

# Atlantic-Gulf Ship Tieup Is Settled

## Unions Gain 5% Pay Boost, Other Points

### West Coast Peace Declared Likely

NEW YORK, June 19 (U. P.)—The four-day-old maritime sitdown strike was settled on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts today when negotiators for C. I. O. seamen accepted a 5 per cent wage increase.

Negotiations still were underway on the Pacific coast, but union spokesmen in New York said a pattern had been set for settlement.

Rank-and-file members of Atlantic and Gulf coast unions were to vote on ratifications of the new contract at 1 p. m. (Indianapolis time) today. Leaders said acceptance was certain.

A spokesman for the owners said they would accept the terms.

### Had Maids 200,000 Idle

The "no contract, no work" sitdown had tied up 700 U. S. ships and made idle 200,000 seamen.

Only 200 ships and 35,000 workers are involved on the West coast.

An embargo of rail freight shipments consigned to American ships was expected to end.

In addition to the wage boost, the settlement provides overtime pay for nine holidays annually to the National Maritime Union, the American Communications Association and the National Maritime Engineering Beneficial Association, all C. I. O. unions. All other current contract terms are extended a year, with the right to a wage review Dec. 15.

### Had Demanded 20 Per Cent

The N. M. U. had demanded a 20 per cent wage increase, a 40-hour work week to replace the 48-hour week, six-week paid vacations for all workers, and hiring of all ratings through union halls. The A. C. A. had sought a 15 per cent boost.

Still bargaining in San Francisco as the East coast settlement was announced by Assistant Secretary of Labor John W. Gibson, were the C. I. O. Marine Cooks and Stewards and West coast units of the A. C. A.

Joseph Curran, president of the N. M. U., said he hoped West coast operators would grant the gains secured in New York.

### Call New Farley

In San Francisco, however, Nathan P. Feinsinger, top labor department negotiator, said a West Coast settlement "would not necessarily" follow the Eastern pattern.

Mr. Feinsinger asked both the employers and the two unions to stand by for meetings today.



**HOCUS-POCUS**—Charles Koontz, member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, shows a card trick to Miss Peggy Hartman, Pittsburgh. Miss Hartman was named "Miss Magic of 1947" by the brotherhood at the group's annual convention in Pittsburgh.

## Democrats Meet To Plan Campaign

### Local Speech Winners To Compete in Chicago

Three winners of the Indiana speakers contest held recently at the Salvation Army central hall will compete with representatives of 11 states in Chicago Saturday.

They are Jack Mathews and William Dean, Ft. Wayne, and Robert Lester, Anderson. Mrs. T. Ray Gabrielsen, wife of Maj. Gabrielson, of Indiana state office, will accompany the youths.

### New Castle Jaycees Elect Daniel Handen

NEW CASTLE, Ind., June 19.—Daniel Handen has been elected president of the New Castle Junior Chamber of Commerce for the coming year, succeeding Pierre Long.

Other officers named are

Byron Miller, first vice president; William Bailey, second vice president; James Edwards, secretary; Mitchell Cassidy, treasurer.

## Judge Hits High Pressure Selling Tactics

### 2 Women Sentenced For Mail Fraud

Federal Judge Robert C. Baltzell today censured mail order firms for "high pressure" selling tactics.

His comment was made during the trial of two southern Indiana farm women, who both were sentenced to one day in jail on charge of mail fraud.

The defendants, Mrs. Ida Brock, 45, and her daughter, Mrs. Geneva Dean, 24, both of R. R. 1, Medora, admitted ordering several thousand dollars worth of furniture and clothing from Sears, Roebuck Co., Spiegel Co. and Montgomery Ward & Co.

### No Payment Made

Payment for the credit purchases was not made, testimony showed.

"Some of the blame for this rests on mail order houses," declared Judge Baltzell. "The firms make no investigation in their desire to sell merchandise."

Mrs. Brock testified that she was invited to order additional goods after her indictment on the mail fraud charge.

Mrs. Brock, mother of nine children, and Mrs. Dean, mother of four children, both said the merchandise was ordered because the children needed clothing and the farm home where the families lived needed furnishings.

### Extortion Note "Gag"

In other cases heard yesterday, a Fayette county high school honor graduate was given a one-day sentence for writing an extortion note as a "gag."

The 18-year-old youth who wrote the extortion letter was humor editor of his high school newspaper in 1945, when he and a number of classmates pondered over what to do as a joke.

Someone suggested writing the extortion letter. After some discussion, the "A" pupil wrote the letter and mailed it to Ray L. Lamberson, Connerville industrialist, FBI agent learned.

### Placed On Probation

The businessman was ordered to leave \$500 by a tree. Otherwise, the letter said, his wife would be harmed.

Brought into federal court a year and a half ago, the youth was placed on probation. He made good, probation officers told Judge Baltzell yesterday.

A 16-year-old Manual high school girl, admitted taking money from a postal sub-station in a drug store at 1928 S. Meridian st. while employed there from December, 1945, to May, 1946.

Arrested by postal authorities last



**SCOUNCE OF FINNY TRIBE**—Summertime means only one thing to this modern Tom Sawyer, 4-year-old Lynn Morrow of Peoria, Ill. And that's fishin'. Here he fares forth in a stream near his home with his homemade pole, all set for a few idle hours of his favorite pastime.

August, the girl recalled taking \$200 on a charge of juvenile delinquency in funds, but denied that she had taken the \$60.34 charged by the government.

Federal investigators could find no evidence that she had spent the money on large items. Her father, a workman in modest circumstances, borrowed money to repay the full amount.

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