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SUGGESTIONS FOR ACTION

As the time for the adjournment of the 76th Congress draws near, the supporters of the "anti-alien" measures are organizing to try to push through as many of the pending repressive measures as they can during the final days of the session. All Bills which are not passed by the time Congress adjourns are defeated. All organizations and individuals interested in the maintenance of democratic rights in America must be on the alert, therefore, for last-minute maneouvers. THIS IS THE TIME TO MOBILIZE EVERY POSSIBLE EXPRESSION OF OPPOSITION TO THE "ANTI-ALIEN BILLS. There will not be sufficient time or opportunity later. Take action today on the following recommendations:

- 1. Report on the decisions and accomplishments of the Fourth Annual Conference of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born at the next meeting of your organization. The enclosed resolutions and other material should help you. For additional information, write to us, 79 Fifth Avenue, New York.
- 2. Special state-wide, city, neighborhood, or local meetings should be arranged wherever possible immediately. These meetings can be: conferences, forums, lectures, mass meetings, etc. You can judge best which form of activity should suit your locality in bringing the discussions and decisions of the Washington Conference to the people in your section of the country. The American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born is prepared to help in securing speakers, in supplying material, offers its advice and is ready to cooperate in every possible way. Write to us. If you plan a meeting, let us know since we are in position to be of assistance and to let other groups throughout the country know what you are doing. (A two-day city-wide Conference is to be held by the Akron Emergency Conference on the Immigrant in America on March 9 and 10. A special meeting on the anti-alien bills is being organized in Massachusetts by the Descendants of the American Revolution and other organizations cooperating.)
- 3. Have your organization adopt resolutions similar to those taken up by the Conference (on the "anti-alien" bills, etc.). Copies of resolutions adopted by your organization should be sent to your Congressmen with the request that they be entered into the Record. Members of your organization and your friends should be asked to write letters to their Congressmen and to your local newspapers expressing opposition to the "anti-alien" bills and any effort to discriminate against the foreign born.
- 4. Order a bundle of folders on legislation ("A Death Trap For Democracy) for distribution among your fellow-members and friends. (100 for \$1.50; 500 for \$6.50; 1,000 for \$10.) Order a bundle of Dempsey Deportation Bill Protest Cards for distribution. (100 for 70¢; 500 for \$3; 1,000 for \$5.)
- 5. Have your organization send a contribution to the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, 79 Fifth Avenue, New York, to help carry on the work of the Conference, implement its decisions, and prevent continued acts of discrimination against foreign-born Americans.

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