

To give to Amy Chen

SHINWA WORKERS' SUPPORT COMMITTEE MEETING

When: Sunday, July 21, 1991

Where: Duane Methodist Church, 13th St. & 7th Avenue

Present: Peter Lin, Scott Hirose, Alejandro, Miguel, Wing.
Lam, S & W member, Jimmy (from Shinwa), Amy Chen,
Joseph Young, Ann (E. Indian sister), Yuri Kochiyama),
and whoever came after....

Comments:

Peter: Daily News had article in the Friday, July 19th
issue. Picture too. 150 - 200 people participated.
All nationalities. Well planned. Went very smooth
but too many responsibilities fell on Peter and
Milyong. Next time must have others take respon-
sibilities too. No press contact because Amy was
doing for WBAI.

Yuri: Felt Paul Kim was only speaking to the Shinwa workers
supporters (us); not to the Shinwa clientele who
should have been the one to hear the spiel.

Alejandro: The demo crystallized the workers' struggle for
justice with all minorities coming together. Also
the wide age-range was good.

Scott: Very good dynamics between the people inside and the
people outside.

Miguel: Lack of leadership at the end. Not sure what to do.
What were our goals?

Joseph: Was there press? Did you receive any calls? I
received one from a Japanese business woman.

Peter: WNET doing show tomorrow. Tues, News. 3 Chinese
press covered.

Wing: Daily News, 1 Japanese press, 3 Korean press. WBAI
6 pm news by Amy.
I think it was very successful. Boss under pressure.
I think he'll talk to us.

Jimmy: Management won't talk to me. Man. put pressure on
some of the workers. A Vietnamese didn't come in
the next day. One Chinese worker became pro-mgt.
Mgn. trying to get kitchen workers to go against us.
There are 10 Japanese and 8 Hispanics in the kitchen.
Only the Japanese receive benefits. Latinos work
54 hours a week. Some get paid in cash; some in check.
Mr. Shigemoto said he won't take tips any more - but

not sure if he means it. Shigemoto also said that if this gets worse, the kitchen workers might attack us. I think he wants to scare us. Picket line showed strength of support for workers. Hoping management will talk to workers.

Peter: We must continue the campaign. Must find more potential supporters. (Check below).

Miguel: One demonstration is not enough. In July (7/22) we should leaflet. (7/25) we should go to boss's house. We should have activities in August. (8/10). September - should be another demonstration. (9/2).

(Had to leave)

The group named some potential supporters:

1199
Jeff Perry's Mail Handlers' Union
Musician's Local
Churches
Etc. (Didn't catch the names)

Amy: Hope it might be helpful,
but it's very capsulized.

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Thank for letting me know about the July 31st
picketing. We'll still be here.