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## EMPLOYERS BUTCHERING SAN DIEGO BUTCHERS

In an interview this week, Max Osslo, secretary-business manager of Butchers Local 229, stated that "San Diego butchers are fighting for job security." He emphasized that there is disagreement over wage and fringe benefits, but this is secondary to the butchers' fight to make a living.

Butchers went on strike November 13 at chain markets and the L.A. Food Employers Council retaliated with a lockout at chain supermarkets in southern California. The LAFEC supplies chain markets with meat. The meat is then butchered into choice cuts by local butchers. According to Osslo the LAFEC wants to open central meat-cutting plants in L.A. and ship the packaged product to San Diego, thus dispensing with the need for local butchers. The editors noted that LAFEC is getting options on buildings for use as local meat-cutting plants and already have several plants in Los Angeles and one nearing usability in Chula Vista.

Osslo stated that "management (ie., LAFEC and local chain markets) want to replace skilled butchers with inexperienced apprentices." These apprentices would be working with dangerous tools without supervision. Besides this safety factor, there is the obvious fact that these automated plants will not need many employees, thus the union is fighting for job security.

In another grievance with the chains and LAFEC, Butchers Local 229 has filed a

complaint with the City-County Health Department charging that unrefrigerated meat is being hauled in private vehicles. "This obviously reduces the freshness of the meat and results in more doctoring of the meats to make them look fresh," commented Osslo.

Of further interest to the consumer is a study made by Osslo and verified by a TEASPOON editor. A comparison was made, locally, between meat prices in chain markets and non-chain markets. The difference in handling techniques being that in non-chain markets the meat is cut and packaged locally and by union butchers. The results showed that common cuts in chain stores sold for as much as 75 cents more and the meat was not even graded. As an example, Mayfair charges \$1.49 a pound for ungraded sirloin tip and a non-chain store, Menlo Farms, charges 79 cents for USDA Grade Choice Sirloin tip.

In a late week development the LAFEC was granted a court injunction limiting the number of picketers to two at each store. This makes it easier for the employers to cross picket 'lines' with scabs in trucks equipped with armed guards, and has been done in Los Angeles.

With the courts blatant partisanship with management in this dispute it should be a long, hard fight. The livelihood of the local butchers is being threatened and they will not sit by passively!

## SCHOENMAN ATTACKS US

SAN DIEGO LEARNS OF NEO-COLONIALISM

Dr. Ralph Schoenman, secretary-at-large for Lord Bertrand Russell and prime-mover for the War Crimes Tribunal, spent two speaking days in San Diego two weeks ago. His talk dealt first with the War Crimes Tribunal and then with US economic interests in Asia.

In rebutting the deluge of criticism by the American press, Schoenman defended the War Crimes Tribunal against such frequent charges as "lacking objectivity" and having "no legal standing".

"There was never any pretending," said Schoenman, "that the Tribunal was a court of law." As for the lack of objectivity, Schoenman said that searching for an objective man is silly. What is still sillier is thinking that you've found one. As Lord Russell has said, "It would be confusing an open mind for an empty one!"

Schoenman pointed out that the press in America could have saved itself much print by simply reading the official call to the War Crimes Tribunal:

"We command no state power; we do not represent the strong; we control no armies or treasuries. We act out of the deepest moral concern and depend upon the conscience of the ordinary people throughout the world for the real support--the mat-

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LET GEORGE DO IT

## STAND UP FOR WALLACE

"George Wallace for President in 1968." "Stand up for America, vote for George Wallace." These and many other slogans were plastered on the walls of the Wallace for President Headquarters on University Avenue.

Last week two members of the TEASPOON staff went to the headquarters hoping to interview some of the Wallace campaign workers. We were able to talk with the San Diego County chairman and W.G. McCarley, an Alabama State Senator.

Most of the questions were directed to Senator McCarley, a retired Navy man, who was elected to the Alabama State Senate in 1963.

The Senator has no doubts about former Governor Wallace being elected President in 1968. "Wallace is a man of the people, he has grass roots support....the American people are starting to think for themselves and the reason that they haven't been is that they have too much."

When asked about support for Wallace from extremist groups, McCarley said that Wallace had stated publicly, that he would accept support from any individual who shares his beliefs and the principles for which he stands.

However, repeated questions as to what Wallace "stands for" were met consistently

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A great deal of excitement has been generated by the announcement that Senator Eugene McCarthy might consider going to the mat with LBJ over the Democratic nomination in 1968. The CDC and its analogues in other states, now have that figure upon whom they can focus attention and behind whom they can group. Now they have a standard bearer and somehow it seems more reasonable to hope for the "miracle of Chicago", the dumping of Johnson at the convention.

To this observer, however, a serious McCarthy candidacy simply does not ring true. It bears a closer look. The key to understanding it lies, I think, in recognizing that Hubert Humphrey's political career will soon be at an end and that Johnson will need someone to balance his ticket in November. Who could do that better than a Senate "dove" from a midwestern state? Short of his bowing gracefully out of the picture altogether, an event so unlikely that it is not worth mentioning a second time, what better could Johnson do to mollify the angry peace caucuses in the Democratic Party than to give in and let McCarthy have second place on the ticket?

Let us examine first the albatross-like quality which Humphrey has assumed for this administration. In his own words in Kuala Lumpur early in November he said, "My political future hinges on the war's outcome. If it is a colossal failure, I know what happens to me."

One can quickly deduce that Hubert's political future has been sealed and is now irretrievable behind him. His support in the liberal camp of the Party, which made him attractive to the ticket in 1964, has long since evaporated. The conclusion is inescapable that Humphrey will have to be "dumped" between now and August, 1968.

It is difficult really to understand what, or who, has motivated McCarthy to step forward so boldly a full year before the election. He obviously has no power base. There does not seem to be the money backing him that is required to make a serious "run for the sceptre". And he is scarcely known outside of politically conscious circles. Political observers candidly declare that he is rather lazy. Although he appears honest and generally seems to have his head screwed on forward, no one can remember any legislation he has been responsible for. So what is it all about?

My own thesis is that the culmination of a lot of fancy political footwork in the next eight months will be the patching together of a Johnson-McCarthy ticket at the convention in Chicago next August.

It goes like this: Johnson must have a fresh running mate, one who will redapture a large share of the millions of disaffected citizens who supported him in 1964. Humphrey clearly cannot do this. But McCarthy could. The latter is young, attractive to liberals, and he will have an enormous "dove" following by next August.

Something or someone has put a bug in McCarthy's ear, and he has tossed his hat in the direction of the ring. So far the reaction is positive, even ecstatic. He will be put into the New Hampshire primary

and perhaps a few others. The results will be encouraging, i.e. he will show well as a vote-getter in these desolate times. Momentum will develop, and the anti-war crowds in the Democratic Party will line up behind McCarthy for a big push in Chicago. There will be lots of enthusiasm, plenty of press, many speeches, but most certainly not enough delegate votes.

It would be absurd to think that such an effort could demand attention from the professional hacks and their appointed minions who operate these affairs. It just does not work that way in the face of the truly staggering patronage and government contract power that an incumbent president Johnson surely will not be cast aside either. But while the dust is still flying, in a gesture of magnanimity Johnson will ask Eugene McCarthy to stand at his side in these perilous times. In the interest of party unity, the "doves" will be swallowed by the "vultures" so they can march forward shoulder to shoulder and defeat the real enemy, the Republicans. It is doubtful that he would refuse. The vanquished "doves" will have at least gotten their man as close as "a breath away".

One does not even have to impute bad faith or deviousness to McCarthy, although these motives should not be cavalierly dismissed. He is most likely the unwitting pawn in a "dump Humphrey" power play. But the immediate effect is to guide otherwise sensible Democrats into the belief that they have a candidate and a chance.

This could be disastrous to serious alternative political movements, such as the nascent Peace and Freedom Party. For Johnson the process has a most salutary effect. It will keep the dissident Democrats corralled and might eliminate altogether the chances for the Peace and Freedom Party to achieve its qualification goal in California and other states.

Johnson can handle threats to him that arise from within his own party. But he would be genuinely threatened by a third party, even if it is too small to win elections.

We must not allow ourselves to be hypnotized by clever political tactics and thereby be diverted from the difficult task of organizing the Peace and Freedom Party in California. Its very existence will provide the Republicans with one of the signals they need in order to do something at Miami Beach.

Indeed, peace efforts within the Democratic Party will profit by being able to point to a significant block of voters whose loyalty they must recapture if they are to succeed in November.

The McCarthy "candidacy" does not reduce the necessity of qualifying the Peace and Freedom Party for the ballot. Rather, it underscores the importance of the effort by suggesting the lengths to which those entrenched in power will go to squelch serious alternative political movements.

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Treasurer, San Diego County  
Peace and Freedom Party



by Jim Willems

by Mike Milligan

Jack Jones, West Coast Public Relations man for Dow Chemical, was on campus last week to tell SDS about the rationalizations that Dow uses for their complicity with War Crimes. He said that no amount of public dissent could influence Dow to stop the production of napalm. Only Johnson could do that. He said he would make anything that Johnson asked him to for any purpose.

He said that the Nuremburg War Crimes Trials were a farce with respect to their being morally binding on the United States. He said I.G. Farben was justified in the making of gas for the ovens. In other words he said he was a puppet who believed in doing anything his government told him.

Oh, what a good patriot! Now we can rest in our graves, knowing it was Jack Jones who sanctioned Johnson sending us there because we were dissident blacks or we demonstrated one too many times against the War.

Ah, yes. We could know, with 100 pounds of cement on our chests without names printed on it and the date that we expired, that it was people like Jack Jones who have corrupted this Government from a representative democracy into a rule by one man who is little better than a dictator, and who belie-es he has the liberty to shut down the dissent in his country because he thinks he is right and his people are wrong.

As Dean Rusk said, "No amount of popular dissent can stop the War. That is the President's decision." Will some one tell me, to whom is the President responsible if not to his people. What conceivable right does he have to continue a war if the people don't want it. The answer is obviously: In this governmental system, he does not have any right.

So there was a demonstration on campus. It was peaceful. Jones crucified himself; we did not have to help him. There are tapes of what he said. They can be published and sent to whomever we want.

The faculty is introducing a resolution in the Faculty Senate to keep Dow off campus next semester. A similar resolution should be introduced by the AS Council.

Faculty members are circulating petitions telling Love that it is about time he watched the students on this campus. If he does not begin to publicly respond to them and to what is going on on THIS campus then Love can expect violence, sit-ins, and demonstrations to increase. It is time!

The President of this college has ducked out on every major issue this campus has faced in the last three years by refusing to make public statements. We are interested in Malcolm Love, the man, not the cog in the administrative complex. We would like to hear him say something to us, so that we know that he is real and cares. We are just beginning to learn that the faculty cares. Now what about the administration?

It should be noted that SdS did a good job on organizing the demonstration. Their

#### Dowism

Dow Chemical, about a week ago, announced that it was thinking about discontinuing production of napalm. The Dow announcement said that the tremendous difficulties they are experiencing in recruitment are not worth the small percentage of business they do in napalm.

It is interesting to note that their West Coast PR man, Jack Jones, had earlier said Dow receives more applications than it could ever handle.

#### Ronnie and the MRs

The Capitol Report, Reagan's own underground newspaper, reported Reagan's response to Danish mental health official, Dr. Bank-Mikkelsen, who said treatment at Sonoma State Hospital was "sickening".

Reagan said that Bank-Mikkelsen was unprepared for the U.S. "institutional" approach to mental retardation.

Our Governor concluded by noting that his administration has launched a new 2.3 million dollar program to get the retarded back into community life.

So it looks as though this years grape crop will be harvested regardless of the State Supreme Court.

#### Notes on Peace and Freedom

It seems that while the Peace and Freedom Party in California is doing its grass roots thing on a shoestring, Wallace, who has half a million dollars to spend in California, is tailing in registrations. Although he claims 30,000 and P&F claims less than 20,000, few areas (but Fresno and Bakersfield) bear this out. In the major cities (LA, San Francisco, San Diego, Oakland) P&F is far ahead.

Jack Wienberg, a California state coordinator for P&F, when he was in San Diego told of a big orange bus that P&F is getting. It will have a rock-band, mime troop and orator and will tour the state during December to impart the spirit of "band wagon" campaigning.

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steering committee included radicals from all other the campus. The thing was well planned and well executed. They are to be congratulated. If this trend continues, then the Left will be able to move at SDS and make the changes that are needed to help the college and education become relevant.

The most important thing about the Dow Chemical confrontation is that the nature of the demonstration was also educational. We learned that the Right screws itself. We don't have to deny them free speech. Let them talk and they put themselves into the elitist non-democratic position which they hold but hardly publicly articulate. Let us hope that the Dow demonstration sets a precedence on campus and does not assume the air of being a unique event.



# LA HUELGA!

The farm workers union is again engaged in a battle with a giant subsidized California farm operation, the Giumarra vineyards.

Giumarra is two corporations and a partnership controlled by one family. The holdings include 19 square miles of land spread over 75 miles in the San Joaquin Valley. The crops are mainly grapes, potatoes, plums and cotton. The three companies are worth over \$25 million including a winery and large blocks of stock in the Bank of America, which finances over 50% of all California's farming operations.

According to the Congressional Record, June 19, 1967, Giumarra received a direct price support payments (excluding crop loans) of a quarter of a million dollars. Aside from benefitting from the heavily subsidized irrigation project in the valley, Giumarra reaps cash from the 27% oil depletion allowance for its interests in the many leased oil wells on its properties.

Despite Giumarra's tremendous wealth, or because of it, they continue in their refusal to come to terms with the United Farm Workers. With the aid of the Border Patrol, they have been successful in importing illegal aliens. Also among the scabs are large numbers of legal aliens (green carders) hired illegally in violation of an unenforced federal regulation which supposedly prevents the use of aliens as strike breakers.

Giumarra strikers are seeking \$1.90 an hour minimum wage, a union shop with grievance procedures, seniority and medical insurance.

Giumarra is seeking to break the strike and thus keep the farm workers living at a bare subsistence level. Typical of life in a Giumarra worker's camp is the example of the two Garcia Families.

The two families, five adults and eighteen children under 21, live in two large rooms without water. The camp water available at a faucet about 100 feet from their room is unfit for drinking. They are forced to haul drinking water half a mile from a gas station. At one time the camp water and lights were shut off on the families and the fertilizer plant which is just across the fence from the camp, lays a blanket of choking amonia gas over the camp every night. The Garcias have worked at Giumarra for the past four years. The union is the only hope to improve their wages and general living conditions.

What can you do to help the farm workers? You can send money; you can join San Diegans for the Huelga and you can boycott Giumarra products. Don't buy Giumarra Grapes, now being shipped under the following labels: Arra, Grape King, GVC, Honey Bunch Mr. G, Uptown. The following labels belong to other growers who are allowing Giumarra to pack under their labels to confuse the union's boycott activities: Ar-Cal, Besbet, Bluejay, Del Ora, Haddad-Barling, Hi-Life, J.J., M&V, Pow Wow, Rich-Pak, Royal J.

The Huelga meetings are held on Monday or Tuesday nights at Cardign Center Hall, 2422 Congress Street in Old Town San Diego.

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## MARCH OF THE MARX TOYMAKERS

A large eastern toy manufacturer is engaging in a dispute with Machinist Local 1520. The plant, in Erie, Pennsylvania, is being struck by the union over what labor calls "sweatshop" tactics. They are on strike to achieve a "living" wage and humane working conditions.

Combating the union is the multi-million dollar Marx Toy Corporation in full alliance with local courts and law enforcement officials. The courts have issued an injunction against the pickets to stop the strike and get them back to work. (After all, anything so necessary to the national security as war toys must not be obstructed!--Eds.)

When the laborers continued to picket, large-scale arrests took place. While all the striking, arrests, and injunctions continued, local police considered it paramount to "defense of country" to forcibly run the picket lines with scabs. The highlight of the week was the "liberation" of the toys from the Marx plant by another courageous crashing of the lines to bring the finished toys to the greedy hands of waiting babes by Christmas-time. (Wonder how many toys the strikers will buy for Christmas.--Eds.)

In picking Christmas as the striking time, Local 1520 thinks that they can force management into giving them wages and benefits that are long overdue. The average wage in the plant is \$1.78 an hour. The lay-off rate is heavy due to what management calls "seasonal need". The machines used should have been replaced two or three years ago and are unsafe. The union counted on cleverly forcing fair treatment from management. They didn't consider that they would be fighting a law-management alliance. They should have been aware of this, however, because Erie, Pennsylvania is a company town and Marx is the company.



## TEASPOON ADVOCATES CLEMENT-CY

Evening in the OUTDOOR GREEK THEATRE...a PLAY...of sorts, entitled:

DOCTOR, THERE IS A YOUNG NEGRO MAN IN THE LAST ROOM OF THE CORRIDOR, HE HAS A THERMOMETER IN HIS MOUTH. HE IS A LITTLE EXASPERATED WITH YOUR CLINICAL JARGON AND WANTS OUT

Donation: \$1.00. Proceeds will go to the San Diego County Hospital, the Psychiatric Ward in particular.

CODICIL: If you think our great, creative society cannot be improved by change, please do not come.

Clement J. Crawford

The above play, originally scheduled for Nov. 21 but called on account of inclement weather, will be presented before Christmas. The play is written, now a cast is needed. The parts are as follows:

1. An elderly man with a pierced hold in his larynx.
2. A young Negro man built like Sugar Ray Robinson who does quite a bit of staring.
3. A young Caucasian man who willfully inserts flowers in his ears and mumbles such terms as "Your bag, man, easy, take it out on the mattress."
4. An elderly man to assume the part of a kleptomaniac. He must be lacking his upper dentures, and have the appearance of one either in or near Tombstone, Arizona.
5. A fat man to assume the part of a selfish insurance salesman. This man will follow Ken (the chief character) around a lot while being rebuked.
6. A small, middle aged Negro man with glasses, (gold, and wire rimmed) intelligent and handsome.
7. A man around 28 with a butch haircut--should look rather stupid.
8. An elderly Negro, around 60, small. He has grey hair with eyes that seem to reflect exhaustion, yet an undying gleam against the futility of effort.
9. A veteran with one arm. He will have to wear black Hoppalong Cassidy boots and say nothing.
10. Two efficient looking men who resemble the police officers who are not just bloating their egos by burning people with tickets, but actually have the public security in mind.
11. A man around 52 with a psychotic glow to his face; he must exude a panicked expression of one who has witnessed a lot of battle action (i.e., combat)
12. A man who resembles Governor Wallace, --her husband.
13. A small, fierce looking young man to play the part of an orderly. Ideally, he should have Comanche blood in him.
14. Three or four male alcoholics who will say nothing.
15. A Mexican American around 27 who wears glasses.
16. A girl slightly under six feet.
17. An elderly gray-haired lady well past the incipient stages of senility.

18. A pug-nosed adolescent.

19. A good looking girl around 18 who appears to be slightly retarded.

20. Three elderly ladies who are alcoholics.

21. Four attractive Negro ladies.

OTHERS: Two psychiatrists, two nurses, and two maintenance men--Negroes. A man dressed like Don Quixote.

SONGS: "If I could Tell Thee"

"Stay in Your Own Back Yard"

"We Shall Overcome" i.e., bigotry, racism, duplicity, and selfish gerrimandering, white-lash, black-lash, yellow-lash, and puppeteering in general.

"Kevin Berry"

"When You Wish Upon a Star"

WALLACE (Cont. from Page 1, Col. 2)

with two answers: "America", or "George Wallace is a man of his word". What his word is, we can only guess.

When queried about race relations and racist charges levied against Wallace, the Chairman stated that he was "not a racist, but a segregationist". "Personally, he said, I'm a Christian, and I say that if the Good Lord had wanted the races to mix, he'd have made them all one color."

An Alabama Fire Chief, present in the office at the time, stated that, "76% of the Negro vote went to Mrs. Wallace in 1966." He added, "our colored folk in Alabama and us get along real well...the only trouble we've had is from agitators from up North."

The SD County Chairman for Wallace then added, "In the Selma Civil Rights march, people had been fornicating in public and urinating in the street." He did not indicate which people he meant.

When asked about civil rights demonstrations he said that, "Wallace is not against demonstrations so long as they are not subversive."

In response to a question about Wallace's anti-intellectualism, Senator McCarley replied, "the Governor is against pseudo-intellectuals...he is a strong man, just as F.D.R. was a strong man....Gov. Wallace will surround himself with other strong individuals, not weaklings like F.D.R. did."

McCarley, noting the beards of the two reporters, asked what we thought of the flying of the Viet Cong flag at a recent demonstration at UCSD. We responded with the liberal notions of freedom of speech; that the flag flying was not a declaration of war and therefore, not treasonous, and that such an act is guaranteed by the first amendment.

The Senator responded with, "Well, I think that's one right that we can do without."

The interview concluded with an effort by the Wallace men to register the two reporters in the American Independent Party. "Help the man out," was the plea, "he deserves to be on the ballot."



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erial help, which will determine whether the people in Vietnam are to be abandoned in silence or allowed the elementary right of having their plight presented to the conscience of Mankind."

Schoenman felt the Tribunal was more honest than the trials at Nuremburg; after all, Nuremburg was a case of the "victors judging the vanquished". He pointed out the obvious omissions at Nuremburg: the fire bombings of the university town of Dresden and the nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki at a time when Japan was trying to surrender under the same conditions that were ultimately accepted anyway.

At this juncture Schoenman went into neo-colonialism and American economic imperialism.

He described America's economic modus operandi as a process of slowly buying off the dormant resource wealth of under-developed countries, then establishing a puppet government or buying the one in power with "foreign aid". Schoenman cited India as an example. When the most recent famine began there, the US offered wheat on the conditions that India would permit future stationing of US troops there and would allow the US a voice in Indian internal affairs.

Another example is when the Yemen government, under internal pressure for economic reforms, attempted to expropriate some of Standard Oil's holding there. That day Standard Oil contacted the US State Department; the next day the State Department announced that any country that expropriates American owned property will immediately lose its foreign aid. Needless to say, Yemen returned the land to Standard Oil.

Schoenman quoted from a 1953 editorial in US News and World Report on the Southeast Asian situation, saying that the national reformists in Indochina (Viet Minh) must be defeated. "We have exploited only a small fraction of the wealth of tin, tungsten, rubber and oil that are there for the taking." John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State at that time, made no bones about admitting that our sole reason for military intervention in southeast Asia was to exploit natural resources.

On the introduction of US forces in this type of situation, Schoenman said, "Marxists, even in their worst nightmares, could not have guessed how desperately capitalism needs recurrent military adventures--like a dope addict needs a fix."

When asked how can the economic profits of such a small nation justify such a large war expenditure, Schoenman replied that Vietnam has become a "morals lesson" to would-be revolutionists in other countries. "Besides," he added, "it isn't the large capital interest in America that's paying the war bill, it's the average American. The corporations are only profiting from the adventure."

Ralph Schoenman, over the past year, has been the target of journalistic attack in America. Several major magazines and newspapers, incapable of believing that Lord Russell is put off with the US, suggested that perhaps Schoenman is manipulating him. They have leveled their attacks on his personality. Even Rampart's own

editor and liberal-eater, Robert Scherer has called Schoenman "petty, overprotective and bitter".

In interviewing Dr. Schoenman, the TEASPOON reporters found him quite personable and extremely astute in both his manner of speaking and thinking. It is easy to see why his critics attack him on a personal level; he would tear them to bits on an intellectual level.

In concluding the interview with Dr. Schoenman, TEASPOON asked why Robert Scherer did such an unfavorable portrait of him?

Schoenman said he didn't know why. He had met Scherer only one time, that was several years ago in Cambodia. At the time Schoenman was in favor of immediate withdrawal of all US forces in Vietnam; Scherer at that time was able to see negotiations but couldn't accept the idea of a total withdrawal.

#### A CONSECRATION

Not of the princes and prelates with periwigged charioteers  
Riding triumphantly laurelled to lap the fat of the years,  
Rather the scorned--the rejected--the men hemmed in with the spears;

The men of the tattered battalion which fights till it dies,  
Dazed with the dust of the battle, the din and the cries,  
The men with the broken heads and the blood running into their eyes.

Not the be-medalled Commander, beloved of the throne,  
Riding cock-horse to parade when the bugles are blown,  
But the lads who carried the koppie and cannot be known.

Not the ruler for me, but the ranker, the tramp of the road,  
The slave with the sack on his shoulders, pricked on with the goad,  
The man with too weighty a burden, too weary a load.

The sailor, the stoker of steamers, the man with the clout,  
The chanty man bent on the halliards putting a tune to the shout,  
The drowsy man at the wheel and the tired lookout.

Others may sing of the wine and wealth and the mirth,  
The portly presence of potentates goodly in girth;  
Mine be the dirt and the dross, the dust and scum of the earth.

Theirs be the music the color, the glory, the gold;  
Mine be a handful of ashes, a mouthful of mould.  
Of the maimed, of the halt and the blind in the rain and the cold  
Of these shall my songs be fashioned, my tale be told. Amen.

--John Masefield