Monster Political Convention of the Workers of America, Chicago, July 3, 1923. Every Local Union, Central Body, Farm Organization, State, National, and International Body and Political Group Invited. A Chance at Last for Bringing About United Action of the Workers of Hand and Brain on the Political Field.

Convention Call of the Farmer-Labor Party of the United States, Circa May 1923.

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Dear Sirs and Brothers:—

In nearly every country except this the workers have organized politically as they have organized economically. Hostile laws are being passed, favorable laws declared unconstitutional or nullified by judicial decree, a Palmer injunction in 1919 crippled the Miners' strike the same as a Daugherty injunction went the very limit to defeat the shopmen's strike in 1922, and the vicious Esch-Cummins law has proven a heavy burden on farmers and railroad workers alike.

Now, as never before, when the flagrant misuse of the courts and other public agencies has been developed to a point where the workers on the farms and in the workshops are wondering where they are to turn next, the urgent necessity of the situation has compelled the workers to realize that salvation lies alone in united political action by the workers of hand and brain.

Duplication of political efforts, competition of candidates of rival political groups of workers, must cease.

In view of the above facts, and in response to the earnest request of many individuals and organizations, the Farmer-Labor Party of the United States is calling a National Convention to which will be invited representatives of all "labor, farm, and political groups" for the purpose of devising means for knitting together

the many organizations in this country in such a manner as will enable the workers to really function politically.

Invitations to send representatives to this convention of the Farmer-Labor Party have been sent to all national organizations in the country, but the National Committee felt the rank and file should also be represented, and it was therefore voted to send credentials to all local and central labor and farm bodies in the United States and urge that delegates be sent to this most important convention.

Where funds are low or the expense great, local unions and other groups should combine in meeting the expense of a delegate, but in no case should any city in the country fail to have at least one delegate in attendance.

The expense of holding the convention will be considerable and all local unions, where possible, should make as liberal and prompt a donation as possible to help the Farmer-Labor Party meet this cost. Send all contributions to the National Office of the Party.

Fraternally yours,

FARMER-LABOR PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES, J.G. Brown, Secretary. (Tear off here. This portion to be retained by the delegate.)

CREDENTIAL.

has been duly elected to represent	
of(City) (State)	at the National Convention of
the Farmer-Labor Party, to be held in Chicago, Ill., July 3, 1923.	
(Seal)	President.
	Secretary.
(Tear off here. This to be sent to J.G. Brown, 166 W. Washington St., Chicago, Ill., at once.)	
CREDENTIAL.	(Duplicate.)
This is to certify that the bearer	
has been duly elected to represent	
has been duly elected to represent of(City) (State)	at the National Convention of
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of(City) (State)	at the National Convention of President.

(Note. The convention is certain to last several days and delegates should come prepared to stay till the business has been completed. When duplicate credentials are sent in each delegate will be advised of special hotel rates, reduced railroad fare, and the location of the convention.

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