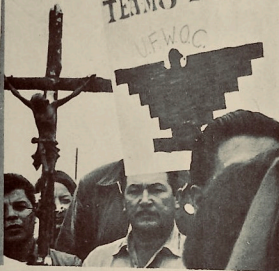


## SALINAS: TEAMSTERS

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WORKERS IN THE SALINAS VALLEY SHOW CLEARLY THEIR UNION PREFERENCE.

Above: SIGN READING "DOWN WITH THE TEAMSTERS" IS CARRIED IN THE SOLEDAD-TO-SALINAS MARCH. Below: A PAINTING OF FARM WORKER LEADER CESAR CHAVEZ IS PRESENTED AT THE RALLY IN SALINAS.

day, August 2nd at Harrell College in Salinas climaxing the marches. Hundreds of farm workers waved the black eagle flags of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee. Young Chicanos from MECHA and the Brown Berets proudly yelled "Chicano Power" and "Viva la Causa" from the back of a flatbed truck which served as a speakers' platform. A Mass was celebrated by Rev. David Duran, strikers' chaplain from Delano.

Strikers clapped and cheered as Cesar Chavez told them that UFWOC condemned the actions of the Teamsters. Chavez told his listeners that the Teamster raids in the Salinas and Santa Maria Valleys represented an act of treason against the legitimate aspirations of farm workers. "It is tragic," Chavez said, "that another labor union should join the conspiracy of Governor Reagan and the growers to deprive workers of the union they want."

Chavez warned the Teamsters with the following statement: "No longer can a couple of white men sign off the destinies of farm workers without expecting a lot of headaches in return."

"Farm workers deserve a union of their own choosing. They deserve a place in the sun. I now call upon all men of good will everywhere, in the churches, in labor, everywhere, to help us. We want our friends to stand up against this company union."

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Above: WORKERS CARRY THE FLAGS OF THE FARM WORKERS UNION, U.S., MEXICO, AND A BANNER OF THE VIRGIN OF GUADALUPE. Center: A CALL TO "VOTE FOR YOUR RIGHTS." Bottom: IN PROTEST TO TEAMSTER SWEETHEART CONTRACTS, WORKERS GATHER IN SALINAS FROM SOLEDAD, WATSONVILLE, GONZALES, KING CITY, GREENFIELD, AND OTHER TOWNS TO HEAR CESAR CHAVEZ.



Chavez added that Herb Fleming, president of the Grower - Shipper Vegetable Association was part of the conspiracy. He also called upon Governor Reagan to encourage secret ballot elections, if he indeed believes in democracy. The farm union leader added that UFWOC would soon begin an intensive drive against Fresh Pic Vegetable Corporation, and Inter-Harvester, two large lettuce growers in Salinas. Fresh Pic is a division of Purex, and Inter-Harvester is a division of the United Fruit Company.

This makes the third time that Teamsters have made a major incursion into farm worker organizing. They also raided UFWOC membership at the DiGiorgio ranch, and again at the Perelli-Minetti ranch, both near Delano.

The Teamster contracts in Salinas and Santa Maria offer \$1.85 at harvest time, and \$1.75 at all other times. The new pacts will terminate after five years, and promise the workers only \$2.33 and \$2.21 an hour in the fifth year of the contract. There is no strike at harvest time clause. No hiring halls are permitted in the contract; instead, Teamsters will leave the responsibility of hiring to the labor contractors, who



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