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SIU MAPS FIGHT AGAINST CONTROLS

Convention Raps Proposed Laws

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SIU of NA convention Meet The Press. SIU of NA convention pre-convention press conference (left to right) Vince Malone, Marine Firemen; Harry Lundeberg, SIUNA president; Hal Banks, Canadian District; Jimmy Waugh, Cannery Union; John Hawk, SIUNA sec'y-treasurer. (Story on Page 3).

Signing Up. Seafarer Shelly M. Lynn enrolls himself, son Michael and wife under the SIU Welfare Plan by filling out enrollment form. All Seafarers are asked to fill out new form to speed benefits handling. (Story on Page 2).

Is your name on this list?

IN CENTERFOLD - ALPHABETICAL LIST OF SEAFARERS WHO ARE REQUESTED TO FILL OUT NEW BENEFICIARY CARDS WITH SEAFARERS WELFARE PLAN ...

SIU Receives 1st Claims For New Family Benefits

The new SIU family benefits for wives and children of Seafarers have gone into effect as of June 1. Already at least two Seafarers' wives, one in Miami and another in Philadelphia, are known to have entered hospitals for surgery under the Plan and a number of inquiries have come into headquarters concerning other pending hospital cases.

Meanwhile, all the necessary apparatus to handle claims and dispense information about the new benefits has been set up in headquarters and in the outports. It is anticipated that the first claims coming in will be handled smoothly, with a minimum of delay.

Still in progress, of course, is the filling out of Welfare Plan enrollment cards by Seafarers. Every Seafarer, whether he has dependents or not, is being asked to fill out one of the enrollment cards which will help to determine his eligibility for benefits under the Plan. Cards are available in all SIU port offices for men on the beach and were mailed out to SIU-contracted ships with the

One clarification of the Plan has already been worked out by the trustees on the question of stepchildren. They are eligible for benefits provided they have been living at the Seafarer's home throughout the past calendar year and are receiving the major portion of their support from the Seafarer.

The new family benefits covering wives of Seafarers and unmarried children under 19 years of age include hospital room and board of \$10 a day up to 31 days plus \$100 in hospital extras with the Seafarer paying the first \$50 of the total bill. Surgical bills are covered up to \$300 under a schedule of surgical fees, while doctor's visits to non-surgi-cal hospital cases are covered by a \$4 daily

Other benefit increases now in effect are the \$6 boost in the hospital benefit to \$21 a week; a \$10 increase in pension-disability benefits to \$35 and the \$1,000 increase in death benefits to \$3,500. Scholarship and maternity benefits will continue as before.

If you're at sea

WIFE KNOW

THE BENEFITS FOR WIVES

AND CHILDREN

OF GEAGARA

COBAIN THEM?

GET YOUR COPY OF THE NEW WELFARE

AND HOWTO



Visiting SIU headquarters with his youngsters, Seafarer Willard Mohrman, oiler, gives a careful onceover to the recent issue of the LOG announcing the new family hospital-surgical benefits. With him are Judy (left) and Billy, who obviously were more interested in the camera.

SIU Backs ITF Runaway Drive; **Hits ILA Crimps**

MONTREAL—SIU of NA delegates initiated a new approach to the problem of runaway flag shipping as the convention made arrangements for a close working relationship

with the International Transportworkers Federation to organize these vessels. Delegates instructed SIU of NA president, Harry Lundberg, to meet with representatives of the ITF Seafarers and Dockers section to give the full support of the SIU toward bringing these ships under direct ITF contract.

Simultaneously, delegates denounced the ILA-sponsored "United International Seamen's Union" which has been operating in New York as a crimp rig for runaway flag operations. Delegates assailed the crimp outfit for abusing and shaking-down poorly-paid foreign seamen on the runaway ships. Many of these men, members of ITF-affiliated overseas unions, have had their grievances exploited by the ILA "union" so that they could be milked for all they were worth, without any action taken on their behalf.

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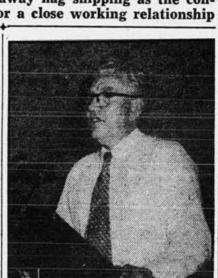
The ILA-backed crimp rig was originally exposed in the SEA-FARERS LOG on October 29. 1954. It has served as a decoy for runaway shipowners among seamen on their ships. These men will now have legitimate ITF-affiliated unions working actively in their corner. The ILA outfit's ability to masquerade as a union and con-

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Willy Dorchain, US representative for ITF addresses SIU convention.

fuse foreign seamen was enhanced when one maritime union newspaper whitewashed its unsavory record.

Actually as LOG readers know, ILA "union" was put into the record in the LOG of February 18,

The ITF already has in operation a special department with jurisdiction over the "panhonlib" ships — those operating under the Panamanian, Honduran and Liberian flags. Despite difficulties it has been successful in gaining a foothold in the field and now has some dations made by headquarters and of these ships under contract. It is hopeful of making further progress in this area with the support of the SIU.

ITF organizing previously received a boost from the recent meeting of the International Con- plored. federation of Free Trade Unions at which a new department was and maritime unions.

Port Agents Meet, Draft

A thorough review of the SIU's operations in the past year, the Union's present activities and its future organizational role was undertaken by SIU port agents at the recent port agents' conference in headquar-

Among matters discussed were the workings of the SIU's new seniority hiring system, in operation since early in March; planning and procedure for administration of new family benefits under the SIU Welfare Plan; and the threat of restrictive legislation such as the Bonner proposal to hamstring sea unions on contract the shakedown technique of the negotiations and freeze sea wages.

The agents agreed that the SIU should oppose this and any similar legislation as force fully as pos-

Review Of Shipping

Shipping conditions in the various ports were discussed and the financial status of Union funds was reviewed with a view toward implementing economy recommenapproved by the membership. The current status of the building program was taking up now that improvements in Mobile have been completed, and opportunities for organizational activity were ex-

The agents also participated in the drafting of the official SIU

Cobb Guilty In Hall Murder Plot

HACKENSACK, NJ-Arrested last December while packing a shotgun outside the New Jersey home of SIU Secretary-Treasurer Paul Hall, James Cobb of Tampa has pleaded

guilty to four charges involving conspiracy to murder Hall. Cobb will be sentenced on June 17.

Still to be tried are four others who were indicted in the plot against Hall: Ray White, former SIU Tampa port agent who was implicated by Cobb as the man who hired him for the job; White's brother, Steely White who is a fugitive; Carmen Priore and Edward Taffe who were named as gobetweens. Five John Doe indictments are also hanging fire.

Cobb was arrested on December 23, 1954, while seated in a car outside Hall's home. According to the authorities, he said in his confession that he had been hired by White to do the job for \$15,000, the bulk of which was to be paid him later on by Ben Sterling, a New York attorney.

Sterling Questioned

Sterling subsequently was picked up by New York police and questioned; he also appeared before a Bergen County grand jury. In his testimony before the grand jury it was reported that Sterling admitted handling approximately \$27,000 of funds put up by the International Longshoremen's Association to support White's bid to unseat Hall in the last SIU elections.

Sterling's name has been connected with the ILA in another area recently since it has been learned that an employee of his law office has been working out of the office of the ILA-chartered Maintenance Local 1826 which is supposed to do ship maintenance work on foreign-flag runaway ships. The maintenance union is set up to deal with organizing A&G District report which was at 12 South Street, next door to the vention in Montreal. ... men's Union" at 4 South Street Steely White.



James Cobb

which serves as a crimp hall for runaway flag shipowners.

Others questioned in the course of the district attorney's investigation were ILA president William Bradley, and William Higgs, a former Seafarer who was expelled from the SIU for aiding the ILA in its fight with the AFL International Brotherhood of Longshoremen.

Bradley was called on to justify the use of his airline credit card by Cobb in the course of flights between Tampa and New York during which details of the murder plot were arranged, according to Cobb's confession. He was also questioned about funds turned over to Higgs and White, reportedly in the amount of \$40,000

At present White, Taffe and Priore are out on bail. Their trial problems faced by both shoreside presented to the SIU of NA con- ILA's "United International Sea- is being held up until police locate



SIUSafeguards **Merger Rights**

MONTREAL-Full protection of Seafarers and their rights, including their right to the Union hiring hall, is assured under the terms of a resolution on merger of the AFL and CIO which

was approved by SIU of NA convention delegates.

The resolution orders the SIU of NA to set up a committée which will represent the international and its affiliates in any discussions relating to merger questions. The committee, in turn, will report back to the respective affiliated unions and the international. officers at an emergency convention if such becomes necessary.

As guideposts to the committee the delegates approved the following principles under which it should act:

Member Safeguards

In any merger, the SIU of NA will insist that the membership be fully protected against Communist influence on the waterfront and in the labor movement in general. Delegates recognize that the proposed AFL-CIO constitution takes note of the Communist problem, but they expressed concern over the behavior of reputed ex-Communists and former fellow travelers who still have positions of

No Controls Needed, SIU Tells Gov't

Answering an invitation to appear before the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee on proposals for restricting and controlling maritime unions, SIU Secretary-Treasurer Paul Hall has informed the committee that the SIU is unafterably opposed to these proposals,

The proposals, which were put forth by committee chairman Herbert C. Bonner of North Carolina, call for a wage freeze on US ships and the establishment of a Government board with power to control maritime contract negotiations and settlement of shipboard beefs.

The invitation to Hall from the committee, in the form of a telegram, reads as follows:

"Paul Hall, Secretary-Treasurer "Seafarers International Union

"Are you willing to meet with this committee latter part of this week pursuant to invitation in letter of May 24? Please advise at

"Herbert C. Bonner, Chairman Committee on Merchant Marine

and Fisheries" In replying on behalf of the Union, Hall wired:

"The Honorable Herbert C. Bonner, M. C.

"Chairman, Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries "House Office Building

"Washington, D. C. "Thank you very much for your invitation to meet with the committee on the matter of proposed legislation for placing ceilings on wages, working conditions and for the establishment of a Federal board with control over collective bargaining in maritime. However, the position of this organization with respect to these two issues is very clear. We are unqualifiedly opposed to both. As a matter of fact, the proposal to 'freeze' or place ceilings on wages for mari-

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influence in limited sectors of the labor movement.

Delegates also instructed the committee to obtain pledges that the maritime hiring halls, and the employment rights and security of union members be protected and guaranteed and "existing inequities in this area must be eliminated" as well as other inequities.

Since the AFL has taken a firm position that unions such as the corrupt ILA must not be permitted to hold membership in the federation, the delegates demanded that assurances be given from all unions involved that they will

support the AFL stand on the ILA. Finally, the delegates, while recognizing the importance of cooperating with management where it is for the benefit of union members, ruled out any arrangements where labor serves as the tail to management's kite on so-called labor-management committees

For the time being, committee members will consist of SIU of NA President Harry Lundeberg and Secretary-Treasurer John Hawk. The two-man committee will be em-

Any Questions On SIU Welfare?

Seafarers having any questions concerning their eligibility for the benefits of the Seafarers Welfare Plan are urged to get in touch with any SIU port official for assistance.

The Seafarers Welfare Plan eligibility requirement is: A minimum of 90 days aboard SIU-contracted ships during the preceding calendar year (1954) and one day during the 90 days immediately preceding application for a benefit. SIU officials will also give prompt assistance to Seafarers having questions on any part of the SIU's broad welfare program.



Addressing SIUNA convention in Montreal, Lucien Tremblay, eastern representative of the Teamsters in Canada, greets the delegates on behalf of his union, as SIUNA President Harry Lundeberg (left) looks on. At right is Claude Jodoin, president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, which parallels the AFL in the US. A representative of the Int'l Ladies Garment Workers Union, Jodoin hailed the SIU for its outstanding success in driving the Communists out of Canadian maritime.

Convention Maps powered to add to its membership from the ranks of various district officers when actual negotiations on these terms take place. Fight On Proposed Maritime Controls

MONTREAL-A solid program to deal with current problems in maritime labor and a staunch defense of seamen's hard-won rights emerged as the highlight of the 7th biennial convention of the Seafarers International Union of North America. The international union served notice on all comers that it was ready to deal vigorously with attacks on seamen's rights, such as the Bonner proposal to strip

sea unions of freedom to bargain with the ship- mental examination program. owner; with attempts to cripple the maritime hiring hall; the proposed maritime wage freeze bill, and efforts to straitjacket seamen in a rigid Coast Guard physical and

Hearings on the Bonner measure are now underway in Wash-

Canadian SIU Does Top Job

Playing host to its first International convention, the SIU Canadian District demonstrated outstanding hospitality and achievement to delegates from both Canada and the US attending the sessions in Montreal. Delegates from the SIU-A&G District reported smooth handling of all details by the infant district, which has been functioning actively in the Dominion only a few short years. It was in 1949, in a struggle with the now-defunct Commiedominated Canadian Seamen's Union, that the Canadian District met and mastered its first test. Today it is one of the leading trade unions in Canada.

ington before the House Merchant Marine Committee. The bill would set up a system of Government controls over maritime labor relations that in effect would amount to compulsory arbitration of contractual beefs by a Government board. The proposal to freeze seamen's wages by tying them to subsidy payments was also strongly criticized by the SIU of NA dele-

In addition, delegates approved a new approach toward the problem of runaway flag vessels by es-

tablishing a program of assistance to the International Transportworkers Federation in its efforts to organize these vessels. The ITF has already been at work on this problem.

Other action by the convention included an assessment of the problems that will arise in the maritime field with the merger of the AFL and CIO, including the question of all unions abiding by the AFL's position on the expelled International Longshoremen's association.

Acting on problems facing various district affiliates the convention did the following:

 Gave full endorsement to the Canadian District's fight on foreign flags in Canada's domestic trades. At present there are no restrictions on foreign ships operating in Canadian coastal shipping.

• Pledged support, financial and otherwise, to the organizing program of the SIU Great Lakes Dis-

• Proposed the establishment of an Inland Boatmen's Division under the SIU banner.

• Gave formal recognition to the Staff Officers Association of New York as the one functioning purser's union in the industry.

• Called for Congressional action on a Government survey which revealed that the Military Sea Transportation 'Service is in direct competition with private companies for both passengers and

• Enlarged the international executive board to give the Brother. (Continued on page 15)



Discussing his proposal for construction of two 1250-foot superliners designed for up to 10,000 passengers in trans-Atlantic travel, H. B. Cantor (left), president of the Carter Hotel chain, explains his ideas to SIU International President Harry Lundeberg during convention recess at Montreal.

Shipping Round-Up & Forecast

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Shipping in the A&G District showed a marked jump upwards during the last two weeks, as Seafarers enjoyed their best shipping period in al-

The number of jobs shipped (1206) outstripped registration (1178) for the first time since mid-September, 1954. Indications are that it will hold about the same for a time.

The boost in activity produced a spurt of jobs in New York, Philadelphia, Norfolk and Miami. Savannah, way below normal for weeks, showed signs on of life again, and most of the other ports, with the exception of Boston, remained about the same.

Over-all, class A men bettered their already strong position slightly. and accounted for exactly two-thirds of all shipping in the District. The

BOSTON: Still quiet; outlook is uncertain. . . NEW YORK: Best it's been in months; should hold that way. especially for engine department, . PHILADELPHIA: Booming. Activity should continue. . . BALTIMORE: Fair, especially in deck and engine departments; should stay about the same. . . NORFOLK: Good. Three Victorys crewing up. . .

ran just a little behind total class B registration for the period. Moreover, five percent of the total jobs shipped went to class C men-men with absolutely no seniority in the industry. The major gains scored by New York, Philadelphia (tripled), Norfolk (doubled) and Miami (doubled) overshadowed slight dips in Wilmington

two to one ratio of class A to class B shipping held about the same. Class.

B shipping continued good, as the number of men shipped from this group

and Seattle. Only Boston showed a real drop, the only East Coast port to do so.

Good shipping for all seniority groups was reflected particularly in New York and Norfolk, both of which handled more than half the total class C shipping.

SAVANNAH: Picked up a little, but still below normal. Future not too bright; only one payoff due. . . MIAMI: Has been moving well and should remain the same. . . TAMPA: Still slow period. . . MOBILE; No change; still a

NEW ORLEANS: Picked up a little. Should get even better; eight payoffs and crewing of McAllister Victory

scheduled. . . LAKE CHARLES: Only fair; outlook about the same. . . HOUSTON: Still off; future doesn't look too

WILMINGTON: Fell off a little. Not much expected all month. . . SAN FRANCISCO: Still pretty good and outlook is good. Two ships coming out of short lay-up, one payoff due. . . SEATTLE: Fair and only fair to come.

See Runaways Peril To World Shipping

A disastrous decline in world freight rates may result from the growth of runaway-flag tramp shipping, according to the British concern of W. G. Weston, specialists in shipping studies. If the decline takes place+

SIU Forms New Inland Boat Unit

MONTREAL-Action to preserve the SIU of NA's Division within the international decline.

powered to deal with jurisdiction- converted for tramp service. al questions with an AFL federal local that is now operating in the field.

The convention approved a and Panama. recommendation that negotiations The increase in Liberian-flag be undertaken with the federal ships means that in the event of Employees International Union, disappeared at sea while the ship local with a view toward affiliat- a freight rate decline they would are striking for recognition of was enroute to Ponce. Parr said ing it with the SIU of NA as an tend to capture the bulk of tramp their union as their bargaining rep- that investigation showed no one autonomous unit with a definite business because "these vessels resentative for wages and condi- in the crew was at fault and the jurisdiction so that it and other can probably withstand much lower tions. inland boatmen's units would not freights than now prevailing." infringe on each other.

out of the AFL's national office, tions and pitifully-low wages, regular Miami-Havana run. the convention proposed that these Liberian tramps could operate action, at to bile to land server bankruptcy; antity sound to start Coment), after some ship's gear Florida for several years.

it would seriously damage all shipping operations, whether liner or tramp, the firm declare.

> The firm's gloomy forecast bears out SIU charges that the Maritime Administration was doing serious damage to American shipping by permitting transfers. The SIU pointed out that the transfers not only represented loss of jobs to Seafarers and other American sea unions, but carried the threat of cutthroat competition for ships remaining under the US flag.

American Vulnerable

Any slump in shipping would jurisdiction over the inland hurt American-flag operations the boatmen's field has been taken by worst, since American ships are establishing an Inland Boatmen's least able to meet a freight rate

The study pointed out that the The Inland Boatmen's Division world tramp shipping fleet is up would cover boats up to a certain to almost 17 million tons and tonnage and in specified areas, Liberian tramps are increasing at such as tugs, ferries, barges and the most rapid rate. Liberia now other craft. Ipland boatmen in has 1,942,000 tons of tramp ships, large numbers are already under most of them former American the SIU banner in the south and Libertys and some of them Liberwest. Once set up it would be em- ty-tankers and T-2s that have been

world behind Great Britain, Italy

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Hitting deck at last New Tork membership meeting is Seafarer John Jellette.

NEW YORK-Shipping out of headquarters took a sharp turn upwards last week, as the port dispatched nearly 300 jobs for the first time since last September.

Opportunities were plenti-

Hotel Strikers Hail Florida Crew's Aid

MIAMI-SIU crewmembers from the SS Florida (P&O) As a result, Liberia has the are winning the thanks of this resort city's AFL hotel employfourth largest tramp fleet in the ees for their voluntary efforts manning picketlines at several luxury hotels.

of the Hotel and Restaurant ing gear was a mooring line that

Seafarers from the Florida have In other words, with no taxes been doing duty on the picket- provided the first qualified family Since the federal local operates to pay, no manning scale regula- lines between trips on their applicant for the new hospital-

The hotel workers, members was discovered missing. The missincident ended there.

On the welfare front, the port Meanwhile, SIU Port Agent Duo entered the hospital for an

ful in all departments, but the biggest shortage is still in the black gang. Any rated engine department man can ship out of here in a couple of days, according to Claude Simmons, SIU assistant secretary-treasurer and New York port agent.

Cooperation Needed

He pointed out, however, that the current "boom" depends a great deal on the cooperation of the membership in filling the jobs available. Crewing of one brandnew ship took two days before the job was completed.

The ship, a tanker in organizational status, is believed to be the forerunner of several more to come in the near future.

Pleasant Payoff

Meanwhile, Seafarers aboard the tanker Julesburg (Mathiasen) came in for a round of tribute for bringsurgical benefits, as Mrs. Remburto ing their ship in clean as a whistle. Winding up a seven-month trip, recommendations be submitted to profitably at rates that would Eddie Pair reported the wind-up operation on June 2. Seafarer Rem- the ship came in without a beef, AFL headquarters for further drive ships of other flags into of a beef on the MV Ponce (Ponce burto Duo has been a waiter on the an hour of disputed overtime or a logging for any crewmember.

Boat Drill Packs 'Em In



Seafarers from the crew of the Elizabeth and Bull Line shore gang workers pile into one of the ship's boats to test it for capacity. The boat check was part of a routine Coast Guard inspection of ship's gear before the Elizabeth sailed last week on her regular run to Puerto Rico.

Indonesian Seamen Form Union —Copy SIU's Name And Emblem

Seafarers who have made calls at Indonesian ports aboard Isthmian ships have probably been surprised to see a local seamen's union sporting the SIU emblem and calling itself the SIU of Indonesia. Actually the "SIU" of Indonesia is one of ten Indonesian unlicensed sea-

men's unions and has no official connection with the SIU here. From information gathered at SIU headquarters, at the time of the union's formation last year its leaders-impressed by the SIU's record in behalf of American seamen-decided to duplicate the SIU's emblem, motto and constitution. Apparently the hope was that through imitation some of the SIU's success would rub off on the new group.

The "SIU" of Indonesia, or the Serikat Pelaut International, as reported that they have been hospitably received and entertained by representatives of the "SIU" there and have filled all requests made of them for LOGs and other SIU literature.

The biggest of the Indonesian seamen's unions is the SBPIII which was founded in 1947. It has a membership of 20,000 over-all, 3,000 of whom are seamen and longshoremen, and is affiliated with the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions.

International Bodies

These Indonesian unions are not unions in the American sense of the word, but rather are fraternal organizations with a political viewpoint. Some of the ten unions of seamen are under the control of Communists, and most of them are extremely small in membership. They have no written conrecognition from the shipowners. Seamen get hired by the company office and if they join a union, they

gether with the rest of the crew.

not hire men if it is known that them sail-powered.

do so as individuals, not acting to- the seamen are union members.

Indonesian seamen receive on The union, in turn, attempts to the average 500 rupees (approxiprotect them as best it can, by mately \$50) a month. This is good taking up members' grievances as money in terms of shoreside Indothey arise, on an individual basis, nesian wage standards. The young At present, the SPBIII is at- nation boasts of 12 shipping comtempting to negotiate the first panies which operate somewhat written contract in the Indonesian less than 200 ships in deep sea merchant marine. It is meeting trade between Europe and Indowith considerable difficulty be- nesia. Of course there are numcause the companies do not want bers of small coastal vessels operto deal with any union and will ating between the islands, some of

name translates, was founded on October 24, 1954. Seafarers have NY Pier Poll Urges. New AFL Campaign

Longshoremen in the Port of New York are reportedly responding enthusiastically to a poll launched late last month by the AFL Longshore Committee to determine whether AFL

pledge cards should be issued for a new port-wide organizing drive.

The committee reported this week that dockworkers in all sections of the harbor have mailed in several thousand ballots urging the start of a new drive to overthrow the old ILA.

Ousted by the AFL in 1953 for racket domination, the old ILA was superceded by a new AFL International Brotherhood of Longshoremen. In the last election one year ago, the IBL missed coming tracts at present and no official out on top by only 200 votes out of nearly 20,000 ballots cast.

No Reforms By ILA

The narrow squeakthrough for the old ILA, however, failed to produce any change in the discredited organization's way of doing things, and New York longshoremen, including many admittedly for the ILA in the last election, are now clamoring for a new clean-up campaign sponsored by the AFL.

In progress only two weeks, the poll, which was carried out through the medium of the "Waterfront News," published by the AFL Longshore Committee, has enjoyed an overwhelming response from harbor workers. Committee sources reported that not one "no" has yet turned up among the bailots returned to AFL port offices.

Transfer C-To Korea Flag

A former SIU-manned ship, the MV Gadsden, has been turned over to the Republic of Korea as the first of eight C-1under the Mutual Security Act in a two-year period. The ship will be used exclusively in the Korean coastal trade.

that at one time was owned by the SIU-contracted Ocean Tow Company. Subsequently it was sold to another company, before being tions committee representing SIU purchased by the Foreign Opera- operators and the union. This is the tions Administration for transfer normal procedure under SIU conto Korea.

The C-1-MAV-1 types are considered ideal for Korean coastal waters because of their shallow draft, Coastal shipping is considered essential for the economic in the way of roads and railroads. fraud or other wrongdoing.

Gov't Bows **Beefs**

A clear-cut understanding that the Maritime Administration will not interfere with settlement of legitimate overtime beefs dealing with crew restrictions on Government-chartered ships has been won by the SIU. The agreement came as a result of SIU conferences with Washington representatives of the Maritime Administration and other Government agencies concerned with shipping.

Restricted To Ship

The immediate reason for the conference was a restriction beef involving the SIU-manned San Mateo Victory at St. Georges Bay, Newfoundland. The restriction order permitted the men to go ashore but said that they could not enter the US military base there, the only habitated area for miles around.

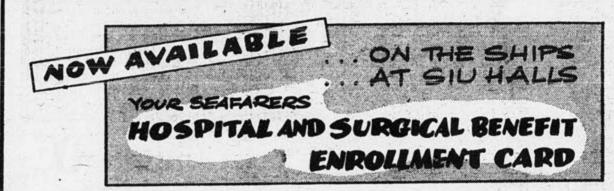
Negotiations with the company following the payoff won agreement that the beef was a legitimate overtime claim under the SIU contract provision dealing with "restriction to ship." However, a Maritime Administration official said that the Government, which had chartered the ship, would not honor the claim.

Contract Interference

The effect of such action was to interfere in the settlement of MAV-1 vessels to be transferred monetary matters between Union and company as outlined in the Union's collective bargaining agreements.

Consequently a conference was arranged with Maritime Adminis-The Gadsden is a heavy-lift ship tration officials at which it was agreed that overtime disputes arising out of military restrictions should be settled by the clarificatract provisions.

The MA officials disavowed any intention of interfering with the normal processes of collective bargaining and said that they would honor such agreements, provided, revival of Korea which has little of course, that they did not involve



This card should be filled out by every Seafarer, even if he is single and has no dependents.

Make sure to list every dependent you have, giving the full name, age and date of birth.

Where it says "book number" enter your Union number, whether book or permit.

Don't forget to sign and date the form when you are finished. Do it as soon as possible.

If you have any questions about the Welfare Plan, contact your nearest Union port agent.

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Elect BME To SIUNA Top Board

MONTREAL-The Brotherhood of Marine Engineers is now represented on the top SIU of NA executive board as a result of expansion of the board to 12 members. BME President Wilbur Dickey has been elected as one of the ten vice-presidents of the top body, which includes representatives of various SIU of NA

MFOW Added in '53

At the last SIU convention in 1953 only eight spots were filled by election; one spot was held open pending affiliation of the Marine Firemen's Union, which came at a later date. Subsequently, MFOW president, Vincent Malone, was elected to the vacancy. In order to provide for the vacancy, SIU A&G secretary-treasurer, Paul Hall, had stepped aside and declined renomination.

This year, Hall was reelected to the board along with Dickey. Dickey's election was in recognition of the progress of the BME since its autonomy was granted two years ago.



All dressed up and hurrying to get home to their families, Seafarers from the Hurricane step ashore from launch at boat landing in Arabi, La., after the ship paid off out in the stream. Shipping upsurge in New Orleans and lack of wharf space caused payoff to be held in mid-stream.

Alcoa, Sugar Runs Liven NO

NEW ORLEANS-Busy shipping in this port followed the payoff of several SIU crews recently at the end of Far East voyages. The outlook for the future was brightened also by the announcement that a Victory ship will crew up here in mid-June and that three Alcoa C-1s will soon resume opera-

tions from here.

dergoing shipyard repairs and will schedule for an indefinite period, crew up here about June 15, said | Williams pointed out. Port Agent Lindsey Williams, who just returned from the SIUNA's biennial convention in Montreal.

This ship is one of two Government-owned Victorys going on Partner on June 27. "Operation Blue Jay," the summertime supply run to US Arctic military bases. The McAllister will be operated by Robin Line.

Alcoa Run Resuming

Other jobs are expected to open coa C-1s report back into the Gulf. this type of cargo, but a shoreside Point.

cently brought out of lay-up in of these ships several months ago, Beaumont, Texas, currently is un- but they are returning to a Gulf

> The scheduled payoff of the Alcoa Pointer this week was expected to be followed by the Alcoa Pilgrim on June 15, and the Alcoa

an innovation for this port.

New Orleans was eliminated from dispute over the number of men carry the rest of the American The McAllister Victory, re- the East Coast-Caribbean schedule required to handle bulk sugar held share at a cost approximately \$1.7 up discharging of the cargo for several days.

> The delay made it necessary for Point for several days, awaiting rates would rise and the so-called

stream, in the first such payoff to bulk sugar from the Hawaiian Isl-

Shelley Hits Foreign Assault On '50-50'

WASHINGTON-A staunch defense of the "50-50" law and of US aid to shipping has been made by Representative John Shelley, California Democrat. Shelley struck back at foreign

shipping lobbyists who have been attempting to sic the farm bloc on "50-50" so that Bonner Bill they can monopolize movement of US agricultural surplus.

Answering the argument that the agricultural surpluses are commercial cargoes, Shelley pointed out that more than half of the money being paid by foreign nations for these cargoes does not go to the US Government, which owns the surplus. Instead, the payments are being used to assist the economies of other nations.

He cited as an instance a \$15 million tobacco shipment in which the money was to be used to bolster the local economy by building housing which would in turn be leased to American airmen stationed there. Despite this arrangement (which was with the British government), the foreign shipping interests raised a howl about the "50-50" provision and the agreement has not yet been completed. In this instance, he said, the transaction could hardly be called a commercial one.

Debunks Loss

Government millions in additional shipping costs. He pointed out that most of the cargo involved would by SIU men. move on berth lines under conference rates. The tramps would million greater than foreign tramps.

Should "50-50" be repealed or the Barbara Frietchie (Liberty American tramps be withdrawn Nav.) to lay at anchor off Algiers from the market "foreign tramp wharf space at the refinery docks. \$1.7 million saving would evapo-She paid off while still in the rate."

In the meanwhile, he said, use who had been serving as patrolman Shipping was further stimulated be conducted aboard an SIU-con- of "50-50" is providing jobs for here. Leon "Blondie" Johnson, by brisk trade at the American tracted ship here since the end American seamen and pumping Baltimore patrolman, is coming to Sugar Refinery Docks, which began of World War II. The Hurricane large sums into the American this port in his place. One other receiving cargoes of bulk sugar, (Waterman) arrived June with economy, while the US Treasury change will bring Bill La Foon, will collect an estimated \$9 million Bull Line's Angelina was first to ands and also had to be paid off in taxes in personal income and to replace Harvey Mesford, who up for Seafarers here when the Al- report in from Puerto Rico with while riding at anchor at the corporation taxes from the mer- has been serving as patrolman

Rapped At SF Meeting

SAN FRANCISCO - Seafarers here are ready for a fight to whip the proposed 'Maritime Labor Stabilization Act" put before the House of Representatives recently. They see the bill as nothing more than outright Government interference with the freedom of the SIU and other sea unions to bargain on their own

SIU officials, and Seafarers in this port and elsewhere in the Atlantic & Gulf District, view the measure as a menace to present maritime labor relations, which have been operating smoothly for years now in the SIU, without any Shelley also debunked claims Federal interference. The danger that use of "50-50" would cost the of reduced wages and conditions through arbitrary action of the proposed board, is not taken lightly

Shipping Strong

On other fronts, shipping held up well in the port, although the figures do not show it because two ships are laid up here temporarily. But the Northwestern Victory and Sea Comet II were due to crew up the past week, so the outlook remained good.

Changes in Union personnel on this coast brought a vote of thanks to Seafarer Donald "Tiny" Mease, patrolman in Houston, to Seattle,

YOUR DOLLAR'S WORTH SEAFARERS GUIDE TO BETTER BUYING

Written for The Seafarers Log by Sidney Margolius, leading expert on buying

Ten TV Bait Gyps

Television has given bait sellers a new entry into a Seafarer's home besides the media they already had for false bargains-newspaper and radio ads.

Unfortunately, it is the people least able to pay who are fooled most often by crooked selling practices which have spread to all parts of the country. TV and radio have become a part of family life, and along with the entertainment comes the persuasive voice of the adver-

Bait advertising is basically the practice of offering something the salesman has no intention of selling. Here is how the trick works: The salesman says confidentially that the reconditioned vacuum cleaner advertised for \$15 "really isn't worth buying, but he has one for \$30 down and small monthly payments." As one housewife reported, "I was dope enough to think he was on my side" and out came my rent money."

Another wife answered an ad for repairing and reupholstering a sofa and chair for \$59. When the salesman arrived, he had nothing to offer for less than \$179. The wife succumbed to his sales talk for "wonderful stuff you could just wipe off clean" and paid \$25 down. After a month there was no word from the reupholstery firm, no answer on the phone, and the door padlocked at the address given. The police said lots of people had been there. Three months later the firm got in touch with the wife and said she would be charged storage if she didn't pay the rest of the bill and take away her furniture.

Meanwhile, the firm went right on advertising. That is the strangest part of the nationwide bait trick; that advertising continues after a "gyp" has been reported and proved.

Here are the ten most-prevalent bait gyps, as shown by a survey of Better Business Bureaus in 44 cities:

1-Vacuum Cleaners, Sewing Machines: Chief trick is to offer an item at a low price, generally a reconditioned machine, and high-pressure you to buy a much costlier

2-Reupholstery. The offer to reupholster an entire set of furniture at a low price often turns out to include only poorly-made fabrics in undesirable colors.

3-Furniture. This persistent bait racket is often practiced by credit stores, and not only through advertising but in window displays. Chief trick is to show a complete ensemble of furniture for a reasonable price, but inside the store the furniture is scattered in different departments and it is difficult to know if you are getting the same items advertised in the window.

4-Television Repairs. The trick is to advertise a flat rate for any service call. Often the flat price is \$2.50. It is impossible for any serviceman to make calls at this low price (average true cost of a call without any actual labor or parts costs is \$3.50 to \$4.50).

5-New, Used Cars. One Los Angeles dealer offered a

car on television for \$999. When a shopper from the Better Business Bureau got to his place, the dealer demanded \$1,495, and finally agreed to let it go for \$1,350. Another current bait practice in the auto business is to advertise "no down payment." But when you come in, you find a down payment is required, or, in some cases, you must give the dealer a chattel mortgage on your household furniture.

6-Television Sets. Chief current trick is to offer a "famous name" set, but without specifying the name. But when you get to the store you may find that the set is really a little-known brand, or that its only relation to a famous name is that the chassis is licensed by RCA as many models are.

7-Jewelry, Watches. In the "diamond contest" spreading throughout the country, you guess how many there are. But everybody wins and you must pay a high price for the setting for the diamond you won.

8-Storm Windows. Storm windows are offered at a low price, like \$10. But they are poorly made and the purpose is to get a salesman into your home.

9-Heating Equipment. This is often a low-priced offer to repair your furnace. But it masks an attempt to sell you a new furnace at a high price.

10-Real-Estate Lots. The bureaus are also getting many complaints about bait offers for lots which turn out to be badly located or inaccessible to roads. CHILORE (Ore), April 24 Cheirman, D. Pentes; Secretary, L. Harper, More silverware is needed for the crew's messroom. Discussion held about the washing machine, and men should not leave it running too long. Crewmembers were asked to be a little more quiet in passageways in respect for men sleeping during the day. The ship's delegate saw the mate about painting decks in foc'sies and he said okay.

OREMAR (Ore), April 29—Chairman, S. Thayer; Secretary, T. White. Delegates were asked to turn in repair lists. Discussion on the ship's fund. Beef with third assistant working on watch settled satisfactorily. Food is excellent and the cooks were complimented for a job well done. There is too much noise in the passageways, and a shortage of cots. Recreation room needs painting.

FAIRLAND (Waterman), no date— Chairman, L. Curry; Secretary, W. Mossenger, Motion made and carried

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that hall in San Francisco be con-tacted about fresh stores. Partiality shown between topside and crew ac-cording to ship's delegate.

TRANSATLANTIC (Pacific Waterways), May 6—Chairman, E. Matthews; Secretary, S. Arabs. Vote of thanks given to the steward department, especially Earl Matthews for doing a bang up job as ship's delegate. The crew voted approval of newly-established SIU seniority system and AFL's position on CAMU. Motion made by A. Anderson that a telegram be drafted and sent to Harry Lundeberg. Carried unanimously.

BIENVILLE (Waterman), April 28—Chairman, J. McCaslin; Secretary, J. Elliott. A screen door is needed aft. Chairs are needed for recreation room and a patrolman will be contacted in San Francisco about completing previous repair list. Votes of thanks go to the steward department and the ship's delegate. Headquarters communications were posted in the messhall. Motion made and carried to have a new slopchest price list. Resolutions dealing with the new SIU hiring program and AFL stand on CAMU discussed and carried 100 percent.

DEL SOL (Mississippl), April 24— Chairman, E. Iland; Secretary, W. Cameron. Crewmembers needing new mattresses should notify ship's delegate and steward so these mattresses can be inspected, and new ones sent about a Everything running smoothly. aboard. Everything running smoothly minor beefs settled with little

CANTIGNY (Cities Service), May 8 CANTIGNY (Cities Service), May 8—Chairman, J. Phillips; Secretary, A. Ackerman. Ship's treasurer reported that ship has dissolved fund due to the theft of \$25 in the fund stolen from locker of ship's delegate. Engine department foc'sles need painting. Motion made by J. Phillips that a vote of thanks be given to the officials and welfare trustees for the tremendous job done by them on increases and additional welfare benefits.

ALCOA RUNNER (Alcoa), May 4— Chairman, H. Butts; Secretary, F. Stewart. Discussion on seniority ship-ping. Headquarters report and com-munications read and carried by en-

EVELYN (Bull), April 24—Chairman, W. Backhead; Secretary, R. Sanderlin. Delegates report no beefs, and there is 100 percent cooperation among crewmembers. A telegram of support was sent to Lundeberg in San Erancisco.

ALCOA PARTNER (Alcoa), May 1—Chairman, C. De Hospedales; Secretary, F. Vortkamp. Repairs were not taken care of for the past two voyages. Clean linen is issued every Friday from 9:00 AM to 9:30 AM and every man is responsible for his own linen. All books and magazines received in good order for the slop-chest. Crewmembers were asked to ceived in good order for the siop-chest. Crewmembers were asked to take care of the books and pass them around. Communication and head-quarters report read and posted. The newly-inaugurated SIU hiring plan and action taken by AFL unions on CAMU dispute accepted.

GREECE VICTORY (South Atlantic), May 7—Chairman, N. Voskian; Secre-tary, F. Melanson. A motion was made by Voskian to send a telegram supporting Lundeberg on CAMU, Car-ried unanimously.

STEEL SEAFARER (Isthmian), April STEEL SEAFARER (Isthmian), April 25—Chairman, J. Garrison; Secretary, J. Masters. Deck should be washed down after leaving foreign ports. Steward department was asked to put garbage in drums and not on decks. Gates will be put on outside passageways while in foreign ports.

ALICE BROWN (Bloemfield), April 16—Chairman, G. Bales; Secretary, C. Hill. A suggestion was made that a means of communication be installed between bridge and messhall for benefit and efficiency of watchstanders. The new employment hiring clause was read, explained and discussed. A motion was made by

Brother McConnell to request cap-tain to have locksmith come aboard and repair door locks and make keys.

KATHRYN (Bull), May 16—Cheirman, A Martin; Secretary, H. Fitzgerald. Discussion on the training school. Motion made and carried to give a vote of thanks to our Union negotiating committee for a job well done. Communications and headquarters report were read and accepted. April 24—Cheirman, W. Ekins; Secretary, H. Fitzgerald. Ship's delegate asked crewmembers to keep the messhall cleaner, and were advised to check with Immigration before going ashore. A ship's fund will be started and all hands aboard will donate fifty cents a month to same. fifty cents a month to same.

ALICE BROWN (Bloomfield), May 19—Chairmen, E. Brown; Secretary, R. Wegnor. Good and welfare of the Union: the new shipping rules, a new company signed by the Union and some companies lost through transfer or sale. Communication read on the Welfare Plan. Discussion on the galley stove. Crew suggested that the steward and cooks pass their opinions steward and cooks pass their opinions

TRANSATLANTIC — (Pacific Waterways), May 10—Chairman, A. Anderson; Secretary, J. Levine. This crew goes on record to thank the officials and the negotiating committee for securing the new hiring clause and the welfare benefits.

STEEL ADMIRAL (Isthmian), May 10—Chairman, J. Selby; Secretary, B. Speegle. A motion was made by Selby to accept the headquarters report. Carried. Brother Silverston made a motion that a vote of thanks be given to the negotiating committee for a job well done. Carried unanimously.

DEL NORTE (Mississippl), April 24—Chairman, H. Crane; Secretary, D. Hall. Discussion about radios being shut off at 10 PM and not turned on until 8 AM. It was agreed that the ship's delegate post time for operating radios, washing machine and extractor. Ship's treasurer reported \$168.16 in the ship's fund. Motion made and carried that this crew pay the brother for the bound LOG editions received in New Orleans. All crewmembers were asked to cooperate and do their assigned part in fire and lifeboat drills. and lifeboat drills.

SEATRAIN TEXAS (Seatrain), May Chairman, W. Hall; Secretary, J. Illen. Headquarters reports and Allen. Headquarters reports and communications were read, discussed and adopted by entire crew. A mo-tion was made and carried to send a wire to Harry Lundeberg giving him

INES, (Bull), May 6 — Chairman, Ernest C. Bell; Secretary, J. Murphy. A suggestion was made that the steward get only enough milk to last till ship reaches San Juan, and get fresh milk in port thereafter. After much discussion on this long standing beef, all hands agreed to contact a patrolman about action on cooler drinking water. Ship's delegate reported that one man was hospitalized in Ponce.

ARCHITECT STEEL April 24—Chairman, W. William; Sec-retary, J. Harty. Letter was received from headquarters in regard to shore from headquarters in regard to snore leave in Semarang. \$5 was used for cab fare to visit sick man in Honolulu hospital, and at present there is \$5 in the ship's treasury. Crew was in complete agreement with the action taken by the AFL unions on CAMU dispute, and were in favor of the new hiring setup 100 percent. A vote of hiring set-up 100 percent. A vote of thanks was given to the baker for putting out good pastry and goodies during coffee time. Steward department rooms need sougeeing.

GREECE VICTORY (South Atlantic), May 1-Chairman, F. Young: Secre-tary, F. Melanson. The steward department was complimented on the partment was complimented on the great improvement in chow. The crew was reminded that an SIU payoff is a clean payoff. Repair list will be posted. Beefs on lack of launch service at LaPallice will be turned over to a patrolman at payoff.

ALAMAR (Calmar), May 2-Chairsen. Engine department was asked to rinse out sink after using. Steward department foc'sles need painting. Crewmembers were asked to turn in all extra linen. Treasurer reported \$61.05 in the ship's fund.

FLORIDA (P & O), May 4—Chairman, F. Alvarez; Secretary, D. Knight.
All hands went on record, after a brief discussion of the strikes in Miami Beach hotels, to contribute \$103 to the Hotel Employees Union. Brothers off watch have volunteered for picket duty. New welfare benefits were discussed and all hands are very content to see that once again of Union set the pace in the maritim industry in acquiring more benefits and an increase across the board.

PENNMAR (Calmar), April 16— Chairman, W. Davis; Secretary, Ner-man Cehen. A letter from Sea Chest was read to the crew and posted. Steward asked the crew to cooperate steward asked the crew to cooperate and conserve on canned milk which is running short. Motion made to form delegation to check stores in future, as a shortage has been re-ported. Request made by ship's dele-gate to see if a room arrangement can be changed so that messman's foc'de can be requeed to hold three foc'sle can be reduced to hold three men instead of four.

REPUBLIC (Trafaigar), April 24—Chairman, R. Cummings; Secretary, W. Barth. Some of the repairs were not taken care of in shipyard. A new repair list will be made up and turned in to patrolman. Some general discussion on various subjects.

Award Scholarships June 21

Winners of four 1955 SIU scholarship awards worth \$6,000 each will be announced by trustees of the Seafarers Welfare Plan on June 21. Eight Seafarers and ten children of Seafarers are competing for the coveted awards covering four years of college or university study.

The winners in the three-+year-old program will enter and second year's study this month and have received a total of \$18,000.

Under the provisions of the Welfare Plan the annual awards are open to Seafarers under 35 as well as the children of Seafarers who qualify on the basis of their fathers' seatime. In addition to certain ping for the Canadian flag? scholastic requirements, candidates must show three years of seatime themselves or, in the case of children who are competing, for a parent.

Three Seafarers and five children of Seafarers, two boys and three girls, are currently enjoying the SIU scholarship benefit, which is believed to be highest award of its type anywhere. Successful candidates may choose their own school and course of study. The Plan imposes no conditions on may be used.

Among those competing for the awards this year are several who missed out in the last two years and are trying again. The Plan's provisions permit unsuccessful candidates of previous years to try again by taking another college entrance examination.

classes in the fall. Eight successful candidates, from 1953 and Coastal Trade'-Canadian SIU

MONTREAL—With the once-proud Canadian deep-sea fleet reduced to half-a-dozen ships, the SIU Canadian District has opened a drive to preserve Canada's inland and coastal ship-

and intercoastal Lakes shipping to US and Canadian on SIU-contracted ships either for ships. The Canadian District's position is receiving full support from the Trades and Labor Conby the recently-ended SIU of NA convention.

The Canadian District's program calls for legislation similar to that in the United States which reserves domestic trade to US-flag vessels. At present there is no restriction on foreign flags in Canada with the result that virtuwhere and in what field the awards ally all of Canada's coastwise trade is in the hands of non-Canadian shipping.

> Seaway Adds Problem The problem will grow more

foreign-flag ships will then be able

The SIU of NA convention resolution pointed out that foreign nations are already laying hulls for ships to be used in competition with US and Canadian vessels on gress of Canada and was endorsed the Great Lakes. Cut-throat competition on the Lakes from small foreign vessels which can negotiate the existing 12-foot channel above Montreal is already hurting US and Canadian Lakes ships.

The resolution was heartily endorsed by Claude Jodoin, president of the Trades and Labor Congress, who declared: "We believe that inland and coastal waters should be reserved for Canadían shipping in this country and for United States shipping below the border. We should not be forced acute when the St. Lawrence Sea- to lower our excellent standards to way is opened because full-size assist foreign competition. We can assist foreign shipping more by to invade the Lakes in large num- raising their standards to meet

SIU Ships' Meetings Hail New Benefits



Seafarers at ship's meeting on the Del Mar hold serious discussion on the recent proposals submitted by Union for action by all SIU ships' crews. Crewmember in foreground adjusts amplifying system bought by crew for meetings and other shipboard functions. The photo is by Seafarer John Caldwell. .



SIU crewmembers aboard the Alcoa Pegasus listen intently to explanation of new family welfare benefits at special shipboard meeting in Brooklyn. Discussion ended with everwhelming endorsement of new hospital-surgical benefits as first-class protection for Seafarers and ret inter months tater the fum for a touce who me . S-New, Used these fine realling right



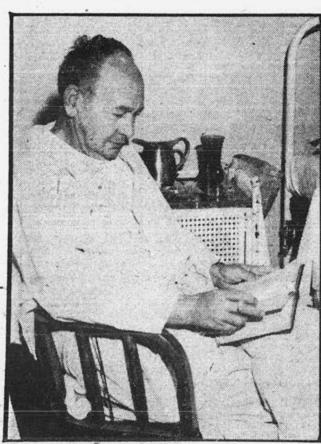


Elected to head recent special meeting in port, Seafarers John Wunderlich, (left); recording sec'y, and Cleo Copeland, chairman, listen as reading clerk Burt Williams reads report presented for action.

Seafarers In Savannah —A Camera's-Eye View



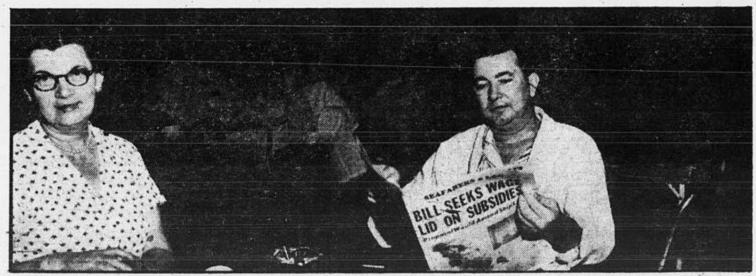
Jimmy "Georgia Boy" Littleton keeps busy in hospital weaving some fancy netting.



A good book helps pass time for Seafarer William Gregory at the local marine hospital.



This cheerful foursome in the Savannah USPHS hospital includes (l-r) Seafarers Gerald Purdomo, John Morris, Albert Schanzer and Clyde Jernigan. Those smiles are probably due to the news that the SIU hospital benefits are now increased to \$21, payable each week to hospitalized Seafarers.



Seafarer John H. Morris catches up on the latest news and reports about the SIU, his shipmates and maritime generally by reading recent issue of the LOG. Looking on is Mrs. John R. Grace, hospital aide. LOG is read avidly by men in hospitals.



Dr. Robert Martin and some of the nursing staff prepare to visit wards. Pictured (I-r) are nurse Elise Williams, Dr. Martin, nurses Janie Grover, Minnie Ingram, Eva Lee and Gertrude King.

DOROTHY (Bull), April 25—Chair-man, A. Lake; Secretary, N. Flowers. Insecticide will be removed from cereal locker. Steward requested to vary cold drinks, etc., at meals. The chairman asked for more interdepart-nantal cooperation to avoid friction among brother Union members. Vote carried to collect funds to buy iron

BRADFORD ISLAND (Cities Service), May 6—Chairman, G. Fargo; Secretary, G. Fava, Jr. Doors and portholes should be screened. A letter was received from the port steward stating that linen will be distributed piece for piece. Treasurer reported \$42.53 in the ship's fund.

May 10—Chairman, G. Fargo; Secretary, C. Fava. Motion made by Jones to give a rousing vote of confidence and thanks to our Union negotiating committee for a job well done. Headquarters report and communications were accepted as read.

ALCOA POINTER (Alcoa), May 1-

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Chairman, B. McMulty; Secretary, C. Welch. Ship's delegate reported everything running smoothly. Delegates were asked to have repair lists ready. Deck and engine department rooms to be painted. Slopchest to be put on and a list of prices to be posted. Suggestion to put this slop-chest beef before a patrolman.

OREMAR (Ore), March 27—Chairman, J. Arnold; Secretary, W. Anderson, Ship's delegate asked the crew to take notice of a letter received from Sea Chest that he has posted in the recreation room. The 3rd engineer has been painting and cheating the winers out of overtime. Motion neer has been painting and cheating the wipers out of overtime. Motion made and carried for the steward to see what he can do about getting more milk and cereals. A vote of thanks was extended to the new crew messman for the way he has taken care of the crew on his first trip. The bosun was given a vote of thanks for taking care of the library when ship is in port. when ship is in port.

ALCOA PLANTER (Alcoa), April 3
—Chairman, Galuska; Secretary, J.
O'Neil. A unanimous vote of thanks
was given to the steward department
for using the new system of cooking
and serving meals, thereby cutting
down on waste and greatly improving down on waste and greatly improving meals. Ship's delegate reported that topside is cooperating with crew on

ROBIN GOODFELLOW (Robin), April ROBIN GOODFELLOW (Robin), April 3—Chairman, M. Brightwell; Secretary, M. Wells. All departments were asked to make up repair lists. If there are any old mattresses on board let the steward know, as they will be turned in when ship reaches Baltimore. A vote of thanks given to the steward department for the service and chow.

FRANCES (Bull), April 3—Chairman, W. Smith; Secretary, H. Singleton. Ship's delegate reported that there is \$25 in the ship's fund. Discussion on new shipping rules and some clarification is wanted. Carpenter will make new locker for eating utensils.

NATIONAL LIBERTY (National Trade), no date—Chairman, C. Moss; Secretary, F. Anderegg. Suggestion made for the ship's delegate to see the captain about locks being put on cabinet that holds items that crew considers part of their night lunch. Crew is dissatisfied with menus. When questioned about worn out and insufficient supply of linen, the steward said it wasn't his fault as he ordered a three months supply that hasn't been delivered as yet.

ROBIN KETTERING (Seas Shipping), March 19—Chairman, F. Travis; Sec-retary, S. Korolia. Motion made and carried that a variety of cigarettes be put on board besides the three be put on board besides the three brands carried. Discussion on why so much fruit was thrown over the side, and a suggestion was made that the steward put out as much as can be eaten when fruit starts to go bad.

ROBIN LOCKSLEY (Seas Shipping), April 16—Chairman, W. Fountan; Sec-retary, W. Trolle. Ship's delegate will see the chief engineer about having black gang toilets fixed. Steward was asked to get fresh milk and vegetables and to have a variety in menus.

CHICKASAW (Waterman), May 2— Chairman, A. Johnes; Secretary, R. Velasco. Headquarters report was read and accepted by entire crew.

STEEL ROVER (Isthmian), May 2 Chairman, R. Jackson; Secretary, Gaulke. Ship's treasurer reported that the fund has \$3 in cash and crew will replenish same at first draw. Motions adopted referring to new SIU seniority set-up and action AFL unions took regarding CAMU.

SUZANNE (Bull), May 3—Chairman, A. Olando; Secretary, W. Gravsnoy. Discussion from single men about parents being considered in the Wel-fare Plan. No beefs reported.

FRANCES (Bull), May 2—Chairman, W. Smith; Secretary, J. O'Rourke. A telegram was sent to Lundeberg sup-porting him on CAMU beef. Two

resolutions were adopted at this meeting. The first supporting the newly-established 'hiring set-up and the second backing the AFL unions on stand taken in CAMU dispute.

STEEL EXECUTIVE (Ishmian), May 2—Chairman, M. White; Secrefary, J. Cummins. A motion was made by Melendez and carried that a telegram weiendez and carried that a telegram be sent to Harry Lundeberg agreeing with the way he acted on CAMU issue. Crew is 100 percent in favor of the new hiring set-up and have also pledged their full support to AFL unions in CAMU dispute.

SEATRAIN TEXAS (Seatrain), May 2—Chairman, W. Hall; Secretary, J. Allen. A motion was made and car-ried to send a wire to Brother Lundeberg. Headquarters report read and

ALCOA PURITAN (Alcoa), Chairman, C. Parker; Secretary, R. Darley. A special meeting was held and motions carried to approve the new SIU seniority system and the position AFL unions took in withdrawing from CAMU. Brother Mitchell made a motion to send a telegram to Harry Lundeberg supporting him on CAMU.

SEATRAIN GEORGIA (Seatrain), April 24—Chairman, W. Newberg; Secretary, A. Lambert. Ship's dele-gate reported everything running smoothly. Ship's treasurer told crew-members there is a balance of \$30.50 in the ship's fund. An electric iron was purchased.

SOUTHSTAR (South Atlantic), April 24—Chairman, C. Rice; Secretary, B, Porter. Ship's delegate wrote a letter aboat soap powder and will try to obtain same in boxes. Repair list sent to Savannah and seniority system will be explained by officials. Motion made and carried to obtain a new refrigerator for the crew. A new water cooker is needed for the engine room.

ORION STAR (Oil Carriers), March 5—Chairman, H. Knowles; Secretary, B. Stark, Brother Shaw warned crewmembers not to hook up phone or radio to speaker as it will short out set, Brother Bumgardner suggested to label all ship's property on arrival in port for identification. A vote of thanks goes to the steward department for the food put out.

April 17—Chairman, H. Knowles; Secretary, B. Stark. There is \$29.02 on hand in the ship's fund, which will be turned over to the new crew. Motion made and carried for the men who missed ship to report to patrolman. Foc'sies should be left clean and the crew was asked to stay sober at payoff. Brother Brookshire suggested

payoff. Brother Brookshire suggested that emergency lights be placed in engine room in case of another black-

SOUTHSTAR (South Atlantic), May 5—Chairman, Bob Porter; Secretary, Floyd, Ship's delegate reported that he hopes the remainder of the trip will be as good as it has been, with a good crew. Delegates from three departments all reported everythree departments all reported every-thing going smoothly, no beefs. Mo-tion carried to accept and concur in headquarters communications. Stew-ard assured all that there would be no recurrence of the case of the for-eign-bought chicken and also that all fish taken on overseas, would be eaten as soon as possible. Baker requested that an occasional sweet be served at coffee time.

STEEL FLYER (Isthmian), May 22-Chairman, Charles Bush; Secretary, S. Nielsen. Balance of ship's fund is \$75.16. Crewmembers were asked to turn over ship's delegates mail to him. Headquarters communications accepted and carried. Ship delegate, ship's secretary were elected. Old TV set to be disposed of. Engine delegate, bosun and steward reported that there was a poor grade of meat aboard. Steward will request patrolman to check with port steward on this matter. Good and welfare report to be shown to boarding patrolman.

STEEL SCIENTIST (Isthmian), May 26-Chairman, J. Oosse; Secretary, T. Stevenson. Repair list was taken care of and situation on crew mail also. Balance of ship's fund is \$20. Suggestion was made to have unnecessary noise in passageways stopped.

VAL CHEM (Valentine), May 27— Chairman, Hagerman; Secretary, Cas-Communication on additional re benefits accepted and con-d. Carried unanimously. No

VENORE (Ore), May 27—Chairman, H. Buckner; Secretary, C. Rawlings. Minor beef in steward department settled by crewmembers. Brother Frank Doland injured his back on May 22 and was hospitalized in Puerto De Herrio, Venezuela on May 24. Recent communication was considered "A Wonderful Thing for All" by crewmembers; and a hearty vote of thanks was extended to SIU trustees of the Seafarers' Welfare Plan. Vote of thanks to steward department for excellent praparation of food. Motion was made for steward to requisition cots for crewmembers.

ALCOA RUNNER (Alcoa), May 28-ALCOA RUNNER (Alcoa), May 28— Chairman, B. Rhone; Secretary, H. Weeks. Motion carried that all crew-members put cups and glasses in sink after they've used them. Motion made to get an exterminator to do away with roaches, and also that all unau-thorized persons stay out of messhall and pantry. Advance notice of slop-chest he posted along with slopehest chest be posted along with slopchest price. D. Parsons elected new ship's

June 1-Chairman, B. Friedman: Secretary, H. Weeks. Ship to be fumigated. Recent communication from headquarters accepted 100 percent. Ship's delegate to distribute enrollment cards for Welfare Plan.

Seafarer Checks For Value



SIU Sea Chest rep. Morty Kressner (left) points out merits of merchandise to Seafarer George R. Nichols in the recreation room at the New Orleans hall, where retail display cases were recently installed to display items such as radios, jewelry and dress gear for the convenience of the membership.

Benefit \$ Triple Oldtimer's Pay

NEW ORLEANS-Taking it easy on the beach here, oldtimer Leonard Ellis last week summed up his gains earned in a lifetime of seafaring and found his weekly SIU disability

benefit check is three times the amount of his monthly wages ity benefit check, just increased to for his first maritime job 56 years ago.

Now 69, Ellis was 13 years old a "flunky" on a river packet from St. Louis to New Orleans in 1899.

Leonard Ellis

"I never saw St. Louis again,"

when shipping was slow, Ellis

worked most of his seagoing days

when he paid off the Del Mundo un

New Orleans about 18 months ago.

The doctors wouldn't pass the vet-

place on the SIU disability roll.

as we got to New Orleans.

years back."

steward department.

plus his Federal Old Age Benefit, is adequate to care for the needs when he took a one-way trip as of himself and his wife in their declining years. "I spend my time just reading and strolling around the French Quarter," he said. "Next year,

a good eye." "I've seen many changes in the seamen's labor movement," he said. "I can tell you they all have been for the best. Conditions are 100 percent better now than in the old days and these young fellows, who never had to take a bath in a bucket or eat the slop they used to dish out for us, don't know how well off they are.

\$35 a week under newly-negotiated

terms of the SIU Welfare Plan,

"Just think I used month of hard work at long hours for \$12. Now, under the increase in the SIU disability benefit, I get \$35 a week for taking it easy on the beach."

Drive Set On akes Ships

mending that the SIU or NA give as a deep sea man, mostly in the the "maximum financial aid" possible to the Great Lakes SIU for

The report by the organizational Now he finds his weekly disabil- Great Lakes shipping activity.

Convention Blasts CG, **Gov't Ships**

MONTREAL-The Military Sea Transportation Service's competition with private shipping companies and the Coast Guard's efforts to control merchant seamen both came in for strong criticism from delegates to the SIU of NA's convention. Resolutions approved by the delegates called for MSTS to get out of the shipping business and for the Coast Guard to halt its projected "profiling" system which would give it life or death power over a man's right to go to sea.

MSTS has been under fire for some time because it has competed directly with commercial operations in carrying both freight and passengers. A recent study revealed 85 percent of MSTS cargo could be carried on commercial ships, while the Government agency carried 200,000 civilian passengers in 1954, enough to keep about 15 private passenger ships running.

More Expensive

All of this was done at far more expense to the Government than chartering of commercial ships would have cost because of the oversize manning scales on MSTS vessels.

Both the SIU A&G District and the West Coast unions, the SUP, MFOW and MCS-AFL have spearheaded opposition to the Coast Guard's "profiling" system, which would put every seaman on the grill. The Coast Guard proposed that all seamen pass a rigorous physical and mental check-up involving checks into a man's family background, personal habits and other matters of private concern to the seaman. The system would have allowed the Coast Guard to yank a man's papers if he could not meet arbitrary standards, no matter how many years or well he had handled his shipboard job. .

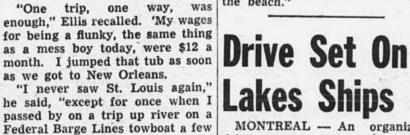
fishing and, maybe, shoot me a duck now and then. I've still got a good eye." US Transfer **Total Grows**

Entirely apart from the 1.113 American-flag ships sold and transferred foreign under the 1946 Ship Sales Act, a check at the Maritime Administration reveals that between January 1, 1946, and April 30, 1955, a total of 426 merchant ships of over 1,000 gross tons were sold or transferred foreign. This figure does not include any ships sold to American citizens under the 1946 Act and subsequently transferred foreign by permission of the Government.

In addition, some 138 ships over 1,000 tons originally sold to US citizens under the 1946 Act, have subsequently been transferred for-

New Libertys Years Off

Results of the Government's experimental work in attempting to modernize four Liberty type ships may not be known for several years -possibly too late to be of real value in the replacement programs of some operators who are being urged to accelerate their building plans. Final and conclusive data on the Government's test program probably will not be forthcoming for about four years.



MONTREAL - An organizing drive among non-union US-flag Although he began his seafaring ships on the Lakes is in the offing career on a river boat and returned as the result of a program approvto the river to work intermittently ed by the SIUNA convention.

Delegates voted a report recom-Ellis' last trip to sea ended the purpose of organizing.

and grievance committee pointed out that a considerable organizing eran Seafarer for another voyage, potential exists on the Lakes, and and he qualified for a well-earned the development of the St. Lawrence Seaway will probably add to

MEET THE SEAFARER



JULIAN S. MINESES, chief cook

familiar with the cookery of Julian Mineses. The 56-year-old sea veteran has been a Robin Line top notch, with company officials at all times.

A native of Manila, Mineses first he wanted to get to the States where economic opportunities were better. His first ship was an Army Transport Service vessel where he signed on as messman for \$45 a month. After that he spent several years with ATS on combination passenger-cargo jobs running to various parts of the world.

Subsequently, Mineses hooked up with Isthmian Lines on their east and round-the-world runs. He was working for them when the SIU began organizing at the end of World War II. After the SIU won the election it was necessary to strike the company in 1947.

Philadelphia Picket Line

Riding with a Union contract He also finds that putting out wanted no part of any non-union break up the monotony. see the difference in conditious dishes," he added. on the ships right away."

ing in the islands. The last time accordingly.

Many Seafarers who sail on the he saw them was when he was Robin Line run are undoubtedly aboard the Steel Architect back in 1948.

Some day, if he has the opportunity, he would like to make a regular for the past five or six trip back to his birthplace and stay years because he finds that condi- a little while, but he has no idea tions on these ships are usually of returning to the islands permanently. "I'm an American citiand agents generally living up to zen," he pointed out, "and this is the provisions of the SIU contract my home here. When I get a little older and maybe retire I would visit Manila but I would not want went to sea in 1920 because like to stay there for good." He premany other islanders at the time, fers living in Brooklyn, not far from the headquarters hall.

Likes Chief Cook Job

Although he has endorsements to sail as chief steward, Minesesprefers the chief cook's job anytime. "The steward has too much responsibility" he explained, "and he is always under pressure from the company which wants him to save money while the men on the ship and the Union want him to feed good." Doing that kind of a job he finds, is a tightrope propo-sition and it takes skill and careful planning to please both sides.

Mineses is proud of the fact that he has a "following" when he ships and that on occasion crewmembers will stay with the ship if he stays aboard but pay off when Mineses was in Philadelphia at he leaves. A lot depends though, the time and spent 12 days on the on how well the cook and steward picketline until the company gave work together. "If the chief cook in to Union demands.. Right then and chief steward get together" he and there, Mineses got his reward said, "and let the crew know that in the form of his SIU Union book they will try to meet their rewhich he has been packing ever quests for different dishes, it gives a lot more variety to the food."

was a real eye-opener for him. "Af- oriental-style dishes meets with tel I joined the SIU," he said, "I approval because that too helps company any more. You could scamen today eat a lot of rice

In the old days, he recalled, it Since joining the SIU, Mineses was different. The steward put has been shipping pretty steadily out the food and the crew took on the Robin Line wagons to what they got and asked no ques-South Africa. The run has just tions. Now, with Union conditions one disadvantage, he finds, which the crews today are well-educated is that he doesn't get a chance to on good feeding and the steward see his brothers and sisters liv- department has to be on its toes

Union label promotion use is ex- | September to determine its future

pected to be stepped up with merg- course of action. er of AFL and CIO. The promotions will serve as assets to organizing drives, with cigarette York's City Hall, AFL State, manufacturers one major target. County and Municipal Employees AFL Tobacco Workers Interna- won assurances from the city of a tional hopes to put labe's on job classification system for 4,500 union brands to promote use of of the union's members in various union label smokes among 16 million union members. Then it came when the union laid plans for will attempt to tackle R. J. Reynolds, manufacturer of nonunion Camels cigarettes.

* * * US Labor scored a major diplomatic victory when the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions agreed on a program of hours after a strike deadline, obstrengthening western nations to meet potential Soviet aggression. Up until now, many ICFTU member unions in Europe had been "neutra.ist." An organizing program was also set up to invigorate foreign unions and raise living

1 Canada's Trades and Labor Congress (AFL) and the Canadian Congress of Labor (CIO) fo.low their American counterparts into merger early in 1956. One large group outside the merger is the Canadian and Catholic Federation of Labor, a church-sponsored group, which claims 100,000 members. The operating, employers admit strike Catholic Federation will meet in has cut into their business.

standards.

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After mass picketing of New city departments. The assurances a second mass picket session.

* * * A modified guaranteed annual wage plan was won by the United Automobile Workers (CIO) in negotiations with the Ford Motor Company. The settlement, a few ligates the company to assure its workers, in combination with state-provided unemployment inweekly earnings for as long as 26 weeks of layoff. Hourly wage inimprovements were included in the new contract.

Hotel strikers in Miami Beach are holding fast despite injunction moves by some struck hotels. Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union lina, and signed up in 1947. (AFL) is running walkout in effort to organize non-union resort hotel industry. Although hotels are still

Beacon Of Hope'

SEAFARERS IN ACTION

really on the ball, judging from the number of expressions of warm appreciation crews have inserted meetings. Among the brothers so mentioned was Theadore "Beau" James, delegate on the Del Sud, Bob Garn on another Delta passenger wagon, the Del Mar, and H. D. Carney on the Steel Fabri-

James was given the accolade by his shipmates for doing a swell job

James

as ship's reporter under the new shipboard set-up. On the Mar, the crew said of Garn that he did an "exceptionally The good job."

Mar incidentally, is the ship on which the delegates set up a system of delegates' meetings to take up beefs and other pending action, with very good results.

Carney on the Fabricator made surance, 60 to 65 percent of heir a point of giving the crew a resume of new shipping rules and pending headquarters resolutions creases and pension and vacation so that every man attending the meeting would be fully informed on what was taking place.

James and Garn live in New Orleans, James joining the Union in 1950 and Garn in 1948. Carney. is from Wilmington, North Caro-

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The Ocean Betty's washing machine is humming smoothly again wth all hands finding the laundry Lou Diering, deck; Joseph De-

blink, Morton pitched in with the assistance of other unnamed crewin the minutes of their shipboard members to put it back in working order again.

Seafarer C. L. Francum on the Feltore brought up a point con- quite a few rank cerning contract provisions. Fran- and file Seafarers cum suggested that the contract be clarified to make the midnight beach. Some of meal a compulsory part of ship- the men who board feeding under certain circumstances. His suggestion has ing on these comthe last trip out, been duly noted and is under ad- mittees recently says Seafarer visement. Francum lives in Le- include: Philadel-Woody Perkins, noir, North Carolina, and became phia-W. Mcwho took over an SIU member in 1945.

Aboard the Del Aires, ship's reporter Charles Frey notes that three volunteers came forward and gave the ship's laundry room a badly-needed going over. No use, they figured, in washing clothes in a dirty room. Now they're hoping that their shipmates will be extra careful to keep the room in tip-top shape.

Chief cook Joe Avecilla really has the pots and pans singing in harmony in the Queenston Heights galley. The chow he's turning out, crewmembers feel, rates with the best. Another tankwagon, the Julesburg, rates mention because of the way the whole gang handled their jobs despite the unpleasantness of a Persian Gulf run. The skipper said that as a result the trip was one of the best he had ever made to the Persian Gulf area.

Delegates M. P. Beechy, ship's;

Quite a few ships' delegates are problem simplified, thanks to the nique, engine and Casimir Szyefforts of Seafarer Wilbur Morton, manski, steward, deserve a good When the machine went on the deal of credit for keeping this one a smooth-running and happy ship.

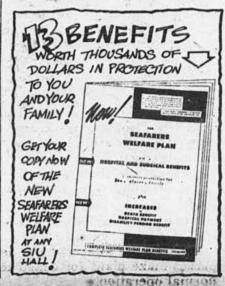
CONVEND

The weekly three-man auditing committees that Seafarers elect in

all ports take up the services of who are on the have been serv-



Donald, M. Luksa, Norfolk-C. Wheeler, T. R. Lehay and L. Tetterton; New Orleans-J. C. Relun, V. T. Allen and S. Candela; Houston- P. Narvaez, J. Williamson and H. Myers. Seafarers in other ports, of course, also got their share of these committee assignments.



Action On Runaways

A positive program for dealing with the runaway flag problem is in the offing as the result of the SIU of NA's convention action pledging support to the International Transport-Workers Federation's organizing in the field. SIU sea affiliates on both coasts are planning to work closely with ITF, which has already made headway and has contracts with a number of such ships.

Since the runaway flags set no standards at all for their ships, leaving the shipowner to get away with whatever he can in the way of manning, safety, feeding and wages, successful ITF-action in the field would at least set some minimum standards which all ships would have to meet. It would end ruthless exploitation of crewmembers, many of whom are affiliated with ITF-member unions in their home coun-

The role of US unions in this area can be particularly important because so many of the runaways are Americanowned and operate out of US ports.

It is obvious that the runaway flag ships not only deprive US seamen of jobs by fleeing US jurisdiction, but threaten the stability and employment of legitimate merchant fleets. An authoritative British study points out that in a time of declining cargo offerings, the runaway flag operations would have a disastrous effect on freight rates and liner services of all nations, something the SIU has believed all along.

Certainly the ITF campaign merits the active and enthusiastic support of all sea unions as the only legitimate effort to organize the runaways.

Productive Convention

The 7th biennial convention of the SIU of North America, recently concluded in Montreal, rates as one of the most productive meetings ever held by the international union. Delegates worked out a program which dealt forcefully with all the major problems facing seamen and their unions.

The convention made it clear that SIU affiliates would not tolerate any effort to deprive seamen of the right to bargain freely with the shipowner through their unions. It also reemphasized the SIU's firm position on the hiring hall issue, making that issue an essential feature of any future maritime merger.

The merger problem itself was dealt with through a statement of principles. Various problems of affiliates such as Great Lakes organizing, Canadian flag operations, inland boat jurisdiction and others were acted on.

All in all it was a constructive gathering which should prove of lasting benefit to the seamen, fishermen and shoreside workers who are members of the international.

Standing Up

It was good to see at least one Representative stand up on his feet in Congress and defend the "50-50" law against all comers. It was Congressman Jack Shelley of San Francisco who stepped into the breach with a ringing attack on the foreign lobbyists who want to scuttle "50-50" so that their ing. ships can obtain a stranglehold on agricultural surplus car

Congressman Shelley thoroughly debunked the claim that these cargoes are "commercial" by pointing out that in most instances the proceeds of the sales will not come back smooth fashion to the US Government but will be used as a disguised form now aboard the of economic aid to foreign nations.

A lot of generalized talk can be heard in Washington about "our American merchant marine" these days but it's becoming a rare thing to see someone defend a specific feature of routine comes up great value to maritime in the face of hostile criticism. Our because we have thanks go to Representative Shelley.

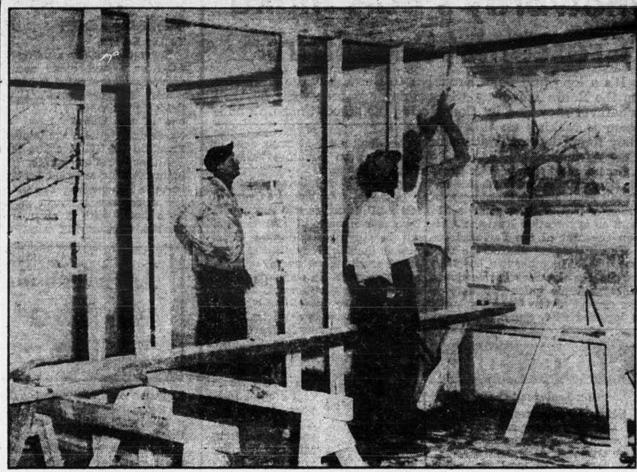
Atom Ship Plans

While the Government is going ahead with plans for its elaborate "floating showcase" atom ship plan, private ship-ping interests are equally active. Only in their case they are concerned with commerciably-useful operations instead of propaganda showcases.

Three companies, among them Cities Service, have financed a study which concludes that it is feasible to build a nuclearpowered ship which would not endanger crew, passengers and cargo and which would not be obsolete for some time.

It will be in interesting to see if any private shipping companies make plans for construction of a ship of their own for normal operation.

Work Speeded On Seafarers School



Hard at work on building for the new Seafarers Training School at Bayou LaBatre, Ala., just outside of Mobile, workmen rush the job to completion so that indoor classes can be organized. Outdoor facilities for training and upgrading of Seafarers are already completed.

Balto Welfare Classes Popular

BALTIMORE-Seafarers in this port are now taking part in regular Educational Welfare meetings sponsored by the SIU to familiarize themselves fully with the precedent-setting new SIU welfare benefits.

The sessions are being held They are drawing an enthusiastic surgical coverage for Seafarers' at the SIU hall here three attendance from among the Sea- wives and unmarried children times weekly, on Mondays, farers on the beach. The newest under 19.
Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2 PM. SIU benefits provide hospital and Port A.

Port Agent Earl Sheppard announced that classes are being scheduled indefinitely. "We will hold them every week for as long as necessary to enable every man coming through here to fully understand all the benefits available to him, his wife and children," he Question: What do you think of the new ship delegates noted.

"These benefits are like money in every man's pocket. The best way to protect them is to make sure everyone knows just what he things from both has coming in case of any emergency," Sheppard added.

Shipping Up Slightly

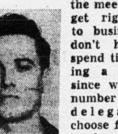
Shipping and registration here took a very slight rise over the past two-week period, with all ships generally coming in clean. Efforts to wind up outstanding beefs with Ore and Calmar netted agreement from the companies that they would pay overtime at the longshore rate for crews handling hatches and beams while cargo is aboard a vessel. This has been a particular problem on the Bethcoaster up until now.

Discussion also cleared up the problem of the 2nd cook on the same ship working more than regular hours.

Charles Morrison, steward: It's

Thomas Smythe, fireman: It seems to work out fine, because the meetings now

and ship minutes set-up?



get right down to business. We don't have to spend time electing a chairman since we have a number of elected delegates to choose from. The headquarters bul-

letins help the watchstanders find out just what went on at the meet-

Alonzo Bryant, chief cook: I think they're a good idea because

all business is handled in ship. We don't have to have a meeting everytime something a full set of SIU



ship's officers to handle it. The delegates know just what they have to do now.

R. Broomhead, AB: The idea is fine, but it will take some time for the men on the



ships to work it out, so that the whole set-up should work to everybody's benefit. Right now, however, another explanation of

each man's duties

wonderful way of handling

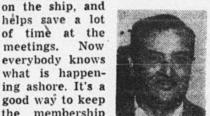


Inquiring Seafarer

ends of the line. The material sent out by the Union explains just what is going or. and what has to be acted upon. The crew in turn can act where needed and can

easily keep the Union posted on conditions aboard the vessel.

system has worked out okay so far

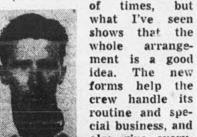


of time at the meetings. Now everybody knows what is happening ashore. It's a good way to keep the membership informed all the time about what goes on at regular Union meetings

in all ports.

Dolan Gaskill, cook: My ship has

only used the new forms a couple



also give everyin moving the new system along, I ters affecting the membership.

Endorse One

MONTREAL - The Staff Officers Association of America has been recognized by the SIU of NA convention as the one official unit of staff officers in the nation. Action was taken by the convention on this score so that all pursers would be able to come together in one union.

Up until now there had been more than one pursers organization in the field, but the Staff Officers Association was the only one that was functioning effectively to represent pursers. It already holds might be helpful body a voice in Union policy mat- contracts with several steamship companies.

Mowbray's Bats Make **'Crescents' See Stars**

It's a long pull from Brooklyn to Beira, but the Seafarers on the Robin Mowbray (Seas Shipping) take their baseball wherever they find it. Considering the scores the ship's ball-

team is racking up this trip, they found lots of it down in teams don't get that many runs in East Africa.

According to crewmember Oscar | their stockings. N. Raynor, who provided the few details available, the Mowbray men recently had a three-game set-to with an aggregation from the African Crescent of the Farrell Line.

The SIU squad muffed the first one, 16-15. The other two, however, turned the Crescent upside down. Revenge came quick and sure in the second of the three games by a lopsided 33-4. Some big league

MONEY DUE

Ex-Sealegend Crew *

Seafarers who were on this ship

in October, 1953, can get their

retroactive pay by contacting Mari-

time Overseas, 61 Broadway, NYC.

pay coming from Transfuel Corp.:

R. R. Austria, Joseph Landry (ex-

Cecil N. Bean); Albert Mitchell,

Joseph Sharvelis (ex-Wm. H. Car-

ruth). Contact Mr. Hallohan at

Transfuel, 25 Bway, NYC, tele-

Ex-Ocean Nimet

in Raymond, Washington, are en-

titled to collect transportation from

Maritime Overseas, 61 Broadway,

NYC: William McKenna, Stanley

Cislack, Phil Deminice, Paul Ca-

van, James Purcell, Richard Ses-

Gorp., 61 Broadway, NYC.

phone, WH 3-2366.

Following men have retroactive

a week, even counting those in Scoring Spree

In the third contest, the Crescent fell a little further and succumbed by a more merciful 16-3 margin. All in all, the three-game series netted the Mowbray team a total of 64 markers, an average of 21plus per game. In comparison, the SIU sluggers gave up only 22 runs all told to the opposition, which is

After the games, Raynor notes, both squads retired to Johnny's

pretty fair work in any league.



Raynor

"Arcadia Cafe" in Beira for a few cold ones to cool off hot tempers from the African Crescent and the smoking bats and twirling arms of the Mowbray slugging and pitching combo.

The Arcadia stocks just the right stuff to handle the assignment, Raynor adds.

Before reaching Beira, the ship made its regular stopovers in South Africa, with good weather all the way and some fine swim-Following men who got off ship ming at the local beaches. Unfortunately, there was even less to do in Beira, and that's where the baseball came in handy. At last reports, the African Crescent ball team was planning to dig a special beach for the Mowbray men right sions, James Bright. Contact Seat- on Beira's main drag. Maybe that tle SIU hall or Maritime Overseas will keep them off the baseball diamond next time.

Seafarers In The Hospitals

SEASIDE HOSPITAL LONG BEACH, CALIF. William H. Kumke

PHYSICANS & SURGEONS HOSPITAL PORTLAND, ORF. James Robinson

HARBOR GENERAL HOSPITAL LOS ANGELES, CALIF. Thomas J. Hoar

USPHS HOSPITAL SAVANNAH, GA.
Paul B. Bland William G. Gregory
A. F. Cohen Clyde H. Jernigan A. F. Cohen Clyde H. Jerniga Lucius A. DeWitt Jimmie Littleton James T. Moor John H. Morris Thurston Dingler Rufus L. Fields

USPHS HOSPITAL SEATTLE, WASH John J. Davis W. H. Mansfield William J. Fick V. K. Ming Anelio L. Grillo L. O. Morris Syerre Johannessen L. Wolfe

M. McCarthy USPHS HOSPITAL

DETROIT, MICH. Tim Burke USPHS HOSPITAL

MEMPHIS. TENN. Charles Burton TRIPLER ARMY HOSPITAL HONOLULU, HAWAII

Frank T. Campbell USPHS HOSPITAL

LEXINGTON, KY. USPHS HOSPITAL FORT WORTH, TEXAS

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CONEY ISLAND HOSPITAL BROOKLYN, NY

Thomas Burgos KINGSBRIDGE VA HOSPITAL BRONX, NY James Kennedy USPHS HOSPITAL BALTIMORE, MD.
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Thomas Mungo D. L. Orbigoso Fred Pittman Francis Sullivan Harry Sullivan Joseph W. Taylor

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Welfare Gains Rated Tops

To the Editor: Many thanks for sending the

LOG as I and other seamen drydocked here enjoy it beyond words. As for myself, I was tickled pink when I read about one of the Union's latest victories dealing with the improvements in the SIU Welfare Plan.

Although I'm single, I'm happy for the married brothers because I know how this means the difference between sailing from home with a clear head instead of worrying what will

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if something goes happen wrong.

To me, all this adds up to two things: we definitely have the right brothers in office and a great group of men at sea who take a real interest in tomor-

Needs Books

At present I am studying to become a radio operator but desperately need some help. I have no money and don't need any. What I could use are two books to help me along. Although I sailed on deck for eight years, I had previous experience in radio in the Navy. Now, with the proper studying, I could probably get a certificate.

If anyone could provide me with a book on radio receiver theory and a book on radio transmitter theory I would be extremely grateful, because when things straighten out here, it's back to sea for me. If they cost anything, I'd repay them on my return.

Meanwhile, please keep the LOG coming as we would be lost without it.

Donald E. Griffie Box 71 Menard, Ill. * *

Problems Vanish With SIU Help

To the Editor:

I have been in San Juan, PR, since April 1, and had several personal problems that had to be handled. Therefore it was really a pleasure to see how our SIU representative here went to work on my behalf and was more than helpful in getting

It makes me proud and happy to know that wherever we go, our Union and its officials have such a high regard for our wel-

Frank Mietki

Cheers Program For Family Aid To the Editor:

It has been a long time since I wrote my last letter to the LOG. But I felt I had to write now to express my thanks to the Union and those connected with the latest improvements to

our SIU Welfare Plan. It is amazing how through the years we Seafarers have been moving ahead. Thanks to our Union brothers who have helped with their labor and determination, we now have a wonderful system of protection not only for ourselves as seamen, but for our families as well.

The new benefits provide a

real feeling of security, whether we are at home sharing a few days or weeks with our wives and children, waiting to ship out again, or are on a long trip working to earn the bread and butter for those at home.

Now we can sail our ships with confidence because our families back home are protected in case of any emergency. We who have families know how important this is, when we are away for weeks or months and can only get news a little at a time through the mails.

Our Welfare Plan means a great deal to all of us. Let us work together to keep it and our Union strong.

Evaristo Rosa

* * * Hails Union For Disability Gains

To the Editor:

I would like to offer my appreciation for the raise in the disability-pension and the many other improvements just made in our SIU Welfare Plan. Also I wish to thank the officials and the membership of the Union for making it possible for me to receive same.

We have come a long way since we started and it is largely because we have honest officials in our Union who are always on the alert to better our welfare and working conditions.

Personally, I'm quite sure the entire membership also likes the idea of keeping the cafeteria, Sea Chest and bar in New York closed to the public, since now we can eat, drink or shop at any time without having to wait in line. We are treated with kindness and respect in each place, which is very welcome and is surely appreciated by oldtimers like myself.

New Set-Up

I am also quite delighted with the new clubroom, as I think it is one of the finest set-ups the Union has arranged for the SIU membership in New York. The only thing I could suggest is that the Union purchase a few beach chairs so we can sun ourselves in real comfort.

At this point, a word to the wise: Make sure you hold on to that Union book as it is much better than any bank book or insurance policy. The disability pension which the SIU is now paying, for example, is a much larger one than most unions give their disabled members and helps make our Union the best in the world.

Burton C. Frazer

* * Asks For Data On Scholarships To the Editor:

I have been in the SIU since 1951 and would like to know how I may qualify for a scholarship from the Union.

I had never inquired into this before, but I heard some of the boys talking in the messhall and they said that in order to go to college on a Union scholarship you had to take courses in labor and management relations. Is this so?

John R. Hailman

(Ed. note: Every scholarship winner is allowed complete freedom to study whatever he wishes and wherever he wishes while receiving SIU scholarship benefits. The basic requirement is three years of discharges from SIU-contracted ships, plus certain scholastic ratings. An application and full information on the SIU scholarship benefit is being sent to you.) ,

Union Keynote is Brotherhood

To the Editor:

After being ashore these many months it looks like I'll soon come out of retirement and follow the good, old sea for a living again.

One thing is noticeable when one goes over all the events the Union has passed through during the past 13 years and that is the everpresent name we use to describe to others the basic cornerstone that the organization is founded upon: the Brotherhood of the Sea.

If one closely inspects circumstances evolving within and around our Union these past years, he finds more and more how many times that word "brotherhood" is used whenever and wherever the Union members must display themselves whether at sea or shoreside.

There's no getting away from it-the original charter members should always be acclaimed as ones endowed with wisdom and foresight for drawing up such a solid charter and foundation for us all.

And thanks for the LOG, as it's a wonderful publication.

Guy F. Wallace

Returning Home To SIU In June

To the Editor:

I am both happy and proud to say that by the end of June this year I'll be back with the SIU. I've really appreciated getting the LOG while in the

My time is almost up now, so please take me off your mailing list.

Soon I'll be picking my LOG up at headquarters, and having a couple of "cool ones" in the Port O' Call. These last couple of months are really dragging

Robert "Red" Fink

All's Fair On The Fairland

To the Editor: Greetings from the SS Fairland (Waterman). We are now discharging cargo in San Juan, preparatory for sailing to New York or Philadelphia.

Recent beefs aboard the ship were squared away by the agent in Wilmington, Calif., so outside of normal agitation and petty grievances, the ship is on a reasonably normal keel. The weather is very hot, but everyone is quite cheerful.

There is a little insecure feeling due to the sale of Waterman, but when the situation is ironed out, things will return to normal.

Arthur F. Compeau Ship's reporter

(Ed. note: Although Waterman has been sold to McLean, the latter company is also under SIU contract, so the change in ownership is not expected to affect Seafarers any.)

* * * **Liked Getting** LOG In Service

To the Editor:

After 18 months I finally got back to the States, with 16 of those months in Korea. It was a great help getting the LOG over there, and I appreciate it.

Please cross my name off the mailing list. I'm looking forward soon to taking my book out of retirement, and going back to work with a fine bunch of people, the SIU men. I'm a guy who likes that civilian life.

David E. Miller

Follow that hand! Throwing

so hard that it looks as if he

let go of his hand also, Sea-

farer Giuseppe Caruso, off the

City of Alma, enjoys dart game at USS Club, Leghorn.

A Songwriter

Now, Seafarer

To Sail Again

On the beach for a couple

of years now, following the

retirement of his SIU book

due to an accident on the Alcoa

Corsair, former Seafarer D. C.

Mullins expects he'll be coming

Creekville, Ky., to renew old ac-

He'll return, however, as a song-

writer of some considerable ac-

complishment. This was the task he set for himself when he found

he was drydocked and unable to

Mullins reports that he was fortunate enough to pen compositions

with such writers as the author of

the hit vocals "Pretend" and "The

Tennessee Waltz," and one of them, he says, has been picked to

be the big song of 1955 by a group

of "top experts" in the recordmaking business. He notes that he

can't reveal the name of the tune

just yet, but confides that it is a

religious number and will be

with Webb Pierce, one of the na-

tion's top country singers, that has

been recorded by Ted Rains on

Decca, Joan Hager on Mercury and

Buddy Thompson on RCA-Victor.

Now on the market, it's called

'Free of the Blues" and is said to

be getting quite a whirl from disc

jockeys and radio stations that

feature country music.

Stay Put For Idle Pay

on the beach waiting to ship are urged to stay put and avoid

changing their mailing addresses if they want to continue re-

ceiving their checks regularly. Several Seafarers have already

experienced interruptions of from three to five weeks in getting

their next check after they notified the state unemployment

offices that they had moved and changed their mailing address.

considerable hardship to the men involved.

An average delay of a month is reported in most cases, causing

Seafarers who are collecting state unemployment benefits while

He also has a song that he wrote

recorded very soon.

do much in the way of manual la-

quaintances once again.

bor anymore.

Random Shots 'Round The World





Above, George W. Anderson. (left), father of Seafarer Bob Anderson, an SIU bosun, is shown during a visit aboard the LaSalle (Waterman) in Longview, Wash., with "Red" Taylor, ship's delegate. The picture was sent in by Seafarer Anthony Nottage, a friend of the Andersons, who was entertained at their home while the ship was in port. Mr. Anderson is a longshoreman in Longview. At left, Seafarer Max Lipton and a decorative Japanese friend show off Lipton's snack bar, The Pilot, in Yokohama, which is a popular spot for SIU and SUP men in port. Nottage sent this one in also, this time from Japan.

Bulletins No News Anymore; Marore In Furore Over Mess

The problem posed when an immovable object meets an irresistible force is amply demonstrated for budding scientists by recent doings aboard the Marore (Ore), among others.

A terse report in the ship's minutes of May 15 describes notices dying on the vine for lack the following ingredients: one bulletin board in the crew's messhall, one lock used to shut down the messhall right after meals, and one crew lounge where everybody gathers, but which is bare of bulletin boards and such paraphernalia,

One of the crewmembers at the meeting had proposed that they either take down the bulletin board from the messhall and put it inthe lounge, or leave the newsspace in the messhall and keep it open so that everyone aboard could check it for notices and similar

This is the way the situation shapes up: If the bulletin board in the messhall is ripped out and put out somewhere else, this will leave the present room without any outlet except for electricity. If the bulletin board stays put, that will change nothing. The denizens of the lounge will have to be satisfied with reminiscing about when they had a bulletin board-and "pinups," maybe-on other ships.

Meanwhile, there's lots of new

of a posting place. Before anyone can read them in the messhall after meals, the joint is locked up. terse item from the Alcoa Pegasus meeting on May 21 once again illustrates the result of a collision between the proverbial "immovable object and irresistible force."

In like fashion, an even more

Of special concern to the ship is this bit: "Dirty life preservers have been passed by the Coast Guard and nothing can be done about it." Ship's secretary L. L. Phillips furnished the report, and that's that. Class is ended.

'Miss Maritime '55' Charms WC Seafarers

With "Miss Maritime 1955" on hand to greet all comers, Maritime Day, Sunday, May 22, was the occasion for "quite a gala shindig" at Seattle's Catholic Maritime Club, accord-

ing to Seafarer John Dolan, of prose and song, the renowned "Saki Jack."

"Miss Maritime 1955," from all reports, was far better looking than US maritime '55, but Dolan didn't let this rash thought upset his appreciation of the true-to-life lady who graced the festivities at hand. The "Miss Maritime" competition started about three years ago in Seattle, and needless to say. is very popular with the boys on the beach as well as local resi-

Food And Entertainment

The gala affair at the CMC provided food and entertainment aplenty for a large gathering of guests, including Seafarers who turned out for the event in force.

Among the showstoppers present were young Pat Callaway ("a good bet for the Met in the near future," according to our correspondent); three young ladies called "The Mellow Tones"; Brother Pete Leon of the Sailors Union of the Pacific, off the SS Hawaiian back to sea soon from his home in Planter, who did some impersona-

better known to his aficiona- Moore. "She is quite accomplished dos as the wandering minstrel in the art," Dolan suavely noted. Music for the evening was furnished by a group known as the "Moondusters."

Dancing Too

Other social notes emanating from the evening's festivities reveal the presence of the following SIU brothers on the dance floor:



"Woody" Wilson, Blackie Lial, Calvin J. Slover, Chico (Fred Astaire) Lawsin, James Farrer and many others.

For the record, "Miss Maritime 1955" is Darlene McConnell, and she was joined

by a trio of lovely princesses who had everyone wondering how the judges came up with their final selection.

Wrapping up his account of the affair, Brother Dolan points out: "All in all the party was a huge success . . . Father Murphy does an excellent job of making the men tions, and "hula specialist" Linda on the beach here feel at home."

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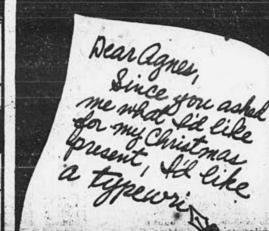
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By Bernard Seaman



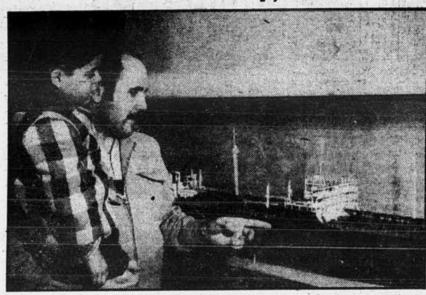


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'That's A Ship, Son'



Eddie Hernandez, Jr., 5, gets a close-up view of a Cities Service tanker as his dad, Seafarer Eddie Hernandez, shows him the model of the Bents Fort on the second deck of SIU headquarters. Hernandez, Sr., ships in the steward department,

Whitmer Continues On A 'Culinary Cruise'

There's a wide range of fine restaurants in New Orleans, which offer an even wider range of bills of fare, according to Seafarer "Honest Al" Whitmer, roving "cookery columnist" in a recent issue.

His choice of the carnival shoulder says: "What about Si city's finest are Antoine's Green's on Market Street?" Well, (naturally), Brennan's, Galitore's I don't know about it. I never and Sgt. Hand's.

For \$\$ Only

The first three are for when you wish to impress a lady friend, have just won a case, or have had a fortune left to you. Sgt. Hand's is for good, economical eating in a name." friendly atmosphere. Sarge's food is cooked in the back kitchen in full view of those who like to watch. The house specialty is his hot roast beef sandwich on French bread. Incidentally, you can get tequila in New Orleans at the Old Absinthe House on Bienville Street.

"Tampa, Fla., boasts the Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City, one of the few places on the Gulf of Mexico where you can get Maine lobsters and Chesapeake Bay oysters, plus many other palate-ticklers, at reasonable prices. Tampa has many fine restaurants, and is a good town for a vacation of fishing, reclining and eating.

Baltimore's Hi-Ho

"Skipping up the East Coast to Baltimore, you can't go wrong with the Hi-Ho Inn-if it's still as I remember it, for I have been away from Baltimore for some time. At the inn, you could get your meals served right at the bar.

binders Restaurant has been mentioned in many magazines as the city's one truly fine eating place. It is an extremely good restaurant, 1955, in New but equally good is Ettorre's Friendly Restaurant.

"It boasts home-made spaghetti and meat balls, all cooked and served by Mama Ettorre in the true Italian style. This place is a favorite with men sailing Calmar.

"Somebody reading over my

Quitting Ship? Notify Union

A reminder from SIU headquarters cautions all Seafarers leaving their ships to contact the hall in ample time to allow the Union to dispatch a replacement. Failure to give notice before paying off may cause a delayed sailing, force the ship to sail short of the manning. requirements and needlessly make the work tougher for your shipmates.

ARRIVALS

All of the following SIU families will collect the \$200 maternity benefit plus a \$25 bond from the

Roberta Agnes Westerfield, born April 19, 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Westerfield, Long Beach, Calif.

Kathrine Virginia Katros, born April 15, 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Katros, Roxbury,

13, 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dimitriadis, Concord, NH.

1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Erik Peter Jenssen, Brooklyn, NY.

Minerva Patricia and Marina, Patricia, born March 17, 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Valentin Acabeo, Puerto Tierra, PR.

Terry David Dickens, born May 7. 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Dickens, Hammond, La.

Larry Maxwell Nixon, born April 22, 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nixon, Galveston, Texas.

Kenneth Cardona, born March 21, 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Cardona, Jr., New York NY.

May 14, 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Anding, Kirbyville, are too many, and plenty of choices

RECENT

Union in the baby's name:

Jacquelyn Marie Kain, born May 10. 1955. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kain, Philadelphia, Pa.

Robin Dimitriadis, born March

Erik Frank Jensen, born May 9,

Elizabeth Dianne Anding, born in every type of food you can Texas.

Yolanda Jesus Zaragoza, born April 17, 1955. Parents, Mr. and self, and remember you were sent Mrs. Roberto Zaragoza, Brooklyn,

FINAL DISPATCH

farers have been reported to the his sister, Mrs. B. D. Aldridge, of Seafarers Welfare Plan and the Hamburg, Mississippl. \$2,500 death benefits are being paid to their beneficiaries:

could afford to eat there - even

"There is, of course, New York,

Whatever you are, enjoy your-

but to name the better places there

would be next to impossible. There

after a good payoff.

there by "Honest Al."

Melvin J. Smyly, 37: On May 17,

1955, Brother Smyly, a member of the deck department, died in Mobile, Ala. as a result of gunshot wounds. He joined the Union in Mobile in 1945. Place of

burial was Point Clear, Ala. He is survived by his "In Philadelphia, the Olde Book- wife, Daisy Smyly, of Mobile, Ala.

George J. King, 58: Brother King

died on May 15, Orleans, La. Place of burial is not known. Sailing as chief electrician in the engine department, he had been a member of the SIU since

1950, joining in New Orleans. He is survived by his wife, Hazel King, of New Orleans, La.

t t Thomas B. Farr, 57: On June 21, 1954, Brother

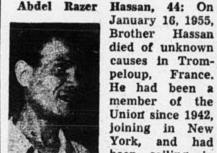


Farr died of a heart ailment aboard the SS Del Sud. Burial took place in Hamburg Cemetery in Hamburg, Miss. Brother Farr had been

since 1946, when he joined the SIU Prichard, Ala.

The deaths of the following Sea- in New Orleans. He is survived by

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January 16, 1955, Brother Hassan died of unknown causes in Trompeloup, France. He had been a member of the Union since 1942, joining in New York, and had been sailing in

the steward department on the SS Beauregard, Pan Atlantic SS Co. * * *

Jan J. Beye, Sr., 69: A resident

of Rotterdam, Holland, Brother Beye died there of unknown causes on April 23, 1955. He had been sailing in the deck department since joining the Union in New York in

1944. The SS Calmar was his last SIU ship. Surviving is his son, Jan J. Beye, Jr., of Union City NJ.

* * * James E. Rounsavall, 48: A head

injury proved fatal to Brother James Rounsavall, a member of the engine department since 1951, who joined the Union in Mobile. He was buried in Pine

Crest Cemetery, sailing as an Jackson, Ala. Surviving is his FOW in the engine department wife, Willie May Rounsavall, of

EDITH (Bull), April — Chairman, Fred Davie; Secretary, Charles Starling. There is a balance of \$31.55 in the ship's fund. Crew voted full support to newly-established hiring setup and to the AFL unions in CAMU dispute. Motion made by D. Keddy that R. Arlegue be elected as ship's secretary reporter. secretary reporter, carried unanimous-ly. Motion by C. Starling was made and carried that a telegram be draft-ed and sent to Harry Lundeberg thanking him for a job well done.

WACOSTA (Waterman), April 10— Chairman, D. Turkington; Secretary, H. Mesford. A motion was made by P. Loleas to send Harry Lundeberg a telegram of support, and crew ac-cepted 100 percent. Crew voted to back AFL unions on CAMU, and were in favor of the new SIU senior-ity system.

STEEL SCIENTIST (Isthmian), April 7—Chairman, R. Hunt: Secretary, C. Hughant. Delegates informed patrolman in Baltimore to contact Isthmian office in New York to secure new

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washing machine. New shipboard minutes will be put aboard in New York at the sign-on. Crew went on record to support the new hiring hall set-up and position AFL unions took on CAMU issue. A motion was made by J. Carolyn to send a letter to Harry Lundeberg giving him full support from the crewmembers of the SS Steel Scientist.

ROBIN GOODFELLOW (Seas Shipping), April 10—Cheirman, M. Brithwell; Secretary, J. Kleczek. Motions made and carried to adopt unantmously resolutions pertaining to the position AFL took on CAMU, and crew voted to accept the new SIU hiring program. A motion was made by W. Thompson to send a telegram to Lundeberg backing stand taken and was carried.

STEEL WORKER (Isthmian), April STEEL WORKER (Isthmian). April 14—Chairman, D. Lavador; Secretary, T. Worsoe. The crew of this ship goes on record 100 percent to back Harry Lundeberg on his stand against CAMU. Discussion held on headquarters report, in addition to the new communications, and all hands were very much pleased with the position the SIU and SUP took on both issues. Crew voted to support the newly-insurgurated hiring program and were augurated hiring program and were in complete agreement with AFL unions in CAMU dispute.

YOUNG AMERICA (Waterman),
April 11—Chairman, B. Eddmon; Secretary, T. Richardson. Crewmembers
sent Harry Lundeberg a telegram
giving him their full backing. Crew
gave a unanimous vote of confidence
to the SIU in the new hiring set-up,
and a motion was made and carried
to accept stand taken by AFL unions
on CAMU.

on CAMU.

OCEAN DEBORAH (Maritime Overseas), April 11—Chairman, Johnny Johnston; Secretary, R. Hernandez. There was a general discussion on the headquarters report and the question of registering and shipping was explained to all hands. The crew voted unanimously to accept report and a vote of confidence was given to headquarters for a job well done. A vote was taken which showed crew's full support of the newly-established SIU hiring plan, and the resolution dealing with position AFL took on CAMU discussed and adopted. A telegram was sent to Harry Lundeberg, whereby the crew pledged their support.

INES (Bull), April 13—Chairman, J. Gergering; Secretary, L. Franco. Headquarters report and communication were read, discussed and posted. hands were in favor of the new SIU hiring program, as well as action taken by AFL unions in CAMU dis-pute.

SEASTAR (Triton), March 16-Chair-SEASTAR (Triton), March 16—Chairman, C. Saunders; Secretary, E. Pappas. Any repairs that the engineers can take care of will be done at sea if possible. Linen will be changed by each individual cremmember. Steward will open slopchest any time at sea, and he also stated that if any one wants a special dish prepared to tell the steward or chief cook and if food is aboard the steward department will be more than glad to prepare the dish.

LIBERTY FLAG (Dover), April 3—Chairman, T. Schultz) Secretary, A. Fecteau. Ship's delegate reported that a letter was sent to headquarters regarding American money draw at next port. Crewmembers were asked to keep the washroom clean at all times. Locks should be put on screen doors so that they can be locked in port.

MARYMAR (Calmar), February 6—
Chairman, A. Raska; Secretary, F.
Flotcher. Crewmembers were asked
to keep the washing machine clean.
Tray under wringer should be fixed.
All repairs have been taken care of.
March 13—Chairman, F. Flotcher;
Secretary, F. Benedict. A motion was
made and passed that crew refuse
to pay off until all disputed overtime
has been taken care of. Due to the
fact that one man has a broken
thumb from bad porthole hooks, it
was suggested that all be checked.

Patrolman will check at payoff about too much second grade meat on board.

board.

Merch 27—Cheirman, F. Fletcher;
Secretary, A. Reasko. Engine department foc'sles need painting, and
washing machine needs repairing. The
crew of the Marymar goes on record
to vote unanimously in favor of the
new shipping agreement, and a vote
of thanks was extended to headquarters officials and the negotiating comters officials and the negotiating com-mittee for a job well done. All hands were asked to keep the recreation room clean at all times.

GOLDEN CITY (Waterman), May 9

—Chairman, L. Pate; Secretary, T. Scott. Motion made by V. Omary that resolutions dealing with the new SIU hiring set-up and position AFL unions took in CAMU dispute be voted on and accepted. Carried unanimously.

STEEL DESIGNER (Isthmian), Feb-STEEL DESIGNER (isthmian), February 20—Chairman, W. Pediar; Secretary, A. Aragones. Ship's, delegate will see the captain about having enough traveler's checks for next trip. There is no cold water running in showers and this will be reported to the first assistant. Crew should report all leaks as water is being wasted. Wooden board will be placed in the laundry.

May 2—Chairman, A. Smith; Secretary, E. Kirkland. Some disputed overtime reported. The water cooler

retary, E. Kirkland. Some disputed overtime reported. The water cooler in the engine room is still acting up as usual but we have been assured that this will be taken care of this trip while on the coast. Headquarters report accepted as read. Motion made by C. Rice and carried that the crew of the SS Southstar send a wire to Lundeberg endorsing the stand taken by him in his walkout from CAMU.

ALEXANDRA (Carras), March 21-Chairman, R. Norgsen; Secretary, C. Canley, Ship's fund has \$30.76. Crew-members were asked to return books

members were asked to return books to the recreation room. Ship's delegate resigned and the chief cook was elected to take over.

April 27—Chairman, V. Sgynonski, Secretary, W. Hand. Three crewmembers who left the ship without giving captain enough time to notify Union for replacements were reported to the Union. All repairs are being taken care of. Ship's treasurer reported there is \$30.76 on hand. Crewwas in favor 100 percent of the new hiring system and voted unanimously to support AFL unions in CAMU dispute. Fans should be checked for proper size in foc'sles and to be sure all are in working order. all are in working order.

DEL AIRES (Mississippi), April 22-DEL AIRES (Mississippl), April 22—Chairman, H. Murranka; Secretary, C. Frey. Galley was painted and will have to see patrolman again about the messroom. All hands in favor of resolutions dealing with the SIU seniority system and position taken by AFL unions on CAMU issue. Steward department was given a vote of thanks for a job well done.

GEORGE LAWSON (Pan Oceanic), April 30—Chairman, J. Sweeney; Sec-retary, R. Aumilier. Resolutions on hiring hall set-up and CAMU dispute were read thoroughly and motion made and carried to accept and con-cur. Carried unanimously. cur. Carried unanimously.

MADAKET (Waterman), April 29— Chairman, T. Meriority; Secretary, J. Rose. Motion made and carried that this crew send a wide to Lundeberg endorsing his action on CAMU.

STEEL SEAFARER (Isthmian), May 4 Chairman, C. Kelleher, Secretary, M. Caldas. A motion was made by Brother Kelleher and carried to wire Lundeberg of crew's support of his action on CAMU.

ANGELINA (Bull), May 3-Chair-ANGELINA (Buil), May 3—Chairman, E. Roundtree, Secretary, C. Hargroves. Crew was in agreement with the newly-inaugurated hiring set-up and approved of the action taken by AFL union on CAMU matter.

SOUTHPORT (South Atlantic), May 1—Chairman, A. Bullard; Secretary, R. Pierce. Discussion on shortage of steward's stores. Request by crew to change brand of meat in Savannah. A motion was made by Brother Chasses eau to set up ship's committee next voyage. All were in favor of motions approving the SIU hiring system and potition AFL unions took on CAMU dispute.

DEL SUD (Mississippi), April 26— Chairman, T. Metting; Secretary, H. Ringo. Ship's treasurer reported there is \$198.06 remaining in the ship's fund. The picnic fund amounts to \$458. A motion was made and carried to allow \$45 for new magazines and books. Brothers were asked to cobooks. Brothers were asked to cooperate and stop any unnecessary noise at 10 PM.

STEEL ARCHITECT (Isthmian), May 2-Chairman, W. Williams; Secretary, C. Bobbe. A motion was made and carried to accept headquarters report as read. No beefs reported.

OCEAN ULLA (Marifime Overseas), OCEAN ULLA (Maritime Overseas), April 17—Chairman, M. Regis; Secretary, F. Aponte, Ship's delegate reported that the chief cook died of natural causes in Inchon, Korea. A suggestion was made by the deck delegate to see the patrolman about not paying off with two payroll vouchers. A vote of thanks was given to the steward department for putting out good chow. out good chow.

J. B. WATERMAN (Waterman),
April 24—Chairman, S. Fustado; Secretary, A. Hansen. There is a balance
of \$31.13 in the ship's fund. Crewmembers were asked to bring cups
back to the pantry, and to be a little
more quiet during meal hour. Ship's
delegate will see the captain about
having the slopchest open before arriving in Wilmington.

Alcoa Pioneer Raps Runaways

To the Editor:

The SIU crew aboard the Alcoa Pioneer (Alcoa) wants to go on record as being in full support of Brother Harry Lundeberg in his courageous stand against the runaway-flag shipping companies. We feel these operations are in business to take our bread and butter away from us, and that his efforts are important to all of us.

We also wish to state that we think we have made great strides in our SIU welfare program. We feel as though other

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unions cannot help but be jealous of what we, in a bona fide trade union, are accomplishing.

John R. Tilley Ship's reporter

LOG Helps Him Keep In Touch

To the Editor:

Just a note to tell you how much I appreciate the SEAFAR-ERS LOG way out here in Minneapolis. I can truthfully say I never realized how much I enjoyed reading it until I got out here away from the Coast. .

After spending some time at the marine hospital at Staten Island, I am out here on a few weeks of sick leave.

This is truly the Land O' Lakes country, but as much as I enjoy these beautiful places, I am anxious to get back and get a good whiff of salt air

The best of everything to our good Union and all of the brothers.

Ole "Robin" Olsen

Inspection Cut Seen Foolish

To the Editor:

The importance of safety aboard a ship cannot be overstressed. In spite of man's ingenuity in his continual struggle against the elements, we occasionally find that our best efforts are inadequate. In the wake of so many recent reports of sea disasters and ship sinkings, I consider the proposal to extend the annual inspection period to two years a little out of line.

Last September while I was a crewmember on the Steel Advocate (Isthmian), we had an annual inspection. During this time we laid out the fire hoses in the usual manner so that they could be tested under pressure.

The vessel passed inspection all right, but how those hoses passed I'll never know. The first fire drill we had after that inspection, two hoses blew out where the bands had rusted through. The same thing happened aboard the Seamar (Calmar) shortly after it had passed its annual inspection.

Report To LOG

Here and now I would like to suggest to the membership that we report via the LOG any evidence of negligence where safety is concerned. When certain incidents occur, such as the one recently reported in the LOG about the davit and life-

boat on the Queenston Heights (Seatrade) carrying away, it stands to reason that our present system of inspections should be investigated.

Last year as the Frances (Bull) was undergoing inspection in Philadelphia, I noticed an inspector who was doing a very thorough and conscientious job. When I commended him on his thoroughness, he told me that his brother had died on the Murmansk run in 1942 because of faulty life-saving equipment. As far as he was concerned, he said, he would make sure it didn't happen to anyone else.

I admire and respect that man. If all the inspectors did their jobs as well as this man, there would be fewer accidents in the shipping industry.

Fred L. Miller

Opposes Change Of Inspections

To the Editor:

Thanks to our SIU-leadership for their strong stand on this matter of Coast Guard inspections. If these desk jockeys down in Washington had to ride on some of these rust buckets they'd soon change their minds about them not needing to be inspected every year.

The present system needs changing all right; they need to start giving the ships a real, seam-rattling inspection instead of a quick once-over. That's what they need to start doing. We need better inspections instead of fewer ones.

No Guarantees

You can see what's going to happen under this "sudden spot check" deal. They'll be held only in certain ports, so many ships will never have one. And when they do pull one and find something wrong, why the company will say, yeah we'll fix it but don't hold us up on this trip, we're due at so-and-so, and off they'll go and then there'll be endless appeals and counterbriefs and all that stuff that the Taft-Hartley crowd now in office are famous for. Meanwhile the ship splits down the middle, and just a few months short of its two-year inspection, too; what a shame.

R. J. "Red" Ridges

Sharing Jobs On Ship Works Fine

To the Editor:

We aboard the Chilore (Ore) think that it is a good idea that each of the ship's committee jobs be taken by different individuals, because in that way everyone will learn what has to be done and at the same time the responsibilities will be

We have tried to split up the jobs on this ship, and so far it is working out fine.

The new ships' minutes forms are okay, and they get a lot more action at meetings. Of course, they were a little hard to understand at first, but it looks like everyone aboard understands them now.

At our last meeting, the membership adopted a unanimous vote of thanks to all officials connected with the operation of the SIU Welfare Plan for the fine job they are doing on behalf of SIU men. The new family coverage under the Welfare Plan was something we were all hoping for and were very concerned about. It is a big step forward for all of us.

J. Hilda, Jr. Ship's reporter

Among Seafarers . . .

Seafarer Jack "Aussie" Shrimpton's account of the tribulations of hauling monkeys from India for Salk vaccine-which appeared in the May 13 issue of the SEAFARERS LOG-got nationwide newspaper coverage. Brother Shrimpton, the SS Steel Traveler and the SIU were the subject of a feature article in the May 28 Christian Science Monitor. . . .

Future students of maritime unions at Cornell University will have SIU scholarship student Ed Larkin to thank for the abundant SIU material on hand there. Brother Larkin this week donated his complete set of bound SEAFARERS LOGs to the school's library of Industrial and Labor Relations.

Ala. 'Right To Work' Repeal Drive Stalls

MOBILE—Repeal of Alabama's so-called "right-to-work" law stalled recently, as the repeal bill was finally diverted back to legislative committees for further study.

Hard opposition to repeal of the measure brought to bear rarily licked the repeal drive, alby industry and management though Gov. Jim Folsom has spokesmen appears to have tempo-

PERSONALS

Bill Branton

Please get in touch with Dick Clement, 435 48th Street, Brooklyn.

James Simmons

Get in touch with your brother. He is anxious to hear from you.

Audly C. Foster

It is urgent that you contact your wife. Write in care of Rita as mail has been lost.

Bernard Villinora

Contact A. Lemer at 1931 Urguhart Street, New Orleans, La.

Antonio J. Carrol

M. Latina would like to hear from you. Contact him at 111 College Street, Thomasville, North Carolina.

George J. Baka

Get in touch with Mrs. Anna Moncre at 761 North West Street, Lima, Ohio.

Harry C. Scott

An important letter is waiting for you at headquarters from Mrs. Luella Scott.

James Howsin ex-Robin Tuxford

Your baggage has been dropped off at the headquarters baggage room and the baggage check left in the headquarters mail room in your name.

Walter Hallett

Your family is worried because they have not heard from you. Contact your sister, Mildred G. Burns at 129 Forest Street, Wilmington, Mass.

> Roy C. Bru R. E. Jackson

Seafarer Duska Korolia requests that you get in touch with his attorney, Seymour W. Miller, 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, NY, in reference to Korolia's illness aboard the Golden City (Waterman).

Fred Frederiksen

Contact W. E. Waddle at home, Walkerville, Michigan, c/o general delivery.

John R. Jennings

Your aunt, Ella Johnson, named you as one of the legatees in her will, Contact McConnell, Lutkin, Van Hook and Paschen, 134 South La Salle Street, Chicago 3, Ill., for further details.

Richard P. Bowman

S.U.B. has your gear which was returned from Baltimore. Send your address if you want it.

Bill Ryan

Pete Villabol of the Robin Hood has left package for you in the pledged his efforts to get the unpopular law thrown out at a future date.

The labor scene nere generally quieted down considerably in past weeks, as two major strikes involving many thousands of local workers came to a halt.

Gov. Folsom is also trying to stir up some business at the Alabama State Docks, with a proposal to put these facilities under the management of an appointed director. At the present time, the docks are operated by a manager and a board of directors, none of whom are responsible to the Governor.

His plan calls for the appointment of one director, an assistant ment of one director, an assistant director and a 12-man board of trustees whose job it would be to see that the business of the State Docks is carried out properly. He Docks is carried out properly. He has promised to see to it that at least one member of the proposed board would be a labor man connected with the maritime indus-

Still attracting a lot of comment as some men coming into the hall learn about them for the first time, the new SIU welfare benefits for Seafarers' wives and children are really getting attention. The membership appears to be studying the SEAFARERS LOG supplement on these benefits very carefully, and some seem to know it almost by heart.

These benefits appear to be the most popular ones ever gained by the SIU, especially with the large family membership here.

Convention Maps War

(Continued from page 3) hood of Marine Engineers representation on the top body.

 Took steps to clarify jurisdictional questions arising in the Marine Firemen's Union.

Other action dealt with problems faced by fish and cannery affiliates of the international on both

The week-long convention, May 24-30, was attended by delegates from 45 SIU of NA affiliates in the US and Canada. At the conclusion of the convention delegates reelected Harry Lundeberg as president of the SIU of NA; John Hawk, secretary-treasurer; and elected the following vice-presidents: Paul Hall, first vice-president; and vice-presidents Andrea Gomez, Lester Caveny, Lester Balinger, Morris Weisberger, Ed headquarters baggage room. The Turner, Captain John Fox, Hal baggage receipt is in the mail Banks, Vincent J. Malone and Wilstandard bur Dickey.

La. Heating **Pre-Election Political Pot**

LAKE CHARLES-The political front is beginning to smoke a bit in this area as various candidates for state offices feel their way around in preparation for the big push in the fall.

New alliances are cropping up every day, according to Leroy Clarke, SIU port agent here, but the real fireworks are not expected to get underway at least for another two months.

Nothing Like It

There is nothing like a real hot Louisiana election, Clarke points out, as anyone who lives in the area will attest. Past campaigns look pale in comparison with each new one that comes up. Seafarers. have always been active in the election sparring, and the membership is keeping a close watch on all developments.

For Seafarers in the port, shipping held pretty well and ran almost exactly the same as the previous two-week period. Ships coming in were all in good shape and took a few men each to cut down the stock of SIU manpower

available here.

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time workers is unquestionably discriminatory.

"On the issue of the proposed Maritime Labor Stabilization Board, we are opposed to any such unjustified restriction on the free collective bargaining process. Moreover, there are a sufficient number of agencies designed to govern and, where necessary, assist in collective bargaining; to wit, the National Labor Relations Board and the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. In effect then, we feel very strongly that the proposed act would set up a bureaucracy for which there is no need, and, oddly enough, at a time when the philosophy in government is supposedly to eliminate such bureaucracies or nonessential, duplicating and overlapping agencies.

"I think you would be interested to know that the labor relations of this organization with its contracted companies is very good, if not excellent. The record will bear

out this point.

"Finally, I do not believe that the ills of the American Merchant Marine can be cured by the proposals in question. Attacks are being made to further weaken the American Merchant Marine in other quarters, including government, and apparently with considerable effectiveness. I refer specifically to the policy on transfers to runaway foreign flag registries, the fight on the 50-50 provision and the general lack of a positive program for building the American

"In view of our firm position as outlined here, I do not believe there would be any purpose in my attending the meeting.

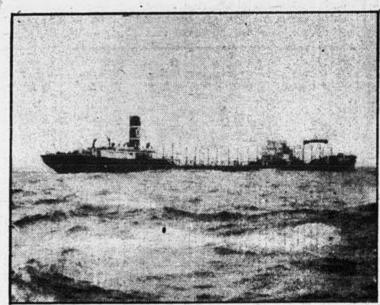
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PAUL HALL Secretary-Treasurer Seafarers Int'l Union Atlantic & Gulf District, AFL

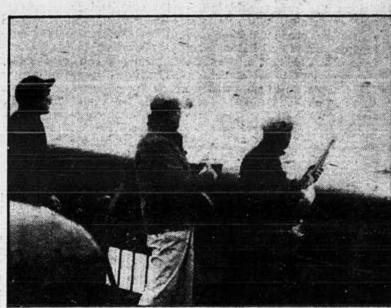
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Few would have placed a wager on the chances of the Steelore's survival when that SIU-manned ship was stricken by a Gulf Stream storm on January 14. The huge ore carrier had sprung a serious leak permitting tons of water to flood a ballast tank.

It looked like curtains for the 32-year-old ore wagon and both Coast Guard and merchant vessels hastened to the scene. But the Steelore crew did not give up. They plugged the leak as best they could and then spent five days pumping water while a salvage tug



Battered but still afloat on even keel, the Steelore rides low in the water as pumps fight flooding. Photo was taken from salvage tug.



Crewmembers of salvage tug Curb shoot lines to Steelore, not visible in photo. Rough weather during five days was constant threat.

"The Five-Day Fight to Save

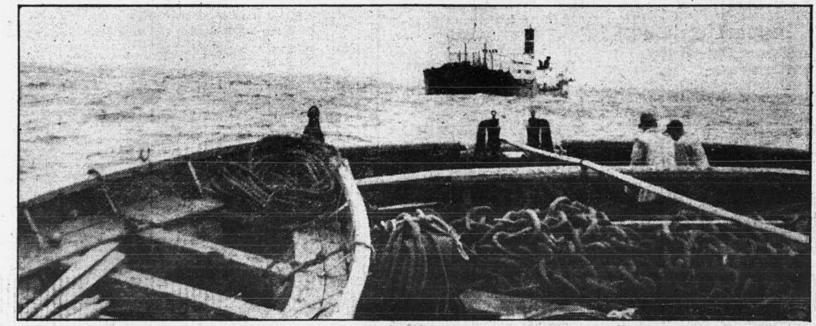
the Steelore



Several crewmembers were taken off onto tug when ship threatened to go under. Here Steelore lifeboat crew is shown coming back aboard.

hauled her at four knots to safe shelter. For their calm and efficient

work in the face of the emergency crewmembers were cited by the Steamship Trade Association of Baltimore. The citation praised their "splendid example of seamanship which exemplifies the excellent standards of American seamen."



View from stern of salvage tug Curb shows Steelore under tow. Heavily-laden 22,000-ton ship crept to safe harbor in Morehead City, North Carolina, at rate of four knots an hour. Sister ship, the Baltore, and Coast Guard cutter stood by as tow to port consumed over four days in stormy waters.



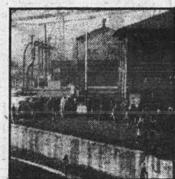
Heavy seas boil over low deck of ore ship as it plods to safety.



Seafarer Jacob Malenke relaxes aboard Curb after he and 18 shipmates rowed boat over in darkness. Rest of crew stayed aboard stricken ship. (All photos submitted by Malenke.)



Divers from salvage tug takes breather after checking dam-



Sparrows never looked better as ship finally got home.

Is your name on this list?

The 3,300-name list in this supplement, arranged alphabetically, is a complete roster of those SIU men who have filed an incomplete or faulty beneficiary card with the SIU Welfare Plan. Omissions or errors in one or more of the ten items on the card can possibly cause days or weeks of delay in collecting the \$3,500 death benefit at a time when the man's family, wife, child or other beneficiary will probably need it most.

Accordingly, every Seafarer is urged to check the list carefully to see whether his name appears. If it does not, he can rest assured that if he has filed a card his welfare records are in order, and that his beneficiary will have no foreseeable difficulty collecting the benefit when a claim is made.

Those whose names do appear on the list, however, must file new cards giving complete information in order to guarantee smooth payment of the \$3,500 benefit. The beneficiary card, a sample of which appears below, requires only the following information: Seafarer's name, address, Social Security number, Union book or permit number and signature; the name, and address and relationship to him of the person he wishes as his beneficiary (anyone may qualify), plus the signature of a witness and the date.

Special effort should be made to fill in the correct Social Security number and Union book or permit number, and to sign and date the card properly. These are the items where most of the trouble arises, and lack of correct information or an improper signature will delay matters when a claim is made.

Copies of the beneficiary card can be obtained at any-SIU hall or from the SIU Welfare Plan, II Broadway, New York 4, NY.

MADRIANT! SOCIAL SECURITY	SEAFARERS WELFARE PLAN 11 Broadway Suite 1060 New York 4, N. Y.	
NUMBER	(Please Print Full Name)	
4.50	Social Security No. (Address) designate	
	(Please Print Full Name)	
	(Address) who is my, to receive the (Relationship: Wife, Mother, Friend, etc.) benefits under the Seafarers Welfare Plan upon my death.	BE SURE !
YOUR BOOK OR PERMIT NUMBER	Witnessed Signed	
	Members Book or Permit No.	DATE SIGNED

Note: Most errors in Seafarers Welfare Plan beneficiary cards now on file involve the items noted above. Be sure you fill out the entire card, answering all questions.

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Protect Your \$3,500 Seafarers Death Benefit

Cameron, William R.

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