

POLITICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES NO. 9, April 14, 1966

Present: Barnes, DeBerry, Dobbs, Hansen, Kerry, Shaw,
Sheppard, Warde, Jones.

Chairman: Sheppard

AGENDA:

1. International
2. Anti-War Movement
3. Internal Matters
4. Internal Education

1. INTERNATIONAL

Information report by Hansen.

Discussion: Dobbs, Shaw, Kerry, Barnes, Sheppard, Warde.

2. ANTI-WAR MOVEMENT

Report by Barnes. Almost entirely as a result of our initiative demonstrations taking place throughout the country. A demonstration with the theme solidarity with Vietnamese is called for this Saturday, April 16 in Times Square. All slogans of the March 26 demonstration will be used plus "Majority of Americans and Vietnamese want Americans out now". Demonstration in Berkeley was about 4,000. Considered a victory for the VDC. Demonstrations scheduled in Boston, Philadelphia and perhaps Chicago too. Parade Committee in New York also decided to put out a national release to all other groups to urge them to organize solidarity demonstrations in their cities.

Discussion: Dobbs, Sheppard, Warde, Jones, DeBerry, Hansen, Kerry.

3. INTERNAL MATTERS

Dobbs reported on Seattle split and receipt of Kirk-Kaye document.

Discussion: Kerry, Hansen, Warde.

Motion: That copies of the Seattle split statement and the previous anonymous communication be appended to the minutes for the information of N.C.

Carried.

Motion: That Dobbs be assigned to prepare draft of P.C. statement on the Kirk-Kaye split.

Carried.

Motion: That the Organization Secretary notify the Branches of the split and inform them that the P.C. is taking immediate steps to rebuild a party branch in Seattle.

Carried.

Shaw reported on the personnel assignments. Lynn and Mary to go to Chicago. Herman to go to Chicago in a few weeks. Jon B. and Bob H., also Nat and Sylvia will transfer from New York to Seattle.

4. INTERNAL EDUCATION

Motion: To send a letter to Branches on organization of educational discussion of World Congress documents now available in ISR.

Carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED