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TERRA BELLA OFFICE DESTROYED



TERRA BELLA, California -- The Union Field Office in Terra Bella was destroyed January 28 between 1:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. when vandals broke windows, forced doors open, damaged walls and tore up Union records. It was the about the fourth time in the last two months that the office has been attacked.

Union Director César Chávez, in an effort to stop further attacks on Union offices sent a telegram to the United States Department of Justice demanding an investigation. He declared: "Within the last 90 days, several of our Union offices have been destroyed. At Delano we were attacked with a violent blast of dynamite.

"On January 28, our Union office in Terra Bella was destroyed. We can no longer accept persons destroying farm worker property or threats of bodily harm against our Union members.

"During the last attack against our Poplar office, sheriff's deputies were asked to arrest those involved and were reluctant to make arrests even though there were witnesses present.

"We demand that you investigate this situation immediately."

In a message to Union members, César said: "It does not matter how many times our offices are destroyed, we will build them. It hurts to see our offices destroyed because they are symbols of working people, of oppressed people who want to better their lives.

"But the power of the Union can never be destroyed. The destruction of an office does NOT destroy the heart of our movement, because the heart of our movement is liberation and it is in that love of liberation that we are reborn."

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Grower Violence Cannot Stop Our Movement

As we carry on our mission to liberate farm workers, the growers and their allies are growing more and more frustrated and angry because they realize they cannot stop our advance. They want docile slaves that will fill their coffers with gold and not workers who defend their rights and who can determine their own working conditions.

That is why, instead of behaving like civilized human beings and sitting to negotiate in good faith with the United Farm Workers, the only and true farm workers' union, they act like wounded beasts that have been cornered. Enraged by their own impotence, they launch wild and blind attacks against us and our Union.

Their friends vandalize our offices and beat up our strikers. So-called union leaders try to bail out the growers signing sweetheart contracts behind our backs.

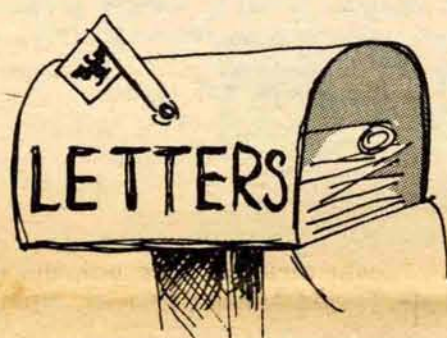
Corrupt politicians and racist courts place the law at the whim of the growers. Law enforcement officers turn their backs when

scabs attack strikers and for the most trivial reasons jail farm workers who dare struggle for their rights.

But the violence of the growers and their lackeys cannot stop our movement. Their acts of violence serve only to temper our determination to struggle for justice and freedom. On every front our non-violent tactics, both in the fields and in the cities, more than answer their attacks.

Not only do we successfully defend ourselves, but we also move forward. Last week plans were announced for the construction of a new farm worker's clinic in Parlier. In Calexico, the Union clinic is going to expand.

These are the fruits of our struggles and sacrifices. And our fight will continue until farm worker men and women, now mutilated and oppressed under the yoke of growers and labor contractors, will be transformed into new men and women. Men and women who can lead decent, healthy lives.



FROM THE DENVER BOYCOTT

Dear Editor:

Thank you for supporters and the membership know about our efforts here in Denver. However, our work here is a collective effort. What I mean is that in the future please leave my name out of the picture. I did not lead 60 pickets, the Denver Boycott Staff did. So, any time news comes out of Denver... please give credit to Denver Boycott Staff as leading the efforts. Thanks a lot.

Your brother,
Richard Longoria
Denver Boycott Coordinator

BELIEVES IN LA CAUSA

Friends,

My sincerest wishes and a very cheery "you're welcome" to your "thank you".

I believe very much in La Causa that what I do is very little to the extent of what a farmworker has to contend with--violence by greedy labor contractors, humiliation by growers, and the sacrifice in the struggle of everyday living to provide a families needs. The spirit is strong and we shall overcome someday.

When the boycott is finished and the final victory is won for decency, I do not know where my life will go from there or what I shall do. But I will have the self-gratification that I was a part of the change.

My hope, will, life and love to everyone in the Union and on the Boycott.

Viva la Causa
In your will Oh Lord our Peace

Philip Sullenberg

JERRY POLLOCK:

STATEWIDE PRESS BLACKOUT

(This letter was published in the Arizona Wildcat of the University of Arizona)

Editor: I was pleased to read your editorial in Thursday's Wildcat (Jan. 25th.) Jerry Pollock has indeed "been the victim of of an almost state-wide press blackout." Fortunately a few television stations have given him some coverage. For example, last week I was fortunate to see an interview with Pollock.

In this interview Mr. Pollock pointed out that the mining industry has used scare tactics to convince labor that pollution control means less jobs. Pollock argued convincingly that pollution control can not only turn waste into useful products, but it can also provide more jobs associated with Arizona's mining industry. This has been demonstrated in Canada.

Jerry Pollock's proposal to form a commission composed of mine managers, mine workers and environmentalists and environmentalists is an excellent idea. Ultimately there is no inevitable and irreconcilable conflict between environmentalists and labor. In a rational economic system, we can have jobs and pure air. Let's hope that Jerry Pollock is not too far ahead of the times to gain an audience. At the very least, his forward-looking ideas deserve more than "an almost state wide press blackout."

Paul E. Damon
Professor of Geosciences

LIKES EL MALCRIADO

Send me:

One bundle of 50 issues in English.

Just a little information on comments.

People have commented that they do enjoy reading your paper and are always anxious to read the next issue. Your paper really keeps us informed on what is going on in California. I have recieved no criticisms, and I will inform you if there are any other comments.

Thanks,
Tina Jiron
Boulder, Colo.

SENDS EL MALCRIADO TO TEXAS

Sisters and Brothers:

I went to San Antonio Texas to visit a brother who was having trouble with his health, but fortunately nothing serious....

I happened to pass by a certain street, when I was happy to see a mailbox with a Black Eagle and a slogan painted on it saying BOYCOTT LETTUCE. I immediately go down from my car to visit whoever might be living there. But a neighbor told me no one was living there at the time.

I would appreciate it if you would send a address that our Union may have in that city. I would like to send a bundle of MALCRIADOS to those sisters and brothers, but it should be the first edition in February. Well, you have the last word.

Without more for the moment, I am always at your service.

Francisco G. Martinez
Delano, California

(We have just recieved \$5.00 from brother Francisco and we will be sending a bundle of 50 EL MALCRIADOS to the boycott office in San Antonio Texas. It will be a gift from Francisco Martinez to the farm workers and supporters who sacrifice themselves on the picket lines in that city.-- EL MALCRIADO)

KEEP TRACK OF YOUR HOURS

Dear Editor:

My name is Rudolfo Amezcua, I am writing this letter with the hope that you will print it in El Malcriado. Elena Amezcua, Teresa Amezcua and myself are members of the Union and we recommend that all farm workers take the time and the care to keep a record of hours worked and of what you produced under the piece-rate at Paul Masson Vineyards.

We recieved all of our check stubs and we realized that the company owed us money. We went with Juan Huerta, director of the King City Union Field Office and he helped us to call the company's error to the attention of the company.

As it turned out, the company owed us \$72.03. Apparently, some of the people who run this company still haven't forgotten how to cheat farm workers. But it is partly our fault because we forget to write down what what we did.

We want to send our greetings-- In behalf of my family, our greetings to all.
Viva la Causa! Viva Cesar Chavez! Si se puede!
Rudolfo Amezcua
Greenfield, Calif.

Manuel Chavez declares:



"Our Non-Violence Will Win Against Grower-Teamster Violence!"

IMPERIAL VALLEY-- "Our non-violence will win over the violence of the growers and Teamsters," declared Manuel Chavez, general Union organizer for the Imperial Valley, January 27, the day after two shots were fired at the picket line in front of the D'Arrigo cooler in Brawleigh, the latest of a series of incidents of a "wave of violence against farm workers."

According to Cesar Enriques, who was in charge of the picketline, the attack took place at 4:00 p.m. He said a '72 or '73 Ford four-door sedan, beige in color, with license plate number 935EOF passed by and "I saw a gun appear, and I bent down as the gun fired."

they are open to violent attacks.

BOYCOTT DIRECTOR JAILED, RELEASED

Judge Kirk is the same judge who on January 22, after two days of hearings spiced with frequent anti-Mexican and anti-Chavez remarks by the Judge, sentenced National Boycott Director Marshall Ganz to twenty days in jail and fined him \$2,000 for four separate counts of contempt, all stemming from the picket line on January 6 which resulted in the arrest of 81 D'Arrigo strikers.

Marshall was in jail for less than two days however, before Judge Brown of the District Court of Appeals granted a writ of habeas corpus releasing Marshall. The writ in essence means that the District Court of Appeal found enough error in the trial proceedings to warrant releasing Ganz. The Court of Appeals will hear the case in San Diego on February 14, and the Sheriff is then obliged to show cause why Marshall should be jailed further.

Marshall was greeted on his release by more than two hundred Union members who had gathered outside the jail when word got around that the District Court had ordered his release. A 24 hour a day vigil had been kept by D'Arrigo strikers outside the Imperial County jail during Marshall's incarceration, with rallies of several hundred farm workers outside the jail both nights.

Commenting on his jailing, Marshall said that he was put into solitary twice; when people in the vigil began to sing and when

he gave another inmate a cigarette ignoring orders by sheriff's deputies to the contrary.

D'ARRIGO UNDER PRESSURE

Picket line captain for the D'Arrigo strike Fidel Valdez, reports that D'Arrigo is "really feeling the pressure". He said that even though D'Arrigo put his lettuce and cabbage crews to work in his mustard fields January 26, he only had 195 workers. He really needs 250. And the mustard plants? They are flowering. After mustard plants flower its too late to harvest them.

The strikers say "D'Arrigo is harvesting a bunch of garbage, because he does not have good workers." "Neither the other growers nor the Teamsters can give him the workers he needs," said Manuel Chavez. "It is well-known that good workers would not put up with the humiliation of being treated like a baby, escorted everywhere by armed guards and police. The scabs just can't do the job."

Every morning the scabs who cross the border to break the strike come escorted by D'Arrigo's private force of armed guards imported from Fresno, California, and by Imperial Sheriff's deputies--"just like a military convoy," say the strikers.

D'Arrigo is already feeling a lot of economic pressure as the quality of the harvest deteriorates, as the costs of armed guards rises, and as the high turnover of scabs continues to increase. The strikers say D'Arrigo will feel even more pressure when they leave for Boston, Chicago and New York to boycott D'Arrigo.



The D'Arrigo shed and cooler in Brawleigh, site of the shooting incident.

He explained that the Imperial County Sheriff's deputies on the other side of the street failed to respond immediately. So the strikers had to follow the assailants' car themselves. The deputies finally joined the chase.

However said Cesar Enriques, the assailants' car doubled back and so did the strikers', but "the cops went on a wild goose chase."

The car passed by the picketline again. Again the gun appeared. And again a shot was fired. "If they had killed someone," said the strikers, "they would have gotten away."

The majority of the strikers blame Sheriff deputy Roy Vaughn, Badge # 25, for the failure of his men to catch the assailants. EL MALCRIADO asked Vaughn why the car was not immediately pursued. He answered: "I thought it was just a truck backfiring".

But the farm workers don't trust Vaughn because "he's the one who's arrested the most strikers." Also, said Samuel Benavides: "He tries to arrest us for any reason possible. He acts like a growers' puppet."

NEW ANTI-UNION INJUNCTION

On January 26, Judge Kirk of the Imperial County Superior Court in El Centro, who says Spanish is a "monkey language", issued another injunction restricting picketline activity against D'Arrigo in Imperial county. The injunction stipulates that no more than 25 farm workers can participate on a picketline, and that they have to stand 50 feet apart, and that no one else can be within 100 yards of the picket line.

Strikers believe the new injunction is an attempt to discourage farm workers from picketing by isolating them in such a way that



LOCAL NEWS

Imperial Valley

FARM WORKERS RESIST TEAMSTERS

Martin Medina Murillo of Mexicali and a worker at the Graeser-Omlin Company reports that he and other workers in his crew were pressured by the company and the Teamsters to sign some blank cards so that "they could become members of the Teamsters Union."

The piece rate wage for lettuce had gone up January 8 to 32 cents a box and they were told they would not be paid the increase if they did not sign. More than 15 workers in the crew refused to sign the cards.

They were told that the seven-dollar-a-month Teamsters' dues would be taken out of their pay anyway, but they refused to sign.

The workers asked the company officials and the Teamsters: "Who gave you the authorization to sign a contract without our consent?" No answer. "Why should we pay seven bucks for no benefits, when we can belong to the United Farm Workers, pay only \$10.50 per quarter, which comes out to only \$3.50-- and receive benefits?" No answer.

"This move by the Teamsters is robbery and we are going to fight it," said Martin Murillo. "Anyway, we will never know if we are really getting a pay increase because when we get paid the check stubs only show a total amount, but no daily breakdown of wages earned."

He said some farm workers sign because they don't know what they are signing. Others sign out of fear. And then, the Teamsters use the names to "prove" that the workers are on their side.

MEXICALI NEWSPAPER BETRAYS FARM WORKERS

"La Voz de la Frontera," a metropolitan newspaper published in Mexicali, is betraying its farm worker readers by siding with D'Arrigo and against the strikers, say farm workers in the Imperial Valley.

Clara Roque, of Mexicali and a D'Arrigo striker, says, "La Voz de la Frontera is not being just with us because it reports what is not true. They are always making charges against us."

"For example, Rebecca Torres, Esperanza Contreras, Maria Torres and Margarita Murrieta, all Union volunteers, say: 'La Voz de La Frontera lies alot. When anything bad happens it blames it on us.'"



Rebecca Torres added: "La Voz de la Frontera is making a lot of money by siding with D'Arrigo. We have a subscription to that paper, but now we want to stop it."

Another reason why farm workers believe La Voz de la Frontera is against La Causa is that D'Arrigo is doing business with D'Arrigo. Full-page anti-Union ads have been appearing in "La Voz" ever since the strike began.

STUBBORN SCABS

Anyone who goes to "La Casa de Amistad" a neighborhood center in Brawley, California, where regular strike meetings are held, can see the list of the "most stubborn" scabs in the D'Arrigo strike. The well known strike-breakers are: Juan Urutia, Dolores Placentia, Guadalupe Islas, Carlota Martinez, Juan Sandoval, Connie Perez, Paula Sanchez, Carmen Ramirez, Caritina Martinez, Teresa Alcantar, Lupe Verdugo, Genoveva Diaz, Candelario Castro, Antonio Urquidez.



ANTI-UNION RADIO ANNOUNCER

MEXICALI, Baja California -- D'Arrigo strikers have informed EL MALCRIADO that Augusto Bermudes, an announcer for the radio station XERM in Mexicali continually attacks the farm workers' movement in his program every morning. They said: "If he wants us to continue listening to his program he is going to have to stop attacking us."

WHY RAY ALVA BREAKS D'ARRIGO STRIKE

(Report: Daniel Gutierrez, Calexico)

Last April labor contractor Ray Alva asked me to help him organize a strike against Joe Ramirez, a labor contractor from Calexico.

Some time before that Ray Alva, who used to bring his melon crews to work at the Half Moon Company in Huron, California, lost his business there to Joe Ramirez.

And then, Ray Alva tried to use the Union in his war against Joe Ramirez. He even offered his buses for the strike. But our Union is not about to be used by labor contractors, and today, Ray Alva uses this as his excuse for breaking the strike against D'Arrigo.

Santa Maria Valley

CHICANO COMMUNITY DEMANDS PARTICIPATION

SANTA MARIA-- The Chicano community's demand for a voice in the formulation of an affirmative action hiring plan for the Santa Maria Elementary School District were met with excuses by the district administrators pleading that district "rules" did not allow parent participation in the planning.



In a recent Chicano community meeting called by the school district, Superintendent John Mudge told the audience that the school appointed committee, composed of teachers board members and administrators, that "this meeting is your chance to be heard" concerning district hiring plans for ethnic groups.

Members of the audience, including many Union members, voiced their objections to

being excluded from the district committee developing the plan.

Mudge pointed out that no other group, Black, Oriental or Anglo, had asked for inclusion in the committee.

Board member Richard Dixon, a strong supporter of last year's anti-bussing parent group, said the demands of the Chicano community would "delay" the development of a hiring policy, and "possibly" delay the hiring of Chicano teachers.

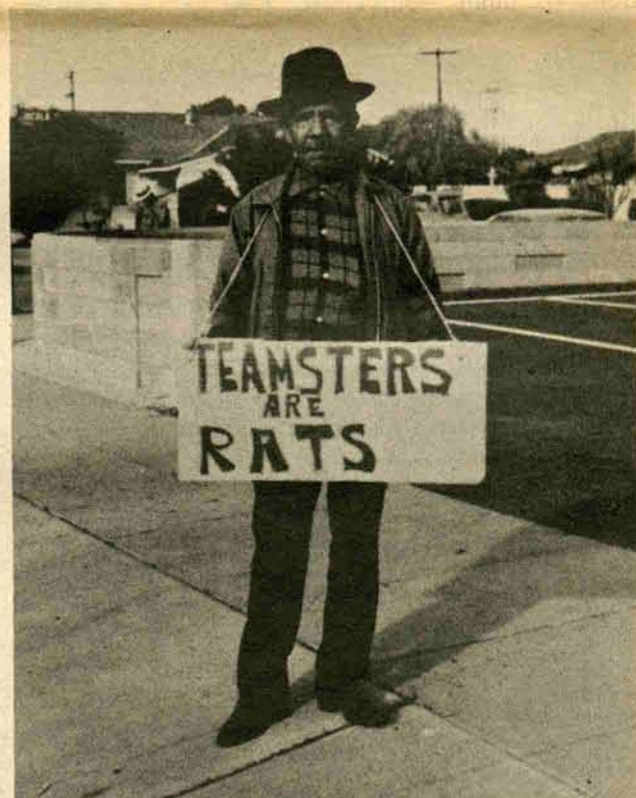
Community members decided to bring the matter to the school board's attention during the February meeting.

Affirmative action hiring plans are a resuit of a citizens' committee on integration, state pressure for an integrated staff, and negotiations by a citizens committee following picketing at the school district headquarters at the beginning of the school year.



According to district figures, thirty-five per cent of the student population is Chicano, while only 14 of the districts 246 teachers, or 5% are Chicano.

OPEN LETTER TO OUR FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES



By the Citizens' Committee for the Defense and Justice for Farm Workers.

We are sending you some leaflets that we are using to inform people in the Santa Maria area concerning the problems of farm workers.

The problems described in these leaflets are common to agriculture workers all over the United States.

Poverty respects no political boundaries. Unsanitary and dangerous working conditions respect no political boundaries.

Democracy is now being replaced by dictatorship in the fields as the Teamsters move in with "sweetheart" contracts between growers and the Teamsters Union.

These contracts do not provide for a vote on the part of the workers on whether not they accept the terms of the contract made for them by the bosses of the Teamsters Union.

We appeal to you for whatever help you can give us on the national level to help farm workers in your own district as well as the rest of the nation. VIVA LA CAUSA

LOCAL NEWS

Salinas Valley

LA VICTORIA WORKERS STRIKE

SALINAS, California-- The more than 40 permanent workers of the La Victoria Company, once Pic 'N' Pac, went on strike January 22 after representatives of the David Walsh Company, which controls La Victoria, refused to sign a new Union contract and broke off negotiations.

The contract with La Victoria, a company specializing in strawberries, expired October 8 and the company and the Union had been negotiating since. According to David Burciaga, Director of Negotiations for the Union, the company started using scabs even as it pretended to set a future negotiations meeting with the Union.

He explained that the company had no intention of negotiating in good faith because it offered to pay the same wages it paid under the Union contract last year. After the Union presented its wage proposals, the company replied by offering to pay a five-cent-per-hour increase, the same pay for some jobs and LOWER wages for others. The piece rate wages would stay the same.

The company contends it cannot pay higher wages, but David Burciaga explained that "according to a recent study by Fortune Magazine, the David Walsh Company is clearing a 28.5% in profits. Many businessmen feel lucky if they can clear 10%."

The company has already gotten an injunction limiting the number of pickets at its entrances to three.

At the same time, said David Burciaga, "The company is already recruiting people for the harvest in April with radio announcements in Texas, so people will come here now, get in debt to labor contractor Jose Gomez and be easier to control when the harvest comes."

"But the majority of the workers are among the original veterans of the strike in Salinas in 1970 and the workers will get him (David Walsh) And especially because he was talking through both sides of his mouth."

CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE SUPPORTS UNION

SALINAS, California -- Last week a Citizens' Committee was formed in support of La Causa. It is made up of students, professors, housewives, and will work as an information group.

Representatives of the committee plan to speak to groups in the surrounding community to "tell the truth about the farm workers" and the "attempts by the Teamsters to destroy the

United Farm Workers."

"The Committee is doing a fine job," said Ana Flores, who is in charge of membership at the Salinas Union Field Office.

NEWS REPORT CONTEST

Martín Medina Murillo WINS!

EL MALCRIADO proudly announces that Martín Medina Murillo of Mexicali won the first prize for the most outstanding local news report of this edition: "Farm Workers Resist Teamsters"

SEND YOUR LOCAL NEWS REPORT TO:

EL MALCRIADO
c/o Local News
P.O. Box 62
Keene, Ca. 93531

THE CONTEST CONTINUES!

OXNARD: WHAT GROWERS THINK OF FARM WORKERS

In a Los Angeles Times article January 25, Times staff writer Bella Stumbo interviewed several growers in Ventura County. The following is what the growers had to say about farm workers.

Jack Broome, who owns a 1,000 - acre citrus and vegetable ranch called Rancho Guadalupe, says: "It's heart-rendering, of course, to see people, anywhere, struggling to keep body and soul together. But more than any other American industry, agriculture has already performed a service to society by providing work for so many of these stereotyped, typical 'Grapes of Wrath' illiterates, the dregs of society, who can't fit in anyplace else."

"If I pay a man \$2.00 an hour," he says, "he's got to be worth more than that to me in skill and reliability."

On the issue of unemployment insurance for farm workers, Thomas Vujovich, who owns a 2,000-acre ranch, says: "If we had insurance these people would just abuse that privilege because a big percentage are basically lazy."

"If they had insurance," he explains, "they would just stay home half the week and our work force would be cut in half. What if they all decided to stay home at the same time?"

Vujovich is upset because the local farm association has decided to pay \$2.00 an hour: "I don't know if we can handle the hike or not. If we pay the workers \$2.00 an hour, it will ultimately cost us about \$2.44, after we add the 22% for the labor contractor's fee."

But the growers did not mention that the same farm workers they degrade are the same ones who have made Ventura County the "lemon capital of the world."

According to the Ventura County Agricultural Commission, of the 52 California counties, Ventura generally ranks 10th or 11th in agricultural production annually.

In 1972, gross crop production totalled \$200,194,000 for the 61,400 acres of row crops and the 58,000 in fruit--or an average of about \$80,000 per farm. Yet the average wage in Ventura County is \$1.85 with no fringe benefits or protections.

Arizona

MARIA CALDES: LIVES IN THE MOVEMENT

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Movement: It is hard to write this. In fact I have waited a few days to put the words down. January 3, Maria Caldes, who has been battling with lung cancer, died at the City of Hope Hospital in Los Angeles. On the day after Christmas she had reached her 20th birthday.

Maria, along with her father, mother, and brother and sister, had done more than anyone in gathering the 160,000 signatures we have to recall the Governor. In the state of Arizona, which is harsh and brutal, Maria was like a flower. Even during the most difficult days, when breathing was so difficult, she kept her remarkable spirit.... "Hey man, would you mind not smoking, I've got lung cancer..."

Well, some say Maria is gone. I doubt it. In fact I think she is very much alive in the Movement. That's the way she wanted it. That's the way it will be.

Si se puede.
Jim Drake



San Joaquin Valley

CREDIT UNION TO PAY 3.75% DIVIDEND



DELANO, California -- The Annual Meeting of the Farm Workers Credit Union took place in the Hiring Hall at the Forty Acres. Philip Vera Cruz presided over the meeting during which the members present voted that the Credit Union pay a 3.75% dividend on savings.

Credit Union Treasurer, César Chávez reviewed the progress of the Credit Union for the last year. He also asked that all members who borrow money from the Credit Union pay off their loans promptly so that other members can also share in the benefits.

Elections were also held. Elected to the Board of Directors were Helen Chavez, Pete Velasco and Rudy Ahumada. They will replace Andy Imutan, who resigned, and Richard Chavez, whose term expired. Rudy Ahumada was re-elected.



Marcos Rodriguez was elected to the Supervisory Committee, replacing Mrs. Tamayo whose term expired.

Elected to the Credit Committee were Ester Urandy and Lupe Rodriguez to replace Irene Terrazas and Margaret Ladrigán, who resigned.

A delicious meal was shared by all and Philip Vera Cruz ended the meeting saying: "The most important thing to keep in mind as individuals is to dedicate our lives to the service and well-being of our fellow farm worker sisters and brothers who are at the bottom of the wage scale. And once that is done to increase our efforts to achieve the well being of the entire human race."

PAULO FRIERE VISITA LA PAZ



Paulo Friere (right) during discussion at La Paz

Paulo Freire, Brazilian teacher and writer in the field of education, visited La Paz recently and took part in a lively discussion on the Movement with Union Director César Chávez. Brother Freire was imprisoned by the Brazilian military dictatorship in 1964 because of his views, and since his release has been exiled from his home land.

Safeway's Consumer Fraud

REPORT FROM STOCKTON

by Pete Velasco, Union Vice-President
and Director Stockton Field Office

Stockton Field Office Boycott Safeway supporters and the 80-strong leadership of Franzia Winery Bros. crews are holding their own against Safeway Stores in Stockton.

On the weekends beginning January 13 and on the 21st, our boycotters gave Safeway a stunning blow when no customers, except a few went into the store.

On January 21 the Safeway store in Stockton was empty for four hours during heavy shopping hours. A human bill board corridor going about half a mile east and about half a mile west of Safeway was effective. Many shoppers who blinked their signal to go into Safeway's parking lot changed their minds and moved on.

We have also been picketing in Lodi, although success in Lodi has not been as staggering as it was in Stockton. BUT Lodi will know we are here.

The newspapers the 'Stockton Record' and the 'Lodi Sentinel' gave us kick-off publicity by printing our press release in which we explained why we are boycotting Safeway.

On January 28 farm workers and community supporters will be out on the picketline for the celebration of the opening of a new Safeway stores at Center and Harding in Stockton. Our experience from previous weeks is going to make that Safeway's manager and staff pretty unhappy.

Community endorsements of the Safeway boycott: the Parish Council of St. Mary, Larry O'Reiley, President; and the Filipino Cultural and Educational Society, Nono Navarro, President.

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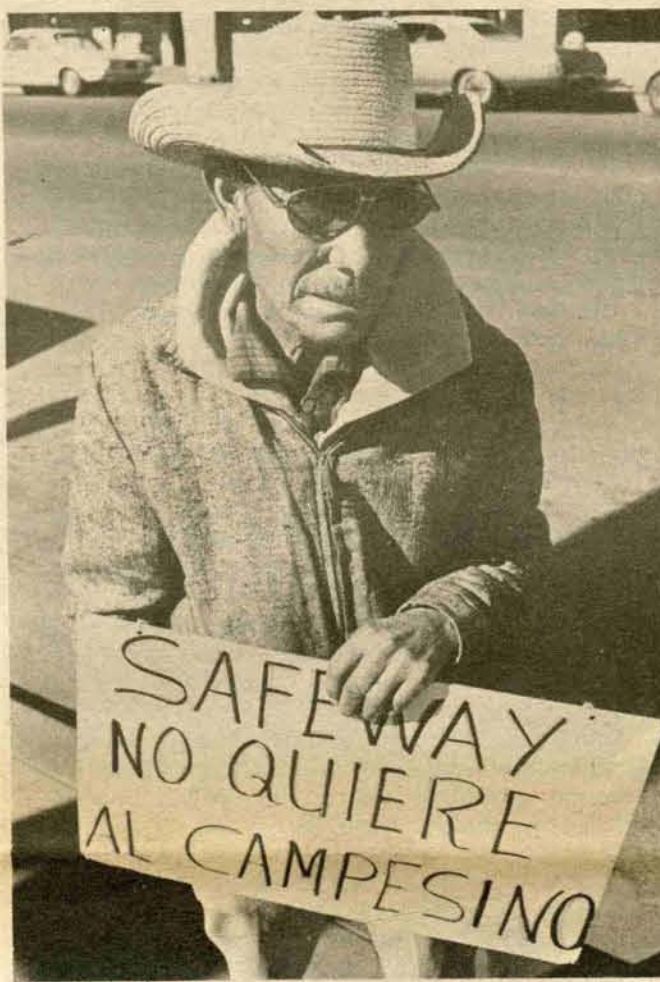
RULES FOR PICKETING

The object of our picketlines is to convince shoppers not to buy at Safeway or A & P.

1. You do not need large picketlines. Your resources go much farther this way. For example, 30 people can cover 3 or 4 stores instead of just one. The important thing is TO TALK TO EVERY CUSTOMER and ask them NOT TO SHOP THERE.
2. Cardinal rule: non-violence AT ALL TIMES on the picketline. Don't forget that you are representing the hopes and aspirations of thousands of your fellow farm workers.
3. Keep a count of the number of people you turn away every day you picket. This is the best way to measure your success.
4. Let Boycott Central at La Paz know how your picketlines are doing so that we can have a good overall picture and plan strategy for a successful boycott.

Write or call:

Boycott Central
United Farm Workers
P.O. Box 62
Keene, Ca. 93531
TELEPHONE: (805) 822-5571



FRUSTRATED SAFEWAY MANAGER ATTACKS PICKET CAPTAIN

Imperial Valley Union members and supporters have been picketing the Calexico, Brawley, and El Centro Safeways nearly continuously since the NO on SAFEWAY campaign began in early January. Boycott organizers report that the picket lines have been very effective, and that most of the customers, who are for the large part farm workers and Mexicanos, have joined the boycott until Safeway stops handling scab lettuce. Manager Wayne Brown, angered and frustrated by the effectiveness of the UFWU picket line, attacked picket captain Oscar Mondragon.

As a result, Mondragon is suing Safeway and Brown for \$1,055,000 charging Brown with assault and battery and both Brown and Safeway with trying to deter him from his constitutional right to leaflet.

Furthermore, the Calexico Police have a warrant for Brown's arrest, charging him with battery. However, inquiries at the Calexico Safeway for Mr. Brown only get the answer, "He's on a two week vacation." One employee hinted that the two weeks vacation was a disciplinary action by Safeway, and that Brown was "cooling off."

Undaunted by the attack, boycotters in the Imperial Valley have intensified their campaign against Safeway.

LOS ANGELES, California-- Los Angeles District Attorney Joe Busch was presented with evidence on massive Federal Trade Commission violations by Safeway Markets in a Friday meeting- Jan. 26- with representatives of the Interfaith Committee to Aid Farm Workers.

The Interfaith Committee asked Mr. Busch to enjoin the mammoth supermarket chain from luring customers into stores with advertised specials that were not available on the shelves and for overcharging customers for advertised goods.

Rev. Eyster, chairman of the Interfaith Committee's Consumer Fraud Task Force, said the Safeway consumer fraud violations were uncovered in a three week survey conducted from December 28, 1972 to January 13, 1973. "After surveying 62 of the 102 Safeway stores in Los Angeles County, we found that of the 13,080 items advertised, 27% were either not available or priced higher than advertised."

Rev. Eyster said check lists based on Safeway newspaper advertisements were completed by teams of Interfaith Committee members at Safeway stores. In all 62

stores, the survey teams found items that were unavailable and others that were overpriced. The total number of violations was 3,492.

As a follow-up to the store surveys, members of the Interfaith Committee shopped at 35 stores, shopped at 35 stores, purchasing items that were advertised as being on special. In all 35 stores the shoppers were overcharged for sale items, the overcharge ranging from a low of one per cent to a high of thirty-eight per cent.

"Safeway maintains a major competitive advantage partly through its ability to finance intensive media advertising," Rev. Eyster said. "When this advertising is deceptive--when items are not available or overpriced--Safeway not only victimizes consumers but also small chains and independent markets that cannot afford high priced TV and newspaper spots.

OHIO BISHOPS SUPPORT BOYCOTT

CINCINNATI, Ohio--The six Catholic Bishops of Ohio adopted a joint statement early this month supporting the lettuce boycott.

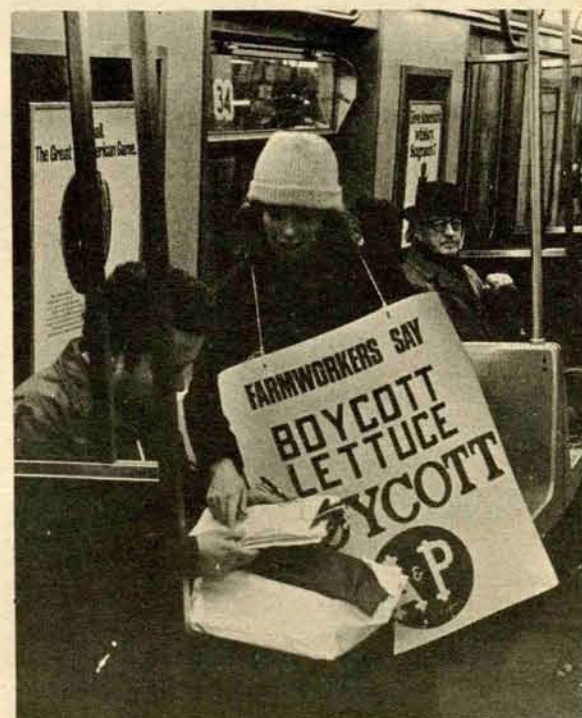
"A fundamental issue of social justice is at stake," declared the bishops, and called for Ohio citizens and particularly Catholic institutions to buy only head lettuce marked with the black eagle of the United Farm Workers.

In their statement they quoted from the Second Vatican Council's Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World:

"Among the basic rights of the human person must be counted the right of freely founding labor unions. These unions should be truly able to represent the workers and to contribute to the proper arrangement of economic life...."

The bishops also declared: "We laud the California Supreme Court's decision in late December which permits the UFW to resume its boycott-strike against those growers who had earlier signed agreements with another union. This is really a grass roots struggle by the workers to gain a union of their choice.

"The moral issues are the same as they were in the grape boycott: dignity, self-determination and justice."



Florida Farm Workers Fight Anti-Union Legislation



by Dorothy Johnson

The Farm Bureau and the Republican Party is sponsoring a bill in the Florida legislature aimed at destroying the United Farm Workers, House Bill 74 has already been pre-filed for the 1973 session, and of the 50 co-sponsors, 41 are Republican.

The Farm Bureau is not trying to disguise the fact that the bill is designed to hurt farm workers. In the December issue of the Florida Farm Bureau magazine, John C. Lynn executive vice-president, says: "We have talked long enough. It is time, past time really to form 'right-to-work committees' made up of citizens from all walks of life in our communities to stop this man Chavez and his organization."

House Bill 74 is an immoral attack on farm workers. One section provides for the elimination of agricultural hiring halls. The bill is, in effect, an endorsement of the corrupt crew leader system that is based on favoritism and pay-offs and that provides NO JOB SECURITY for farm workers.

The Union hiring halls dispatch people to work on the basis of seniority. The co-sponsors of HB 74 are in favor of continuing the ruthless crew leader system by outlawing the hiring hall. (The "crew leader system" is comparable to the labor contractor system in the West.)

Another section of HB 74 would place severe penalties on anyone violating any provisions of the bill. For example, if a Union representative in a field office dispatched workers to jobs at Union companies for one week, he would be thrown in jail for up to 7 years and fined as much as \$7,000.00.

Enforcement would be in the hands of the county courts, and in Florida these courts have already indicated their pro-grower bias in making decisions involving farm workers.

In addition, the bill would NULLIFY THE CONTRACT WITH COCA-COLA IN FLORIDA.

On January 14, 1973, the Florida UFW staff and Coke stewards and committeemen met at the Ft. Pierce field office to decide strategy for defeating HB 74. On January 19-21, volunteer boycott supporters from all parts of Florida met in Gainesville for a three day conference to discuss their part in the HB 74 campaign. On January 27, a similar meeting will be held in Miami for south Florida supporters.

Stewards and committeemen from Coca Cola have been getting letters from the members of their crews and also from friends and relatives who do not work under Union contract. Volunteers in Miami, Tampa, Gainesville, and many other cities have visited churches to talk about HB 74 and get letters signed by the members of the congregations. All letters are being directed to Representative Donald Tucker, who is Chairman of the Commerce Committee where the bill is assigned.

Farm workers and delegations of supporters from many different cities have met with numerous representatives asking them to STOP HB 74. One representative, Betty Easley, who initially co-sponsored the bill, has removed her name from HB 74 because she sees how blatantly it discriminates against farm workers.

Since the first meeting in Ft. Pierce, many friends have been mobilized to help defeat HB 74. But all of us know that during the months ahead, we must keep the pressure on the Florida legislators.

If we do not, a handful of people, pressured by powerful Florida growers, will ignore the plight of migrant workers, and cripple their chances of ever having their own union and the right to a decent life.

We hope that our brothers and sisters outside the state of Florida will join with us in this crucial battle to stop HB 74, and write to

Representative Don Tucker, telling him to VOTE NO ON HB 74:

Representative Donald Tucker
Chairman, Commerce Committee
224 Holland Building
Tallahassee, Fla. 32303



FARM WORKERS WRITE LEGISLATORS

Dear Mr. Tucker,

We don't like the way they are doing to us. We have been waiting for the Union for a long time. Please help us. Stop H.B. 74. We are both Democrats.

Thank you,
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dunbar

Mr. Tucker,

I have been working on a farm for a long time. I have some hope now since the union has been coming around. But now I hear that they want to stop the union in Tallahassee with house bill 74.

Please stop house bill 74.

Thank you
Albert Prince Jr.

The Honorable Donald Tucker,

I am writing you to ask you to Please oppose H.B. 74 against farm workers, because we as migrant workers are really not getting enough pay as it is for trying to see that our Nation gets good crops, we slave before sun up, and still going when the sun goes down. So I would be very grateful if you would also try to get other members as well as yourself to oppose this Bill and do not take it to Congress. May the will of God lead each and every one of you to start treating your people, the migrant worker, like human people. Thank you for listening,

Mrs. Pauline Smith

Our Movement to Bear New Fruit:

A CLINIC IN PARLIER

PARLIER, California-- Ranch Committee members from the Fresno area met with representatives of the National Farm Worker Health Group January 19 to begin preparations for the building of a Union Clinic in Parlier. Health Group Director Sister Pearl McGivney introduced the sisters and brothers who are interested in working in the new clinic: John Radebaugh, M.D. and his wife Dottie; Ken Armstrong, physician's associate; Sofia Arm-

strong, dental Technician; Phil Traynor, health organizer and Carol Traynor, a nurse.

In order to demonstrate how medical practices in Union clinics differ from those of conventional medicine, the Health Group brought microscopes, stethoscopes and other instruments used in medical examinations. During part of the meeting, the workers examined the instruments and even gave each other eye, heart and ear examinations, learning that there is much that a person can do for himself in keeping healthy, and that farm workers can learn to staff their own clinics.

The clinic in Parlier will be the third Union clinic serving farm workers who work under Union Contracts. The first was the Rodrigo Terronez Memorial Clinic at the Forty Acres in Delano and the second, the clinic in Cal-



Ken Armstrong, who will be a physician's associate at the new Fresno County Clinic, helps a worker listen to his own heartbeat during the meeting in Parlier.



Dr. James Radebaugh (left), who will work at the Union's new Clinic in Fresno County, shows farm workers how an ear-examining instrument works at a recent meeting in Parlier at which the new Clinic was discussed with workers.

Baby Born at Delano Clinic



DELANO, California-- Troy, a 5- pound, 15 ounce baby-boy, was born January 28 to Union members José and Aurora Chapa at the Rodrigo Terronez Union clinic in Delano. He is the Chapa's second son.

The baby was delivered by Kay Zehr, a nurse at the clinic, when the birth took place suddenly at a moment when she was alone with Mrs. Chapa. She said that she has helped doctors with deliveries many times, but has never delivered a baby herself.

Mrs. Chapa had arrived at 7:00 a.m. and, after an examination by a clinic doctor, was getting ready to be taken to the hospital when the birth took place. The clinic does not ordinarily deliver babies because it is not equipped to do so on a regular basis.

After seeing the baby, Union Director Cesar Chavez said: "The baby must be a true Unionist because he was born here instead of at the hospital.

"It is beautiful how where there is destruction there is also life," he said. "Our

Terra Bella office was destroyed this morning, but we also saw new life. These are the things that strengthen our spirit to continue struggling day after day, week after week, year after year, and in that way an entire lifetime."

CALEXICO CLINIC GROWS

CALEXICO, California -- The Calexico City Council approved the building of a \$9,000-\$12,000 addition on to the Union's Calexico Clinic at their regular meeting January 16, and agreed to finance the construction with city funds.

The addition will enlarge the Clinic's space by a full fifty per-cent, providing for an enlarged waiting room, four interview rooms, and additional examining room, a full lab, a chart room, storage room and additional administrative space.

Clinic administrator Heidi Urich said construction should be completed in two to three months.

The approval of the addition by the largely Chicano City Council reflects the excellent working relationship between the city government and the Union in Calexico.

Clinic personnell had submitted a request for use of a nearby building to City Manager Jim Black early in January. Black instead suggested that an addition be built to the Clinic's specifications. It was at his suggestion that floor plans for such an addition were submitted to the City Council and approved soon afterward.

The addition was made necessary by the enlarged patient load the Clinic is handling. Presently about 40 patients a day are being seen, and that will soon peak to well over 50 as the Imperial Valley harvest season approaches.



Cristi Willison, field worker for the Calexico Clinic, makes a delivery of penecillin to the Pellegrin family in Calexico, several of whose children were suffering from strep throat.

Clinic Doctors Save Baby's Life

CALEXICO, California-- A 24-hour vigil by the three doctors of the Union's Calexico Clinic has saved the life of an infant born with a collapsed lung.

Mrs. Aurelia Peña, who lives in San Luis, Arizona, had been having some trouble with her pregnancy, and her doctor at the Clinic, Ken Tittle, had been keeping in close touch with her.

When she arrived at the Clinic already in labor, Dr. Tittle immediately took her next

door to the Calexico City Hospital where he delivered the baby.

Upon delivery the child, a boy, looked fine, but Dr. Tittle soon noticed that he was having trouble breathing. An x-ray he ordered on the baby's chest revealed a partially collapsed lung.

So Dr. Tittle called in a specialist from El Centro, Dr. Turner, and the two of them in consultation with the other Clinic doctors, Dr. John Cummings and Dr. Graeme Fincke, discussed rushing the child to San Diego for intensive care and possible surgery.

Since the critical period for such a case is the first 24 hours, the doctors instead decided to maintain a constant vigil over the infant. The three doctors from the Clinic took turns with the child, checking his vital signs every fifteen minutes and administering whatever care was called for.

The three had to be prepared to plunge a tube into the baby's chest at any time to provide an escape for the air pocket outside the child's lung, which was holding it collapsed. At one point the infant's respiration went up to 95 per minute--two to three times normal--and at various other times antibiotics to fight pneumonia and oxygen had to be administered.

Finally, after 24 hours of this intensive care, the baby's lung re-expanded and he was on his way to recovery. However, an additional four days of treatment with antibiotics was necessary to ward off pneumonia; but then the child was healthy enough to return home with his family.

Mrs. Peña and her husband have named the boy Tizoc, using an ancient Aztec name.



Dr. Ken Tittle of the Union's Calexico Clinic, who recently delivered and watched over little Tizoc Peña while he had a collapsed lung, discusses the case with new Clinic administrator Heidi Urich.

Preventative Medicine: UNION CLINICS FIGHT "HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE"

by Peter Rudd, doctor, Terronez Clinic

This is the first of several articles written by members of the Rodrigo Terronez Memorial Clinic staff (from the clinic serving UFW members in the Delano area). Each of these brief articles will focus on a health issue of general interest and illustrate the nature of health care available to Union members.

One of the most common reasons for patients to come to the Terronez Clinic is hypertension ("high blood pressure").

This condition basically forces the heart and arteries to under higher stress than normal, somewhat like driving a car continuously at 100 mph. Both for the human body and for the car, such stress may produce temporary or permanent strain on the working parts.

Hypertension is extremely common; 10-15% of all Americans may have it at one time or another, 20-30 million people in this country alone. If one's blood pressure stays high for years without treatment, a person can die of complications years earlier than if treatment were started and blood pressure controlled properly.

Many patients ask, "How can I know if my blood pressure is high?" All people's pressure

varies moderately from minute to minute, especially when under stress. But most people with hypertension have no symptoms. They feel perfectly well and can do their normal activities, including hard work, without difficulty. Their hypertension is discovered by "accident" often, when they have come to see the doctor for other reasons. Other patients may have headache, dizziness, ringing in the ears, easy tiredness, prominent heartbeats, but none of these symptoms prove high blood pressure. Many other conditions, including nervous tension or simple overwork, will produce the same symptoms.

Unfortunately, 9 out of 10 patients with proven high blood pressure will require medicine for most of their lives. Their hypertension is of unknown cause and has no cure. Medications keep these patients' pressure from putting too much stress on the heart but can not stop the process forever. If the patient with such hypertension stops his medicine, his blood pressure becomes too high again.

A lucky 1 out of 10 patients with proven hypertension can be cured. Such patients have high blood pressure because of some other disease, which can be corrected; kidney disease,

hormone imbalance, some cancers, pregnancy, side effects of medicine, etc. Specialized tests are necessary to be sure if a particular patient's high blood pressure can be cured. Such tests are necessary for the rare possibility that the doctor can find a cause for the hypertension and therefore cure it.

If untreated, most patients with high blood pressure die within 20 years; most from heart failure or heart attack, others from strokes or kidney failure.

Since the problem can be so serious, the staff of the Terronez Clinic puts emphasis on checking blood pressure when a patient first comes to see us. If found to be too high, the pressure is checked again at least 3 times to be sure the hypertension is not just because the patient is nervous or upset. Many tests are performed to rule out curable disease. We then carefully explain the disease to the patient and begin his treatment with close follow-up.

This is just one of the many ways that those of us in Delano try to serve the needs of farmworkers and their families.

Farm Worker Poet Dedicates Poem



by Francisco Nuñez Gomez
Translated from the Spanish

A FARM WORKER TOAST

Fellow farm workers, our celebration
I am feeling a little sad,
the toasting is about to begin.
Everyone gathers
around that table;
And with unexpected silence
we fill our cups.

The first to offer a toast
is brother Joaquin:

Brothers, for my mother
who gave me life and warmth
and for the men who struggle
to move our Union along.

At that moment the women
speak out:

Just a moment brothers
lest you forget
we too are farm workers
and we must also toast

Vita lifts her cup
the second to offer a toast:

I toast for protests,
for strikes and boycotts,
the great leader of our Union.

The third toast is offered
by Mrs. Pelayo;
she lifts her cup
and looks at us:

I toast for my sons
and also for the new year
because this 1972
has left me a thousand memories
the boycott organized
protests in Sacramento
and bad bills defeated

Our sister Rafaela toasts,
fourth in line,
tell us what you think
and for whom you want to toast:

I toast for our leader
that God will guard the footsteps
of this little giant.

Also for Dolores Huerta
I remember what you told me:
FIRST I'LL DIE A THOUSAND TIMES
THAN TO BETRAY MY PEOPLE.

And now you, Francisco,
don't be left behind:
they say fifth in line's not bad,
you can show us why.

Francisco took his cup:

is not the toast of a bohemian
is not a toast in jest
each one has had his say
and now I'll have my own.

I toast for my little mother
who I never knew
I must have been very small
when she went to the Lord.

Also a toast that is right,
as far as I can see,
to the very first strikers
the martyrs of Chicago.

My thoughts go far away
crossing the border
immortal in my mind
is the massacre of Rio Blanco

The toast of the farm worker
is never made with liquor,
it is made with struggle
with justice and with honor

The martyrs of this world
The same as those of Chicago
with sacrifices,
machine guns cut them down.

The blood they shed
was from their hearts,
to defend their children
and form a Union for them.

Special Analysis by Legal Department

FARM WORKERS MAKE CHANGES IN IMPERIAL VALLEY

Things are changing in Imperial County. Ten years ago a farm worker, a Mexican, or a Union member had no chance whatsoever of receiving justice from the police or the court system in grower-dominated Imperial County. However, the present D'Arrigo strike has shown what Union solidarity can do.

Certainly, the police side openly with the growers and the scabs. On Friday, January 12, for example, a D'Arrigo foreman, Pete Cabanyog, beat up a striker, Rosalba Aramburo. That Friday Rosalba went to the Sheriff's office to give a statement on the assault, but two weeks later the District Attorney, James Hamilton, had still refused to have Cabanyog arrested.

On that same day, a scab told police that he had been hit with a head of spoiled lettuce; the police took this scab around to various Union picket lines in the fields, until the scab saw the man he thought had thrown the lettuce. The striker, Salvador Chavez, was arrested and charged with assault with a deadly weapon; he spent five days in jail and his bail was set at two thousand dollars. This is justice, Imperial County style.

The Union members, unable to get the police to arrest the scabs who have been attacking them since the beginning of the strike, filed suits on Friday, January 26, hoping to discourage the scab attacks this way.

Rosalba sued Cabanyog and D'Arrigo for \$1,055,000.00, charging that Cabanyog assaulted her with the intent of deterring her constitutional right to picket; three other suits were filed on behalf of Union members who had been attacked and falsely arrested.

Just as we see what is wrong with Imperial County, there are encouraging signs. For example, the mere fact that the District Attorney refused to press criminal charges against the eighty one D'Arrigo picketers arrested for violation of a repressive court order curtailing picketing activities is a great victory.

In September and October, the White River Farms strikers proved to Tulare County that

they would no longer be intimidated by court orders breaking the strike. More than two hundred White River strikers were arrested for violating a court order from Tulare County, and the subsequent trials completely broke down the judicial system in Tulare County, to such an extent that the District Attorney was forced to drop almost 150 of the charges.

Fearing a repeat of the Tulare County catastrophe, Imperial County District Attorney James Hamilton refused to spend tax payers' money in fighting D'Arrigo's battles for him, and D'Arrigo was forced to pursue contempt charges against the 81.

The contempt proceedings were a second demonstration of Union solidarity, as more than four hundred farm workers gathered at the Imperial County Courthouse each day of the trial. The arrested Union members made it clear from the start that it would not be easy for D'Arrigo to put them in jail.

Each member took the stand and explained why he or she had been picketing in violation of the court order on January 6, and why the Union is important for farm workers.

After two days, the judge had heard from only 34 of the 80 on trial, but he had had enough. The arrested Union members were sentenced the maximum penalty, but the sentence was suspended.

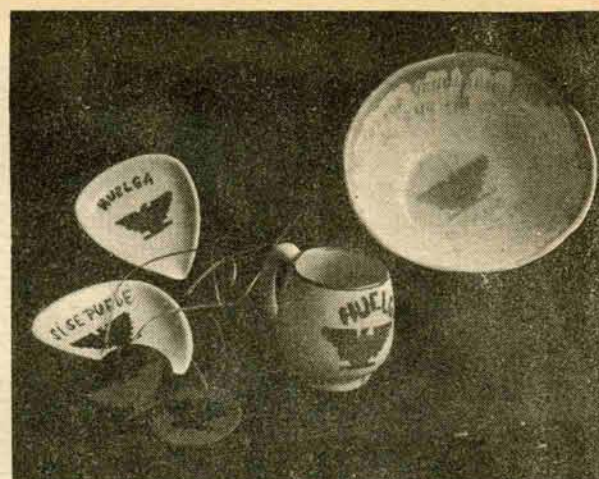
The judge thus maintained a front of having punished the workers, while in fact admitting the court's powerlessness when faced with organized resistance.

The Court system is designed to separate and isolate people and to harass and deter individuals. It is simply not equipped to handle organized resistance to the grower/s court orders and contempt proceedings.

Wehn faced with organized resistance, the Court system balks or breaks down. The situation in Imperial County today proves how bad things still are, but the White River and D'Arrigo strikers have taught us all a big lesson about how to fight back against the injustice of the courts and police--ORGANIZE.

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| 51 to 61 | \$1,000 | \$500 | \$200 | \$1,000 |
| over 61 | \$500 | \$500 | \$200 | \$1,000 |

(Assume the member is the husband)



Union member Clifford Myers passed away on November 5, 1972. He had been working at Coca Cola in the Avon Park area. Brother Myers had been a Union member only a short while- he joined in June of 1972. But he believed strongly in the Union, and all his brothers and sisters here in Florida were saddened at the news of his death.

Sam Myers, Clifford's brother, was named beneficiary of Clifford's Union death benefit. On January 11, 1973, Hugh Tague and Eliseo Medina, UFW organizers, presented Sam Myers with a check for \$1,000.00.

Mr. Myers says he is very grateful for the help the Union has given him and his brother, and Sam has been telling his friends about how the Union is a good thing. Sam is a farm worker, just like his brother, but he has not worked under Union contract yet.

He says he wishes he could be working under Union contract right now, because he is sure that the Union would bring better wages and he would also like to enjoy the medical benefits of the Kennedy Plan.

The Florida office of the Kennedy Plan also reports that in addition to the Death Benefit, the Kennedy Plan paid over \$900.00 in doctor and hospital bills that Clifford Myers incurred prior to his death. VIVA NUESTRA UNION. VIVA EL PLAN KENNEDY.

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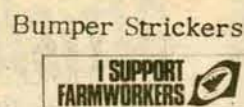
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PRODUCTION SPEED-UPS

NEW YORK, N.Y. (LNS)--President Nixon, through his National Commission on Productivity, has been pushing for increased output --which many workers have regarded as a camouflage for assembly line speed-ups.

One General Motors assemblyman at the Lordstown, Ohio Vega plant, which struck for three weeks in 1972 over the speed-up issue, put it this way: "They treat the workers like a piece of machinery. They have it all worked out on paper that you should be able to. But a man gets tired, but a machine don't."

FIVE-YEAR BOYCOTT IN CAIRO, ILLINOIS

CAIRO, Illinois -- Not many people have heard of this little town at the southern tip of Illinois, where the Ohio River meets the Mississippi, and fewer still know about the Black boycott of white businesses here that is entering its fifth year.

The boycott was begun as a response to the closed economic domination of the town by the white community. Cairo has 3,900 whites and nearly 2,400 blacks, yet whites own nearly 80% of the housing and the median income is \$6,500 for whites and about \$2,800 for Blacks.

Cairo ranks first in poverty, second in substandard housing and third in unemployment in the state of Illinois. When the white business community refused to respond to Black demands for increased economic opportunity, the boycott was initiated by the United Front of Blacks.

When violence and reprisals followed, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights investigated. In a town whose government and law enforcement is almost completely white, the Commission found that "blacks are not allowed to participate in the political, educational, law enforcement or economic operations of the city without fear of life." The Commission concluded that "pervasive racism" exists in Cairo.

Nonetheless, little real help has been forthcoming from the federal government. While Cairo was declared an economic disaster area and the Small Business Association granted loans totaling \$570,930 to the city, \$549,000 went to the white businessmen (many of whom are the same merchants who have been hurt by the boycott) and only \$21,500 went to Blacks.

The boycott is a response by the United Front to being totally shut out of the economic life of the city, and, in its fifth year, is one of the longest economic boycotts in U.S. history.

RE-BUILD BACH MAI HOSPITAL

NEW YORK, N.Y.--A group called Medical Aid for Indochina is collecting money to pay for rebuilding the Bach Mai hospital, the most important in North Viet Nam, which was destroyed by American bombers during the De-

cember raids over Hanoi.

As of January 17, \$400,000 had been raised from individual contributors around the country. The goal is \$3 million.

The San Francisco Symphony Orchestra has scheduled a benefit concert and the Palo Alto city council voted to donate a substantial sum in the city's name. Both the Harvard and Boston University medical schools have endorsed the campaign and are raising money for it.

AT&T FORCED TO PAY BACK WAGES

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Under pressure from the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, which had said it is "the largest oppressor of women workers in the United States" and where blacks were "largely relegated to the lowest-paying, least desirable jobs", the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. agreed to pay \$15 million in back wages to some 15,000 women and minority-group men employees against whom it was charged with discriminating.

While it is by far the biggest settlement of its kind, some civil rights leaders feel that AT&T got off easy. "The settlement is absolute chicken feed," said Ann Scott, director of legislation for the National Organization for Women. (AT&T has assets of \$55 billion and made a huge 2.5 billion in profits after taxes last year.)

DRIVE TO ORGANIZE SIX MILLION WORKERS

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Under the leadership of president Jerry Wurf, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) has begun a new organizing drive among the nation's 6 million municipal workers.

Wurf announced plans here for his 525,000 member union to join with the 1.2 million member National Education Association (NEA) in a nationwide organizing, collective bargaining and political-action effort.

Said Wurf: "This business of treating as second-class citizens is going to come to a screeching halt."

One Labor Department official commented: "Anybody who doesn't take this organization seriously better think again."

AFSCME made a large contribution to the Union's effort in Arizona at the close of Cesar's fast in Phoenix last June.

Latin America and World:

VICTORY FOR VIETNAM

After ten years of waging one of the most brutal and costly wars in the history of the United States, President Nixon was forced to sign a cease-fire agreement, which was basically the same one he refused to sign in October.

The agreement recognizes the independence and the right of the Vietnamese people to determine their own destiny.

After more than thirty years of struggle, the Vietnamese people will be free of foreign intervention. But the road to a free and democratic South and to a re-unified Vietnam will be a difficult task. After the armed struggle, will come the political struggle.

GOVERNMENT OF CHILE LAUNCHES RATION PROGRAM TO ASSURE FOOD FOR ALL

SANTIAGO, CHILE In order to defeat attempts by reactionaries to create a scarcity of food, the government of the Popular Unity Party has begun a rationing program. Its purpose: "To insure the distribution of basic staples at reasonable prices." Thirty products are going to be rationed, among them oil, sugar, meat, rice and coffee. Workers' committees support the new program.

The reactionary forces had been intensifying their attempts to oust the Popular Unity government. One of their moves has been to withdraw food-stuffs from their businesses and to sell them on the black market at exorbitant prices, prices workers cannot afford.

PHILIPPINES: DICTATOR MARCOS

MANILA, the Philippines--Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos has effectively become dictator of his country.

Last fall EL MALCRIADO reported that Marcos had instituted martial law and begun a rule by personal decree, claiming his country was threatened by unnamed outside forces. It was widely believed at the time that his action was the first step in avoiding the mandatory retirement of Philippine presidents after two terms required by the constitution.

Marcos would have been required to step down in December of 1973, but under the new constitution he can serve as long as his party is in power. The new charter also gives Marcos dictatorial powers for an indefinite period by incorporation into law all the decrees, orders, proclamations and letters of instruction he has issued since he declared martial law. Among other powers, the new constitution gives Marcos power to remove anyone from government office, including the Supreme Court, at his will.

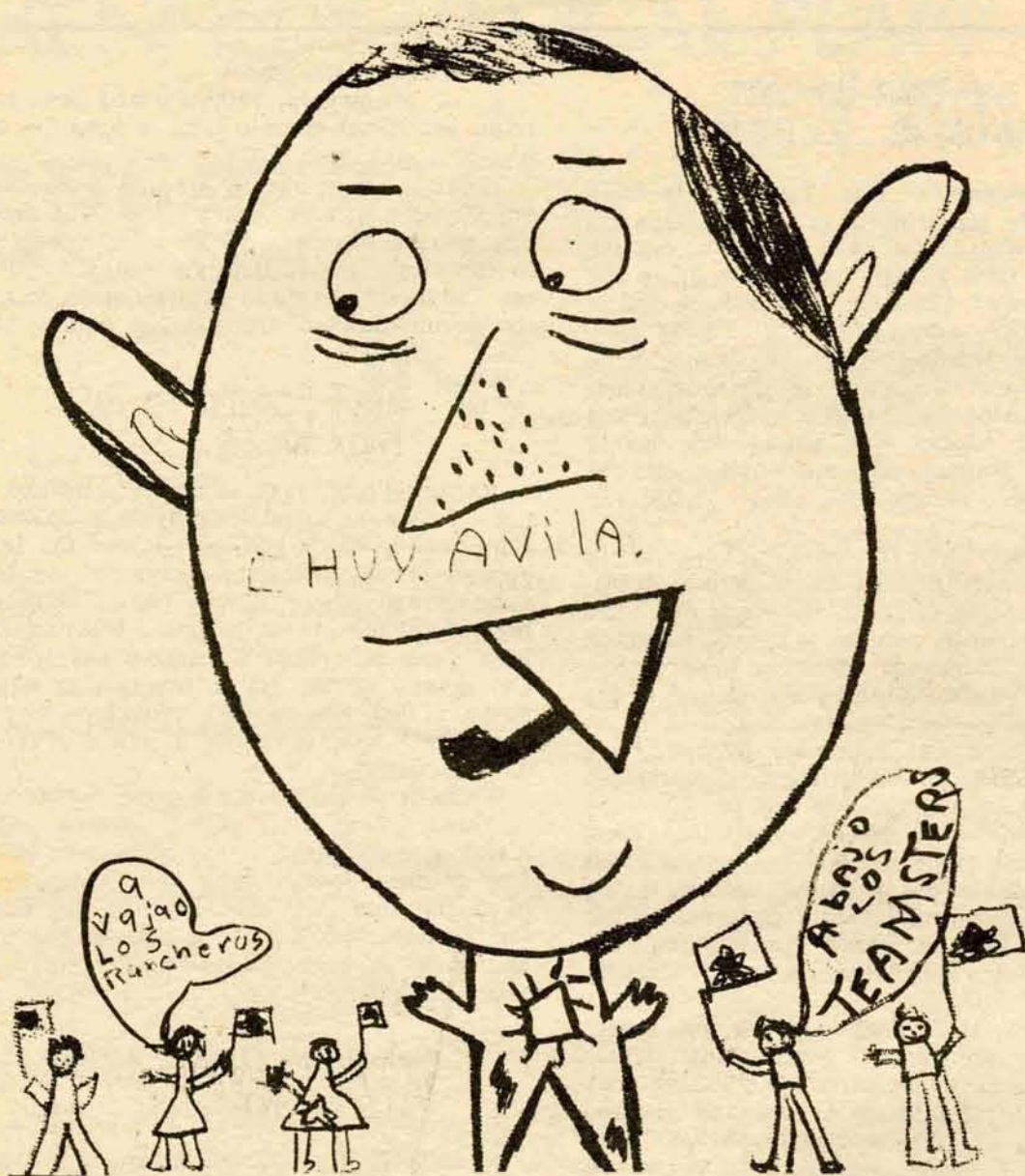
Marcos is also taking steps to reverse the nationalization and taxation of foreign firms using Philippine natural resources. Nationalist members of the Philippine congress had passed a law last summer greatly restricting and taxing these foreign firms, but this was one of the first laws reversed by Marcos after martial law was declared. The law specifically affected huge U.S. oil companies like Exxon, Getty and Gulf.

NEW TRAFFIC IN SLAVES

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) -- Repeating the American pattern, some 8 million migrant workers have come to Europe from the south and east, most of them with dark skins and little formal education. These modern slaves, are forced by necessity to take menial jobs at low pay, live in slums and without their families.

Even the labor contractor systems which oppresses farm workers in California is present here. It is not uncommon for European police to stop a suspicious truck and find illegal immigrants herded into it by contractors who supply them with little food and no toilets.

Farm Worker Children's Art



by Lupe Amezcua, age 7

Chuy Avila, D'Arrigo supervisor.

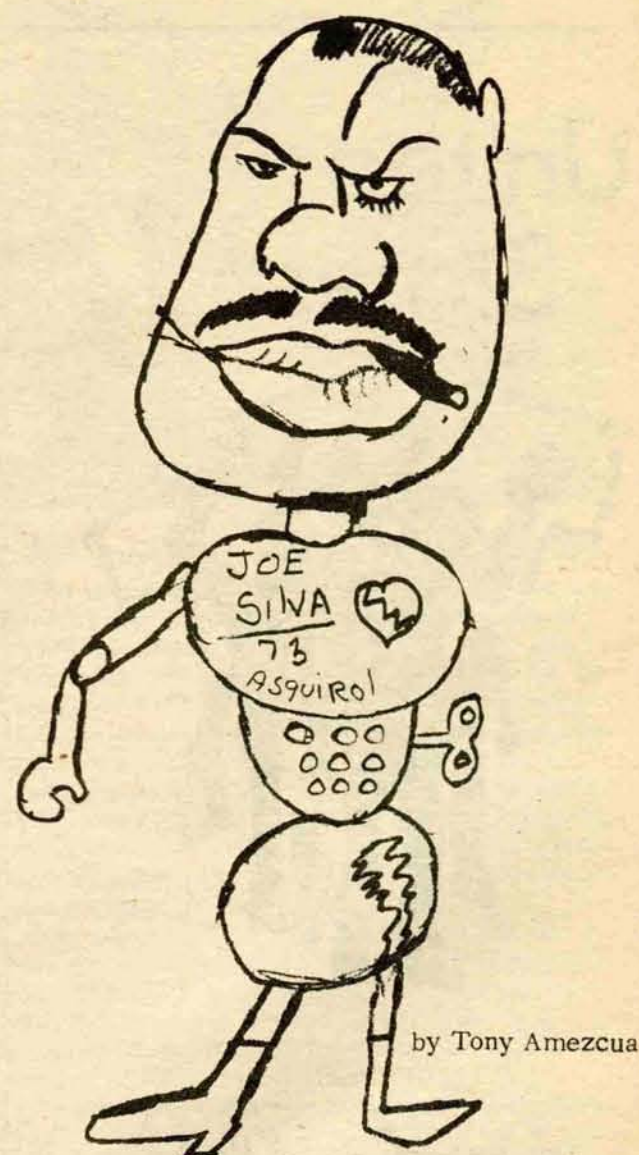
Picketline: "Down with the growers!
Down with the Teamsters!"



by Amalia Amezcua, age 10

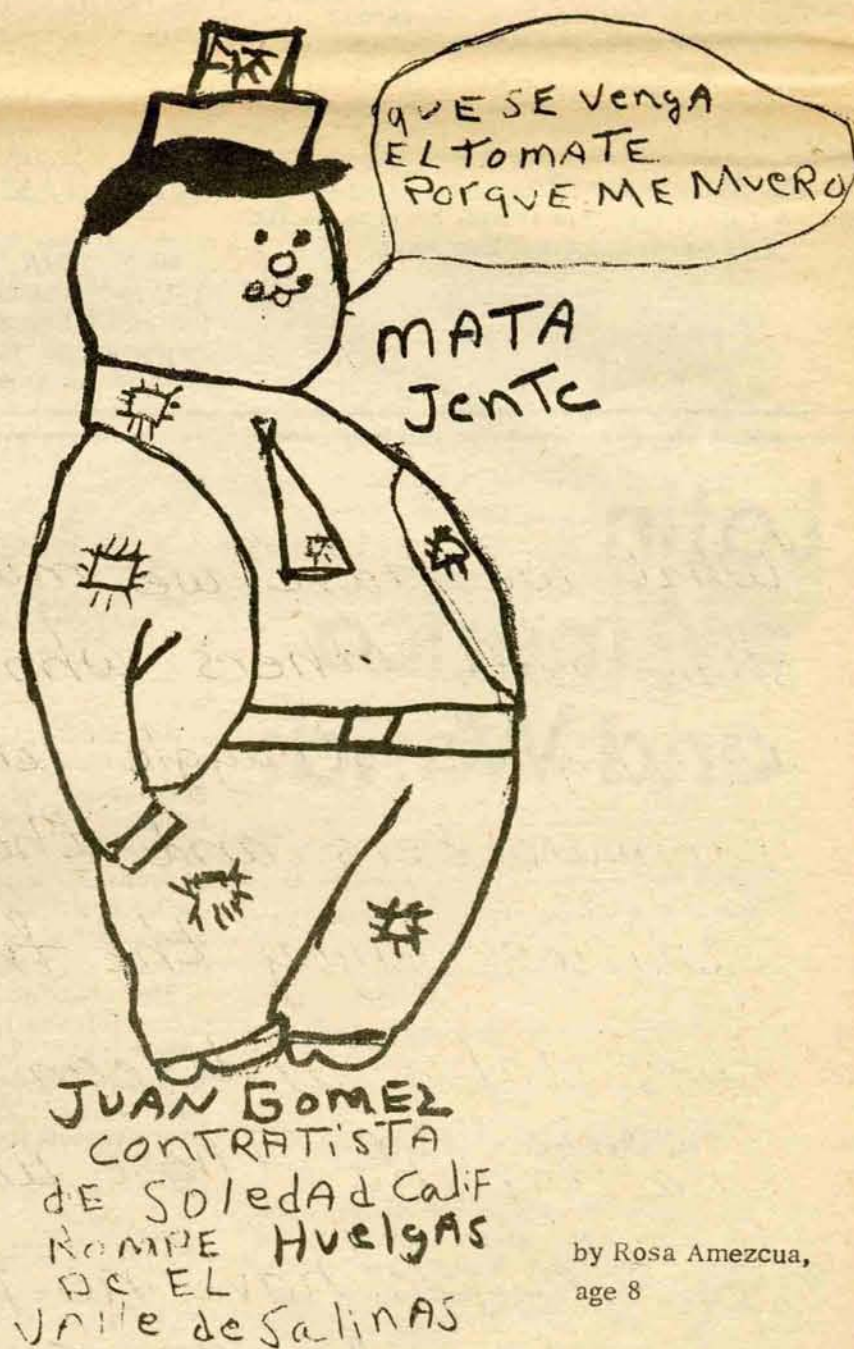
Grower (left): "Oh, my lettuce is dying!"

Teamster (right): "Don't worry, Chavez will
let me help you. Heh, heh!"



by Tony Amezcua

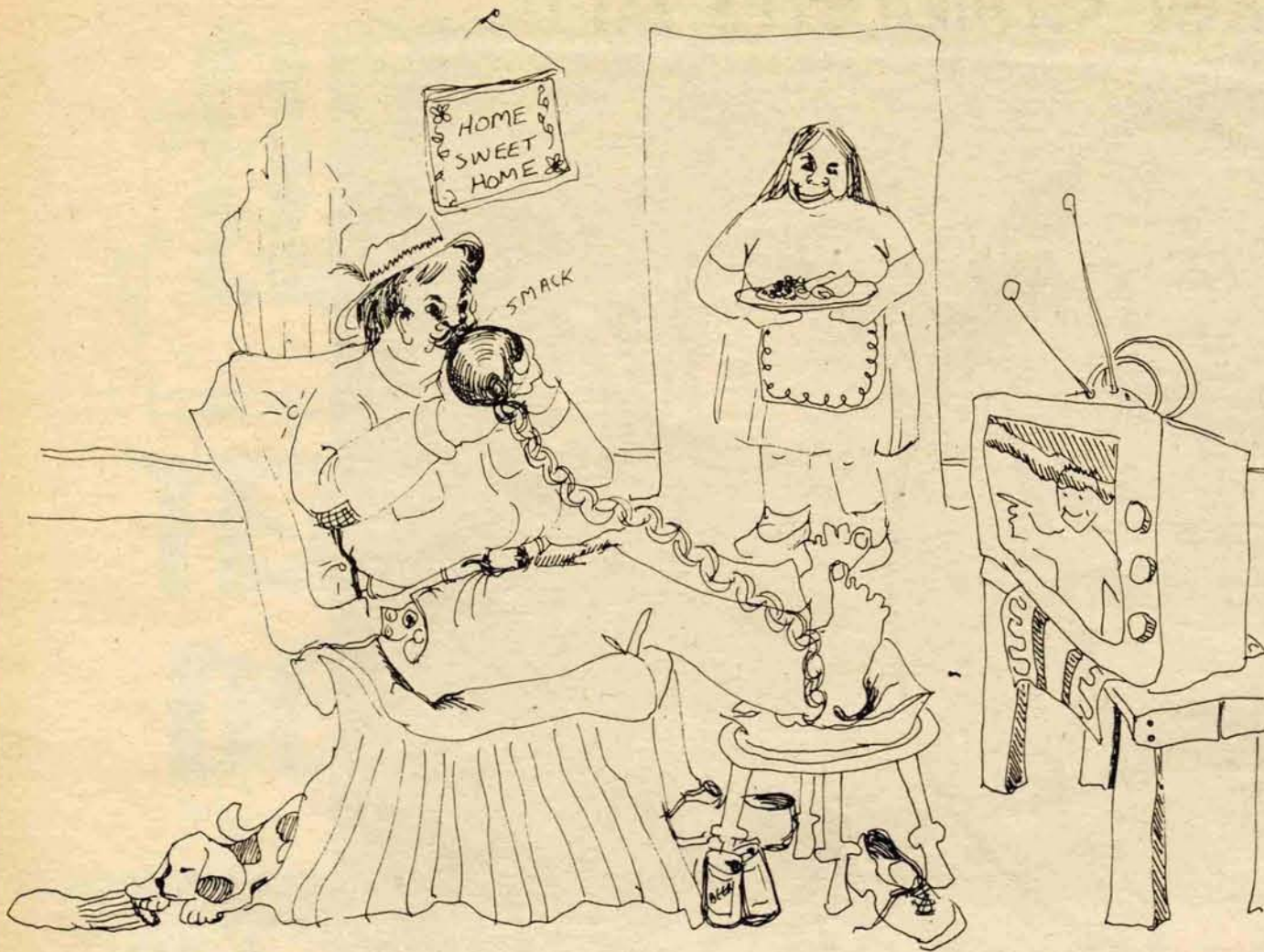
Joe Silva, labor contractor
in the Salinas Valley



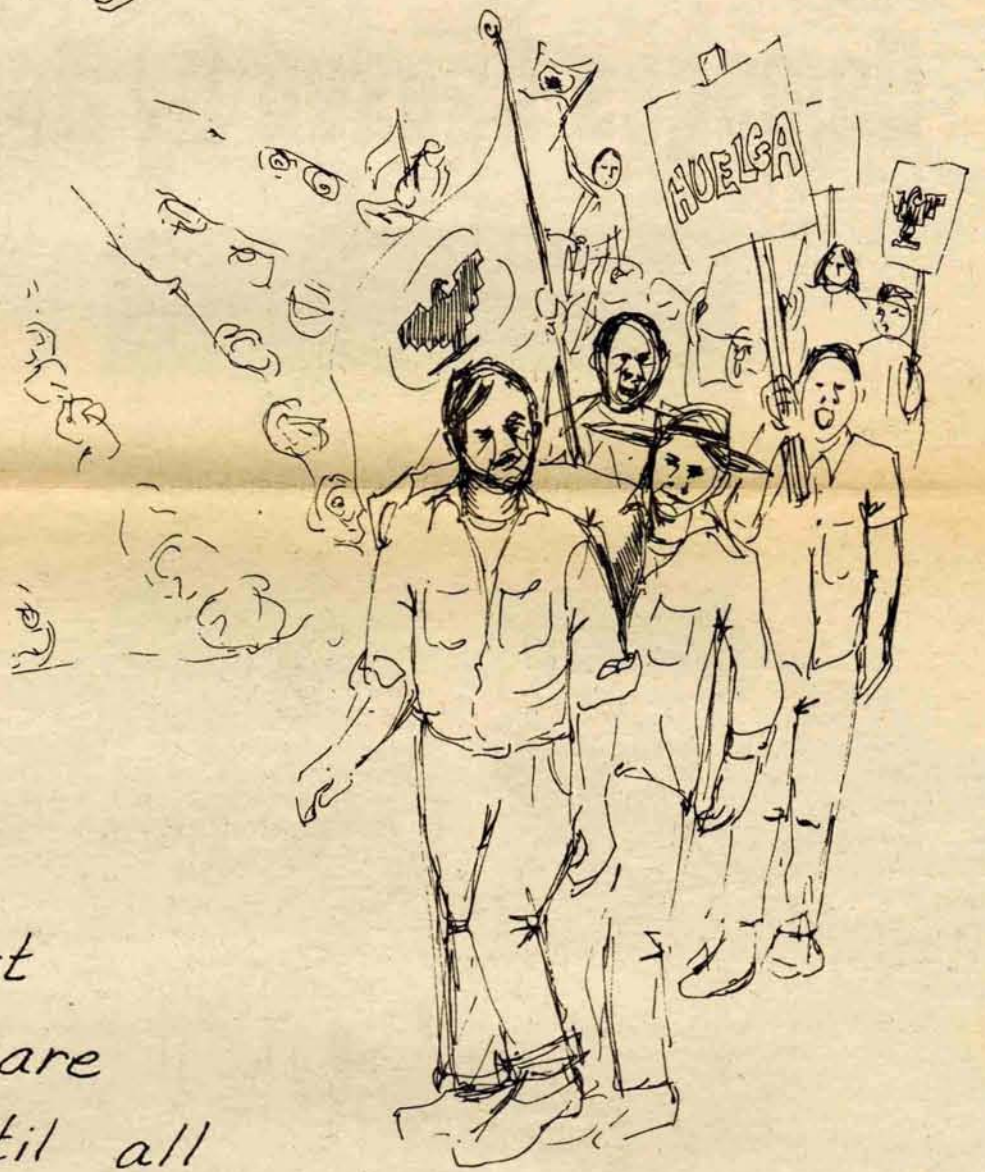
by Rosa Amezcua,
age 8

Juan Gomez, labor contractor from
Soledad, California and strikebreaker
throughout the Salinas Valley.

Juan Gomez: "I can hardly wait for
the tomato harvest!"



Which side are
YOU on?



"What we have we must
share with others who are
willing to struggle until all
farmworkers and their
families enjoy the fruit of
their labor and can lead a
healthy life. Those unwilling
to struggle have no place in
the Union." — Cesar E. Chavez

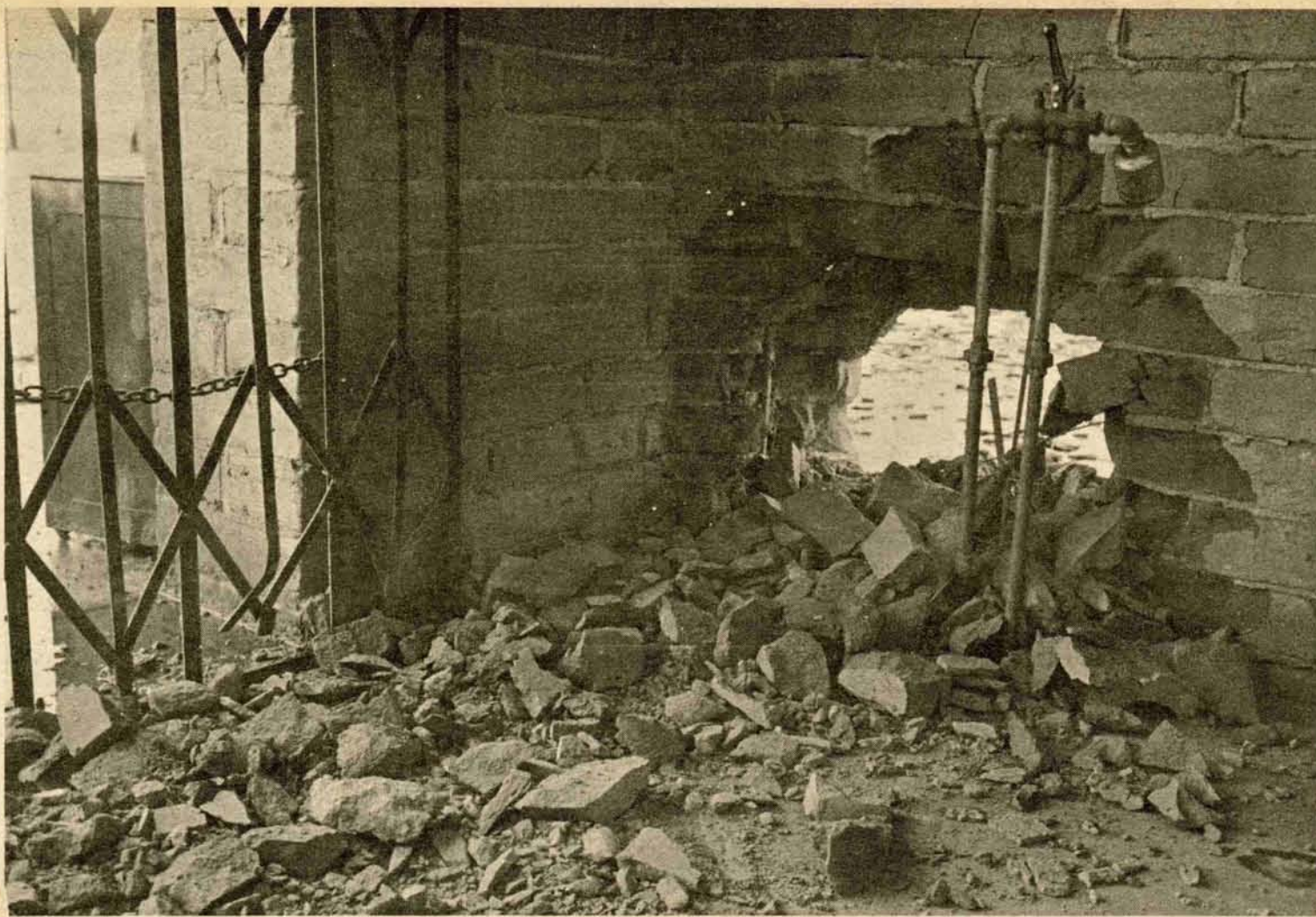
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Damages Caused By Bomb in Delano



These photos show the damage caused at the Co-op gasoline station at the Forty Acres in Delano when it was bombed January 17. Investigation into the bombing continues.

