



The Black United Front's Community Unity Day at Peninsula Park provided an opportunity for a barbecue in the shade.

(Photo: Richard J. Brown)

Unions know no borders

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walk or sitting in growers' buses already exist in many of these villages.

Union personnel have little access to workers once they are in the field, said Lupe Sanchez, the union's executive director. The alternative to organizing workers before they trek north, he said, is to have "a lot of money to get people out of jail" on charges of trespassing.

The Arizona union, which began in the late 1970s, has 15,000 dues-paying members and contracts with three citrus growers in the Phoenix area. The three-part agreement with Production Farm Management is the union showpiece. An AFWU waiting to be driven to the few farms then hiring. He distributed copies of the TFU's bilingual newspaper and chatted with workers.

"This is to increase our pay," one man told a neighbor sitting on a curb, urging the paper on him.

The TFU presently claims to have 50,000 members, about 40 per cent of them undocumented.

Another Southwestern union, the Arizona Farm Workers Union (AFWU), sent organizers in August to Mexican villages in Sinaloa, Queretaro and Guanajuato that supply many of the laborers to Phoenix-area farms when harvesting begins in late September. Union committee proudly showed a visitor around air-conditioned bunkhouses for Mexican workers who once lived in the lemon orchards, eating skimpy meals over campfires. They now get three meals a day in an air-conditioned mess hall and earn up to \$350 a week. Jobs are protected by a seniority hiring system.

Though the illegal residency status of such workers might be thought to make union organizing tough, organizers say that U.S.-citizen farm workers often are more afraid to make demands. Citizens, among them union harvesters whom the Arizona union now is trying to organize, fear the loss of food stamps and welfare which supplement their wages. Undocumented workers "don't have those kinds of services—nothing is given to them," Sanchez said.

Last October, undocumented workers struck two Phoenix-area growers. In 1977-78, two other major growers were struck in what the

AFWU calls the biggest strike by undocumented workers in American labor history.

The TFU, unlike the AFU, has no contracts. Its victories have come in the form of employer concessions after strikes and lawsuits.

In southern New Mexico, where the union is just beginning to make itself felt, Marentes says he uses "mini strikes." According to Marentes, a two-hour work halt at Pedro Jurado Farms near Las Cruces last year led to an increase from 40 cents to 70 cents a bucket for picking tomatoes—although Arturo Jurado, a partner in the family operation, denied there was a strike or that the union had anything to do with winning pay increases.

The successes of the Arizona and Texas unions have been achieved without the help of the AFL-CIO, including the United Farm Workers, which sometimes has charged that Mexican workers take jobs from citizens. But AFWU organizer Adela Serrano pointed out that until recently no one but Mexican workers ever worked in the Arizona citrus fields. In Texas and New Mexico much farm work also traditionally is the exclusive province of Mexicans.

Mexican union members, however, are beginning to worry about pricing themselves out of U.S. jobs by making them irresistibly attractive to American citizens who have shunned the work. Last year 25 citizen workers were hired at Production Farms Management—the first time anyone remembers non-Mexicans harvesting citrus.

Looking ahead, the Arizona Farm Workers Union contracts require employers to place 10 cents per hour for each worker into an economic development fund destined for use by "ejidos," communal farms in Mexico where many of the workers came from.

The money will be dispensed for the first time this year. Traveling with AFWU organizers in Mexico is an economic development specialist assigned to help ejidos build irrigation systems and make other agricultural improvements, all in preparation for the day when the farmers can stop working "on the other side."

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for the construction of Forest Grove Senior Center, Phase II, will be received by the City of Forest Grove, Oregon, at the City Hall, 1924 Council Street, Forest Grove, until 2:00 P.M., Pacific Daylight Time, on October 8, 1981 and thereafter publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids shall be received for one Project, consisting of the General Construction, including Mechanical and Electrical Work, for an addition (Phase II) to the Forest Grove Senior Center. All Work for the Project shall be executed under a single General Construction Contract.

The Work to be performed under this contract is on a project receiving direct Federal financial assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1071u. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training and employment be given lower income residents of the project area (Forest Grove) and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns which are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the project area. Before the contract for this project is executed the proposed contractor will be expected to comply to the greatest extent feasible with the requirements of Section 3, as enumerated in 24 CFR 135, a copy of which is included in its entirety in the bid documents. Special attention of the bidder is directed to subparts B, C, D, and E of these rules. For the purpose of acquainting all bidders with these requirements, and providing clarification where needed, a pre-bid conference will be held on October 1, 1981 at 10:00 A.M. at Forest Grove City Hall, 1924 Council Street, Forest Grove, Oregon.

All bidders shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 279, Oregon Revised Statutes relating to the qualifications of bidders, and the provisions required by ORS 279.350 and as determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor, pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act Wage Decision, pertaining to the payment of wages which are not less than the prevailing rates.

The Contractor will be required to comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations.

The City of Forest Grove will not discriminate with regard to race, color, creed, sex, or national origin, in consideration for an award.

Drawings and Specifications may be examined without charge at Forest Grove City Hall, Builders Exchange Co-op, Construction Data Plan Center and Northwest Plan Center, each of Portland, Oregon and at the office of Yodogawa-McCartan-Architects, P.C., 213 S.W. Ash Street, Suite 201, Portland, Oregon.

One set of Drawings and Specifications may be obtained by General Contractors only at the office of Yodogawa-McCartan-Architects, P.C. upon deposit of \$75.00 Additional sets may be obtained from the Architects for the cost of reproduction.

No bid shall be received or considered unless fully completed in the manner provided in "Instruction to Bidders" and on forms provided by the Architect.

The bid shall be accompanied by a Surety Bond, Cashier's Check or Certified Check, executed in favor of the City of Forest Grove in an amount not less than ten per cent of the amount of the bid, to be forfeited as fixed and liquidated damages should the bidder refuse or neglect to enter into a contract and provide suitable bond for the performance of the Work in the event the Contract is awarded to him.

The City of Forest Grove reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any bid irregularities or informalities as its interests are best served.

No bidder may withdraw his bid after the hour set for the opening thereof, until after the lapse of 30 days from the bid opening.

I.M. Burnett
City Recorder, City of Forest Grove, Oregon
An Equal Opportunity Employer

HCD PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting with the Housing and Community Development (HCD) Citizens Advisory Committee has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 30, at 7:00 PM in the Water Bureau Auditorium, 510 SW Montgomery.

This meeting will give citizens an opportunity to discuss the 3-year HCD plan and process for meeting the needs of Portland's low and moderate income neighborhoods. Background draft information is available prior to the meeting by calling the Bureau of Community Development, 248-5350.

Charles E. Olson
HCD Program Manager

Sub-contractors Wanted

Washington State - 500 Man Correction Center - Phase II
Monroe, Washington

Bid Date: October 1, 1981

Donald M. Drake Company

1740 NW Flanders
Portland, Oregon 97209
226-3991

CITY OF PORTLAND INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received in Room 412, City Hall, Portland, Oregon 97204 for items detailed herein until 2:00 P.M. on the dates indicated.

Plans and specifications may be obtained at the above address. For additional information telephone buyer at number listed.

When Bid Surety is required, proposals shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or a bid bond, payable to the City of Portland for an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the aggregate amount of the bid as guaranty that the bid shall be irrevocable for the period specified in the proposal. Said bond to be forfeited as fixed and liquidated damages should the bidder seek to revoke his offer for any reason not authorized by law and not consented to by City within the irrevocable period, or neglect or refuse to enter into contract and provide a suitable bond for the faithful performance of the contract, in the event the said contract is awarded to him.

NON-DISCRIMINATION: No proposal or bid will be considered unless the bidder is certified as an EEO Affirmative Action Employer as prescribed by Chapter 3.100 of the Code of the City of Portland. All bidders not currently certified should file the required documentation with the Contract Compliance Division, Room 209, City Hall, 1220 SW Fifth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, 248-4696, at least five (5) days prior to the Bid Opening. Failure to achieve certification by the Bid Opening Date and Time shall result in the return of your Bid Unopened.

BID NO.	DESCRIPTION	BID OPENING DATE
28	Labor, Material & Equipment for Hayden Meadows Supply Main. For information call Kent Petersen, Buyer, 248-4003. 10% Bid Surety & Prequalification of Bidder Required.	09/29/81
31	RFP-Bond Counsel Services for General Obligation Improvement Bonds for FY 81-82. For information call Harold F. Vaughan, Purchasing Agent, 248-5375. Special Prequalification Required.	10/01/81
32	Management & Operation Services for Morrison Park East Parking Facility for General Services. For information call Carlton Chayer, Ass't. Purch. Mgr., 248-5374. 10% Bid Surety Required.	09/29/81

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Housing Authority of the County of Clackamas, will receive sealed bids until 2:00 PM., on October 2nd, 1981, for the seeding of lawns at 27 single family residential lots, located throughout the county.

Bids shall be addressed to D. Robert Miller, Housing Authority of the County of Clackamas, 2889 S.E. Hillside Street, Milwaukie, Oregon 97222.

Bidders are invited to attend the bid opening at the above time and place.

No bids will be received or considered after that time.

Bid security in the amount of five per cent (5) is required in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

The contract documents may be examined or obtained at the Housing Authority at 2889 S.E. Hillside Street, Milwaukie. Phone 655-8272.

This project is financed through Housing and Urban Development, and is subject to regulations of the Departments of Labor and Housing and Urban Development.

Attention is called to federal provisions for Equal Employment Opportunity, Affirmative Action, HUD Section 3 Requirements, and payment of not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Documents. No bid will be received or considered unless it contains a statement that these provisions will be met.

The Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY DIVISION

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROPOSAL

PURPOSE: To increase the effectiveness and achievement of MBEs on Federal-aid highway construction projects.

CONTRACT: One year.

AMOUNT: \$71,700.

MBE: This supportive service contract has a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) goal.

Minority-owned goal	25%
Women-owned goal	25%
Total MBE goal	25%

WRITTEN PROPOSAL: Submit by October 9, 1981, to: Ray Turner, State Highway Division, Salem, Or. 97310

PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL: Interested individuals should forward proposals to Ray Turner at the above address, or for additional information telephone (503) 378-6318. Toll free (Oregon only) 1-800-452-7813. Construction Branch, Extension 8-6318.

Sub-bids Requested For

Washington State - 500 Man Correction Center
Phase II Housing Unit
Monroe, Washington

Bid Date: October 1, 1981, 3:00 pm

Hoffman Construction Company

900 SW Fifth
Portland, Oregon 97204
(503) 221-8811
Equal Opportunity Employer
HO-FF-MC-C218B5

Note: Our Rep will be at Camlin Hotel
8 & 9 at Pine, Seattle Washington
Bid Phone (206) 625-1081

Our children's future

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We are not lumping all the problems of the Black and poor child on the mother but one parent can help or hurt. "If you care enough to want to see your children make it, then you have to make it or they aren't going to be s---. We as parents have to try to stay together because a family can improve with two incomes. Remember, love can conquer all."

Some parents feel that the change

of times has introduced children to events and attitudes a lot sooner than their own introduction ten and twenty years ago. "Kids are faster because they get into things quicker because they see a lot of things in the home and the parents don't try to hide it. The times are harder so it

makes the kids harder and they end up caring only for self. But sometimes you never know. You can raise a child to be right and when the kids grow up they go wrong. So as parents we just do the best we can."

A former counselor says the main problems that the youth of today face are drugs and a poor attitude about work. "The availability of drugs is devastating our community. Also they seem to have this dependent psychology because of the federal overt and covert welfare programs. They act like you owe them something. Well, thanks to Reagan, gimma got caught."

"There are no useful recreational activities—events that stimulate the thought process. You can only shoot hoop so much. The whole educational arena needs to be restructured away from the agrarian approach of 9 to 3 so you can go home and do your chores and with the summer off for the summer harvest."

"Also the women's movement has taken its toll on the family by re-

moving the woman. It used to be a time when you would have to spend what you make. Because it takes more to get by, the woman is also out there working and that stable image that I saw as a child is gone. The women have become too independent. They have less children so that caring and understanding for others aren't there. The child sees the frustration of the male. They see the drug dependency as a way to escape. Because the woman is away from the home the T.V. has more control than the parent."

A 16-year-old youth says his problems are girls, money and worrying about the future. "I don't know if there's a job out there when I turn 18. I looked all summer and found a job cleaning but I had to go back to school. I kinda worry about war because they will send us young-bloods. And like Prince says, you're going to have to fight your own damn war 'cause we don't want to fight no more."

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