel, extending to all Maui sugar plantations; 15 per cent wage "adjustment" won. Fagel jailed for conspiracy. Vibora Luviminda strikes of 1,800 workers on Molokai plantations, June and August; Filipino Federation strikebreakers used.

1937: April 22—Port Allen Waterfront Workers strike and organize (later as ILWU Local 1-36).

1937: July 5—Hawaiian Islands Federation of Labor organized to include AFL and CIO locals; soon breaks up.

1937: October 7—First NLRB official arrives on Castle & Cooke case.

1938: May—Third Central Labor Council chartered by AFL.

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Story of Growth of Unionism In Hawaii

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- 1938: May 26-August 15 and September 27—Unsuccessful strikes of 500 CIO and AFL Inter-Island workers.
- 1938: August 1—"Bloody Monday."—Hilo police wound 50 union demonstrators.
- 1938: Late Summer—NLRB field office opened under Arnold L. Wills, of great assistance to organized labor.
- 1938: September-October—Union labor, in politics for first time, helps elect Senator Fernandes of Kauai over plantation candidate.
- 1939—Union membership estimated at about 3,500.
- 1939: May 20—UCAPAWA-CIO wins NLRB election at Kauai pineapple cannery; first union foothold in agriculture.
- 1940: January 2—Territorial Department of Labor begins functioning.
- 1941—Union membership rises to about 10,000, largely in the building and metal trades because of the war boom. Royal Hawaiian, Moana and Young Hotels organized by Local 5.
- 1941: February 1-28—Strike for union shop at Rapid Transit; several gains, but no union shop.
- 1941: June 12—ILWU Local 1-37 signs contract with Castle & Cooke Terminals, the first with a Big Five firm.
- 1941: August 6—Following NLRB election (Oct. 24, 1940) UCAPAWA-CIO signs contract with McBryde Sugar Co. for mill hands, the first contract in agriculture.
- 1941: December 7-1944 October 24—Military law. All organizable labor frozen to their jobs; wages frozen in part. Union activities suppressed and membership falls to about 4,000.
- 1943: April 1—Arthur Rutledge enters Teamsters' field, becoming business agent for Dairy Workers.
- 1943: July 16—Hawaii Employers Council organized and soon takes over nearly all bargaining with unions.
- 1944: January 27—Military Government brushes aside all national labor policies in its decision on dispute between Hawaiian Tuna Packers and Drydock Workers.
- 1944—ILWU begins organizing drive. From June 1944 to end of 1945 it wins about 150 elections covering 26,000 workers in the major industries.
- 1944: June—Jack W. Hall becomes ILWU regional representative in Hawaii.
- 1944: September-October—Labor's Political Action Committee (ILWU and AFL) overthrows county machines of Maui and Hawaii. Two union officials elected to legislature.
- 1945: May 21—"Little Wagner Act" signed, guaranteeing field labor the right to organize and bargain collectively.
- 1945: September 10-29—Strike of Dairy Workers to maintain union shop at Dairymen's; Employers Council furnishes strikebreakers but union wins.
- 1945: August 3—First industry-wide contract between ILWU and sugar plantations, establishing a uniform wage system and raising wages 7 cents an hour.
- 1946—High point of union movement, with over 40,000 union members at end of year. Decline thereafter to present strength of 30,000-35,000 because of end of war work, mechanization of agriculture and employer pressure.
- 1946: June 3—First industry-wide contract between ILWU and pineapple firms.
- 1946: July 19—Following "free rides" lockout, most HRT employes leave AFL and form Independent Transit Workers Union.
- 1946: September 1-November 19 (January 2 at Pioneer Mill)—Industry-wide sugar strike of 28,000 workers; first major strike won by workers. ILWU fails to gain union shop but eliminates perquisite system and raises wages by 19 cents an hour for single and 23 cents for married men. Beginning of heavily financed, well organized red-baiting campaign against ILWU, continued to present time.
- 1946: September-October—CIO-PAC elects many county officials and several legislators, including four union officials. Political break between ILWU and Gov. Stainback.
- 1947: July 10-15—Lockout of 18,500 pineapple workers, ending in partial defeat of union.
- 1947: December 14—Amos Ignacio leads bolt of Big Island sugar workers from ILWU following publication of "Izuka pamphlet" (about Nov. 20) listing ILWU leaders as Communists. Though supported by Gov. Stainback, Ignacio's movement fails following sugar workers convention Jan. 3-5, 1948.
- 1948: October 10-December 16—Lockout by Oloa Sugar Co. to force 17 per cent reduction of wages and weaken Sugar Workers Union; union wins.
- 1948: September 3-October 8—Transit Workers strike unsuccessfully against HRT.
- 1948: December 27—Federal court declares unconstitutional the conspiracy and unlawful assembly acts, challenged by the ILWU. Also declares the Maui grand jury for 1947 was dominated by haole employer class.
- 1949: May 1-October 28—Longshoremen's strike, longest in history of Hawaii and also of maritime industry. Very bitterly fought and arouses nation-wide interest; trade losses estimated at \$100,000,000. Ends in victory for union, but with employers refusing arbitration.
- 1949: August 7-November 1—Dock seizure acts passed by special session of legislature.
- 1950: April 10-21—Un-American Activities Committee hearings to "expose" Communism in Hawaii; several ILWU leaders held in "contempt of Congress" for refusing to answer questions.
- 1951: August 29—CIO expels ILWU and MC&S; had already started laying groundwork for raiding ILWU which was expected. Locally, preparations made to resist raids.

Xmas Comes In August

Christmas came this year in August for 200 United Public Workers, employes at Queen's Hospital, in the form of a \$40 bonus for each. But it was no Santa Claus who brought the bonus.

"It is the culmination of negotiations," said Henry Epstein, UPW official here, "which have been going on for several weeks." The negotiations ended by the hospital's management agreeing to divide an \$8,000 surplus among all employes who had worked at the hospital an entire fiscal year.

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Since Harry Bridges assumed the head of the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union, certain employers, phony labor leaders, faker politicians and those opposed to true democratic labor unions have viciously and relentlessly attacked and desperately tried to get rid of Harry Bridges.

Many moves and attempts to get Bridges were made and will continue to be as long as Bridges serves as an officer of this union and as long as the union is controlled and governed by its membership.

Therefore, Be It Resolved that we strongly protest and condemn the jailing of Harry Bridges and that we pledge to continue our support to fight against the frameup of Bridges and support to secure his constitutional right to be free on bail; and

Be It Further Resolved that we petition President Harry S. Truman and Attorney General J. Howard McGrath for the immediate release of Harry Bridges and grant Bridges, Robertson and Schmidt a new trial; and

Be It Finally Resolved that this Resolution be printed in a commercial newspaper, and copies of this Resolution be sent to President Harry S. Truman and Attorney General J. Howard McGrath.

UNITED SUGAR WORKERS (ILWU)
Local 142, Unit 16

By YOSHITO MATSUDA, Secretary

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By Wilfred Oka



THE DOCUSEN-TRIGO FIGHT

Last Tuesday night at the Civic Auditorium, Bernard Docusen, a fairly big welterweight, lost a split decision verdict to Mario Trigo, a not too big, natural lightweight. Referee Kenny Olds scored the fight 13 to 10 in favor of Trigo while Judge James Carreira gave the fight to Trigo with a 14-13 score. The dissenter was Judge Wilbert Minn who saw the fight as won by the Big Duke by a score of 14 to 13. One point was deducted from Docusen by the officials for a low blow in the fourth round. However, even with that taken into consideration, we saw the fight as a good draw. We can't see how Referee Kenny Olds scored the fight as he did when on the basis of a point for every round fought, Docusen scored only 10 points for the entire evening's chore.

It was the consensus of opinion among the fans after the fight that Docusen did not by any means look like the same person who licked Frankie Fernandez. In the pre-fight wagering there were hardly any takers for Trigo unless it was at big odds, and it was almost a lead-pipe cinch that Docusen was to be the winner on the basis of his record, height, reach and presumably better class. He lacked the sharpness of the beautiful hooks and jabs that he showed so well in his other fights.

In the semi-windup, Bobby Garza, did a fairly good facsimile of Mario Trigo and eked out a close decision over Gus Rosa. The fight should have been a four-rounder as the extra two rounds did not really matter in the amount of fighting by either lad.

The Richard Choy-Ray Apana duel stole the play from the main event. Two boys trying to make good put on a hard-hitting fight, with Choy winning on harder punches and a knockdown. Choy, a youngster just up from the amateurs, looked good in beating George Kajicka a fortnight ago and this week in decisively beating Ray Apana, making his pro debut.

SPORTS TIDBITS FROM HERE AND THERE

When the Hawaii League announced officially that it did not make any money out of the recent Japanese College All-Stars series, there were quite a number of raised eyebrows, especially among the cash customers who supported the games with their moola.

We haven't seen any report as yet but, report or no report, the word "expenses" covers a lot of territory and people. The tax department should actually know about any profits. However, it takes more than a press release from the Hawaii League to convince a great many people that the Hawaii League took a loss by entertaining the collegians from Nippon.

The swimming meet that is being promoted by the University Special Sports Events Department for the American team passing through here, will feature some mighty good swimmers. We'll get a chance to see Ford Konno in action again since the kid made a sensational showing in the meets in Japan.

UPW's Weinstein To Address ILWU; AFL Will Hear Stainback, Admiral

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Sugar workers of ILWU 142, especially conscious of the need for labor unity because of their present controversy with the sugar companies, will play a larger part than usual. Among speakers to be introduced in the program is Justo Dela Cruz, vice president of Local 142, Oahu Division.

The sugar workers, Vossbrink said, have asked that Richard Gladstein famous labor and civil rights lawyer now in the Territory, speak on the program, but it has not yet been ascertained whether or not Mr. Gladstein will be available.

The ILWU-independent part of the Labor Day parade will begin, as usual, at the corner of Queen and River Streets, move up River Street to Beretania, follow Beretania to Miller and turn down Miller to the Palace Grounds.

Vossbrink said the parade will be enlarged by the participation of delegates from the outer islands to the UPW convention which will be held here this coming weekend. Mr. Weinstein has come to the Territory to attend that convention.

Biggest magazine advertisers in 1949 were General Motors, General Foods, Distillers Corp., Seagram's, General Electric, Chrysler, Procter & Gamble, Schenley Industries, Colgate-Palm Olive-Pest and American Tobacco.

significance, for the AFL unions will also commemorate their Gompers Centennial, in memory of Samuel Gompers, AFL founder. All AFL unions in the Territory will be represented, Reile said, at the Gompers Centennial dinner to be given in the Diamond Head Lounge of the Moana Hotel.

Two radio programs dealing with the life of Gompers will be presented by the AFL on Labor Day, Reile said. Though the exact times are not fixed, one will be a talk on the life of Gompers by Matthew Woll, national AFL official, to be presented during the parade. The other, a dramatization of Gompers' life, will be presented in the evening, at the same time as the dinner. Time has been secured over Stations KULA and KPOA, Reile said.

Record Confirmed

More than four months ago the RECORD correctly reported that the Hawaiian Government Employees Association's fundraising Aquaparade resulted in a loss of \$31,945.44. Last week the dailies reported the same figure which was given at the HGEA convention.

Earlier, in April, Charles R. Kendall, executive director of the organization, told the dailies that the loss was estimated at \$10,000.

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Invalidated Seamen Paid Short for 13 Years, Ho Says

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return passage are given without question in any other port. They are guaranteed by law and generally understood."

Laws guaranteeing seamen these rights are the Jones Act and general shipping law, attorneys said.

Coast To Settle Case

When it became apparent that Matson would insist on a legal decision here, the union prepared to fight the case, but Creamer elected to bring the suit in San Francisco instead, where it is felt the case will get a hearing more quickly.

Investigating further, the RECORD discovered that both Matson officials and other maritime unions here have interpreted the law somewhat loosely. Both felt that the question of physical fitness of the seaman at the time of application made a difference. "If a man's sick," said a Matson official, "we generally put him on the Larline, and send him back. If he's fit for duty, he comes under another category. That's what we've been doing here."

Condition Behind Law

Such procedure deprives the seaman, however, of the right to choose his ship, cargo and ports of call, union men pointed out, all of these factors being part of the conditions under which he signed the first ship's articles.

Since shipping schedules are irregular, an effort to sign on another ship would necessitate unpredictable delay and expense to the seaman.

Such procedure as Matson's, therefore, puts an inequitable onus of the seaman's illness on him when he is away from home, just recovered from an illness and least able to defend his rights, they further point out, and in this situation lies the justification of the law.

The 1950 directory of the U. S. Labor Department estimates the total membership of American labor unions at "between 14 and 16 million."

By the end of 1947, more than 2,450 manufacturing and mining companies that were independent in 1939 had disappeared as a result of mergers and acquisitions.

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"What's more, if collective bargaining alone is to secure this, two other things seem needed.

"The government will not be a passive onlooker. It will either help or hinder or perhaps even prevent such a forthright plan of shifting the ownership from the control of a few, largely outsiders, to the many actually at work. Indeed, to secure it at all and certainly to secure it peacefully, the government must help.

"Second, the employees in their unionism face the problem of how they can make profit-sharing honest. To accomplish that they must be equipped with the power and ability not only to examine the books, but must grow to the position of joint administrator of industry itself. For the logic of proper distribution of income and ownership leads to the control of the productive processes themselves from which the income is derived and in which the ownership is centered.

"Collective bargaining about wages and hours alone implies obtaining good terms for an inferior class. But collective bargaining about profit-sharing and ownership sharing implies that the members of the inferior class think of themselves no longer as a subject class, but as rightful partners in all economic life."

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NOW THE JUDGES

Because the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco by a 2-1 decision reversed a lower court ruling that cancelled the \$25,000 bail of Harry Bridges and committed him to prison, the U. S. Senate judiciary committee is seriously considering steps to investigate the qualifications of U. S. judges.

Bit by bit the constitutional rights of individuals are being whittled away, and now even the courts that refuse to conform to the dictates of vested interests and ride the wave of repression become targets for intimidation. This is part of the growing pattern of activities cut earlier by the un-American Committee.

The U. S. government was intended to operate on checks and balances of the three departments—executive, judicial and legislative. It was not intended for any branch of government to dictate and intimidate the other branches.

What protection have individuals under the Constitution if the courts knuckle under to the dictates and pressures of the legislative and executive branches?

In the Bridges case, Judges William Healy and William E. Orr of the Ninth Circuit Court strongly criticized the decision of Federal Judge George B. Harris who revoked the union leader's bail. The two judges said that Bridges' imprisonment was "as startling as it was novel" in American jurisprudence—and that a procedure "admittedly without precedent in the history of the republic" had been employed, "namely, to make the courts the effective instruments of executive expediency."

Attorney General McGrath deplored the decision. Special government prosecutor J. Joseph Donohue cried out that he would resign from government service since the man he was hired to put behind bars was freed on bail.

From these statements alone we can measure the pressure under which members of the Ninth Circuit Court deliberated. The majority decision of that court, however, said:

"It is quite one thing to refrain from interference and quite another for the courts to become themselves the tools of military expediency. And we say now, with all the emphasis we are able to command, that however hard and disagreeable may be the task in times of popular passion and excitement, it is the duty of the courts to set their faces like flint against this erosive subversion of the judicial process."

Such utterances are encouraging to the American people, a great majority of whom have been silenced and many more are becoming afraid to raise their voices to discuss or to criticize the policies of their government and of the vested interests.

But there are still those, fewer in number, raising the rallying call to preserve and extend the freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution.

The courts are supposed to interpret the laws made by Congress, but attempts to strait-jacket the thinking of the individuals by reactionary forces have reached the stage where some Congressmen now want to eliminate judges with independent thinking.

The first target was the Communists, then the so-called sympathizers, militant trade unionists, progressives—and now the courts. Do we all realize where we are heading and how far we have gone in that direction?

ADVANCE!



Frank-ly Speaking

By FRANK MARSHALL DAVIS

PEACE, IT'S SUBVERSIVE!

I refuse to accept the idea, now getting support in many powerful circles, that to oppose killing or getting killed is subversive. It is not only my right as an American but my duty as one trained in the principles of democracy and Christianity to fight against the horror of another Hiroshima here or anywhere else in the world.

They taught me that both democracy and Christianity believed in the brotherhood of man, in the principle of peace on earth, goodwill toward all mankind, and I believed them. I have no intention, at this late date, of throwing these guiding principles overboard and accepting the doctrine that there is glory only in death and destruction.

That is why I have signed the World Peace Appeal issued last March in Stockholm and why I shall urge others to do likewise. I do this in full knowledge that such action is "subversive" and that the FBI will be put on my trail, if the Honolulu Advertiser has its way.



MR. DAVIS

What the Petition Says

For the morning daily of Sunday, August 20, in an attempt to intimidate those who believe in peace, said editorially:

"Communist agents are circulating so-called 'peace petitions' sponsored by the 'Partisans for Peace.' Don't sign them, if you really want peace. They are Communist propaganda tailor-made in Moscow . . . Actually they are part of a cleverly devised plot to enmesh millions of free peoples throughout the world in the Russian Communist net."

Let's take a look at this "Communist propaganda." On one side of the petition are statements in favor of peace from UN Secretary Trygve Lie, the International Red Cross, a UAW-CIO official, novelist Thomas Mann and French Catholic leader Abbe Boulier. Here is the actual text of the petition itself:

"We demand the outlawing of atomic weapons as instruments of intimidation and mass murder of peoples. We demand strict international control to enforce this measure."

"We believe that any government which first uses atomic weapons against any other country whatsoever will be committing a crime against humanity and should be dealt with as a war criminal."

"We call on all men and women of good will throughout the world to sign this appeal."

That's what it says. It could be I am too dense to see the Communist propaganda; but it seems to me a sign of moral degeneracy for responsible people to state that only the Communists want this petition signed, and so beware of it.

Works Both Ways

I have no way of knowing how this petition is getting along in Russia, but it occurs to me that if enough Americans and others signed it and it was ignored by the Soviet Union, then we would place Moscow in the untenable position of opposing peace while the rest of us wanted to end war. Obviously, the reverse of this is also true.

You will notice that no nation is mentioned in the petition. It states specifically that "any government which first uses atomic weapons against any other country whatsoever will be committing a crime against humanity and should be dealt with as a war criminal." This means that if Russia first uses atomic weapons, then she should be dealt with as a war criminal. If this is "Communist propaganda," isn't it rather dumb for a group that is supposed to be so diabolically clever?

As you think about it, you can't help but wonder if the opposition to this peace petition may not stem from the desire in certain quarters to use the atom bomb, possibly against North Korea. Naturally, it would be embarrassing to use this weapon if a sizeable part of America was opposed, hence the attempt to sabotage the peace effort by calling it subversive.

In Good Company

Frankly, this petition merits the full support of every person who believes in human dignity, of every Christian who believes in brotherhood and the commandment, "Thou shalt not kill." To mix conflicting political ideologies into the issue of whether we shall die in bigger and more horrible Hiroshimas or find a method of existing on this globe together is to march blindly down the dead-end path to total destruction.

And if I am subversive for thinking these thoughts, at least I am in good company. Chairman of the Peace Information Center in New York City, where the petitions come from, is Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, one of the founders of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and internationally famous historian and scholar.

In answer to charges that the petition is "Com-
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Looking Backward

TWO LABOR DAYS

In 1900 the new Territory of Hawaii celebrated its first Labor Day. The next year, 1901, Hawaii celebrated Labor Day for the second time which was the last time in more than a generation. Not until 1938 did organized labor again proclaim its dignity to the community by marching through the streets of Honolulu.

And what a contrast there was between the two celebrations!

Practically Lily-White

That of 1901 was a grand affair, but it was almost lily-white, and there was a strong middle-class odor about it. Several thousand people crowded about the stand in the Palace grounds, where Governor Sanford B. Dole and General Breckenridge stood to review the parade. Five thousand watched the athletic events in Kapiolani Park. Fully a thousand were present at the ball that night in the drill shed.

The speakers were respectable citizens, headed by a prominent attorney, Lorrin Andrews. Their addresses were full of the high-sounding but fuzzy-minded phrases of half a century ago. The opening sentence of the Advertiser's news story sets the pattern for the day:

"From the moment when the slanting rays of the morning sun gilded the flags of the first body of marching men until the weary feet turned from the dance toward rest for a new day's duties, yesterday was dedicated to labor."

Yet, when one starts counting up the union men who marched or rode their floats in the parade, one finds at most about 250, of whom 60 were seamen from the Sailors Union of the Pacific. Only the electricians, carpenters, plasterers, painters, sailors, molders and boiler-makers were represented. The letter carriers and some other union groups failed to join the march.

Barred Orientals From Union

Much more conspicuous than the union marchers and their floats were the bands, the two companies of U. S. regulars, and the floats advertising Hawaiian business. Lewers & Cooke brought up the end of the parade with 16 wagons loaded with building materials. Real enthusiasm, however, was shown for Miller's candy wagon, showering free candy on the children, and the Hawaiian Beer Company's "home industry float," whose riders handed out free schooners of beer to the adults.

By 1902, the craft unions, weakened by their policy of excluding Orientals, were unable to find enough members for a parade.

Thirty-seven years passed. Then on September 5, 1938, Honolulu saw its third Labor Day parade.

The press account says there were 2,500 marchers—which means that about half as many were actually in the parade. Although the parade was sponsored by the Central Labor Council (AFL) and the marshal was Jack Owens, this was a joint affair of all the active unions on Oahu, CIO, AFL and unaffiliated. Twenty-seven organizations were represented, among them the boilermakers, butchers, barbers, bartenders, longshoremen, carpenters, foundrymen, machinists, plumbers, molders, motormen, typographers, quarry workers, musicians, plasterers, scalers, federal employes, retail clerks and five seafaring unions. The "Ladies' Auxiliary of the ILWU," the Advertiser reported, "made a smart appearance in yellow dresses with short blue capes and yellow and blue caps."

Kahuku Rodeo — Distraction?

Five thousand people, the paper estimated, turned out to watch. But—strange coincidence—that day a huge rodeo was scheduled at Kahuku, which drew an attendance of 15,000. It may have been this rodeo to which "Blackie" Prevost of the S. U. P. referred when he accused "certain groups" of trying to prevent the parade from taking place.

In 1938 the marchers were not reviewed by either governor or general. Although the Royal Hawaiian Band marched in the parade, there were no soldiers to show the Army's aloha for organized labor. "Big shots" were not particularly conspicuous by their attendance. The biggest were speakers Mayor Charles S. Crane and Attorney J. V. Esposito. The other three speakers were labor men—AFL Organizer A. H. Stubbs; Charles Matski of the Federal Employees Union, and M. C. & S. Agent Rudolph Eskovitz.

This time, young and weak as the unions were, they represented all nationalities in Hawaii. They were convinced that the Big Five was strongly against them, and their working-class consciousness was inspired with a fighting spirit.

But there was at least one link with the past of 1900. "Blackie" Prevost introduced Jack Moran, who had marched in Hawaii's first two Labor Day parades.