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# WELCOME! TO THE 34th ANNUAL PACIFIC COAST PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

We meet a few months after the one-hundredth-birthday anniversary of Harry Bridges. We salute him as one of the greatest labor leaders in American history. He led labor and our people to a way out of the Great Depression by revitalizing U.S. trade unionism with the union organization of West Coast longshore workers. That led to the first wage increase anywhere in the country since the beginning of the depression. It set in motion the increase in wages and purchasing power that began lifting us out of the depression. Little credit has been given the Old Timers of the ILWU for that contribution to U.S. welfare.

As most of us know, Harry Bridges led us in those struggles as a radical. From the '34 strike on through contract enforcement struggles to '48, with the full support of the membership, he forced the Pacific Maritime Association to recognize the ILWU and its rights under the Pacific Coast Labor Relations Contract. He, and the ILWU membership established the rule of democracy in the industry as practiced in the union.

and the U.S. Congress as a "communist." Some twelve different attempts by the courts and Congress to imprison or deport him on that charge were tried. Answering the charge Harry said: "I am not a socialist or a communist. I am anti-capitalist." He was anti-capitalist because, he said, it was an unfair and undemocratic system that exploited workers for the profit of industry. He was in favor of doing away with capitalism; but said it would have to be done by the American people through the democratic electoral process. But there is more. Harry also predicted the rise of the anti-capitalist struggles now taking place throughout the world in the anti-WTO, IMF,

NAFTA, AFTA, World Bank, etc. He said in 1986,

speaking in the Reagan anti-labor era:

Harry Bridges was reviled by the employers, media

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#### WHITHER THE ECONOMY?

Or, is the economy withering?

We have economists on all sides of the question; from those who say we're only in a slump, such as the popular TV economist Louis Rukyser, to the renowned international economist, Lakshman Achupham, who says we are in a worldwide recession. You can take your choice, which depends on whether you are part of the new unemployed (recession) or have a secure financial position. So far, waterfront workers are relatively well off. We hope it stays that way. But, security being absent from capitalist economies, there is reason to watch our cards. International trade suffers from international financial ups and downs, maybe later on, but inevitably.

Of course, capitalist economic cycles are nothing new. We've had many since the beginning of the industrial revolution and capitalism beginning in the late 17th century. The historic '29 crash is a classic example of what an international depression can mean in terms of human suffering.

What is not dealt with generally is the true meaning of the Japanese recession. It has been going on for ten years following the Japanese economic miracle of the '80s. At that time some observers predicted that Japan would surpass the United States economy. Such pipe dreams result from the same exuberant optimism Alan Greenspan accused stock investors of being in the '90s. Nor do they mention that Japan has reduced its interest rate to less than one percent and still shows little sign of recovery; just as the Fed's reductions have failed to stall U.S. slide into recession.

The European economy is slowing to the point of negative growth. For the first time since WWII, Germany, the powerhouse of European economy is showing negative growth. France Italy are following suit. The ingredients of a worldwide recession are in place. The only exception to recession is the Chinese economy, which continues to post 8 percent annual growth. While tending toward capitalism, China hasn't reached the stage of capitalist boom and bust.

The capitalist rule is cycle up and cycle down. In the up cycle the poor benefit the least, if any. In the down cycle the poor suffer the most.

What will it be like as we continue on the Ferris wheel ride?

The RUSTY HOOK editors are not prophets, but certain indications point to prolonged reductions in living standards on a world scale. Low wage service jobs are replacing high wage

manufacturing jobs. Most economists now agree the manufacturing sector; the heavy actor in the US economy is in recession. The people cut off welfare by the five-year limit have no recourse except private charity that is already strained beyond capacity.

So, you can take your choice. What it comes to is lowering living standards to slump level, recession level, or, perish the thought, depression level. The recovery from the present economic uneasiness will come sometime, this year, next year, sometime according to which economist you listen to. Some will even say the recovery will be stow and will never again see the exuberant stock market of the '90s.

You pays your money and takes your choice. An apt addition to the above is a quote from Sean Penn appearing in the Seattle P. I., 8/25/01: SEAN PENN praised anti-globalization protesters and slammed the quality of Hollywood filmmaking in scathing comments before a film festival screening of his new movie, "The Pledge". He dismissed President Bush as a "nowhere man" on Thursday and lauded protesters at a recent global meeting for caring about something beyond themselves. "There's a lot of stuff going on around the world and in the US as well, like the protests in Genoa and Seattle, and young people are putting themselves on the line," Penn told reporters at the Edinburgh International Film festival, referring to demonstrations at this summer's G8

the 1999 World Trade Organization conference in Seattle.

meeting in Italy and

I don't know if people value the thought of revolution any more.... I think it would be an enormously patriotic movement to invest in the possibility of revolution." Amen.



#### PENSION DISCRIMINATION

WHEREAS: The five tier pension program in the ILWU-PMA contract discriminates against many OLD TIMERS in pension rates because of the following reasons:

- 1. The early on 65 years of age mandatory retirement arbitrarily excluded pensioners from later contract agreements providing higher pensions based on length of service.
- 2. A further example of discrimination in treatment of OLD TIMERS is the provision of a \$1.00 an hour, depending on how many hours you work (up to 2000 hours per year) PMA funded IRA account for all registered members, further enlarging their pension potential, while again disregarding legitimate older pension needs.
- 3. The rising cost of living does not discriminate regardless of age; and this is particularly unfair to pensioners.
- 4. Such examples of discrimination against pre- 25 year limit pensioners are against all the principles of fairness and equity which has been a key ILWU principle since its beginning.

  AN INJURY TO ONE IS AN INJURY TO ALL applies to our old-time pensioners as well.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That this PCPA convention go on record calling for renegotiation of the ILWU-PMA pension plan to bring it into conformity with a no discrimination based on age policy which, after all, is also the law of the land.



## WHAT DOES A PRIVATIZED PORT OF SEATTLE LOOK LIKE? By Tyree Scott

Who benefits? And Should a decision as monumental as this be taken without input from the public? Perhaps not all the citizens of King County oppose the privatizing of public property, but we all have the right to know that this is happening and why it is or is not in our best interest, before decisions are made that will impact the quality of life for working people in this - *our* - community.

The Port of Seattle Commission, without taking up public debate, has on its agenda just such a plan. The process is being implemented in steps that have already resulted in the complete turnover of more than one-half billion dollars of taxpayers' property to private companies and the process is continuing. Under the cover of contract negotiations the Port's top managers are passing into private hands the management and maintenance of the container cranes. The result of this decision will be the loss of many family-wage jobs.

The senior managers, using some new organizational models, are re-organizing the Port into separate private businesses with the aim of pitting us against one another to break our unions.

First they go through the motions of negotiating directly with labor and industry representatives. They offer a package that takes back our gains in wages, benefits, job safety and job security. When this piss-poor offer is rejected, they re-open the negotiations, this time with the threat that if we don't cave in to their demands, then they will privatize; they will go out of business rather than respect our demand to at least not have our working situation deteriorate. If this fails, they go through with their threat and turn over the Port operations to a private business, which now has the opportunity to feast at the public trough of the Port.

Keep in mind that this public trough belongs to us, though the Port Commissioners and the senior managers think and act otherwise. They say they have a right to privatize, to go out of business. If we were to go to court we would not win the right to maintain our way of life, even though the wealth of the Port is built on our backs and belongs to the community. While we continue to run things smoothly at the point of production at the Port, these managers and business leaders

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We welcome a new correspondent -

#### PHILLIP MORRIS SEES THE LIGHT

By Wayne Gritting

After decades of sticking their heads in the sand about the hazards of tobacco, Philip Morris has found a new tactic - promoting the benefits to society of premature deaths from smoking. A study produced for them by Arthur D. Little, "one of the foremost consulting firms", found that early deaths from smoking has "positive effects" for society that more than counteract the medical costs of treating smoking induced cancer, etc.

This path-breaking research was limited to smoking in

Czechoslovakia, It found that in 1999, despite health care costs for dying smokers, the government still had a net gain of \$147.1 million from smoking. From these figures, the American Legacy Foundation calculated the Czech government saved \$1,227 per dead smoker. That's a pretty good return, as Philip Morris informed government leaders of the Czech Republic. Philip Morris has come in for a flood of criticism and has publicly apologized for the conclusions, . . . Who would think to look at the effect of smoking deaths on unemployment? These authors did, and they found that "replacing those who die early ... leads to savings in social benefits paid to the unemployed and in costs in retraining." A wonderful gift to society by

But it gets even better. The researchers, with obvious relish, note that when a smoker dies prematurely, the savings for the state for that year "is only one part of the positive effect." There's more to come. You need to look at all the other years the smoker would have lived had she or he not smoked, because we are told, "the savings will therefore influence the public balance of smoking in future years(!)" It's a gift that keeps on giving . . . Alabama Attorney General Bill Pryor found that "smoking-related health costs are not excessive, because smokers die young," . . . The Alabama study apparently was just the tip of the iceberg, because it pointed to even more studies that "show taxpayers actually save money in costs for nursing homes, insurance, pensions, and Social Security

benefits because smokers die young.

The Philip Morris study is no isolated travesty of reason. The language of the study, with all its "objectivity," "quantification," "demographic data," and "statistical analysis," would be at home in any university or corporation. ... It's the same brand of impersonal, machine-like reasoning. This is our culture speaking.

## SPECIAL NOTICE FOR GROUP HEALTH MEMBERS

All Group Health ILWU members are hereby notified that any and all charges for "over the counter drugs" are no longer allowed.

For several months Seattle Group Health has been charging ILWU patients for those drugs in violation of our contractual agreement with the PMA that covers all health care costs for all members. Due to action by the Seattle Pensioners Club in protest, Group Health backed off and notified all Group Health offices to discontinue all charges for "over the counter" drugs.

In addition, if you have paid for such prescriptions and have receipts Group Health will reimburse you in full.

This stands as an example of rank and file action to enforce the rights of membership for which our union is famous.



smokers.

We are pleased to present a very interesting communication from CAE PITHAROULIS, Athens, Greece:

#### PEOPLE ARE VALUABLE

The Haves were having trouble with the Have-Nots. Really big trouble this time; the Really Big Haves were sore at the really down-and-out Have-Nots over really big dough. So they called the Dogs of War. Since this was a really important case, the Biggest Dog of War himself came. He listened, returned to his domain, called the Really Big Dog Enforcer and told him: "There's some piss-poor Have-Nots down in the lower hemisphere. Owe forty billion dollars. Want to squelch. Go collect.

The Really Big Dog Enforcer went, returned empty-handed. He approached the Really Big Dog of War, his tail between his legs.

"They have nothing to give!"

"Who said, 'give'?..... Take!"

"They have nothing to take."

The Really Big Dog of War barked, "Take their houses - take their carts. Take their donkeys."
"We took those last time."

"Take their water from their wells and cisterns."
"Undrinkable. Too dirty even to wash with."
Now the Really Big Dog of War was screaming.
"Take the air they breathe, doggone it!"

"It's the most polluted in the world. Won't do for our dog noses. I tell you. They have nothing. They are worth nothing. Let me enforce. Kill them all. Let them rot in the sun."

The Really Big Dog of War looked at his minion in disdain. "Dummox. You'll never go higher than Enforcer. Use your head, Dog. Have they not organs for transplants for the Really Big Haves? Have they not flesh and bone we can chop into pet food for the Really Great? Won't there be leftovers to be ground into chicken feed for the Greats?

"Kill them and let them rot in the sun.
You dumb hound, PEOPLE ARE VALUABLE!"
Note: For correspondence, Cae Pitharoulis address is,

126A Laskaridou St. Athens 17675, Greece.

Thanks for the great story CAE. We really appreciate it. We welcome your contributions to the RUSTY HOOK. Keep sending them in.

#### **AUDACITY ON TRIAL**

by JoAnn Wypijewski – The Nation, Aug. 6 Charleston, South Carolina

They give "ghost tours" of the Historic District in the evening, as if ghosts weren't present enough without conjury in this too-charming city: the ghosts of planters who stepped from porches of the grand mansions along the Battery within sight of Fort Sumter, headed for the auction house on Chalmers Street, there to appraise human backs and forearms and hips; the ghosts of Africans thus measured, put up for bid; of the ships that brought more captive Africans to this port than to any other American city, and of the black dockers, freemen and slaves, who loaded up the rice and cotton that the new arrivals would soon toil to produce; the ghost-vestiges of extraordinary violence, dressed up as heritage and gracious living--the South in inverted commas, which favored almost no one who lived in it, including the poor and landless whites who died for it under a battle flag that Charleston is too polite to fly but that figures, nevertheless, in our story.

This past June 9 the flag of the Confederacy hung lifeless in the afternoon heat in front of the state Capitol in Columbia. A year ago it was demoted from its place atop the Statehouse dome, and on this day the air around it vibrated with the shouts of people demonstrating in support of a labor union,

International Longshoremen's Association Local 1422, that had been instrumental in organizing the protests that brought the flag down. At the height of the antiflag campaign last year, 46,000 people had marched on Columbia.

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This was a smaller crowd, about 5,000, but an old-timer told me he had never in seventy-five years seen so many people turn out for a union in South Carolina. They came because the state is gunning for this union of black dockworkers from Charleston who weren't polite about the flag and weren't docile when a shipping company whose vessels they'd worked for twenty-three years decided to use scab labor. Their troubles with the state began on January 19, 2000, two days after the historic march against the flag. A ship from the Danish Nordana Shipping Lines pulled into the Port of Charleston. Nineteen scabs were mustered to unload it. On three of Nordana's prior visits the union had picketed without police interference. This time 600 battle-dressed troops from throughout the state surrounded the dock, decamped outside Local 1422's hall, patrolled the waters by boat, flew overhead in helicopters, mobilized armored vehicles and horse units, armed themselves with rubber bullets and "bean bags" full of buckshot, beat their batons against their riot shields and waited, waited in the rain for something to happen. After midnight something did, and now five longshoremen--four black and one white, four from Local 1422 and one from the smaller checkers' and clerks' union. ILA Local 1771-are under house arrest awaiting trial this summer on felony riot and other charges that could send them to prison for five to ten years.

They are the Charleston Five, Kenneth Jefferson, Elijah Ford, Peter Washington Jr., Ricky Simmons and Jason Edgerton. But the chant that rang in Columbia on June 9 was "We are the Charleston Five!" because the outcome of this case will not be felt by those five men alone.

The only thing stronger than racism in South Carolina is the hatred of unions and the attendant fear that workers might choose class solidarity over skin and challenge the setup that depends on keeping most of them poor, weak and divided. South Carolina is hardly the only state where this is so, but with some of the lowest wages and the second-lowest rate of unionization in the country, it is among the worst. The white Attorney General, Charlie Condon, openly links his prosecution of the Five with preservation of South Carolina's anti-union "right to work" laws, and it is not

happenstance that he has chosen to make an example of the state's best-organized, highest-wage workers, of powerful black workers and white race traitors. Nor is it irrelevant that Local 1422 has supported progressive candidates in local and statewide elections, that it has lent its hall to such candidates and causes, and that Condon--an ambitious Democrat turned right-wing Republican--plans to run for governor. But there's more. Nordana's switch to a nonunion stevedoring company that paid men \$8 an hour without benefits for work that brings a unionist \$16.50-\$25 an hour with benefits was the first time in America that a major line used scab labor to load and unload container ships, the mainstay of longshore life. Charleston's dockers didn't just defy the police; they won their work back. Now they're organizing those former scabs into the union. Men pay for such audacity, especially black men, especially when they win. Ken Riley, the president of Local 1422, remembers driving along East Bay Street toward the union hall on the afternoon of January 19 and being awed by the gathering army. Outside the Ports Authority's office next to 1422's hall, riot police were practicing maneuvers, lunging in formation with shields raised, batons up. "My Lord," Riley thought, "what are they preparing for?" After conferring with the presidents of Locals 1771 and 1422-A (port mechanics), he outlined the unions' strategy to workers assembled in the hall: They would do nothing. But because the grand strategy was to drive up the costs of working nonunion, they wouldn't go home either. Continued on pg. 7

#### Lifetime Memberships

A single payment according to the following schedule.

Age 55 - 60 \$115.00

Age 60 - 70 \$ 95.00

Age 70 - 90 \$ 85.00

#### Special message to all lifetime members.

Lifetime membership does not include the assessment for the PCPA Convention to be held in Seattle in 2001.

The assessment is \$3.00 per year for 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001.

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They'd keep the police out there all night, costing the city, the state, the port and Nordana so much money that those forces would be hard-pressed to claim victory.

Throughout the evening members of all three unions-the blacks who load the ships and have since slave times, the whites who do the paperwork and have since slave times, and the blacks and whites who work as mechanics--passed through 1422's doors. At about 11:30 pm, guys coming into the hall were saying police at roadblocks had harassed them. A discussion followed. The show of force was meant to provoke but also to intimidate; the workers didn't want to fall into the trap, but they didn't want to be bullied either. These days, some union supporters say this is a case about democracy, but the talk that night was about respect, about not being ground down. "I Am a Man" read the famous sign carried by striking garbage workers in Memphis, 1968, and it was that statement the dockers wanted to make by going out to face the police line in Charleston. Riley watched as they funneled out of the hall. He says there were 130 to 140 workers; rank-and-file participants say there were no more than 200; the media's count has swung wildly, from 600 to 400 to 300.

Free the Charleston Five!

## ILWU PCPA 34th ANNUAL CONVENTION WELCOME BARBECUE

A.P.L. C.F.S. Terminal 5 Seattle Sunday Sept, 16 at 4:30 pm.

The Puget Sound Area is hosting the convention this year in Seattle at the Best western Executive Inn. We are planning a welcome barbecue for everyone to celebrate the opening of our PCPA Convention.

All ILWU Longshore and Marine Locals,
Foremen, Clerks, Pensioner Clubs, and
Terminal Operators are invited to welcome all of the
Pensioners from Washington, Oregon, California, and
Canada to the Puget Sound area convention

For more information call 206-343-0504

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"But when a situation comes along on some issue, and I don't know what it will be, but the issue will come along and the labor movement will unite overnight, just as we did in 1934 maritime strike in San Francisco. I'm not dreaming. I'm speaking from experience — what I've gone through. What I've seen happen is going to happen again. The labor movement is going to come back. It's going to fight like hell."

Welcome to the future. Fellow delegates!

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are figuring out how to drive down our living conditions. They do this supposedly to stay competitive with other businesses that have already managed to intensify their exploitation of other workers around the world. If we allow this process to continue and participate in it on their terms, we will become contestants in a race to the bottom.

"Divide and conquer" is the age-old tactic employed by these managers and business leaders to achieve their desired results. Trade unions will be pitted against each other when they will be asked to assume these jobs vacated by the Port. Our only possibility for victory is our ability to stay together. We must be willing to take our fight to the public to demand that our right to maintain our family-wage jobs be upheld. Further, we must demand that the taxpayers, the citizens of our community, get the surplus revenues generated by our Port facilities. Port profits should not go to private businesses that are in incestuous relationships with the managers and Commissioners with the Port of Seattle. The issue of contracting out the maintenance of the container cranes looks like a labor dispute, but the real issue is the privatization of public property, or welfare for the rich.

### Final Dispatch

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#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

From GUS RYSTAD, Hailey, ID.

"To the editors of THE HOOK:"

You sure can write. Perhaps you don't like to be known as intellectuals, but that's what you are.

And you are plenty brainy.

But where do you think we are now, and where do you think we are going? Utopia which probably a majority of the population still believes in is a none entity. And the statement the ILWU President made at the Peace Arch is on a par with it.

Capitalism is based on the struggle against and exploitation of labor. What labor gets is the lowest price possible for what it produces. The rest is taken by the capitalists for the use of their productive plant and equipment." [ and profit, GUS ]

As for Roosevelt, I believe he played as important a role in the second World War, and the period just prior to it, as Abe Lincoln did during the American Civil War from 1860 to 1865.

But of course, Roosevelt was no more a <u>socialist</u> than Stalin a <u>communist</u>.

Respectfully,

**GUS RYSTSAD."** 

Well, thank you GUS for your fine letter and donation of \$30.00, as well as your compliment to our" intellectuals." We hope our intellectualism is devoted to the cause of unionism and a world better than one of wide spread poverty, disease, war and exploitation.

From W.P. LEWIS, Shoreline, WA.

"Knowing you will use it for a good cause" (\$250.00). "Keep up the good work.

W.P. BILL LEWIS."

Thanks, loads, BILL. With your kind of help we will surely keep up the good work.

From SYLVIA JACOBSON, Seattle, WA..

"Pacific Coast Pensioners Association" I appreciate so much all the wonderful benefits I receive as the widow of RAY W. JACOBSON. Please use this check for \$100.00 wherever you think best.

Sincerely,

SYLVIA S. JACOBSON."

You bet we will use your generous check for good union purposes, SYLVIA.

From TED HANSEN, Seattle, WA. "Dear Rudy: I note the industry will soon be considering the next contract. I am concerned that the retired members under the old 25 year contract, but with more than 35 years service in the industry should be given special consideration for service beyond twenty-five years. I request this be considered by our body and then passed on.

Fraternally,

TED HANSEN."

TED, we took action on that issue at our Club meeting two months ago in a resolution calling for renegotiating terms of retirement pensions as stated in your letter. It was forwarded to local 19 for their concurrence. We are sure it will get favorable action and be forwarded to the coming contract caucus. A copy of the resolution is included in this issue of the RUSTY HOOK.

From GEORGIA M. HENSLEE, Seattle, WA. "Enclosed is my check for \$100.00 in memory of my husband, CLARENCE HENSLEE - local 19. Please use the money any way you wish. I very much enjoy the RUSTY HOOK.

Thank you,

GEORGIA M. HENSLEE."

Well, thank you GEORGIA. Your generosity is noteworthy. We will use your donation to the benefit of all unionism.

From FRED REDMAN, Snohomish, WA. "Hi, Guys,

Just a few lines to you let know I really enjoy reading the HOOK and look forward to it.

Put this \$50.00 where it will do the most good.

You're doing a great job, keep it up.

You really know when you are getting old and have been gone a long time when you don't know any of the names in the final dispatch.

God bless all.

FRED REDMAN, 56640 - Ret."

We appreciate the fifty, FRED and especially the interesting note. Thanks.

From LES N. WILSON, Puyallup, WA. A \$25.00 message to the RUSTY HOOK

- the kind of message that helps.

Thanks LEN for what counts most.

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#### CORRESPONDENCE

From LOUIE CASTILLO, Miami, FL.

(much censored.) "Brothers: Just returned from Costa Rica where I spent three weeks trying to forget the Cubans of Miami. During my stay in San Jose, took place the meeting of the American State O.A.S.

(Organization of American States). "All the Foreign Secretaries of the countries were present, only Colin Powell was not there...

During my stay in San Jose some American friends gave me the picture of Bush and the monkeys, so I am sending it to you.

Well friends this is all for now, keep punching and like always, your friend and brother.

LOUIE."

Thank you for your chatty letter, LOUIE, We hope you don't take offense at the censorship. Some of your words were unprintable in the RUSTY HOOK.

#### From ROBERT McELLRATH,

ILWU International Vice President, San Francisco, CA. "Dear Brother Martinez,

I traveled to Australia this past April to attend contract caucus for the upcoming Patrick's negotiations for the Maritime Union of Australia (M.U.A.). We were well received. The ILWU received many thanks for its support. I visited as many ports as I could in the time available. I also had the opportunity to attend John Coombs retirement celebration

In my travels I meet a lot of retirees and one gave me his address. I thought if the pensioners from the areas could send fliers like the "The Old Timer" it would be another way for us to strengthen our solidarity and support. I hope everyone is doing well.

Fraternally,

ROBERT Mc ELLRATH"

We have put the address you sent us on our mailing list and TONY ADCOCK will receive the September PCPA convention issue. We appreciate your suggestion

From JERRY TYLER, Everett, WA. "\$100.00 contribution to convention." Thanks, again, JERRY.

He always comes through for a good cause even while going through personal health problems.

From ROBERT CASO, Port Angeles, WA. Thanks, ROBERT, \$25.00 for a worthy cause.

From JOHN FISHER, Seattle, WA., #56718. No message but a donation of \$60.00 - a good message for the RUSTY HOOK. Thanks to you JOHN, our message will continue to serve the Club.

From Seattle office, PACIFIC MARITIME ASSOCIATION, Seattle, WA. PAUL McCABE:

Many thanks for the information on your upcoming convention - and for a copy of the RUSTY HOOK. I passed it on to CRAIG JOHNSON, who enjoyed catching up on the doings of many of the retirees he knows, or knows about. He was pretty enthusiastic about the newsletter and suggested we send the ILWU Pension Club the enclosed contribution. (\$100.00)

We hope it will serve as a subscription to the RUSTY HOOK and also provide a little support for your on-going programs.

Keep us posted on your activities,

Best regards, BOB FORMAN.

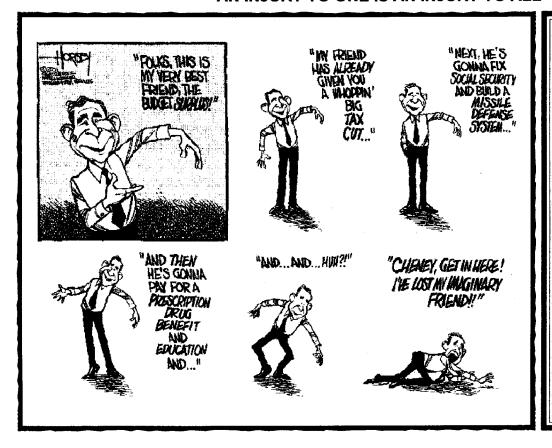
What has become of the old adversarial relationship between the union and the employer?

Whatever, we might quote from the bard that:

"Sweet are the uses of adversity which, ugly and venomous as a toad wears yet a jewel in its crown." Make of that what you will.

Anyway, a sincere thanks for the bucks.

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