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SWP
3536 Telegraph Avenue
Oakland, Calif. 94609
September 12, 1971

Tom Cagle
2828 Eastman Avenue
Oakland, Calif. 94619

Dear Comrade Cagle,

Tonight, September 12, the Oakland/Berkeley Branch Executive Committee voted to proffer charges against you for violation of party discipline.

The procedures to be followed according to Article VII, Section 3 of the SWP constitution are as follows:

Section 3. Charges against any member shall be made in writing and the accused member shall be furnished with a copy in advance of the trial. Charges shall be filed and heard in the branch to which the member belongs, or in a higher body which may decide to act directly in the case. Charges filed before the branch shall be considered by the Branch Executive Committee (or a subcommittee elected by it) at a meeting to which the accused member is summoned. The Branch Executive Committee shall submit a recommendation to be acted upon by the membership of the branch. Charges considered by higher bodies of the Party shall, however, be acted upon by said bodies.

You are charged with violating the decision of this branch regarding its approach to the United Action Caucus. Specifically, with violation of the Branch Executive Committee motion of September 13, 1970, which decided "that our UAW comrades disengage from the United Action Caucus" and the motion adopted by the branch on September 13, 1970, which stated "that the branch withdraw from working in the United Action Caucus."

This charge is based on two counts:

- 1) Distribution of materials of the United Action Caucus.
- 2) Running for office in UAW local 1364 on the program of the United Action Caucus.

The trial will be held Wednesday night, September 22, at 8 pm at the SWP headquarters, 3536 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland. The trial body will be the Branch Executive Committee with the addition of Allen Taplin.

You will have one half hour to present any defense. You may bring before the Executive Committee any evidence or any party members as witnesses on your behalf.

Comradely,

s/ Nelson Blackstock
Oakland/Berkeley
SWP Organizer