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Teamster Bureaucracy

Farrell Dobbs

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Synopsis: "Teamster Bureaucracy" by American Trotskyist and a leader of the communist movement in America, a trade unionist, a politician, and an historian Farrell Dobbs (July 25, 1907 - October 31, 1983) is the story of how the class-struggle Teamsters leadership in the Upper Midwest organized to fight union busting, racism, and colonial oppression, as they opposed the mobilization of labor behind U.S. imperialist war aims in World War II.

"Teamster Bureaucracy" also covers how Washington, backed by top AFL, CIO, and Teamsters officials, acted to gag class-conscious workers.

Brought back into print for a new generation of appreciative readers by Pathfinder Press, "Teamster Bureaucracy" is the last of four books by Farrell Dobbs on the 1930s strikes, organizing drives, and political campaigns that transformed the Teamsters union in Minnesota and much of the Midwest into a fighting industrial union movement.

Critique: A critically important, thoughtful and thought-provoking study of a specific aspect of the history of the America labor movement, "Teamster Bureaucracy" unreservedly recommended for community, college, and university library collections and supplemental studies reading lists.

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