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SOCIALIST WORKERS PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE EXPECTS SUPPORT FROM ANTIWAR DEMONSTRATORS.

AFRO-AMERICAN VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE ORGANIZES SUPPORT ON TOUR OF SEVEN SOUTHERN STATES.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20--Fred Halstead, Socialist Workers party candidate for President of the United States said here today that, "The antiwar demonstration to be held in Washington, D.C. tomorrow will be broader than ever before. From every corner of the country the response is overwhelming, and thousands of housewives, students, Afro-Americans, businessmen, teachers, and GIs will be there."

Halstead, a staff member of the Fifth Avenue Vietnam Peace Parade Committee, is one of the principal organizers of the demonstration.

"More Americans," Halstead said, "support the Socialist Workers party position of bringing the GIs home now than support the war policies of the Democratic and Republican parties.

"I expect thousands of antiwar demonstrators will support the Socialist Workers ticket, as the only meaningful alternative to the war-making policies of the Democrats and Republicans."

Paul Boutelle, Harlem black power spokesman and Socialist Workers party candidate for Vice-President, has arrived in Washington, D.C. for the demonstration following the first part of a ten week tour of Southern campuses. He had large meetings in six states including Delaware, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas, and visited campuses in Louisiana, South Carolina, and Washington, D.C.

"There will be a lot of students at the demonstration from these states, even from as far as Oklahoma," he said.

Boutelle said there is growing understanding, especially among black students, that "the Johnson administration, not the Vietnamese, is the enemy."

In every area Boutelle urged people to organize transportation and come to Washington for the demonstration.

Boutelle's tour also laid the basis for carrying out a vigorous election campaign in the South in the coming year. A number of new supporters were won to the campaign and groundwork was laid for the establishing of campaign committees in the major cities and black colleges in the Deep South.

At a meeting in New York on Saturday;, October 28th, 8:30 p.m. in the Empire Hotel ballroom Boutelle will outline plans for continuing his tour through Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Southern Illinois, Missouri, etc.

At the New York meeting, where 500-600 people are expected to attend, both Halstead and Boutelle will officially launch their campaign with speeches accepting their nomination by the Socialist Workers party.

The meeting will also celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Russian Revolution, and Tom Kerry, editor of the <u>International Socialist Review</u>, will speak.

The number of people, especially Afro-Americans and students, endorsing the Halstead-Boutelle ticket continues to grow. A full page advertisement sponsored by the SWP National Campaign Committee appeared in the National Guardian (Oct. 21), a radical weekly published in New York City, with a partial list of initial endorsers from 26 states and nearly 100 cities, colleges and high schools.

The Socialist Workers 1968 presidential campaign was announced on August 30 at a press conference in New York.

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