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FOURTH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF  
THE WORKERS PARTY

CONVENTION AGENDA

MONDAY, MAY 27, 1946

I. Organization of Convention

1. Opening by National Secretary	15
2. Roll call of delegates	10
3. Convention rules	15
4. Election of Committees	15
Presiding Committee	
Credentials	
Resolutions	
5. Report of Presiding Committee	10

II. INTERNATIONAL RESOLUTION - Erber

1. Majority	30
2. Minority - Johnson	30
Recess	60
Roll Call	
3. Discussion	90
( to Irving Plaza)	
4. Summaries	
Minority	15
Majority	15

5. Sub Report (CP-SP)	
Majority - Shachtman	15
Minority - Garrett	15
	Recess
	Roll Call
	60
6. Discussion	120
7. Summaries	
Minority	10
Majority	10
8. Voting on CP-SP	15
Voting on Resolution	

III. RESOLUTION ON U.S.

1. Majority	30
2. Minority	30

Adjournment

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 1946

Roll Call	15
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III. RESOLUTION ON U.S.

3. <del>Draper Amendment</del>	10
4. Discussion	90
	Recess
	Roll Call
	60
5. Summaries	
Draper	10
Minority	20
Majority	30

( to Irving Plaza)

7. Sub-Report on Labor Party	
Majority - Gates	15
Minority - Draper	15
8. Discussion	30
9. Summaries	
Minority	10
Majority	10
10. Voting	
Labor Party	
Draper	
Minority	
Majority	10
Recess	60
Roll Call	

IV. RESOLUTION ON PARTY

1. Majority - Shachtman	30
Minority - Johnson	30
Erber	15
2. Discussion	90

Adjournment

WEDNESDAY May 29, 1946

Roll Call

3. Summaries	
Erber	15
Minority	20
Majority	30

4. Voting	15
Recess	60
Roll Call	
<u>V. ORGANIZATION - Coolidge</u>	30
1. Discussion	140
2. Summary	15
3. Voting	
<u>VI. PRESS</u>	15
1. Discussion	90
Recess	60
2. Summary	15
3. Voting	
<u>VII. TRADE UNION REPORT - Coolidge</u>	30
1. Discussion	120
Adjournment	
 <u>THURSDAY May 30, 1946</u>	
Roll Call	
2. Summary	20
3. Voting	
<u>VIII VETERANS - Gould</u>	30
1. Discussion	60
Recess	60

2. Summary	15
3. Voting	

IX. EDUCATION - Erber 30

1. Discussion	60
2. Summary	15
3. Voting	

X. NEGRO

1. Majority - Coolidge	30
2. Minority - Johnson	30

Recess 60  
Roll Call

3. Discussion	90
4. Summaries	
Berg	10
Minority	20
Majority	25

5. Voting

XI. YOUTH - Waller 30

1. Discussion	30
2. Summary	10
3. Voting	

Adjournment

FRIDAY , May 30, 1946

Roll Call

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| 4. Action on youth organization | 15 |
| 5. Discussion                   | 15 |
| 6. Voting                       |    |

XII REPORT ON FOURTH INTERNATIONAL 30

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| 1. Discussion | 30 |
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Recess	60
Roll Call	

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| 2. Summary | 15 |
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| 3. Voting |  |
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XIII REPORT ON UNITY - Gates 15

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| 1. Discussion | 30 |
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| 2. Summary | 10 |
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| 3. Voting |  |
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XIV JEWISH RESOLUTION - Erber 15

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| 1. Discussion | 60 |
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| 2. Summary | 10 |
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| 3. Voting |  |
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Recess	60
Roll Call	

XV. PARTY STATUTES 15

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| 1. Discussion | 30 |
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| 2. Voting |  |
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## CONVENTION RULES

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1. The convention shall open each morning at 10 A.M.
2. A session shall be the meeting of the convention between roll calls. Roll Calls shall be made at 10 A.M., after lunch and after supper.
3. A delegate who has not taken his seat by the ending of the roll call shall not be seated for that session.
4. An alternate seated at the beginning of the session shall retain his seat for that session.
5. Alternate delegates shall have neither voice nor vote unless they have been seated as regular delegates.
6. Regular members of the National Committee and alternates to the N.C. are seated as fraternal delegates with voice and consultative vote.
7. On all resolutions and amendments with allotted discussion time of 60 minutes or over, discussion per speaker shall be limited to 10 minutes; where the allotted discussion time is less than 60 minutes, discussion shall be limited to 5 minutes per speaker.
8. No delegate may speak a second time on one report until all delegates who want the floor have spoken.
9. 51% of the delegates shall constitute a quorum.
10. A roll call vote can be granted by vote of 25% of the delegates.
11. The following shall be entitled to a fraternal delegate each: Southeast Mo., Reading, St.Louis, Boston, Hibbing and Youngstown.
12. Three members of the SYL are seated as fraternal delegates with voice and consubtative vote.
13. The Chicsgo and New York minority of the SWP who have voted since the plenum of the SWP to join the Workers Party and have joined shall be entitled to regular delegates to our convention on the same basis of representatkon established in our convention call.
14. Comrades from the ASP are seated as fraternal delegates.
15. Voting except for the NC shall be by show of hands. Voting for the National Committee shall be ny ballot.