POLITICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES, No. 41, March 16, 1967

Present: Barnes, DeBerry, Dobbs, Hansen, Kerry, Novack,

Sheppard, Jones.

Chairman: Barnes.

AGENDA:

1. International.

2. Milwaukee.

3. Antiwar Report.

1. INTERNATIONAL

Hansen reported on international correspondence.

Discussion: Novack, Dobbs, Hansen.

2. MILWAUKEE

Dobbs reported on situation in Milwaukee and document, "Red Guards and White Socialists," submitted to the youth preconvention discussion by party member. (See attached.)

Motion: Comrade J. Eyman's action in submitting the document, "Red Guards and White Socialists" to a non-party organization constitutes a gross violation of party organizational principles.

Therefore, the Political Committee hereby suspends Comrade Eyman from party membership, pending further investigation by the National Control Commission.

In keeping with the provisions of the party constitution concerning assignment of a National Committee member to the Control Commission, the PC designates Comrade T. Kerry to the Commission in connection with the investigation requested by the PC of Comrade Eyman's action and its ramifications.

The Organization Secretary is directed to instruct the Milwaukee branch organizer, Comrade J. Boulton, to warn those un-named party members associated with the Eyman document to desist from carrying any further such violations of party organizational principles.

As provided by the party constitution, party members associated with the Eyman document are required to give the Control Commission full cooperation in its investigation and they are to be so notified by the Milwaukee branch organizer.

Discussion: Hansen, Kerry, Dobbs.

3. ANTIWAR REPORT

Barnes reported:

(1) Carl Griffler has resigned as Executive Secretary of the Fort Hood Three Defense Committee. Several members of the committee (including Staughton Lynd) expressed opposition to the attempts to turn the defense committee into an antidraft organization.

Discussion: Kerry, Barnes, Dobbs.

(2) The official call for the April 15 Mobilization has been published. Rev. Ralph Abernathy from SCLC has been added as the 8th vice chairman. SWP and YSA representatives are included on the sponsor list along with the CP.

Meeting adjourned.