Harry Bridges works at Powell's Books. He keeps an eye out for fellow workers. At least, that’s what they say. The story, repeated by many members of International Longshore and Warehouse Union Locals, goes something like this: Every once in a while, over the store intercom, comes a page for Harry Bridges. "Harry Bridges to manager Block's office." "Harry Bridges to the loading dock." It's a pretty good intercom system, so everyone can hear it. These union folks who work at Powell's—clerks, book sellers, loaders, tech prods, and book buyers—they know, together, a little about everything: cooking, fly fishing, Japanese poetry, and labor history. They know about Harry Bridges. People know Bridges has been dead for years. But they know his reputation—fierce ILWU fighter who led the 1934 longshore strike that established the union. Part of joining ILWU means learning a little about their union and learning what Harry Bridges stands for: members know that if he's going to check out the loading dock, they should too. When they get there (and it's usually 30 or 40 people who show up), they find one of their co-workers in a little difficulty with the boss. A disagreement, an argument, a confrontation. Before they show up, maybe that coworker is in a little trouble. Maybe the boss is taking a hard line, getting ready to make an example, thinking about tossing a troublemaker out the door. That's why Harry Bridges gets the call. So 30 or 40 people show up, and the manager backs down. Happens every time. With one or two people there, the boss can do what he likes. But with 30 or 40 people, as Arlo Guthrie once pointed out, you got yourself a movement.

Nobody's ever seen Harry Bridges at Powell's. They just know he's there, watching to make sure nobody gets picked on, or picked off.

Counting the ways to bridge the gulf (by Jill James). As more carriers open up more routes, travelling to and around the Middle East has never been easier. Edmond Moutran, the 63-year-old Chairman and Chief Executive of Memac Ogilvy & Mather, the multinational advertising and communications company, should know. The Lebanese executive reckons he spends 60% of his working week in the air. 'I spend 200 days in Beirut, 40 days in Dubai, 40 days in Bahrain and 25 in the UK. I also spend one week in each of Cairo, Jordan, Jeddah, Riyadh, Kuwait, Tunis and Algeria. Powell also said in his annual remarks at the central bank's Jackson Hole symposium that the "economy is close to both goals" of the Fed's dual mandate of full employment and price stability. "Our challenge now is to do what monetary policy can do to sustain the expansion so that the benefits of the strong jobs market extend to more of those still left behind, and so that inflation is centered firmly around 2 percent." "We can, however, try to look through what may be passing events, focus on how trade developments are affecting the outlook, and adjust policy to promote our objectives." He did say the Fed is looking at ways to address developments in a landscape that has changed significantly since the expansion began a decade ago. Harry's World. First person account of a department store caretaker's final day before retirement. Steve Atkinson. Peaceful then. The rising pitch of the kettle is whistle joined with the faint hiss from the little blue camping stove. Twenty years old, that stove, found the receipt in a drawer just the other day - a bargain at four pounds fifty - but it always pays to hang onto the receipts. The first cup of tea is the best, early on. Little chance of any interruptions then. Steam rising from the teapot, fresh tell from the smell when it's ready. You can do that with tea. Never quite the same, rest of the day, even at the end when they've all gone home - no, never quite the same somehow. After tea, and