

Foster Announces National Committee For Election Drive

"We're going into the elections this year backed by the strongest and biggest National Committee we've had in four Presidential campaigns," William Z. Foster, nationally famed Communist leader, declared yesterday. Foster heads the committee as chairman.

Virtually every state in the Union has representation on the National Committee, its list of members discloses. Names that are famous among thousands of workers and farmers, as leaders of struggles, adorn the National Committee of the 1936 Communist drive to poll an unprecedented vote for Browder and Ford.

Pittsburgh, storm center of the impending gigantic clash of iron workers and the Steel Trust, has contributed Benjamin Carruthers, Negro leader, on the committee. From San Quentin—jail of many martyred class war prisoners—the name of Pat Chambers, outstanding militant, has been placed on the National Committee's list of eighty-seven. Covering a vast area of forty-four states, the members of the committee constitute a cross-section of the toiling population—a cross-section of militant America.

14 Broadcasts

The National Committee plans to conduct a series of fourteen radio broadcasts during the election campaign, reaching millions of voters in every corner of the nation. Foster said. He also announced that the Party will conduct its campaign on a scale never equalled in previous Presidential campaigns.

"We're going to reach and influence a vast army of wage-earning voters in the 1936 election

drive," Foster stated. "We're issuing 5,000,000 copies of the Party's election platform, alone — with a half million off the press already."

"Our candidates — Browder and Ford—will speak in thirty-six states in all," the campaign leader continued, "and will bring the Party's fighting message to every strata of producing America—the hard hit farmers—embattled croppers—workers in steel, mining, marine — the white collar workers and professionals.

"The real barometer of our Party's strength in the country will be in the vote cast for the Communist candidates in this election. Our Party stands out as a major political force today. The people's vote against reaction and misery—and for the practical program of our Party—will be the biggest in history. We must unleash unbounded energy to reach that vote," Foster concluded.

National Committee

The full list of the National Committee, announced yesterday by its chairman, follows. Alexander Trachtenberg, veteran revolutionary, is the secretary and Grace Hutchins, author and prominent New York Communist, is treasurer:

Alabama—Robert F. Hall, Birmingham; Helen Carter, Birmingham.

Arkansas—E. H. Justice, Ft. Smith.

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California—Pat Chambers, San Quentin; Anita Whitney, San Francisco.

Colorado — William Dietrich, Denver; Edith M. Cappuck, Falga.

Connecticut — I. Worsley, New Haven; Ruth Manship, Wilton, Conn.

Delaware—D. H. Slinger, Wilmington; Mary Clark, Wilmington.

Florida—George B. Jackson, Orlando; Ethel Norman, Lakeland.

Georgia—Angelo Herndon, Atlanta; Elsie Fisher, Atlanta.

Illinois — Sam Hammersmark, Chicago; Eleanor Rye, Chicago.

Indiana—Andrew Remes, Indianapolis; Stella Machulis, Hammond.

Iowa—Ted Baer, Dennison; Bessie Logsdon, Des Moines.

Kansas—Helen Hester, Kansas City; Max Saltzman, Kansas City.

Kentucky—Don West, Louisville; Mabel Hart, Louisville.

Louisiana—William G. Binkley, New Orleans; Noelle Cunningham, New Orleans.

Maine—Lewis Gordon, Madison; May Bold, Madison.

Maryland—Needham Horton, Baltimore; Mary Roberts, Baltimore.

Massachusetts—Otis Hood, Boston; Mary Alquist, Boston.

Michigan — Phillip Raymond, Detroit; Emma Muke, Ironwood.

Minnesota—Sam K. Davis, Minneapolis; Mrs. Clara Broms, Minneapolis.

Mississippi—Gustav Thompson, Jackson.

Missouri—Vanderbilt Belton, St. Louis; Caroline Drew, St. Louis.

Montana—Arno Frederickson, Butte; Marie Pacha, Helena.

Nebraska—William J. Choquette, Lincoln; Margaret Fritschan, Revena.

New Hampshire—Alonzo Morse, Nashua; Elba Chase, Washington.

New Jersey—Herbert Coley, Newark; Lena Davis, Newark.

New Mexico—Harry Bonert, Santa Fe; Dominica Hernandez, Gallup.

New York—Robert Minor, New York City; Grace Hutchins, New York City.

North Carolina—Ray L. Whitley, Concord; Sylvia Crouch, Greensboro.

North Dakota—Jasper Haaland, Naudin; Effie Kjorstad, Willista.

Ohio — Andrew R. Onda, Cleveland; Maude White, Cleveland.

Oregon—James Murphy, Portland; Emelia Pienkarinen, Astoria.

Pennsylvania — Benjamin Careathers, Pittsburgh; Ella Reeve Bloor, Philadelphia.

Rhode Island—Ralph Lovsky, Providence; Ann Burlak, Providence.

South Carolina — O. R. Sheppard, Charlestown; Diedre Wilson, Columbia.

South Dakota — Homer Ayres, Stroll; Agnes Przybylski, Mitchell.

Tennessee—L. A. Weeks, Jonesboro.

Texas—Homer Brooks, Houston; Jetty Fitzgerald, Fort Worth.

Utah—Pete Huston, Sandy; Carnellia Johnson, Salt Lake.

Vermont — Carl Moline, Proctor; Eva Cerasoli, Barre.

Virginia — Alexander Wright, Norfolk; Alice Burke, Norfolk.

Washington—Lowell Wakefield, Seattle; Lydia Sommerville, Seattle.

West Virginia—Bertha Rompa, Fairmont.

Wisconsin—Fred Bassett-Blair, Milwaukee; Mrs. O. Rademacher, Medford.

Wyoming—Ray Hines, Cheyenne; Mrs. Fred Strong, Tarrington.