



"When the Union's inspiration thro' the workers blood shall run there will be no power greater under California's sun."

Jailing of boycott pickets hit as illegal

Safeway manager directs cops

May charge store with false arrest

LOS ANGELES, California -- Ofelia Gonzales, owner of Gonzales' Market in East Los Angeles, faces possible legal action for false arrest by the United Farm Workers of America stemming from the jailing of 29 Gallo strikers October 12.

The Gallo strikers, 26 men and women, and three children who had just arrived in Los Angeles the day before to take up their boycott assignments, were taken into custody by Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies at the request of Gonzales on charges of "disturbing the peace."

According to Ray Ortiz, picket captain at the time of the arrests, and Robert de la Cruz, who heads the Gallo strikers' Los Angeles contingent, the arrests came with no warning.

"All of a sudden," said Ortiz, "we were in handcuffs." He said he did not

have time nor was he given the opportunity to phone Los Angeles Boycott Director Andy Coe to tell him they were arrested.

Andy Coe said the Gallo strikers charge the sheriff's deputies not only worked "hand in glove" with Ofelia Gonzales, but also bad-mouthed them with "racist and sexist slurs."

The strikers were in jail from 7:00 p.m., October 12 to about midnight, October 13, a total of some 26 hours. Boycotters and union supporters had to raise funds to post bond on the \$100-per-person bail to free the prisoners.

While the strikers were in jail, Andy Coe said, every attempt was made to persuade Gonzales to drop her charges. She was told the charges on which she based her citizens' arrest of the strikers are

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'Free, free the 29, We want them back on the picket line!' chanted boycott supporters in front of the Regional offices of the Safeway corporation in Oakland, protesting the arrest of 29 farm worker pickets 300 miles away in Delano.

Twenty-nine UFW farm workers were arrested October 20 in Delano as they peacefully picketed the Safeway store. They were charged

with breaking the Safeway injunction, which limits pickets to seven on the parking lot.

When the police arrived, summoned by the store manager, they read the injunction and gave the pickets four (4) minutes to disperse. The pickets protested their right to be there and said they were complying with the injunction.

Before they could disperse the police arrested those on

the parking lot, the public sidewalk around the store, across the street, and one picket, Phillip Acosta, was pulled from his car. The Safeway manager instructed the police whom to arrest.

According to the pickets, they were left without adequate protection from the cold and were not attended to until the next morning. One of the pickets, Larry Phelps, developed pneumonia and was released on bail, without receiving any medical aid before his release.

UFW supporters rallied at the County jail in Bakersfield where the arrested parties were transferred. After a brief religious service led by Joe Melton and Sr. Joan, Delano Field office, the crowd loudly let the jailed pickets know of their presence outside by rallying, singing, praying and marching.

The children of those in jail marched with the singing group. James Curtis, son of Mary and Richard Curtis said, "I'm not scared, I just don't like it."

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Richard Curtis, Irene Milena (center) and Maria Gutierrez leave the Bakersfield jail.



Kathy Murguia insists on delivering coats and sweaters to the jailed pickets.

'Illegal' (cont.)

Maria Murguia, daughter of picket captain Lupe Murguia, once again, for the umpteenth time, stood outside with her mother Kathy protesting her father's arrest. On one incident, families attempted to deliver some coats to those inside. They were refused permission to do so. Sheriff Dodge was contacted and after some discussion he allowed the coats and sweaters to be delivered.

Kathy Murguia, head of the Boycott Information Office in La Paz, said boycotters across the nation will continue to picket Safeway in protest of the arrests, and 'there is no question that the Police's interpretation of the injunction is a violation of our constitutional rights.'

The injunction will be obeyed because, 'the right to picket has been assured us by the courts and we will lawfully resist such incorrect interpretations.'

Besides the statewide boycott cities requesting that charges be dropped, the boycotters in Canada are also picketing the Winnipeg Safeway, asserting the right to picket without the harassment

and demands of uptight Safeway managers.

Those arrested and now out are the 29:

Barbara Michel
Lori Hansel
Carmen Galvan

Consuelo Lara
Catherine Watson
Mary Curtis
Mary Gutierrez
Irena Millena
Hortencia Rangel
Edith Scripps
Emilia Cadena
Diana Good
Antonio Jordan
Nancy Destesinas
Irma Richardson
Margarita Azila
Maria Gutierrez
Philip Agosto
Rosendo Montana
Clyde Golden
Drew Marin
Jose Guadalupe Murgia
James Richardson
David Philp (bailed out--had pneumonia)
Robert Ream
George Solinas
Daniel Castro
Richard Curtis
Jose Dongallo

May charge (cont.)

false. Gonzales received calls from Union Boycott organizer Kathey Gilligan, attorney Dan Lavery and a representative of Bishop Arzube, but she refused to discuss the matter with anyone.

After they were released, the strikers returned to Gonzales' Market October 14. With them were seven nuns, priest and ministers including Sister K.C. Young, Fr. Sean Flannigan, Fr. Dick Jiru and Rev. Chris Hartmire (Director of the National Migrant Ministry).

Ofelia Gonzales promptly closed the store at 2:30 p.m. saying this was the "normal" closing time on Sunday, but she did not attempt another citizens' arrest.

The strikers label Gonzal-

es' attitude "really stubborn" and intend to go back to picket the store continually.

A meeting between the sheriff's Department and Union boycott leaders is scheduled to discuss the matter, said Coe, but for all practical purposes the case has been dropped for lack of evidence.

As yet, Andy Coe said the Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney not yet filed the charges against the strikers. He said the D.A. does not know what to do because he knows Gonzales' charges are false and he would also be responsible if he were to file them.

However, Coe said, charges may be filed by the Union against Ofelia Gonzales for false arrest.

New Med Plan Administrator



Jack Quigley, recently elected Administrator for the Kennedy Medical Plan.

SAN FRANCISCO, Ca.--The board of trustees of the Kennedy Medical Plan met

Thursday, October 11 of this year to nominate a new administrator to replace Leroy Chatfield who resigned.

As we all know, the Kennedy Plan is directed by a board made up of 3 representatives from the UFWA and 3 representatives from the growers who hold contracts with the Union.

The agreement holds the grower responsible for contributing ten cents an hour for each farm worker towards his or her medical services.

The Board of Trustees named Jack Quigley as administrator. He is presently Head of the Business Office for the Union.

At this same meeting accounts were reviewed and plans were made to improve

medical services given to farm workers.

Also, Albert Half, vice-president of Perelli-Minetti, was named to replace the vacancy left by Bob Gallo.

Notice

All Union members working under Union contracts must make their applications to the Kennedy Medical Plan within the year of medical service or hospitalization.

For example, if you go to the hospital on September 20, 1973 and you leave on October 15, then you must make your application by October 15, 1974. The same goes for Maternity, medicine, doctor visits, etc

Service Center campaign leaders



PAT HALLORAN



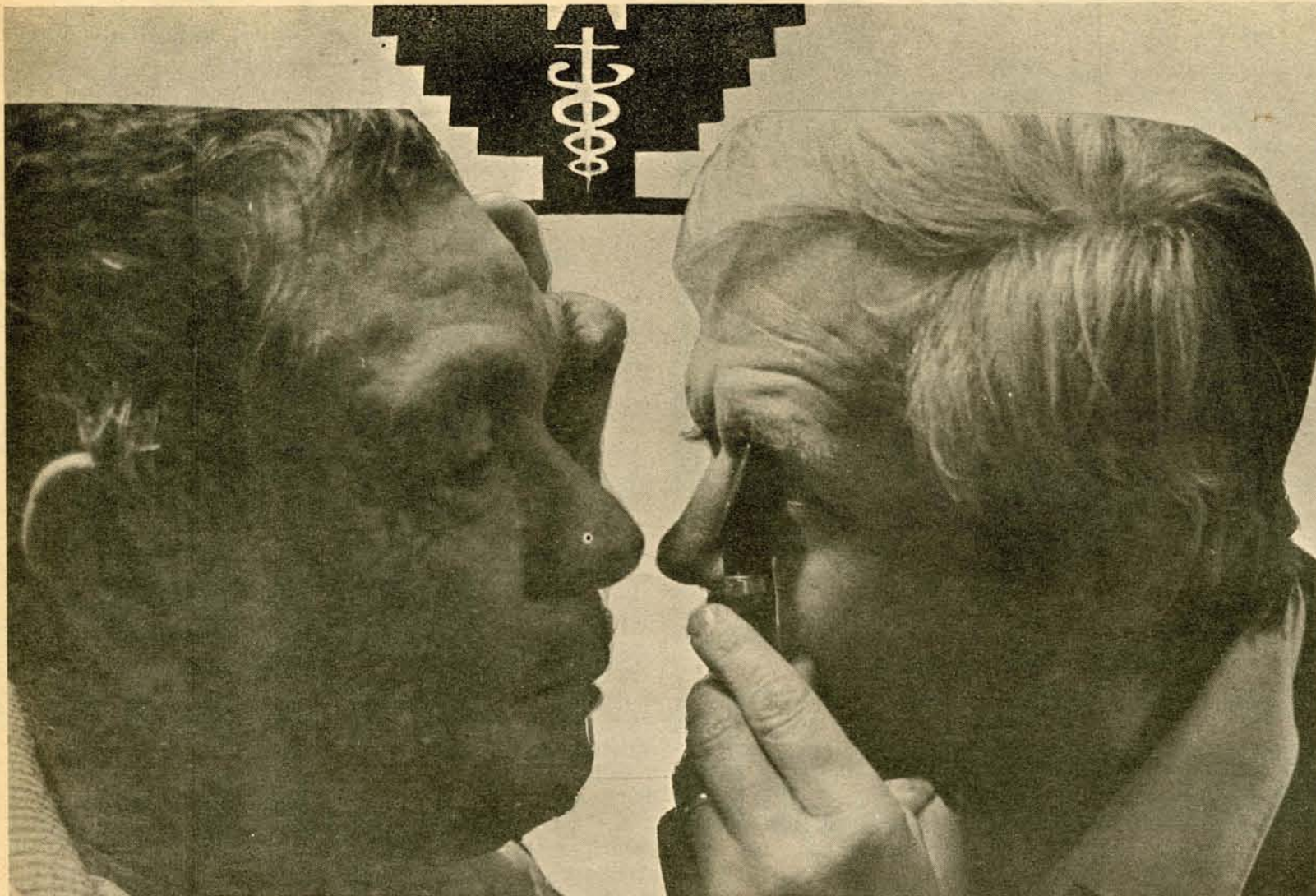
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TONY GAENSLER



Drive to end doctor shortage launched



Dr. John Radebaugh UFW clinic in Sanger -- "hmmmmmm."

Dr. John Radebaugh, who has been working at the Union Sanger Clinic, left on a speaking tour across the country October 18. In a concerted effort to eliminate a serious doctor shortage presently plaguing the Union clinics, Dr. Radebaugh was assigned to recruit doctors, nurses and other personnel.

The Calexico and Delano clinics are in the greatest need, according to representatives of the National Farm Worker Health Group, due to the year-round influx of migratory labor at the Mexican border, and during the harvest season in the San Joaquin Valley.

Dr. Radebaugh is scheduled to speak in Chicago on his arrival there. On October 27, he is expected to visit Detroit, Michigan. Then he will speak in Rochester, New York.

During the first week of November, he will go to Boston, Massachusetts.

When he speaks to Medical conventions and at medical centers, Dr. Radebaugh uses a visual display about the clinics that was put together by Ruben Montoya, Director of the Union Print Shop at the Union National headquarters at La Paz.

Doctors tell why they joined La Causa

Dr. Daniel Murphy

Daniel Murphy hails from Alton, Iowa, a little hamlet with a population of 1,000. He graduated from the University of Iowa in 1970 and served one year internship in New York City.

Dr. Murphy heard about the boycott from his wife Juanita, who brought leaflets of her numerous social-action groups. One particular leaflet stressed the need for doctor's to work in a new clinic that was being built in Delano for farm workers.

In 1971, he and Jan came to California to check out the clinic with every intention of staying. He says, "We're not crazy for money. There are 10,000 medical students graduating annually, and like myself have been involved in activities other than Medicine. Our main interest is to deliver good care."

On their arrival to Delano the Murphy's immediately became a part of the over-all planning, building and recruitment, where they found themselves planning "every needle and brick."

According to Dr. Murphy, the medical personnel of the Union clinics, besides knowing how to take a temperature, have to learn something about the culture of its patients, Mexicans, Arabs, Filipinos, Blacks, as well as whites and other cultures.

They have to research on the different diseases prevalent to each particular culture.

Of his personal experience with the Union, the Clinic and his farm working friends,

Dr. Murphy says it has been, "a fantastic opportunity."

The Delano clinic will celebrate its second anniversary on October 21, he says, "To date it has seen 60,000 patients. The members don't think of it as a charity organization. It's a reliable outfit that is on call 24 hours. It's there when they need it. There's no waiting, no language problem. To them, the clinic means tender loving care at little cost. Future plans for the clinic include a delivery room and deliveries to be done by health aides."

Dr. Graeme Fincke

Dr. Graeme Fincke is a New Englander from Williams-town, Massachusetts. He graduated from Yale University in 1970. He did his residency at the Beth Israel Hospital in Boston where he specialized in Internal Medicine.

When he heard about the Union, he was "looking for things to do that would make a difference." He knew there was a shortage of doctors, but where?

After talking with Union doctors he came to Delano, "I was immediately sold by the clinic and the amazing ability of the Union to do some-

thing with nothing."

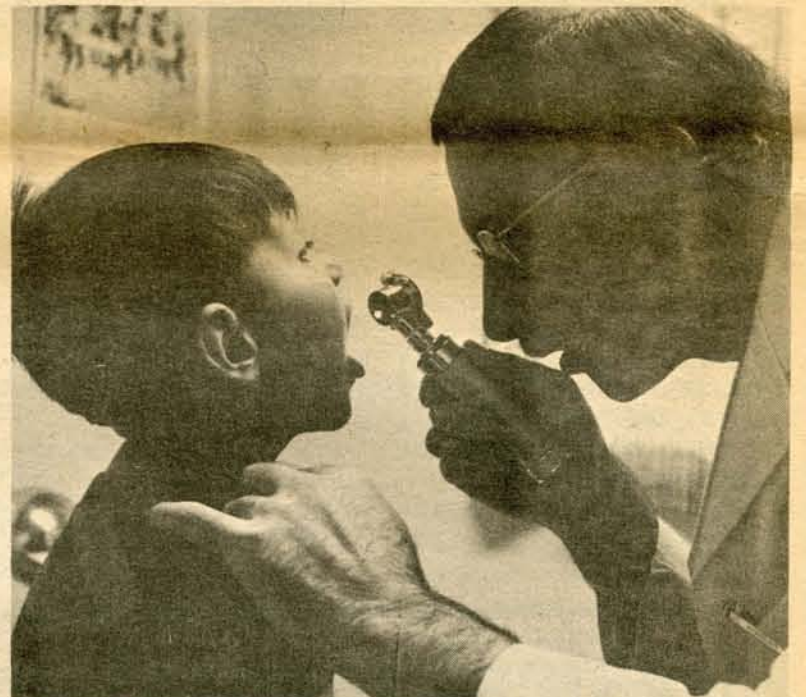
Dr. Fincke was sent to Tulare County for orientation, where he was jailed for "standing to close" to other pickets during the White River Farms strike in Poplar. On his second attempt at orientation he was again jailed for praying on private property. This completed his picket line education and fanned a dormant flame.

He was assigned to the town of Calexico in the Imperial Valley across from the Mexican city of Mexicali. There 90% of the patients reside on the other side of the border.

The other 10% are recently migrated.

"The area and the people are attractive," Fincke says, because of the "tremendous opportunity to learn about people who grew up differently. I would otherwise be confined to people of my own upbringing."

Dr. Fincke feels that La Causa is most important to health in regards to the contracts which enforce the changes in living and working conditions, such as the pesticide clause, the requirement for clean drinking water, etc. He says seeing these changes, which will improve the health of the people, is what makes his practice of medicine much more meaningful.



Dr. Murphy examines 3 year old Raymundo Baeza, jr. son of Raymundo & Eliza Baeza of Earlimart.



Dr. Graeme Fincke Calexico



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'Dificult times for strikers'

Rodriguez family

Josefina Rodriguez and her disabled husband Juan Garcia Rodriguez are the proud parents of 8 children, Frank 9, Julia 10, Isabel 13, Benito 16, Louis 18, all still at home. Their 22 year old twins, Victoria and Virginia are promoting the New Jersey/New York grape boycott, and Henry 25, is boosting the Minnesota boycott.

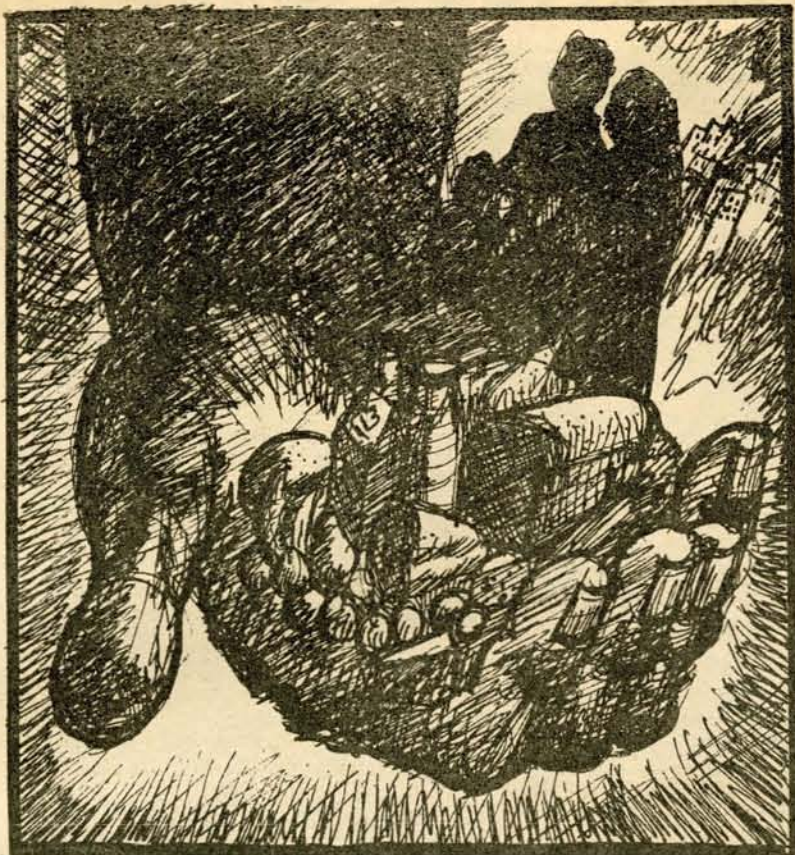
Mrs. Rodriguez was employed at the McFarland Robert's Farms when the strike started. She works to supplement her husband's disability benefits. In spite of the financial obstacle, she walked out on strike the first Monday after learning the contracts had expired, and walked the picket line daily until, the strike was cancelled.

Knowing work would be scarce or nil due to the strike she applied for food stamps. On her first visit to the Welfare Department's Food Division, she was told she had enough food in the house to last that weekend.

On her second visit, she was informed the stamps allotted to her had been sent to the computer. On the third, she was referred to the post office her case was "out of the Welfare's hands." Two weeks after applying she received the stamps that she had requested on an emergency basis.

Mrs. Rodriguez explains that "I applied right away because I had the money to buy the stamps. During the two weeks I had to spend the money on food and other bills. I had to borrow \$40 to make up the difference."

In the meantime she has applied for State aid which takes 30 days to process.



Gallo strikers charges lifted

LIVINGSTON, Ca.-- Nearly all the criminal charges faced by Gallo strikers here were either dropped or reduced last week. Three of 18 scheduled trials will take place on charges that stemmed from this past summer's strike against Gallo Winery and from related melon strike activities in nearby Dos Palos. Almost all of the trials had two or three defendants.

Many of the trespassing and all of the failure to disperse charges on August 29 were dismissed. These charges resulted from mass arrests that followed an attempt by Gallo strikers to enter the vineyards and talk to strike-breaking workers.

In some cases strikers were allowed to enter 'no contest' pleas. According to union attorney Deborah Peyton, Livingston Justice Court

Judge Walter Lane has indicated he will entertain a request in two months to change the pleas to 'not guilty' and dismiss the charges if the defendants have not been re-arrested in Merced County.

Peyton said that in the remaining Dos Palos trespassing trials, the union is challenging the makeup of the jury lists, charging that people of Mexican background are not fairly represented.

She attributed Judge Lane's willingness to dismiss charges to the fact that many of them already served nine days in jail awaiting release on their own recognizance, to the willingness of attorneys from Fresno and the Bay Area to come assist union lawyers in defending the cases, and to the eagerness of the strikers themselves to fight the charges in court.

Esparza family

Rosalia Esparza is from El Paso, Texas, and has resided in Delano for the past 28 years. She has one daughter Gloria 18, who was born in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Both she and her daughter joined the strike against Robert's Farms in McFarland on the first day. They continued to picket throughout the strike until it stopped.

She applied for Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) and was turned down because her daughter is not in school full-time. Mrs. Esparza can no longer work full-time due to a diabetic and arthritic condition that slows her down.

She has applied for Social Security disability which takes six weeks to process. She is still too young to qualify for regular Social Security benefits. Welfare has consistently turned her applications down with varying forms of refusal. Medical Needy has also turned her down.

There are no programs to help strikers who find themselves too young for social security, too old for AFDC, not disabled enough for Aid to the Totally Disabled, a \$255 car might disqualify them from General Relief, they have no unemployment benefits, or are eligible for food stamps but don't have money to buy them.

As strikers, farmworkers like Mrs. Esparza and her daughter, are facing hard times. It is only the generosity of Union supporters that can keep them going.

Urgent call

Dear Brothers and Sisters

The strikers in Coachella, Imperial Valley, Arvin-Lamont, Delano, Visalia and Fresno are having a very difficult time these days. Many have been unable to find other work because they are strikers. The Union can no longer help by paying strike benefits. The workers are being blackmailed by the growers. They are unable to get on welfare, therefore, they urgently need your support. These are the food staples they need:

lard- 100#
flour- 100#
beans- 100#
sugar
coffee
macaroni, spaghetti etc.
tomato sauce
potatoes
canned peas
canned string beans
canned milk
corned beef
Spam
tuna
other canned meats

(Please, no clothing)

We also need canned milk for babies formulas, (not fresh milk) because it is a special problem. Anything you can give will be greatly appreciated.

Viva la Causa!
Cesar E. Chavez-president

ps. For more information call (805) 822-5571 or write to 1 Food for Strikers, PO box 62, Keene, Ca. 93531.

Physical, mental abuse of school children probed

GUADALUPE, California---- Small, rural school districts throughout the state of California eventually may receive more money from the state legislature as a result of hearings held recently in Guadalupe by State Senator Mervyn Dymally.

"Low wealth districts must be given more funding by the legislature," Dymally (D-Los Angeles), chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Children and Youth, told a press conference during a break in the six hours of hearings.

Dymally said he realized "for the first time" that rural school districts "have problems in inter-group relations similar to urban schools."

In Guadalupe these "problems" have meant physical

abuse of children by teachers and jail and fines for Chicanos trying to change the school system (see story- page 5)

Robert Ortega, a sixth grade student, told of being choked on last Valentine's Day by a teacher as a punishment for throwing an eraser. The school principal reportedly told Robert that he "could do nothing about it, but would talk to him (the teacher) about it later."

Manuel Magaña, whose wife Carmen was found guilty as one of the Guadalupe "Ten" said, "Whenever we offered suggestions on corporal punishment, they ignored our requests. The board painted us as radicals and trouble-makers."

Several persons from outside the school district testified about the harm of corporal punishment.

One of them, Dr. Seymour Heshbach, a UCLA psychology professor, said "Corporal punishment produces the very behavior which you are trying to change."

Jerry Coker, principal of a school in neighboring Orcutt School District, described a program in which his school has eliminated corporal punishment entirely with very satisfactory results for parents, students and school personnel.

Dymally said his committee will follow up the hearings with further investigative sessions to determine the progress of the school district.

The district is currently prohibited by a court order from using corporal punishment except as provided in its own district regulations.

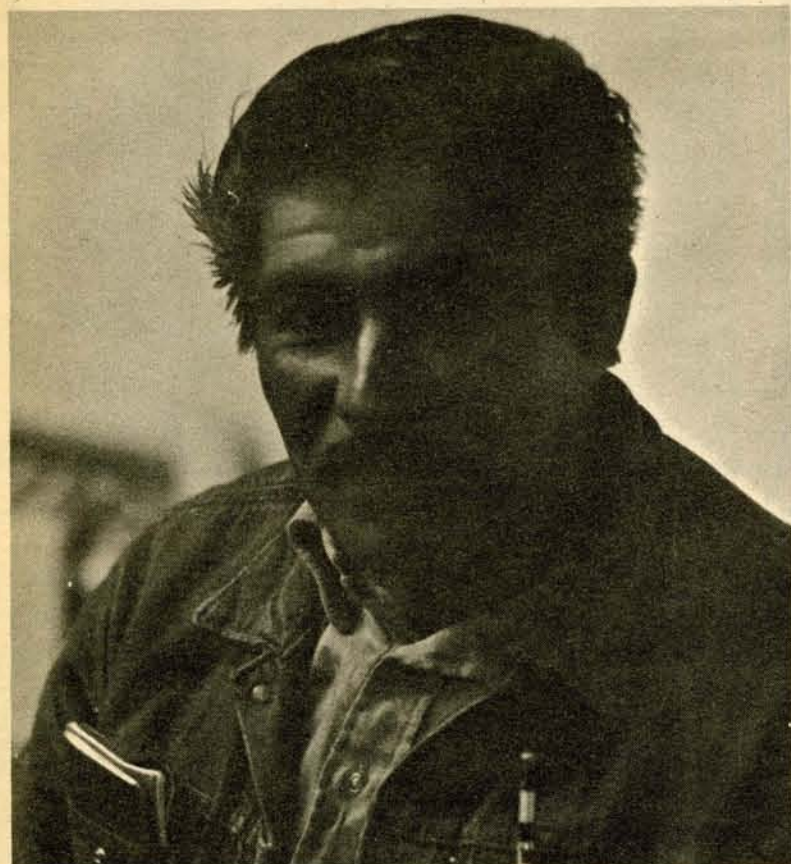


Carmen Magaña & son Antonio demonstrate in front of the Santa Maria municipal court. Mrs. Magaña was convicted along with the "Guadalupe Ten"

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Farm worker boycotters- 'Learn by doing'



Roberto Escutia, Fresno is boycotting grapes in Detroit.

"Learning by doing" are the key words heard in all of the cities where a new group of boycott leaders are being trained. All are part of the 500 strikers who left on a caravan three months ago and the objective of their training is to extend the boycott to more cities as quickly as possible.

Day after day in the cities and suburbs of New York, Detroit, Michigan, Cleveland, Ohio, Chicago, Illinois, Washington, D.C., the farm worker boycotters are assuming an increasing load of responsibilities.

They organize house meetings, speak before unions, religious groups and others, coordinate picket lines, inspect stores for scab produce and collect funds to help finance the Union's boycott operation.

"The boycott teaches," said Eliseo Medina, member of the Union Executive Board and

Director of the Ohio Boycott effort, "He who learns the boycott, can organize anything."

Medina predicted that "this would be one of the most powerful boycotts ever seen," because the "conviction and determination of this new group of boycott organizers is having a major impact on public opinion."

Also, said Medina, "The boycott is giving rise to a new wave of young, but experienced farm worker leaders. After the boycott is over, they will have much to contribute in the administration of the new contracts."

"The growers didn't know what they were doing. By taking the contracts away from us they unwittingly helped us to make a stronger Union."

In the boycott areas of New York City and its surroundings which are headed by Union First Vice-President Dolores

Huerta, the same experiences and feelings are heard.

Ben Spivak, who coordinates the Brooklyn area boycott, said "the strikers are aware of their training and they are rapidly gaining experience and confidence."

David Cormier, who organizes the boycott in northern New Jersey, said, "The farm workers go right into their work without hesitation. Even those who cannot speak English, speak before groups with the help of an interpreter."

Richard Chavez, a member of the Union Executive Board and head of the Michigan boycott is very happy with the progress the strikers are making. He said they carry on a daily 12-14 hour regimen of organizing work.

From Chicago, Illinois, Marcos Muñoz, a successful veteran of the first grape boycott, said the striker-boycotters are already taking responsibility for their own areas.

He said the boycott is having "a tremendous impact on the liberation of the farm workers because they are learning more about how laws work, more about politics. To sum it up, a sleeping giant is waking up."

Gilberto Padilla, Union Secretary - Treasurer and director of the boycott in Washington D.C. said the farm worker boycotters are having so much success because they are "taking the farm worker experience directly from the fields to the cities and they can talk very powerfully about 'my Union,' 'our Union,' and 'our strike'."

As in the other cities, here too the strikers are "learning by doing," concluded Padilla, and at the same time, "they are winning the heart of a public that heard about the violence farm workers suffered in the fields last summer. And now, when they see the strikers in person, they are really turned on."

Three of 'Guadalupe Ten' jailed



The Echavarria family protest the jailing of Manuel Echavarria

SANTA MARIA, California--

The doors of the Santa Barbara County jail swung open October 11 for three men who are serving time for trying to stop the physical and mental abuse of children in Guadalupe schools.

Manuel Echavarria, organizer for the United Farm Workers Union in Santa Maria, Jesus Ortiz, farm worker, parent and Guadalupe resident, and Sammy Gonzales, student, former candidate for city council in Guadalupe, and a farm worker, are serving their sentences for disrupting a public meeting in the Obispo Street School in Guadalupe in March, 1972.

Speaker at the Parent Teacher Club meeting on that date was Melchor O' Campo, known as a "sellout" and front man for grower associations around the Southwest. O' Campo was invited by the PTC officers to speak

on "The Truth Behind the Chicano Movement."

A "Day of Solidarity" preceded the jailing and began with a demonstration at the Santa Maria municipal court of Judge Richard Kirkpatrick, who sentenced the three men to jail.

The demonstration and subsequent jailing followed by one day the resignation of Vice-president Spiro Agnew who pleaded no contest (nolo contendere) to charges of income tax evasion.

Agnew was given three years of unsupervised probation for his crime. By comparison, each of the seven persons convicted in the week-long jury trial of the "Guadalupe Ten" were given two years of supervised probation. Also, Echavarria will serve 45 days in jail, Ortiz, 10 days, and Gonzales, 5 days. (See related story- page 4.)

SACRAMENTO, Ca (AP)--The state AFL-CIO will push legislation next year to give California's 283,000 farm workers the right to vote secretly on union representation.

John F. Henning, the labor organization's executive secretary, revealed the position in an interview.

Asked if he thinks such a bill can win passage in the 1974 session, he said: "I do, I do...because of the clamor for secret ballot election law. Now we're introducing one."

Current law makes no provision for farm labor elections. Efforts to enact such a measure in recent years have failed in disputes between growers and labor.

Henning refused to specify what the bill would contain. But he said it would be introduced in January. He added:

"This measure will deal

simply with the determination of a collective bargaining agent. This is an election bill."

Henning was also asked if the measure would affect the long struggle that has been going on between the Cesar Chavez-led AFL-CIO United Farm Workers of America and the Teamsters Union over who will represent farm workers in the fields.

UFWA Convention

At a UFWA convention in Fresno last month, delegates approved a resolution calling for secret ballot elections by farm workers to determine if a union should represent them.

The resolution urged passage of state and federal legislation that would provide secret ballot elections to decide union representation.

Asked why Chavez never

California AFL-CIO Supports secret ballot elections

pushed secret ballot legislation before in the California Legislature, Henning said. "Apparently he feared the legislative environment. He never opposed secret ballot elections. He was opposed to antilabor measures that had been introduced in this area." Teamsters

Several of the major Sacramento agriculture-farm labor spokesmen were interviewed on their views of secret ballot election law.

Vern Cannon, Teamster lobbyist in Sacramento, said: "The Teamsters have supported secret ballot elections for five years. If you have secret ballot elections and

let the worker determine if he wants a union, then violence and struggle automatically disappear because you determine by law who is the bargaining agent."

Asked if the Teamsters would support a simple secret election measure, Cannon said, "I don't know. The Teamsters would have to reassess their whole position" if such a bill gained powerful backing.

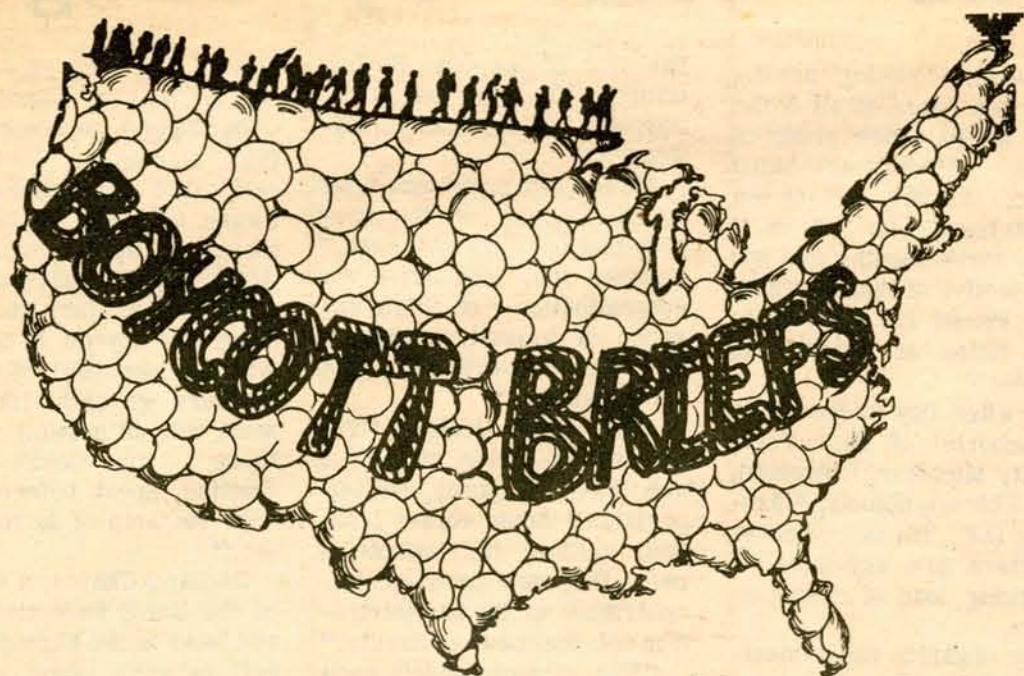
Against Boycott

James Eller, lobbyist for growers' California Farm Bureau Federation, said his group will press for an elec-

tions measure that also makes it illegal to use the secondary boycott tactic.

"How much value would such legislation have if it didn't include language to prevent a secondary boycott?" Eller asked. But he added, "If a bill goes to the governor's desk that includes secret ballots, a five-man labor relations board and some other things we'd like to see, I don't think we'd ask him to veto it if it didn't have a provision barring secondary boycotts."

"But that doesn't mean we won't work like hell to see it's kept in there," Eller said.



North

Boston

Nick Jones, coordinator for the Boston Boycott, reports that an estimated 20% of the grape & lettuce market for the New England area has been cut off. They have some solid agreements from the Boston chains and have gone to organizing the secondary cities in the New England area.

They have active full time staff in Springfield, Massachusetts, Portland Maine, Providence, Rhode Island, New Haven, Connecticut, and Hartford Connecticut. Nick estimates that they are manning close to 100 picket lines during the weekend picketing.

Thirteen major chains in the New England area representing 387 stores are cooperating in our consumer boycott of grapes and lettuce.

This represents, according to latest figures at the La Paz Boycott Information Center, best record to date of any boycott city with regard to clean stores.

New Haven/Hart,

Connecticut is working on Finast-First National, one of the largest chains in the state. This comes after several recent victories; in the last few weeks Connecticut, Massachusetts, and New York have joined together in cleaning up Stop and Shop, Food Mart, and a New Haven chain, Pegnataro's.

Last week, after alot of pressure throughout New England, Finast-First National agreed to clean up 14 of their stores if we'd call off all picketing.

Since this is only a small number of their stores, the offer was rejected, yet shows that they may be about to break.

Helping George Sheridan in Hartford and Martha Martinez in New Haven, is Cliff Kuhn in Bridgeport. This means that all the major Connecticut cities are covered.

Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Graciela Cisneros was scheduled for debate with Coachella grower, Milton Karahadian. However he didn't show up and was replaced by Ben Laffin also of the Coachella Valley. Ms. Cisneros says that the debate went well. She also reports that they have to date cleaned 50 small stores in the Pittsburgh area.

Baltimore

Juanita and Alfredo Herrera and their children have been in the Baltimore area for three weeks. Previous to this they had been in Washington, D.C. with Gilbert Padilla after arriving with the strikers on Aug. 31st. On Oct 14th they had a press conference to announce their arrival and the beginning of an intensified boycott campaign.

They received good local coverage. Their primary target at the present time is A&P. They are moving quickly, establishing picket lines and initiating a petition drive.

They have gotten 500 people to send letters to the president of A&P, Mr. Nicolson. And during all this action, Juanita and Alfredo, who have four children, had a new addition to their family, Celistina Herrera. Congratulations y Vivan las Boicoteritas y Boicoteritos.

Midwest

Cleveland

Cleveland boycotters are working on Fisher-Fazio. On the weekends and weekday evenings the Strikers and the staff join in picketing this target. During the weekdays the Strikers are working on the small independents and the mom'n pop stores.

So far about 60 stores have been cleaned up. Human billboard is the morning activity. And as everywhere the strikers and staff are speaking to as many groups as they can find.

Toledo

Joe Rubio reports that the Toledo Boycott is building the groundwork for good support from the local Unions. They have also been getting some good exposure on the media. Rubio has been on local T.V. 4 times in the past four weeks. They are also doing a lot of leafletting, and last week the staff had lunch with Governor Gilligan.

Akron

The Akron boycott covers Akron, Youngstown, and Canton. The target, like Cleveland, is Fisher-Fazio and organizers Nancy Hickey and Steve Wiley have picket lines all day Saturday and Sunday, plus several other evenings.

Gate leafletting and collecting at local factories has been quite successful, especially at UAW plants. Weekly meetings are being started at Kent State and Akron University.

Columbus

Columbus is the site of recent union victories. Big Bear, the largest chain in the city, finally gave in to demands to remove the grapes and lettuce from their stores. This chain represents 21% of the Columbus market and sets a good example for other stores to follow.

The second union victory came in court. Super-Duper the next target, obtained a restraining order banning all picketing. In court, however, the judge firmly established our right to picket. While the ruling limited the number of pickets to four per store, union lawyers and staff considered the outcome a great victory. It is the first time the right to picket has been upheld in Ohio and establishes a good precedent for the state.

Dayton

In Dayton the target is Liberal Stores and its subsidiary, Concord Provisions, Inc. Concord is a major food supplier to local

BOYCOTT HIGHLIGHTS

These are boycott highlights from some of the major U.S. cities. This does not include the many cities where we have volunteer support committees. In the coming issues, we will report on their activities. Next week: a special report from Canada.

institutions, including the University of Dayton.

UFW Boycotters Roberto Acuna and Becky Hurst are working on these hotels, schools, and restaurants, trying to get them to stop dealing with Concord until Liberal agrees to help farm workers by removing the scab produce. Since many church groups and unions use these institutions for meetings, this new Liberal-Concord approach looks promising.

Of course, Dayton is also picketing at the Liberal every night of the week for about 2 hours.

Cincinnati

Like Dayton, Cincinnati is going after Liberal and working on setting up solid community support groups. The goal is to make their supporters into organizers, and not just picketers. They are also working on cleaning up some of the local university cafeterias.

Last week some of the Cincinnati staff went down to the terminal market to check out the prices and to look for scab grapes with our union label.

One of the large wholesalers spotted their eagle pins and threatened to have them arrested if they remained in the area. It is a good sign when the buyers get scared even at the sight of an eagle pin.

Michigan

Richard Chavez reports that their present major target is A&P. They are hitting 40 A&P stores throughout the State with heavy picket lines. In a meeting with A&P representatives there were strong indications from them that they are definitely hurting. Pickets in the Detroit area are also hitting the terminal market as well as fruit stands and independents.

There was a big rally at the University located in Lansing which was well attended and received wide coverage in the local press. They also shut down the local A&P as 300 people from the rally added their support to the picket line. David Martinez reports that he has gotten Meyer, the largest chain in the Grand Rapids area, to cooperate.



How to sell scab grapes by using the union label without signing a contract.



KANSAS CITY, Missouri greets farmworkers and boycotters with encouraging bill-board.

Field Office boycott

San Joaquin Boycott Report

Lupe Murguia reports that the roving picket of nearly 50 boycotters from the Delano Field Office area have cleaned out the lettuce and grapes in all the stores in Delano, Richgrove, Earlimart, Pixley, Shafter, Wasco, and McFarland. The only store carrying grapes and lettuce at the present time in these towns is Safeway. They are now going after the wine and have had great success. Last store to tumble the bottles off the shelves was the Stardust Liquor Store. Some may remember the boycott effort on this store in 1967.

Lamont

Pablo Espinoza, Lamont field office Director reports that they have seven stores cleaned out in the Lamont area. Their boycott efforts are really starting to build and they will be moving into the Bakersfield area soon.

McFarland

Bernardo Huerta from McFarland, a former striker at Roberts Farms reported that they were dumping packed boxes of grapes at the Delano dump. News reached the field office and they went out to catch the action with a camera. Too late.... they were already bulldozing it over.... It's clear where the grapes are going with more to come.

Chicago

Boycotters are concentrating their efforts on Jewels Stores (largest chain in the Chicago area), hitting them with picket lines at an average of 41 stores per weekend.

The weekend of the 20th-21st of October the Puerto Rican Committee for Political Action held a banquet.

They were selling tables for the dinner as a fund-raising event, and among the buyers was Jewels Stores. When it was announced that Jewel's was present, they were promptly booted.

Indianapolis

Indianapolis is picketing Thrift-T-Mart, a local chain and a new target for the city. Several weeks ago, a priest was arrested by an off-duty policeman, out of uniform, and in a private car. Our lawyers say our case is very strong, and are confident of a victory when the case comes to trial in November.

Wisconsin

Brother Dave Jorgenson in Milwaukee and Rufugio Gualardo in Madison both report great success in the Guild boycott.

In Milwaukee, almost all the liquor stores are clean, so the boycott is going after the city's 1600 taverns. Seven independents are clean or lettuce and grapes; Century Stores are the current target.

In Madison, Guild wine is virtually impossible to find, as about 95% of the stores are clean. Hill Dale is one of the last holdouts, but is heavily picketed.

St. Louis

Boycott coordinator, Richard Cook, from the Arizona recall campaign. Schnuck's, the Union's #1 target in St. Louis, recently obtained a temporary restraining order prohibiting all picketing. The St. Louis staff and their supporters have vowed to fight this unconstitutional injunction.

In the meantime, the strikers in St. Louis are getting the community acquainted with the grape boycott, in churches, unions, and schools. A fiesta is planned for November 4.

The entire boycott staff and the strikers are starting to hold weekly meetings with their supporters.

South

Atlanta

The Atlanta boycott reports that Colonial Markets are feeling the pressure of the boycott. Colonial has threatened to have pickets enjoined from engaging in their present picketing activity.

Thus far, however, Colonial has not gone to court to restrain our action. Jim Lynch gained a victory when Alterman Foods agreed to take

off Gallo wines. Apparently they learned of the wine boycott and with the intention of staying off the target list, agreed to comply with the Boycott of scab wine. However, Alterman will not get off so easily. The Boycott is against all grapes and scab lettuce. But, if they want to take it off in the meantime....so much the better!

Florida

Diana Lyons is the new Florida Boycott Coordinator, operating out of Avon Park. In Miami, Rev. Frank Smith and his staff are working on small independents. So far, one or two have given in each day removing the grapes and lettuce. Soon they will pick a local chain to fight.

In Tampa and St. Petersburg, Mary Martin is concentrating on community organizing, especially speaking to labor groups. A new office, which will cover the northern part of Florida, is planned.

Texas

The Texas Boycott is organized more like a city than a state. Bill Chandler coordinates the state out of Fort Worth, with sub-offices in Austin, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, and another office in Fort Worth.

In San Antonio, where there are no Safeways, the staff is working on the mom'n pop stores. But in the other cities Safeways are the number one target. Throughout the state there are 15 to 20 picket lines on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The staff is considering only picketing on Saturdays; this way every Safeway will be hard hit, instead of spreading out their strength.

Denver

DENVER, Colorado --Staff from the Denver boycott report that they are hitting some of the smaller chains with good success. They have cleaned the grapes from three chains, representing 15 major stores. They are hitting Safeway on the weekends with an estimated 200 volunteers and are conducting house meetings and concentrating on leafletting churches and speaking at the Universities and schools.

We have a new huelgista from this part of the boycott! Luis and Maria Garcia had an 8 pound, 11 oz. baby boy on Oct. 13 at 3 a.m. This makes the third boycott baby born on the New Grape Boycott. Congratulations from all your sisters and brothers everywhere, little Manuel Garcia, and congratulations to your parents.

San Diego

SAN DIEGO, California---Gallo Strikers in San Diego are working on cleaning up the liquor stores of scab wine. So far, 13 stores have removed or covered up the wine.

On weekends the strikers join the staff in picketing Safeway. Twelve stores are covered, and on a recent weekend, coordinator John

Waite estimated 1200 turn-outs. During the week, the San Diego staff concentrates on speaking before various community groups.

San Francisco California--The Bay Area now has 7 offices-- San Francisco, Oakland, San Jose, Haywood-Fremont, Marin County, Contra Costa County, plus the central office coordinated by Fred Ross, Jr.

During the weekends the staff has about 28 picket lines throughout the Bay Area. The Gallo Strikers are working on small chains and the mom'n pop stores.

So far most of the smaller chains of from 2 to 20 stores are clean of grapes. During the weekdays, the Staff and Gallo Strikers are all involved in community organizing--speaking at Unions churches, and fund raising.

The Boycott staff has been told by local grape buyers that the California Table Grape Commission called many stores after the first news of the Teamster agreement.

The Commission told the buyers that the fight was all over and that it was okay to put the grapes back on the shelves. "When the growers' advertising men resort to such trickery, we know they are scared," said the boycotters.

Portland

Through the work of Mel Huey and staff, the Oregon State AFL-CIO recently endorsed the grape, lettuce, and Safeway boycotts. There are about 5 support groups throughout the city, which take care of 7 to 8 Safeways. The Woodcutter's union and its president have been very supportive of the Union and are now sending out boycott leaflets and posters to 325 of their locals throughout the nation.

Seattle

Dale Van Pelt reports that the major focus of their boycott activity is against Safeways. A total of 670 shoppers were turned away from Safeway the weekend of October 12. Twelve stores are covered in the Seattle area. Dale indicates that they are also reaching the public by leafletting other areas.

Another target of importance is the Pike's Place market. After some confrontation with store-owners, the boycott has received alot of press coverage as a result of their picketing.

Tacoma

Sister Jean Faccio reported that they are covering 5 of the 9 Safeways in the Tacoma area. Safeway was caught doing one of its tricks by one of our undercover shoppers. In good faith, some butter was purchased. By chance the price label was removed and was found to be covering an expiration date, that was 2 weeks beyond the date of when it should have been sold. Very conveniently placed, these price labels.....

LABOR AND MOVEMENT NEWS



AFL-CIO Executive Council blasts Nixon Administration

BAL HARBOUR, Fla. -- The crisis of public confidence in the institutions of government, the disastrous economic policies of the Nixon Administration and its attempts to reverse national priorities are among the major challenges facing the trade union movement.

And organized labor is willing and able to take on the challenge as its membership grows, trade unionism spreads to new groups of workers and unions improve and strengthen their political action programs.

These are the themes that highlight the 464-page Report of the Executive Council to the tenth AFL-CIO convention, a document that reviews developments in the labor movement since the 1971 convention and the events in the nation and world that affect trade unions and their members.

The reports of the 35-member council covers internal changes and developments, the national economy, international relations, social security, urban affairs and housing, education, community services, civil rights, labor and the law, national and state legislation and political activities.

Supporting the survey of the past two years are detailed proposals for action with the recommendations to be referred to convention committees and then to the delegates for discussion and decision.

AFL-CIO President George Meany, in his opening overview section of the report, said the 'overriding' problem

in America 'is the crisis of public confidence in the institutions of government'--a crisis that began 'when the people perceived that the government did not trust them enough to tell them the whole truth.'

He said the Administration had not told the people 'the whole truth' about its economic policies; 'did not level' with them about the Russian grain deal; did not tell them 'what is really going on' in international relations; pursues tax policies that reward 'corporate wealth and special interests.'

'In a democracy,' Meany added, 'government rests on the informed consent of the governed, and the informed consent of the people can only be won by a government of candor.'

'Watergate would not have brought on the constitutional confrontation that faces this country today if the truth had been told on June 18, 1972. The economy would not be on the brink of a recession if the President had lived up to his promise of February 19, 1969, that inflation would be curbed without increasing unemployment,' he said.

AFL-CIO Sec.-Treas. Lane Kirkland presented a detailed report of the federation's finances that disclosed that the average per capita membership in the AFL-CIO increased about 230,000 over the previous two-year period to 13,407,000.

Also, during the same period one charter was issued--to the United Farm Workers of America--and five mergers were affected.



FARAH PICKETLINE in El Paso, Texas is joined by AFL-CIO Sec.-Treas. Lane Kirkland, Mrs. Kirkland and President of the Clothing Workers Murray H. Finley (left). They were in El Paso for a meeting of labor officials planning an expanded boycott of Farah products. The Farah strike is in its 17th month.

AFL-CIO Executive Council supports Sears strike

"The basic issue involved in the San Francisco Bay Area strike against Sears Roebuck is whether a corporation headquartered 2,000 miles away will be allowed to undermine prevailing wage and working condition standards on the West Coast."

John F. Henning, executive officer of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO drove home that point October 12 in announcing that the State AFL-CIO is giving full support to the strike, now in its seventh week.

"Whether Sears will negotiate benefit programs and other job conditions with the unions representing their employees in the Bay Area or

continue adamantly to insist on dictating benefits and job conditions without negotiations from their Chicago headquarters is the basic issue," Henning said.

Noting that Sears is the "world's largest retailer," Henning said:

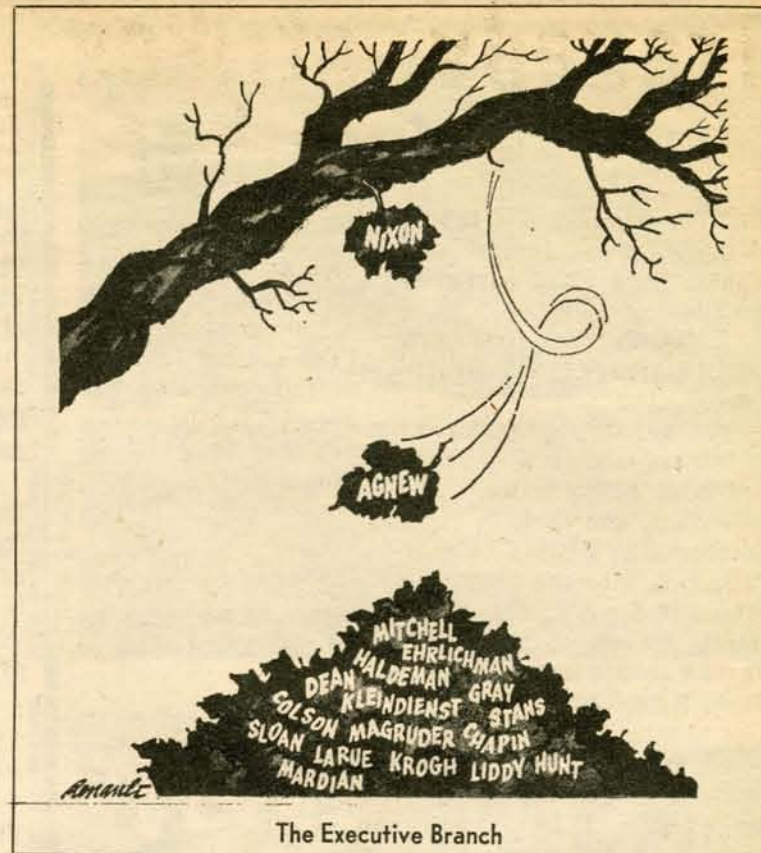
"The growing arrogance of huge multinational corporations like Sears to attempt to flaunt the nation's basic labor laws must be confronted head on if California workers and workers throughout the nations are to have any hope of maintaining their wage and working condition standards in the face of massive dollar devaluations and soaring in-

flation."

The strike, which began August 25, involves some 600 San Francisco Bay Area trade unionists.

Steel workers enjoy cost-of-living clause

PITTSBURGH, Penns.--Some 25,000 members of the Steelworkers got a 10-cents-an hour wage increase Oct. 1 based on the cost-of-living provision in the union's 1971 contract with the nonferrous metal industry. This is the second cost-of-living adjustment the workers received this year, the union reported.



Bus driver to president

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.--Dan V. Maroney, Jr., was elected international president of the Amalgamated Transit Union by a vote of 216-203, defeating two opponents.

Maroney, of Charleston, West Virginia, came out of the ranks as a Greyhound driver and has been first vice president of the ATU.

In his acceptance speech as head of the 130,000-member union, Maroney called for cooperation 'since we have many problems and I don't pretend to have all the answers.' Maroney said his first objective would be to organize the unorganized, specifically an effort toward recruiting school bus drivers.

Atlanta elects Black

ATLANTA, Georgia--Flamboyant Maynard Jackson was elected the South's first black big city mayor Tuesday night in a resounding rejection of the 'white flight' warnings of incumbent Sam Massell.

Jackson, a 35-year-old lawyer and former NAACP official, attributed his victory to 'a vote of confidence from a significant part of the white community and one hell of a turnout from the black community.'

Unofficial complete returns gave Jackson 74,404 votes to 51,237 for Massell. Jackson had received 46.6 per cent of the vote in the 11-man first race when Massell narrowly made the runoff over former Congressman Charles Welton.

Massell, 46, who won four years ago with a solid black vote, conceded that his only chance in the runoff lay with a large white turnout, and he tried to link Jackson with Williams, warning of a 'white flight' to the suburbs if the 'racist team' were elected.



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Tragedy strikes farm worker family

(SANTA MARIA) -- A family planning for a son's first communion finds itself buried in the ritual of death.

Rafael Torres, first-born son of Margarito and Graciela Torres died in September as he ran across a country road to tell his mother he had forgotten his school books.

Rafael, who would be eight October 24, and his brother Felipe, 6, attended Blochman School in Sisquoc, near Santa Maria, while their father worked on a ranch owned by Owen Rice, and the mother kept house for the family.

The bus stop for the Torres children was at the end of a narrow lane leading to the state road. Every morning Sra. Torres hurried the children into the family car and took them to the bus stop.

If the children were late, the bus passed by the stop marked only with a fence and a mailbox. On its return trip,

the bus stopped on the opposite side of the road to pick up children living on that side of the road in the Security Farms labor camp. It was to this bus stop across the street that the Torres children had to go if they were late.

"Even if the bus driver could see my car just a few feet from the end of the road, he would not stop," Sra. Torres said.

The valley is broad and open in the Rice ranch area, and visibility was clear on that tragic day, according to the California Highway Patrol report. There is a curve far away, but a driver, doing 55 m.p.h., as the report states, would not have any difficulty seeing for a great distance, seeing even a small boy who needed his forgotten school books and knew his mother

would help him.

"The bus passed by before we got to the road," Sra. Torres said, "and, so, the boys had to cross the road to wait on the other side for the bus to come by in the other direction on its way back to the school."

"I took Rafael and Felipe across the road, and then I crossed the road back to my car, got in and started it."

"Rafael called to me. I turned off the car and got out hear what he was saying to me."

"He began running across the road, I could see the car coming. I blame myself. I feel I killed my son. I could do nothing."

"Felipe ran and jumped and jumped saying, 'Stop, stop, stop.'"

"I kept hoping he was alive. At the hospital the doctor told me there was nothing more to do."

"At first, I wanted to bury

my son in Yuma. We came here last year because I had asthma so bad in Yuma. But, we were happy there, and we had friends there. Here, I thought, there is no one."

"When we got back to the house so many people from around the ranch were there. The people have been so kind."

"I gave my boy my wedding laso. I had nothing else to give him."

"Felipe...my little boy is the only reason I don't kill myself."

If the bus driver had waited if the driver of the car had only looked more carefully, if Rafael had not forgotten his books, if....

Sometimes her eyes are wide, looking at her world. Sometimes her world is reflected against her closed eyelids as Rafael crosses the road, and the car comes relentlessly closer.

Sra. Torres does not sleep well at night. "I see it all again."

To help the Torres family, the United Farm Workers of America has found legal assistance concerning the death of their son. The Highway Patrol did not cite the driver of the car.

"In Arizona we did not know anything of unions or huelgas. But, one day I saw Cesar Chavez on television. I heard him talking of the union and the work for the people, and I became so excited."

"When my husband came home, I told him what I had seen and heard. Whenever Cesar Chavez is in Santa

Maria, we go to see him. Now, I know of him personally."

A strike against Security Farms in Santa Maria this summer brought a picket line across the street from the Torres home where Security has a few shacks typical of so many labor camps where our people must live.

"The children ran in saying, 'Mamma, Mamma, they are shouting, and there are flags. What is it?' And, we all went to look, and we saw the union come to our Valley. Sra. Torres said.

Sra. Torres offers coffee and pictures--pictures of a smiling, beautiful bride and a smiling, handsome groom.

Graciella Mendoza and Margarito Torres met when she was sixteen and working in an office in Nuevo Laredo. Her mother would not allow her to marry, and each year Margarito would ask her to marry, and Graciella would say, "I'm not ready."

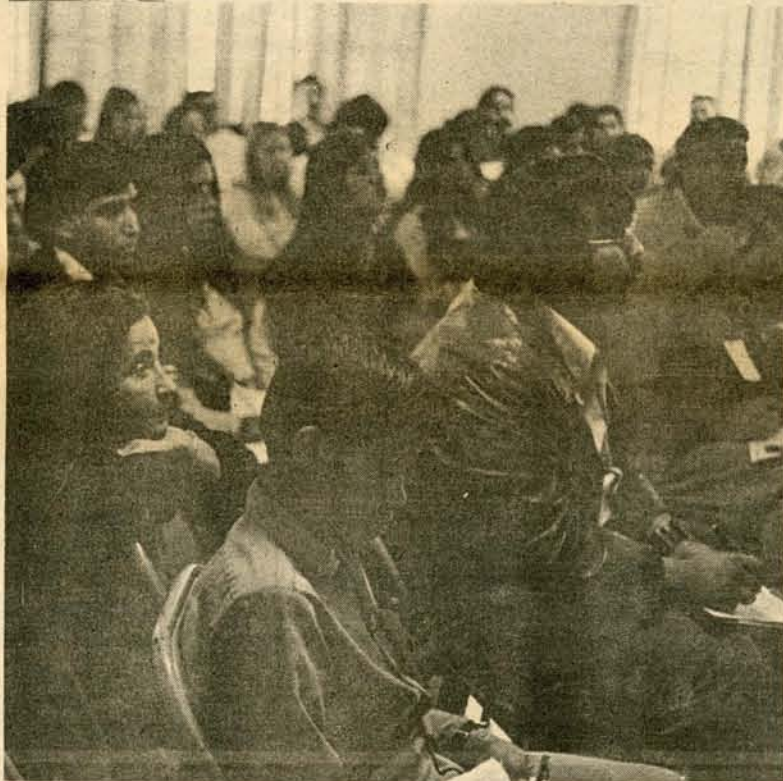
But, when Graciella was twenty-one, Margarito said, "Either marry me now or forget it," and Graciella said yes.

Beautiful wedding, happy bride, happy groom, nine years ago this October, almost nine years of happiness. "And, now, this tragedy," Graciella says as she draws her dark blue shawl closer to protect herself against the cold.

Her dress, her stockings, her shoes are black. Her hair is raven black. Her face is pale, haunted against the darkness.

Eyes and Ears of La Causa

Future reporters, photographers, & journalists listen & learn at a Malcriado conference in La Paz.



A high point in the conference came when Union President Cesar Chavez made a surprise visit to the conference. For almost an hour, Chavez answered questions about the latest events and policy changes in the Union.

Chavez also spoke about the important role the Malcriado Committees are playing in the movement. He said, "We greatly admire and appreciate what you are doing. I know you now and then run up against those who still don't understand the importance of having a voice, a newspaper that can be used to advance in the liberation of farm workers."

"I urge all of you," concluded Chavez, "not to get discouraged and to continue the work of taking EL MALCRIADO door-to-door to the farthest corners of every valley where farm workers are to be found."

At dawn of the final day of the conference, the group

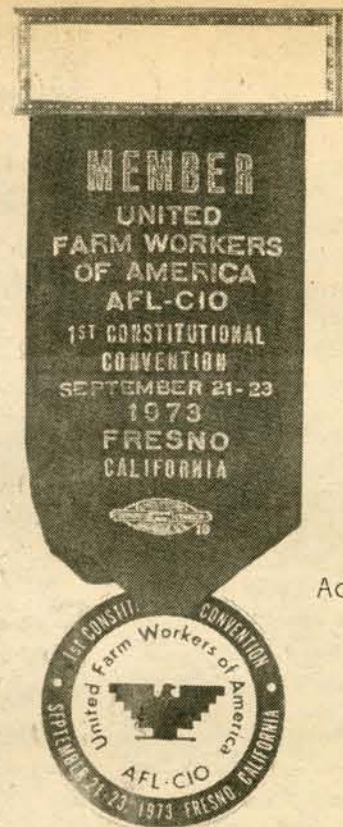
climbed one of the higher hills at La Paz for a few moments of spiritual solidarity under the guidance of Joe Melton, counselor at the clinic in Delano.

At the end of the conference many of the participants stood up to pledge themselves to re-double their efforts to push EL MALCRIADO and to start their new work of reporting what is happening in their areas.

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FARM WORKER FORUM

Esther Valles: on with courage

Esther Valles was born in Bakersfield, California 25 years ago. She lies flat in bed,

at the Fresno Community Hospital, paralyzed from her chest down. She is friendly and eager to talk to someone and ever ready to defend her rights. She argues with her nurse for not allowing her picture to be taken without the usual red-tape,

Mrs. Valles is another of the tragic casualties of the UFW strike and boycott. She is married to Carlos Valles who visits her daily from Delano, 75 miles away. She has just been transferred from Charity Hospital in New Orleans where she was hospitalized after the accident

where she lost her oldest daughter, 5 year old Reina Olivas. Esther, her husband Reina, Emilia 4, and Carlos Jr. 1 1/2, were on their way to Miami, Florida to defend their rights as farmworkers.

Mrs. Valles was 15 years old when she became involved with the farmworkers union, and helped her aunt, Vera Oropeza, with the distribution of clothes to strikers for two years. She helped the Union off and on during holidays and for food drives, until this year.

When the strike started last summer, she was tipping and

pulling leaves." I was told by the Teamsters that I had to work 91 hours to receive benefits. If I continued working I would be a Teamster, so I quit. I don't want to be a Teamster, I feel very strongly about our Union."

During the strike she and her husband were on the picket line every day. When the strike was called off, due to the increasing violence against the pickets, they volunteered to go on the boycott. "We wanted a warm place for the baby and we were lucky to get assigned to Miami."

Determined to look anything but disabled, her words are to encourage. "I don't know why this happened. God has no respect for age, He just loans us our lives" she looks ahead, "if I get well, and if God doesn't want me to spend my life in a wheel-chair, I'll still help. I'll be fighting for something plus helping myself because I enjoy helping others."

Esther Valles has no intentions of spending more time in the hospital than necessary. "The doctor has told me that possibly after surgery, I may be able to move in three weeks. I am not going to wait no 3 weeks. I'll be up in a wheel-chair in one week. I've made up MY mind to walk again." Letters and cards can be addressed to: Esther Valles c/o Fresno Community Hospital Six-West, Fresno, CA, 93721.



Remains of the Valles' van after it was rear-ended in New Orleans causing the death of Reina Olivas.

WANT TO HELP

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are sorry to say that just recently at one of our MECHA meetings we learned of the terrible tragedy concerning the Olivas family from Louisiana. We felt that we could at least do something in a way of helping these brothers and sisters in their tragedy, to show our sympathy and to try and help this family out, we had a collection at our meeting. What we collected is not much, but we do hope that this can help the Olivas family as much as possible.

A check is included in this letter, which is the total of the amount of the collection. Again, we hope this money can help them as much as

possible.

Viva La Causa!
Manuel K. Valdez
Chairman
MECHA, CSU Fresno

SCAB PRODUCE 'OUT

To El Malcriado:

The Juan de la Cruz Boycott Committee has cleaned up scab produce at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst College, Hampshire College and made agreements with Big-X, Food Mart and Finast chain stores in Western Massachusetts after just 5 weeks of work.

We have a committee of forty people here, all dedicated to La Causa.

Viva La Huelga,
Ken Allen (treas.)
Juan de la Cruz Boycott Committee

GRAPE ACREAGE UP

SACRAMENTO (UPI)-- Fresh grapevines were planted on 57,908 new acres of California land this year, bringing the total grape acreage in the state to 611,470, the Food and Agriculture Department reports.

The 57,908 new acres were slightly down from the 58,515 acres freshly planted last year, the department's crop and livestock reporting service said Tuesday.

A survey indicated that of the total 611,470 acres, table grapes accounted for 70,939 acres, raisin grapes for 248,163, wine grapes for 288,717 and rootstock 3,651.

Cabernet Sauvignon was the leading variety planted in 1973, with 6,106 new acres. Next came Ribier with 4,406 acres, Zinfandel with 3,479 acres, Petite Sirah with 3,262 and Thompson Seedless with 3,165.



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CALIFORNIA FARMER:

Jack Pickett, editor of this magazine, wrote an article titled "New Action Group to Save the World."

"How would you like to join Pickett's Raiders? We have a tough program. We are slightly illegal. We wear no uniforms. We are an action group.

First action is to put such a swarm of pickets around the Chavez and Longshoremen's headquarters that those rascals can't even get through to lunch. Those wanting to go out of state (one-way trip) will be allowed through the line.

Next we round up all the price control agitators and chain them in an empty butcher shop with nothing but shelves full of meat tenderizer and trading stamps.

Pickett's Raiders are going to call in all food stamps and exchange them for dishwasher's licenses. After two weeks anyone caught with food stamps in a supermarket line will be sent to the barber shop, de-loused and sent to work in the vineyards of Baja California."

Let us hope that Jack Pickett is kidding.

CALIFORNIA FARMER:

Dear Editor, Am following your stories on the Chavez problem, too. Believe me, I am one who surely has a very clear picture of migrant worker problems. It is unbelievable how so many bleeding hearts can fall for Chavez' outright crookedness. Savior of the farm laborer. All he is interested in is dues paying members, so he naturally tries to organize the

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Cayetano Nani and Joan Baez in solidarity.

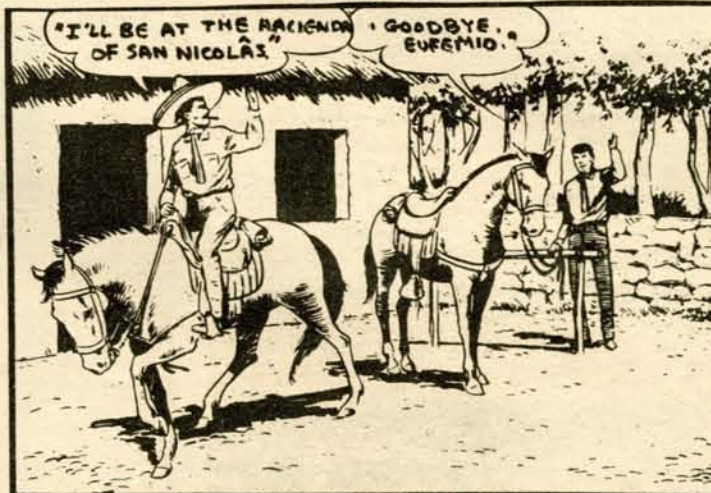
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