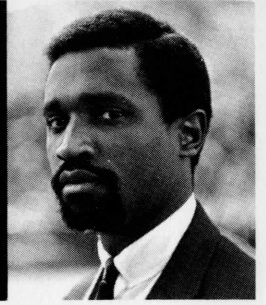




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The attached list of twenty-one states is now down to the hard core of states where we can definitely make a serious effort to get on the ballot. This compares to eleven states where the SWP was on the ballot in 1964. The Peace and Freedom Party is now predicting that they will get on the ballot in 15 states, but this is undoubtedly exaggerated. The PFP failed to get on in Rhode Island, which is a relatively easy state.

We are investigating the write-in laws in states where Halstead and Boutelle will not be on the ballot. A future report will be sent out detailing the write-in provisions in these states.

The key ballot tasks now are: 1) complete petitioning; 2) hold required nominating conventions; 3) obtain confirmation of our ballot status as soon as possible after filing.

Jon Britton
Ballot Coordinator

August 14, 1968

<u>AREA RESPONSIBLE</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>ELECTORS</u>	<u>SIGNATURES</u>
BOSTON	N. Hampshire	Sept. 25	4(4)	1,000
	Rh. Island	ON BALLOT		
	Vermont	Sept. 18	3(3)	1,350
CALIF.	Arizona	ON BALLOT		
	Colorado	Sept. 20	6(6)	300
	New Mexico	Sept. 26	4(3)	conv.
	Utah	Sept. 10	4(3)	1,000 ¹
CHICAGO	Indiana	PETITIONING COMPLETED		
CLEVELAND- ANTIOCH	Kentucky	FILED		
	Tennessee	Sept. 5	11(2) ^p	25
DETROIT	Michigan	FILED		
MADISON	Wisconsin	Sept. 17	12(12) ^d	3,000 ²
NEW YORK	Conn.	Sept. 3	8(8)	6,166
	New York	PETITIONING COMPLETED		
NEWARK	New Jersey	FILED		
PHILA.	Pennsylvania	ON BALLOT		
SEATTLE	Washington	Sept. 17	9	conv.
TWIN CITIES	Iowa	PETITIONING COMPLETED		
	Minnesota	FILED		
	Montana	Sept. 6	4(4)	conv.
	N. Dakota	FILED		

NOTES:

- () Number of electors lined up as reported to National Office.
 "d" Indicates distribution requirements.
 "p" Indicates partial slate of electors is allowed
 1 500 signatures before and after a convention; two separate petitions.
 2 And not more than 5,000

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I. ENDORSERS

There are now 2,648 people who have actually signed cards endorsing Halstead and Boutelle. Of these, 1,701 are Young Socialists for Halstead and Boutelle, 613 are Afro-Americans for Halstead and Boutelle. These endorsers come from 398 cities, 350 schools including 77 high schools, and 7 army bases.

II. LITERATURE USED BY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES THROUGH AUGUST

<u>Campaign Comm.</u>	<u>Dollars worth of lit. ordered</u>	<u>Amount owed for literature</u>
Antioch	\$168.35	37.50
Alabama	13.25	13.25
Atlanta	115.20	83.45
Austin	114.46	114.46
Bay Area	1,439.24	873.49
San Francisco		186.50
Baltimore	60.50	60.50
Bloomington	109.05	23.80
Indianapolis	50.00	6.90
Boston	561.10	316.60
Carbondale	56.85	36.85
Champaign	172.98	91.48
Chicago	813.84	463.52
Cleveland	508.13	361.00
Denver	13.00	13.00
Detroit	764.52	232.14
Houston	28.25	-
Kent	30.75	30.75
Los Angeles	730.27	332.25
Madison	308.25	15.00
Minneapolis	755.40	67.45
New Jersey	16.15	15.36
New York	3,018.52	401.15
Philadelphia	959.65	431.90
Portland	69.05	35.80
St. Louis	31.31	14.31
Seattle	400.25	357.00
Washington, D.C.	234.00	173.95
Totals	<u>11,542.32</u>	<u>4,789.36</u>

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III. LOCAL SWP CANDIDATES

BERKELEY: Peter Camejo for Senator
Derrel Myers for state Senate

BOSTON: Eloise Chase
Linda Sheppard
Jeff Powers

CLEVELAND: Dave Wulp for Congress (22nd district)
Eric Reinthaler for Senator

ILLINOIS: Dan Styron for Senator

INDIANA: Ralph Levitt for Senator

LOS ANGELES: John Grey for Congress

MADISON: Bob Wilkinson for Governor

MINNEAPOLIS: Dave Thorstad for Congress

NEW YORK: Hedda Garza for Senator
Peter Buch for Congress (19th district)
Derrick Morrison for Congress (20th district)
Judy White for Congress (17th district)
Dick Garza for Congress (22nd district)

PHILADELPHIA: Pearl Chertov for Senator
Fred Stanton for Auditor General
Richard Lesnick for State Treasurer

SAN FRANCISCO Carl Frank

SEATTLE: Debbie Leonard for Senate
Will Reissner for State Legislature (32nd district)

As far as the National Campaign Office knows, only New York and Chicago have so far put out printed brochures or leaflets describing their local candidates.