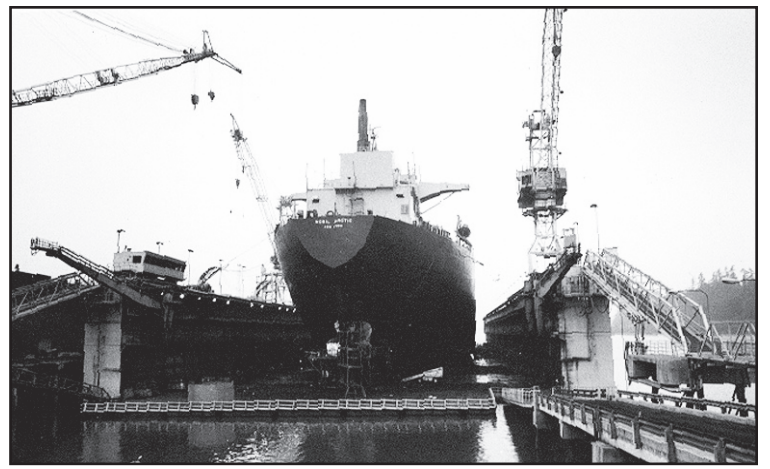




A 1980 strike by Multnomah County Employees Local 88 lasted 38 days.



CWA members picket Pacific Northwest Bell in August 1983 as part of nationwide strike at Ma Bell.



Organized labor—with the Oregon Labor Press leading the campaign—was credited by Gov. Bob Straub for saving taxpayers millions of dollars on construction of the new floating drydock at the Portland Ship Repair Yard. The Port's drydock bid "was influenced by labor pounding on the door and saying the bid better be under \$20 million," Straub said.

1973: Proposals of Governor's Task Force on Collective Bargaining adopted to provide bargaining structure for public employees. Employment discrimination against handicapped banned. Dean Killion elected president of Oregon AFL-CIO. Long lines form at gas stations during oil embargo. Labor Council for Latin American Advancement founded. 1974: Machinists District 24 organized by seven Oregon and Southwest Washington locals.

Second building proposed for land occupied by Portland Labor Center. Coalition of Labor Union Women founded. 1975: Recession starts. Building trades discuss state lottery as possible source of revenue to offset rising property taxes. Building trades incensed by Portland Mayor Neil Goldschmidt's decision not to build Mt. Hood Freeway on Portland's east side. Robert G. Kennedy elected president of Oregon AFL-CIO. 1976: Attorney

general's office asked by Gov. Straub to investigate financial affairs of bankrupt Portland Labor Center. Mini-park on Swan Island named for the late Henry McCarthy, former executive secretary of Portland Metal Trades Council. Oregon AFSCME Council 75 doubles its membership. Labor works for passage of \$84 million bond issue for construction of 982-foot drydock for Port of Portland's Swan Island ship repair facility. 1977: Report

by Attorney General Jim Redden on financial difficulties suffered by Portland Labor Center says that bookkeeping by the operating firm—Great Western Mortgage—from 1973 to 1975 was "non-existent," but there are no recommendations for criminal prosecutions. Vietnamese immigrants back organization by Machinists of Colton battery plant. Strikes hit Safeway, Fred Meyer, Greyhound and Boeing. Legislature establishes Labor Education

and Research Center (LERC) at University of Oregon; creates Oregon Employment Relations Board (ERB) to replace Public Employees Relations Board, and forms Metropolitan Service District. Pacific Northwest Labor College established in Portland. 1978: Portland Labor Center sold. Mary Wendy Roberts, state senator from east Portland and a former member of AFSCME, is elected Oregon labor commissioner. Sue Pisha, first

Machinists Union Racing was a CART Indy Car team owned by the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers from 1981 to 1990. All team members were card-carrying members of the IAM. The team competed in the G.I. Joe's/Budweiser Portland 200 at PIR in 1987.



Screen Actors Guild president Ed Asner walks 1986 Plaid Pantry picket line in Salem with members of UFCW Local 555.



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