

PASSING THE TORCH



NINETEEN THIRTY-FOUR

Beginning on May 9, 1934, longshoremen walked out and shut down every port on the Pacific Coast. Their demands were simple: a dollar an hour, a dollar and a half overtime, a six hour day, and the worker-controlled hiring hall, all covered under a single coastwide contract. The employers and their police violently resisted, killing six strikers in the course of the 83 day strike. The most dramatic killings took place on July 5, a day we remember as Bloody Thursday. The deaths of Howard Sperry and Nick Bordoise galvanized an entire city, resulting in the historic San Francisco General Strike and a victory for the longshoremen. Join us as we tell the story of '34 and the birth of the ILWU. All are welcome. Lunch provided.

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ILWU LOCAL 23 HIRING HALL

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