



The Campaign for a Mass Party of Labor is thrilled to see a broadening of the discussion on the need for a U.S. labor party with the launching of this new blog. With "lesser evil" austerity bearing down on the American working class, the need for such a party has never been more urgent. [Labor Party Time?](#) is a forum to discuss and debate the need for an independent political party for working people and the prospects for a renewed labor party effort given the state of the labor movement in the United States. The experiences of the [Labor Party](#), founded in June 1996 as a new political party of, by and for working people, serve as the basis for the discussion.

[Labor Party Time? Not Yet](#) a contribution by Labor Party National Organizer Mark Dudzic and Secretary-Treasurer Katherine Isaac chronicles the successes and failures of the Labor Party movement and analyzes the impact of the effort, the reasons for its decline, and its lessons for today. Join the discussion by posting comments to the [Labor Party Time? analysis](#) or to the responses by Labor Party activists [Jed Dodd](#)

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, [Bill Onasch](#)

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[Les Leopold](#)

. The CMPL will contributing to this discussion in the coming weeks.