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ZAPATA

EDITORIAL: **EMILIANO ZAPATA**

WHEN MEN LIKE EMILIANO ZAPATA ARE BORN, MEN WHO WITH THEIR COURAGEOUS LIVES CHANGE HISTORY, THEY GIVE US A VISION OF WHAT A MAN MAY BE. WE ALL KNOW THE LIFE OF THIS GREAT MAN, HOW HE BEGAN WITH NOTHING AND HOW HE LED THE CAMPESINOS OF MEXICO IN THEIR FIGHT FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE. HE GIVES US A VISION OF HOW VALIANT A MAN MAY BE.

FIFTY YEARS AFTER ZAPATA WAS ASSASSINATED BY A TRAITOR, MEN ARE STILL FACED WITH THE SAME ENEMIES HE FOUGHT: TYRANNY, FEAR AND IGNORANCE.

TODAY, HERE IN THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY OF CALIFORNIA, IN FEBRUARY 1966 MEN OF VALOR CONFRONT THE ENEMY, AND THEY SOMETIMES WIN, AND THEY SOMETIMES LOSE. MEN GO ON STRIKE BECAUSE THEY DARE TO FIGHT, TO RESIST UNTIL THE VERY END. THEY ARE THE SONS OF EMILIANO ZAPATA.

BUT THERE ARE OTHERS. EVERY TIME A MAN TURNS HIS BACK ON THE TRUTH, EVERY TIME A MAN TELLS LIES OR USES DECEIT TO HELP HIMSELF, EVERY TIME HE SELLS OUT HIS BROTHERS, EVERY TIME HE SHOWS HIMSELF TO BE A COWARD, ZAPATA IS KILLED ONCE AGAIN BY THE HAND OF A TRAITOR.

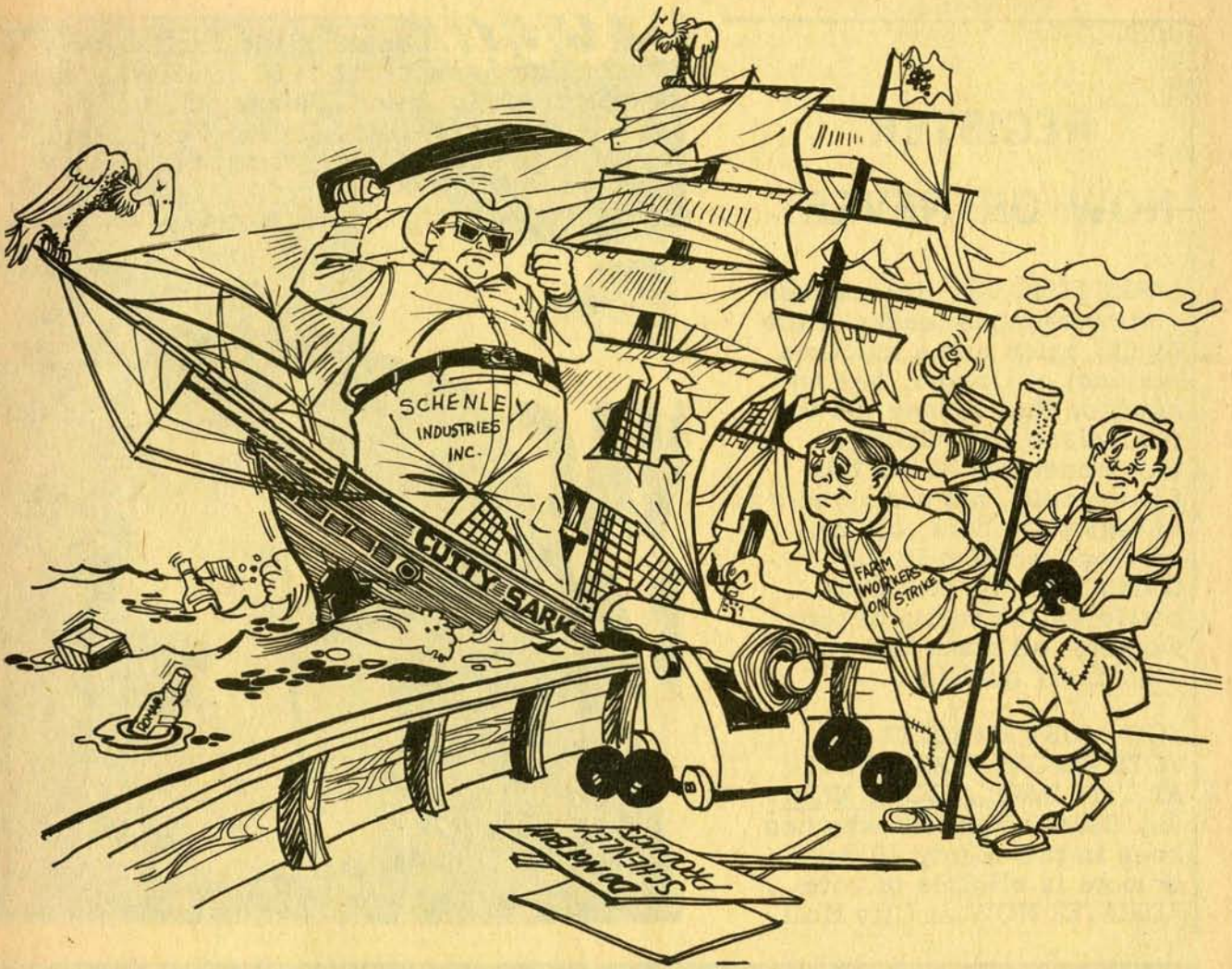
THE STRONG SHOULD SHOW THE WEAK HOW TO HAVE COURAGE. THE WEAK MUST LEARN TO BE BRAVE. WHERE ARE YOU IN THIS STRIKE, FIGHTING IN THE FRONT LINES, OR HIDING IN THE REAR?

THESE ARE QUESTIONS THAT NO ONE WILL ESCAPE. THE DAY WILL COME WHEN EVERY MAN WILL BE NEEDED TO TURN THE TIDE, AND THAT MAN WILL BE YOU.

THE SPIRIT OF EMILIANO ZAPATA LOOKS TO THE FUTURE, ASKING OTHER MEN TO BE STRONG. THAT FUTURE IS YOURS.

NINETY SEVEN CITIES NOW IN BOYCOTT; NEWS FROM A FEW:

OREGON reports Schenley sales stopped; citizens hold a fast in honor of grape strikers ... OKLAHOMA reports boycott committees active in Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Stillwell, and Broken Arrow (!) ... CANADIANS join boycott, as Vancouver forms committee to help strikers ... Sacramento opens new F.W.A. office, new members in Yuba City, reports F.W.A. leader Marcos Munoz ... Picketing effective in San Diego, San Jose, and finally, Delano, where most stores cooperated.



"THE SINKING OF THE CUTTY SARK" (cartoon by Andy Zermeno)
 (Cutty Sark is Schenley's biggest selling brand)

DON'T BUY SCHENLEY PRODUCTS

DIGIORGIO LOSES \$300,000

Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation claims that the strike hasn't hurt it too much, but at the same time it wants to sue the unions for about \$300,000 it has lost since December. And, as if they owned the laws and the courts in the Valley, they demanded that the courts outlaw all picketing of their grapes at the docks. But the lawyers of AWOC and the FWA went to work on the case and finally put Di Giorgio in its place. An impartial judge in Visalia studied the evidence and then ruled that farm workers could picket the grapes in Delano or San Francisco or Los Angeles or New York, in the vineyards and on the docks. The judge threw out Di Giorgio's law suits, saying that Di Giorgio should expect to lose money since there was a strike on. And Di Giorgio was told not to interfere with the legal picketing of the docks. Di Giorgio is still trying to sue the longshoremen, who refuse to cross the picket lines.

EL MALCRIADO SAYS: Instead of losing hundreds of thousands of dollars because of the strike and spending thousands of dollars on lawyers trying to get it back (unsuccessfully), why not pay your workers the extra 20¢ an hour.

REGISTER NOW OR NEVER!

LARRY ITLIONG, the fearless and courageous leader of the AWOOC union and a longtime resident of Delano, has announced that he may run for the Delano City Council. His leadership of the Filipino people, his many years of residence here, his experience working in the fields, and his unending battle for the rights of farm workers all make him outstandingly qualified.

YOU MUST REGISTER TO VOTE BEFORE FEBRUARY 17 AT CITY HALL. DO IT NOW. Any Delano resident who has been in the county 90 days or more is eligible to vote. REGISTER NOW at City Hall.



STEVE ALLEN ON THE LINE

Television star Steve Allen came to Delano last week. He has supported the grape strikers since the first weeks of the strike, because he knows that their cause is just. In the early days of the strike he sent money to aid the strikers, and got his friends to help the strike. In December, he volunteered to serve as Chairman of the Los Angeles Committee to Boycott Schenley Products and Delano Grapes. And last week he visited the homes of several strikers and walked on the picket line with the workers, to show that he was behind the strike 100%.



Allen has long been interested in the problems of the farm workers, and is a member of the Emergency Committee to Aid Farm Workers. Coming to Delano has strengthened his belief that farm workers need higher wages and the protection of a written contract, he said. He himself is a member of several unions. He also said that he hopes that other television and movie stars soon join him to help the strike.



ROGER TERRONEZ

We heard about his death, but none of us were able to accept it. We still can't.

At the funeral the priest said "Lord, help us to accept this thy will, and not to rebel or to protest." We are still protesting, we are still uttering this prayer.

The pace of the strike doesn't leave much time for thinking about people. It is the work that is important. But when this happens, the work fades and becomes meaningless, and we realize that it is not the work but the people who endure.

On the night that he died ROGER TERRONEZ, 32, was telling us about his work for the Schenley Boycott. "It's very hard running something like this" he said. "There are hundreds of people willing to help. But we don't know exactly how to go about using all of them. We went down Mission Street in San Francisco (the 7-mile long street, solid with stores, which passes through the Mexican district). We had a lot of success. All but one store took Schenley products off their shelves."

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ORANGE WORKERS JOIN UNIONS

"Contract This Spring" is goal

The drive of orange workers to organize into unions will be stepped up this spring. Hundreds of workers from the Woodlake area and from around Farmersville attended meetings in those towns in early January. More mass meetings may soon be held. The FWA office at 1549 W. Olive in Porterville has been busy as more and more workers join the Association to get higher wages and the other benefits of being members in the Union, and to find out how the Association can help them.

The AWOC union is also signing up workers. AWOC Chairman George Spicer pointed out that according to growers' statements and official studies, the average orange grower in Tulare County clears about \$30,000 in pure profits a year. So, no more tears for those "poor farmers" please. They can afford to give the workers a raise.

But both unions stress that their first job will be to win the Delano Grape Strike. There will not be a strike in the oranges until the grape strike is won.

The Teamsters are organizing workers in the packing sheds and cold storage plants. Workers at the packinghouse of the Tulare County Lemon Association of Porterville are asking for a union contract, and will have an election on February 24 to officially determine which union they want to represent them. Workers at the Exeter Citrus Association and the Hillside Packing Association of Lindsey are also signing up and asking for an election. (Growers do not allow field workers to have elections to choose a union. But workers in the packing sheds are protected by the law, and the boss has to hold an election if the workers want it.)

The Teamsters revealed last week some of the benefits that cannery workers in the union are getting. Most workers in the canneries joined the Teamsters and got a contract in 1964. Starting this month, they will be eligible for fully-paid 3-month vacations, and over 2,500 workers are expected to receive these paid vacations for workers. They are also setting up a system of free medical examinations for workers. Workers in the canneries already earn much more than workers in the packing sheds because they have a union to protect them.



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DELANO, CALIFORNIA

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THE PEOPLE ARE ASKING...

This
week's
question:

"Why are the County Hospitals so Bad?"

To answer this question, El Malcriado made an investigation of both Kern and Tulare County Hospitals. Here is what they found out:

1. Patients are forced to spend so much time trying to get medical help that for many, it is necessary to go in to debt with private doctors. This is just what the doctors want.

2. Although all persons in need have a basic human right to medical care, care is often rudely denied because of inefficiency, lack of staff members, or worst of all, because the patient wasn't able to meet some minor unnecessary requirement. The hospitals look for ways to disqualify persons in need.

3. There is a basic lack of respect for patients on the part of the staff of Kern County Hospital. Emergency patients who are lucky enough to get treatment are not even told what is wrong with them. They are treated as though they were stupid animals. The

hospital staff members lack all basic courtesy. Kern Hospital Staff members appear to hate all strangers, particularly their own patients.

4. The National Farm Workers Association, as part of its program to improve services to farm workers and others in need, asked that reforms be made to improve the county hospitals. At Kern General Hospital, the administration completely failed to understand these familiar problems. At Tulare County Hospital, some cooperation was shown, but there has not yet been a great improvement in service. Hospital officials must be forced to respond to the needs of the community.

NEXT WEEK'S QUESTION in "The People are Asking" will be "WHY DO PRIVATE DOCTORS IN DELANO MAKE SO MUCH MONEY.???"

ROGER TERRONEZ (Continued from page five)

"We have a system of policing, to make sure they don't continue to sell Schenley" he said. "It's an awful lot of work. The phone never stops ringing, and I miss my family."

Half an hour after this conversation, on Jan. 27, 1966, Roger Terronez was dead, the victim of a cruel and freak accident, while he was pushing a car to help a friend.

Roger will always be with us. When farm workers are no longer hungry, it will be partly because Roger was willing to give so much. As a former caterpillar driver, he had access to jobs paying \$5 an hour. Instead he worked in the grape harvest. When the strike in the grapes came he worked for nothing for the Farm Workers Association.

All of us will die. But few of us will die on the front lines like Roger. Few of us will give such strength to those we leave behind, by our example.

The funeral procession between Corcoran and Hanford was nine miles long. Never has such a thing happened in the history of this valley. Now, in the Strike in the Grapes we are living an important part of history. Roger Terronez was a part of that history. Roger will always be on the front line.



This Is Why We

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DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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THE STORY OF A LITTLE OLD WINEMAKER

Lewis S. Rosenstiel is the little old wine (and whiskey) maker who is President of Schenley Industries. He sometimes pays his workers only 30¢ an hour. He's just a little family farmer, so he can't afford to pay more. He sometimes makes only \$1,100,000 a year (that was back in 1958), but his income has been improving since 1961, when he made \$2,600,000. He only owns \$30,128,760.00 worth of Schenley stock (as of February 10, 1966). He lives in a modest \$400,000 home in New York, though he also has a little bungalow in Miami val ued at \$113,000. And a tiny little farm in Connecticut priced at \$139,000. Plus a lot here and there in New York valued at another \$1,400,000. His wife spent \$50,000 on clothes at one store, reports the Wall Street Journal. But that's just his personal fortune. His corporation, SCHENLEY INDUSTRIES, did make \$17,700,000 in profits in 1965.

Are Fighting Them

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ANOTHER EXAMPLE...

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FORM NO. 1-AMR-8709 (10-6)

SCHENLEY INDUSTRIES, INC.
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

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- 3 - CREDIT UNION
- 4 - UTILITIES
- 5 - TOOLS

- 6 - HOSPITAL
- 7 - INTERCOAST

THIS IS A STATEMENT OF YOUR EARNINGS AND PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS. DETACH BEFORE CASHING CHECK.

NOT NEGOTIABLE

This worker had 21.58 deducted from his check at Schenley, leaving him with \$5.35 for 18 hours work, about 30¢ an hour. Cheating like this is unforgiveable.

A LETTER FROM WOODLAKE

Gentlemen:

For the first time, strikers, I direct these few lines to explain the condition in which I find myself.

I am poor and only I work. My wife does not. We have four girls and we do not have enough to support of the girls. I am at present employed at Exeter and I get \$1 an hour and 1 1/2 ¢ a vine; not enough. It is very little. At the present we are all down with the flu. We have no food. What I make is barely enough for doctor bills and to make payments on a '54 Mercury.

Welfare helps us but obliges me to go to work even if I'm sick. I must go where they send me or else they will not help me.

I ask you to give me an orientation or advice as to what I should do to remedy myself. Help me. I beg you do it for the love of Christ or for what ever pleases you. Give me detailed information as to what I should do. Please. My wife tells me that perhaps writing to you would get me in difficulty or trouble, but I trust in God and you to have mercy on us.

I hope to hear from you.

Carmelo Rubio
Woodlake, Calif.

Thank you very much.

Letters like the one above are received every week in the office of the National Farm Workers Association in Delano. Beseiged by a strike which is taking all our resources, we are helpless in the face of such appeals, which must go unanswered and unheard.

We cannot answer, we cannot yet help the farm workers caught in this trap, the trap we know so well. We can only say to you, Mr. Rubio, try to hold out with the help of your friends and neighbors. We have a long term answer to each of your just complaints.

The Farm Workers Association is completely committed to obtaining for every worker in California a just wage for his work. In present-day California, every farm worker has a basic human right to take home \$2 for every hour that he works in the gigantic and productive California farming industry. This is the reason for the strike in the grapes. Today it is Delano. Tomorrow it is Woodlake and Woodlands and Watsonville and Wheatland.

Under a union contract, workers will be protected during periods of sickness. Never again will Welfare officials force workers to grovel in front of them for pennies. Never again will labor contractors and growers kick workers around in exchange for a few dollars which will not even buy enough food.

These are brave words. But they are words that are becoming a reality through the National Farm Workers Association.

Stories from the Past



THE GREAT COTTON STRIKE OF 1933

Thirty five years ago, cotton pickers in the San Joaquin Valley got 40¢ for every hundred pounds of cotton they picked. A worker could make \$1.20 for a full day's work (10 - 12 hours). But in 1933, the workers finally decided to stand up for their rights and demand a raise. On October 4, 1933, the great cotton strike swept the entire West Side, over 1000 square miles of plantations



and over 18,000 workers joined the strike. Small farmers helped the workers, because the big ranchers and cotton gin owners were cheating everybody. In Corcoran, over 5,000 strikers set up a camp. Many people now living in Corcoran were in this strike and can remember the camp. Others remember when ranchers murdered strikers in open daylight in Pixley on October 12, 1933. After 24 days, the strikers went back to work, after getting their wages almost doubled to 75¢ a hundred.

EL MALCRIADO salutes the many thousands of workers and small farmers who supported the great Corcoran cotton strike of 1933.

ANG KAHULUGAN NG SKIROL

Jack London's famous DEFINITION OF A STRIKE-BREAKER

Translation in Tagalog by Serge Tumbaga

Matapos likhain ng diyos ang ulupong na ahas, ang makamandag na palaka, at ang vampira mayroon pa rin siyang natitirang pinakamabagsik na uring bagay at ito'y ginawa niyang skirol. Ang skirol ay isang hayop na dalawa ang paa at tiwarik ang kaluluwa. Tubighahoy ang utak at ang mga butong-panlikuran naman ay pinaghalong gulaman at pandikit, habang ang iba'y mayroong puso siya naman ay nagdadalang bulok na paniniwala.

Kung ang skirol ay dumarating sa daanan siya ay tinatalikuran ng kanyang kapwa tao at ang angel sa langit ay tumatangis. Ang dimonyo ay sinisirahan ang pinto ng impierno upang siya ay hindi makapasok. Walang taong maykarapatan maging skirol, habang may tubig pang natitira upang ilunod ang kanyang katawan, at habang mayroon pa rin lubid natitirang upang ibigti ang kanyang kalansay. Si Judas Iscariote ay isang maginoo kung iyong ihalungtulad sa isang skirol. Matapos niyang linlangin ang kanyang panginoon mayroon pa rin siyang natitirang kunting budhi upang ibigti ang kanyang sarili ngunit ang skirol ay wala.

Si Isau ay pinagbili ang kanyang ipinanganak na karapatan sa isang putahe lamang.. Si Juadas Iscariote pinagbili ang kanyang panginoon sa halagang tatlongpong pirasaong pilak. Si Benedict Arnold ipinagbili ang kanyang bayan sa pangakong siva ay gawaing plosa; mg simda; p mg englatera. Ang makabagong skirol ay ipinagbile niya ang kanyang karapatan, ang bayan, ang kanyang asawa, anak, at ang kanyang kapwa tao sa walang halagang pangako mula sa kanyang pinagtratabahon.

Si Isau ay isang traidor sa kanyang sarili. Judas Iscariote traidor sa kanyang panginoon. Si Benedict Arnold ay traidor sa kanyang bayan. Ngunit and skirol ay traidor sa kanyang sarili, bayan, mga mahal sa buhay at sa kanyang uri.

WALA NANG BABABAPA KAY SA SKIROL.

What The People Are Thinking

Respectable Farm Worker Press, Inc.

I have been one of the major opponents to this Association. Today I have been persuaded by my friends and neighbors and I have decided to cooperate. The reason for not participating in your organization is that I have a large family and I did not want to go on welfare. You understand the rest.

The 30th of December, 1965

The 30th of December, 1965, I received a copy of EL MALCRIADO. This is exactly what I was to the Association. A few days before I was talking to Pablo. I told him that I was cooperating and I signed a card for him. Now I have no money to pay my rent, make my car payment, and other payments:

Car	\$19.74
Rent	\$30.00
Grocery store	\$29.00
Others	\$17.00

This is not a motive to offer my joining your association. I have made up my mind. The contratistas are the most monstrous epidemic which affects us.

Juan Mosqueda
Poplar, Calif.

EL MALCRIADO SAYS: Sr. Mosqueda, we are overjoyed that you are no longer one of our major opponents. As we have been explaining for five months, we have been fighting our cause so that no farm worker will ever have to go on welfare. The ranchers are only too glad to see us go on relief every year, because that only satisfies their low estimation of us.

Since there is a Huelga, please know that our first responsibility is to our strikers. We pay their rent, gas, light, and water bills automatically. Other bills, such as car payments, furniture, etc., are paid according to their importance. Strikers, at least, no longer worry about grocery and doctor

bills, because we have both a clinic and a strike store, where medical services and food are dispensed absolutely free. If you need proof of out interest in you, we need proof of your interest in us. Come join our picket line. We farm workers are in this strike to help one another. If you are one of us, you will receive all the help you need. But what we all really need is to win this strike as soon as possible. We want welfare about as much as we do the contratista.

To the people of Delano:

El Paso is with you! We have heard of your great effort to bring to light a little justice and end once and for all, all kinds of work which resembles slavery. It is with pride that we talk to you from here.

What makes us proud is to know that you have accepted with forbearance the sacrifice necessary to obtain your victory and that legal ways have been found to open the doors to the opportunity this great nation has to offer. To us from Texas, your example will serve as something which we will soon imitate, since our conditions have always been bad.

What we think the most of is that you are not struggling for yourselves, but for a better future for your children. This rights any wrongs which may be ascribed to you. You, and us, want to see your employers eye to eye, not with your heads hanging low. That is man's dignity, and that will make you triumph!

El Paso is with you!

Abelardo Delgado
El Paso, Texas

Letters to the Editor

Gentlemen:

I am using an article on the grape pickers' strike in the next bulletin, "Noticiario Obrero Interamericano," which is distributed throughout the hemisphere.

Fraternally,
Organization Regional
Interamericana de Traba-
jadores (DE LA CIOSL)
Mexico City

Dear Editor:

I salute you warmly and I would appreciate it very much if you would be so kind as to send me photographs and articles about the grape strike. We will print them gladly in our publication ALARMA!

We are with your cause, and as brothers of the same race we are ready and willing to help you journalistically. In the meantime, I hope it would not be too much trouble for you to send us photos and information about the problem you are confronting.

I further hope that you enjoyed the spread we published in ALARMA, No. 144 and that it may have helped you in your movement. We admire your civil courage, with which you have come face to face with the North American ranchers.

Editor of ALARMA
Mexico City

Dear Editor:

This letter against the strikers shall be signed. Once in a while people will buy your paper just to amuse themselves and to see pictures of Chavez exhibiting himself next to those long-skirted priests. Moreover, you, the editor, are an ass.

Tomas T. Martinez,
Delano, Calif.

EL MALCRIADO SAYS: We salute you, contractor Martinez, for having the courage to attack us from the safety of your mailbox on the other side of town.

If you are so sure of yourself, why is it that your wife gives money and clothing to the strike?

"We Are the Strike"

The Delano Grape Strikers
This week: RAFAEL VEGA


I was born in Zamora, Michoacan, Mexico 47 years ago. In the 1942 I came to work in the United States and first boss was Guimarra. I remember he only used to pay us 75¢ an hour for picking grapes. My second boss was John Pagliarulo. In all the years I have worked in this valley, I made the round of all the ranches, but this man Pagliarulo was the worst. He's still as greedy as ever, but in those years he only used to farm alfalfa and not grapes. He let me sleep in an old barn of his, without water and light, and in a second-hand bed he discounted from my wages. Since he was such a mean boss I left his ranch one day, and when I came back to get my things, he had a lock on my door. He stole my bed, my clothes, and all that I had. His excuse was that he had lost a lot of things from that barn himself.

From there I went to work with Orancio Lanza over at the California Ranch (Schenley). I worked there for five years, and they fed us food that even a dog wouldn't eat. Because of the lousy food, they forced me to get married, and Refugia Heredia became my wife. As soon as I got married, they ran me and my wife off the camp, because they didn't want any married couples. They wanted men that could pay room and board.

From my marriage were born five children - three sons two daughters. I had to struggle a lot to raise them because of poor wages. My children wanted food, clothes, money to cut their hair. I had to pay the rent and the payments on the car. My family would get angry with me because they thought I didn't want to give them anything.

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THE HOT LINE



George Christopher, who was Mayor of San Francisco and is now Republican candidate for Governor of California, has suggested that the growers and strikers sit down together and work out an agreement to end the Delano grape strike. He said that this is the American way, working out problems together. But growers won't even talk to the workers, or anyone else who wants to end the strike. So the strike is now entering its 6th month.

Worldwide attention continues to focus on the brave grape strikers of Kern and Tulare Counties, who have been standing up for their rights for the past 5 months. The Mexican Magazine "Alarma!" of Feb. 2, 1966 told its millions of readers about our struggle. Catholic Magazines such as "Commonwealth" (Dec. 24), "America" (Dec. 11), the Catholic Worker" (January), and "Ave Maria" (Jan. 15 and 22) have had articles praising the strikers and telling millions of people all over the world about the workers' efforts to achieve justice. And such American magazines as "The New Republic" (Jan. 29), "The Nation" (Feb. 7), and "Time" and Newsweek have described the strike to their many millions of readers. The grape strikers have made history, and will proudly tell their children and children's children, "I was in the Great Delano Grape Strike."

Allen Grant, President of the California Farm Bureau, has been travelling around the state spreading lies about the workers and the Grape Strikers. Now he has two little dogs to run behind him. One is named Frank Herrera and one is named Al Espinosa. Their master pats them on the head and leads them on a leash from city to city. Is it Mr. Grant and the ranchers who pay all the bills of Herrera's "Union of Scabs" and Delano's KKK - Citizens for Facts?

The National Catholic Rural Life conference unanimously passed a resolution supporting the Delano Grape Strikers' requests for higher wages and a contract. At their recent meeting, they announced, "We protest vigorously both the refusal by their employers to honor their requests and the harassment of the strikers." Bishop Frederick W. Freking of Wisconsin, Msgr. Edward O'Rourke, Executive Director, and Father James Vizzard, who had recently visited Delano, were in complete agreement in backing the strike.

The Tulare County Housing Authority is now facing new legal action as tenants have gotten a court restraining order to prevent illegal evictions and are now about to conduct a public investigation of the bureaucrats. On February 16, tenants and interested citizens will hold an open meeting in Visalia, at which the Housing Authority will have to open its records and files. Housing Czar Ferris Sherman and his henchmen on the Housing Commission will all be on trial. This may be the first step in a move to get them all fired.

The Fresno County Housing Authority has at last started construction on 30 new low-rent houses in Del Rey and 20 new homes in Reedley. The Fresno Community Council survey indicated a "great need" for low-rent housing in these areas, and the 50 homes, to be finished by next fall, only begin to meet the needs. The homes, 2-5 bedrooms each, will rent for from \$25 to \$60 a month, depending on the families' income. Farm workers welcome such projects, but there should be many more houses built and the rent should be kept below \$40.

OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT REPORT:

STRIKE COSTS GROWERS \$2,400,000

In its official and impartial "Grape Report #145" of February 6, 1966, the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture noted that grape growers have suffered a staggering loss because of the Delano grape strike. In spite of the fact the grapes were cheaper this year than last year (selling for \$3.62 a box, against \$4.26 a box last year) the American people were refusing to buy them. As of February 4, 1966, the growers had sold only 1,567,390 boxes. This is a big decline from last year, when they sold 1,898,930 boxes by February 4. In other words, that's a decline of over \$2,400,000 in profits in a single month, when compared to growers' profits a year ago.

There is only one possible excuse for this loss. Why would people buy fewer grapes when they cost less? Because of the Boycott of Delano Scab table grapes. Because grapes picked by scabs were of such low quality - and picked sloppily when over-ripe - that no one would buy them. Even Jack Pandol and Marko Zaninovitch admit, "Our warehouses are full of unsold grapes." And that is why Mr. Pagiarulo has been ripping open cartons of rotting table grapes and dumping them into trucks, for crushing at the wineries.

'HUELGA'

by Eugene Nelson

OFF THE PRESS
THIS WEEK



A fully documented account of the historic grape strike in Delano, the greatest attempt since the 1930's by farm workers to join together and win decent wages. Not since Grapes of Wrath has any book dealt so honestly with the plight of farm workers in their struggles for justice. Illustrated by dozens of photographs

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Since September 8, 1965, 4500 Mexican American, Filipino and Negro farm workers have been on strike against 35 Delano, California grape growers. The workers are represented by the National Farm Workers Association (independent) and the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee (AFL-CIO). The strike is handled through a joint strike committee of the unions.



Schenley's, the biggest corporation in the area (with almost 5,000 acres), with 1965 profits of \$17,000,000, sometimes pays its workers as low as 30¢ an hour. Hundreds of its workers have gone on strike.

Schenley has refused the offers of the California Conciliation Service, ministers, and civic groups to promote discussion between the strikers and the growers.

Because farm workers have no assistance from the government to help bring about mediation of their strike they are dependent upon the general public to pressure growers to sit down at the table and discuss wages and conditions.

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