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STATE AFL NAMES ROOSEVELT, MILLER, DOUGLAS, AND HOWSER TO HEAD LABOR TICKET

(CFLNL)SAN FRANCISCO. -- Speaking in the name of more than one million AFL members of the state, the pre-primary convention of the California Labor League for Political Education held this Monday in San Francisco gave its overwhelming and enthusiastic endorsement to a full slate of labor-chosen candidates.

Heading the AFL ticket is James Roosevelt as candidate for Governor. The eldest son of the late President will stand for election on the Democratic Party platform.

State Senator George Miller Jr. was endorsed for Lieutenant Governor, Congresswoman Helen Gahagan Douglas for U. S. Senator, and incumbent Fred N. Howser for Attorney General.

Approximately 500 delegates attended the first formal state LLPE convention in California Hall. Interviewing of candidates for statewide offices was conducted Sunday, April 16, at the Whitcomb Hotel, San Francisco.

The 44-man interviewing committee was composed of the executive council of the LLPE with the addition of officers from AFL councils and local political leagues throughout California.

Convention action also confirmed selection of district area candidates made by local units of the state political league. This involved confirmation of aspirants for such local offices as state Assembly, Senate, Board of Equalization, and United States Congress.

The delegates also voted unanimous approval of state Proposition No. 1, which will be judged in the June 6 election. It voted no action on Proposition No. 2, and referred No. 3 to the League secretary for further study.

Veteran labor observers were unanimous in hailing the convention as a highly democratic expression of AFL political thinking and were agreed that the entire session was conducted in strict accord with democratic procedure.

The complete slate follows:

Congressional Candidates

District	District					
1 Roger Kent 2 No recommendation 3 William A. Ford 4 Franck R. Havenner 5 John F. Shelley 6 George P. Miller 7 Lyle E. Cook 8 Arthur Johnson 9 Cecil F. White 10 Ardis Walker 11 Marion R. Walker 12 Steve Zetterberg	Gordon Severance 14 Samuel Yorty 15 Harry Flannery 16 Esther Murray 17 Cecil R. King 18 Clyde Doyle 19 Chet Holifield 20 Ralph Hilton 21 Harry R. Sheppard 22 William C. Slape 23 Clinton D. McKinnon					

State Senatorial Candidates

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2	No recommendation	14	Gerald J. O'Gara
4	Referred to Secretary	16	Referred to Secretary
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6 8	Harry Drobish	18	John E. Thorne
8	Referred to Secretary	20	Charles M. Weber
	with power to act upon	2,2	Hugh P. Donnelly
	obtaining further in-	22 24 26	No recommendation
	formation from unions	26	Referred to Secretary
	in this district.		with power to act upon
10	Harold (Sam) Sperbeck		obtaining further in-
12	Referred to Secretary		formation from unions
	with power to act upon		in this district.
	obtaining further in-	28	Referred to Secretary
	formation from unions		as above
	in this district.	30	No recommendation

(State Senatorial Candidates, continued)

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32	Referred to Secretary with power to act upon obtaining further information from unions in this district	34 36 38 40	Jess R. Dorsey James E. Cunningham Glenn M. Anderson Fred Simpson

Candidates for State Assembly

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(Assembly Candidates continued)

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Propositions

No. 1 -- Endorsed

District

Veterans Farm and Home Bonds. This proposition authorizes issue and sale of one hundred million dollars in state bonds to provide funds to be used by Veterans Welfare Board in assisting California war veterans to acquire farms and homes.

No. 2 -- No action

Veterans' Possessory Interests. This proposition authorizes the legislature to prescribe the extent of tax exemption for farm or home being purchased by veteran from Veterans Welfare Board.

No. 3 -- Referred to Secretary with power to act after consultation with unions affected. Financing of Off-Street Parking. This proposition authorizes cities or other public bodies to pledge parking meter income as security for the payment of revenue bonds issued to finance construction or acquisition of public parking lots, garages, or other automotive parking facilities.

NOTE: Also approved was a proposition which will be on the November ballot providing for the reorganization of the State Courts. The measure was presented to the interviewing committee for approval by Chief Justice Gibson of the State Supreme Court.

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STATE FED BURIES TOBACCO TAX BILL

(CFLNL)SAN FRANCISCO. -- With the defeat of the Dunn tobacco tax bill featuring its final hours, the 1950 special session of the state legislature adjourned last Saturday as legislators left Sacramento heat for the yet hotter atmosphere of primary campaigns.

Defeat of the tobacco tax measure, which had been introduced to raise funds for public school expansion, was largely due to the efforts of the California State Federation of Labor which insisted that such monies must be collected by means that would not impose another heavy financial burden on the consumer public.

In lieu of the tobacco tax, the legislature voted to draw approximately four and a half million dollars from the state general fund for education needs.

Other closing acts of the legislature were: (1) passage of the cost of living survey bill, which appropriates \$9,725 for a study of living conditions as they affect women and minors in California; (2) extension of child care centers for a nine months' period; (3) liberalization of the contribution schedule of the relative's responsibility clause of present pension laws; (4) acceptance of State Federation amendments to the bill outlawing slot machines by allowing the continued existence of legal pin ball machines and amusement devices. The manufacture and maintenance of such legal machines provide jobs for thousands of AFL workers in California.

SAN JOSE COUNCIL LIFTS BARBER BOYCOTT

(CFLNL)SAN FRANCISCO. -- The San Jose Central Labor Council this week voted to remove the Hotel De Anza and the Sainte Claire Hotel barber shops from the council's "We Don't Patronize" list. Both shops are now working under union agreements. Previously, the San Jose council had requested the State Federation of Labor to place the houses on its unfair list.