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Franco's Regime Shaken by Vast Sit-Down Strike

Spain's resurgent working class on April 23 and 24 struck the second hammer blow within six weeks at bloody Franco's regime and Washington's newest fascist

ally. An estimated half million factories in the northern heavyindustry provinces, Vizcaya and neighboring Guipuzcoa, with a two-day "folded arms" sit-down

The action centered in Vizcaya's chief city, Bilbao, and affected San Sebastian, capital of Guipuzcoa, and numerous other towns where Spain's major steel, locomotive and arms plants are

This strike follows hard on

May Day Rally In N. Y. to Hear **Report by Hansen**

New Yorkers will have the opportunity on May 1 to hear a first-hand report of nation-wide strikers' demands as a 50 per reactions to the Truman - Mac- cent wage increase, price con-Arthur conflict from Joseph Han- trol, elimination of the black sen, Business Manager of The marketeers and other measures Militant, who has just returned to end the "chaotic economic from a coast - to - coast speaking situation." tour during which he discussed | As in the Barcelona strike. many cities he visited.

Crisis of U.S. Foreign Policy." The meeting will be held Tues-Capitol. 8th Ave. and 51st street.

tradition will be represented on celebration.

Gladys Barker, Secretary - Trea- strikers. surer of the Lenox-Fifth Ave. Tenants League and SWP candidate for Lt. Governor in the 1950

elections. The celebration will open with a colorful dramatic presentation, "The March of American Labor," and songs by the Militant

workers paralyzed most of the the heels of the recent general strike in Barcelona, largest industrial city of Spain, which shook the Spanish dictatorship to its foundations.

The massive sit-down strike last week shows that the upsurge against the terrible conditions

One significant incident in last veek's protest was the distribution of handbills in Guipuzcoa province which assailed U.S. imperialism as "starving Spain

This same handbill listed the

Hansen will give the principal attempts at savage repression. address at the May Day Celebra- Officials admitted to the arrest tion of the Socialist Workers of nearly 200 workers as "ring-Party. His subject will be "Why leaders" of the sitdown. But, the Truman Fired MacArthur - The United Press on April 24 reported, more than 300,000 had day, May 1, 8 p.m., at the Hotel second day in defiance of a government ultimatum to return to a stepped-up arms program, The genuine American May Day work that morning or be fired.

Most of the strikers returned untold calamities to the British the platform in the person of to work on April 25 since the and European masses. On this known to be unrealizable." James P. Cannon, veteran socialist strike had been originally score Bevan's April 24 speech in But thousands of workers in the The rally will also hear brief towns of Zummarraga, Pasjes, addresses by Ethel Peterson Rentaria, Tolosa and Zaruaz Weiss, organizer of the Interna- remained out to demand the

> The Associated Press reported that, despite government threats of punitive measures to be taken with "adequate rigor" against the workers, "their unity may make Government punishment impossible."

In fact, after the government's (Continued on page 2)

CANNON ANSWERS HOOK AT STUDENT MEETING

NEW YORK, April 25 — An audience of a hundred and twenty-five students and faculty members turned out at New York University this afternoon to hear James P. Cannon, National Secretary of the Socialist Workers Party.

speak on U.S. foreign policy at 3 a meeting sponsored by the Spartacus Club. This was one of the largest political forums held at the Washington Square College in several years.

Cannon's appearance provoked widespread interest on the campus for two reasons. One was the refusal of Professor Sidney Hook, Chairman of the Philosophy Department, to debate Cannon after Hook had been proclaiming the need for more aggressive propaganda on behalf of American foreign policy and conducting that campaign in statements issued to Asia and Europe. Hook's rejection of the Spartacus Club invitation touched off considerable controversy when a widely read columnist on the student paper chided "the reluctant professor" Fast was prohibited from speakagainst a socialist opponent.

Spartacus Club announced that vertised that Cannon was one time at the meeting would be of the 18 SWP leaders imreserved for Hook should he prisoned under the Smith "Gag" change his mind. But he failed Act for his socialist opposition sympathy for MacArthur as WHAT PEOPLE WANT

year the Stalinist writer Howard



for failure to defend his views ing on N.Y.U. compus because of to a hero" fall flat. There can his imprisonment for "contempt be no gainsaying that large Leaflets circulated by the of Congress." It was widely ad- numbers of, the millions who to the Second World War. Can. Another aspect of the affair non's appearance was regarded stirring the student body and by N.Y.U. students and pro- that they were supporting Macfeatured in the student press gressive faculty members as a Arthur's program for extending strations. The people seized on was the attitude of the univer- test of free speech and a vin- the war in Korea into an all-out the personality, the issue and sity authorities toward Can- dication of their protests against war on China. But they were the occasion to vent their feel-

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under the Franco rule is nationwide and that the Barcelona events were only the beginning of a revolutionary tide that may soon engulf Spain's ruling class of capitalists, big landowners, militarists and the Catholic hierarchy, which has tremendous property interests and invest-

and the rest of the world."

the workers only by its usual continued the strike into its

tionalist Socialist Youth, and freeing of some 500 arrested

Bevan Resigns as Arms The British arms program calls that this is the case." And he resignations of Aneurin |. Bevan, Minister of Labor, and for the expenditure of 4,700,000, went on to underscore that the two other members of Attlee's 000 pounds over a three year only result of pushing through cabinet in Great Britain have period, or a sum roughly over the arms program would be runnational issues with people in the the government could answer thrown into glaring spotlight \$12 billion. Bevan, who is cer- away inflation in Britain and in the already disastrous consetainly in a position to know, the world. quences upon the British people esserted that this program, even and those of all Europe, of Wall before it has fully gotten un-Street's "guns not butter" proderway, can result in nothing but

MICARTHUR

But Lots of Young Ones Do

NEVER DIE

Upon relentless pressure from short, in an economic disaster. He charged that all the respon-Washington, the Attlee government has embarked, like other sible Laborite ministers were aware that "the figures in the West European governments, on budget of arms expenditure are whose economic effects threaten based upon assumptions already invalidated" and "were already

"The supply departments," leader, who will preside at the scheduled for a two-day protest, the House of Commons leaves no revealed Bevan, "have made it quite clear on several occasions

Militant Sales and Circulation Campaign Gets Off to Fast Start

Reports from Socialist Workers Party branches in all parts of the country indicate that the Militant Sales and Circulation Campaign got off to a fast start last week.

Thousands of additional sales of individual copies of the Militant were rung up and many new yearly and six-month subscriptions were obtained.

The Militant campaigners, divided nationally into three teams named in honor of three outstanding rank and file workers for socialism who died in recent years, have met a heartening response from many people who are eager to read the socialist message and who are opposed to Washington's imperialist war program.

Campaigners have an added incentive to build the circulation. Individual and branch prizes will be awarded for the highest scores made during the ten-week campaign. A detailed report of some results to date will be

found on Page Two. New readers can subscribe by using the subscription blank on the same page.

"I begged over and over again," said Bevan, "that we should no put figures in the budget on the inflation and unemployment. In scale of defense expenditure which would not be realized, and if they tried to be realized would result in the inflation of prices in this country and all over the world."

> It should be borne in mind that nflation is already severe in Britain, as it is throughout the rest of Europe.

"It is clear from the budget, said Bevan, "that the Chancellor of the Exchequer has abandoned any hope of restraining inflation. It is quite clear that for the as we can see the cost of living is going to rise precipitately."

Chancellor of the Exchequer "stole 100,000,000 pounds a year from the National Insurance Fund. So that the rearmament of Great Britain is financed out of the contributions that the workers have paid into the fund."

As the force chiefly responsible for the existing inflation Bevan singled out the "American government . . . (which) has already caused a vast inflation of prices all over the world."

In addition, British economy was being strangled by shortages (Continued on Page 2)

People Want Korean War Stopped Now

Rhee Massacres Korean Villagers

South Korean regime, under orders of a battalion commander, slaughtered an admitted 187 villagers at Kochang for allegedly aiding "Communist guerrillas," an April 25 Reuter's dispatch from Taegu disclosed.

Actually, "as many as 1,000 may have been killed," says a N. Y. Times account, reporting "a dispatch from Kochang earlier this month" which revealed that "the bullet-riddled bodies of more than 300 adults and children were all that were left of the community."

The villagers were massacred, after a summary courtmartial, because South Korean police "had not been able to obtain (their) cooperation" in tracking down guerrillas. Gen. MacArthur personally reinstalled the Rhee government in Seoul.

Union Tops Serve New Board as Window Dressing

The labor leaders have taken another step backward into the government fold by accepting posts on the newly reconstituted

This new wage board, made up of 18 members, 6 each from labor and industry, and 6 from the socalled "public," is no different rest of the year and for the from the one the labor heads beginning of the next year as far resigned from last Feb. To the old window dressing one small new decoration has been added: To make the arms budget even | The new board can consider feasible, Bevan charged, the disputes other than wages, and can "make recommendations."

Chairman of the new board will be Dr. George W. Taylor, who was head of the World War II War Labor Board, and was the author of the hated "Little Steel Formula."

There is nothing in this new board either in its organizational set-up, or in its stated authority, which justifies labor's return. The WSB, both new and old, was created to do one thing: freeze wages. That is still its function. The fact that the new

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Truman or M'Arthur Plans Troops of Syngman Rhee's Will Not Lead U.S. to Peace outh Korean regime, under

Truman claims that his continuation of the "limited" war in Korea will bring "peace" and "save lives." Mac-Arthur answers that his command to extend the war to China will also "bring hostilities?

countless American and Allied causes in Korea in nine months lives." Both lie. If they were concerned with What must be the added losses

"saving lives," they would not each day now? be talking about continuing or extending the Korean war. They ican people that the way to would be taking immediate "win" the war quickly and "save steps to withdraw from Korea. lives" is by bombing China's

WANT END OF WAR What the American people

want - what they have ex- invade South China. pressed over and over again in polls and letters to Washington JAPAN'S EXPERIENCE - is to stop the war now and save lives in this war.

too gave the impression that all scheme to "save lives." that was needed was for a troops to march in and the U.S. arms and planes, was North Kerean forces would ripped to pieces and driven out

scurry like scared rabbits. Korea. To remain in Korea at be a means of resupplying the all, Truman and MacArthur had Chinese armies. to commit nearly half a million | MacArthur's plan is not design-100,000 air men.

writing, the U.S. - U.N. armies, leads to. despite their tremendous superiority in fire power and air man's or MacArthur's strategy, forces, are again in retreat.

analyst Hansen W. Baldwin that lives - by coming home.

to an end . . . at a saving of American casualties from all numbered more than 100,000.

> MacArthur assures the Amerovercrowded coastal cities and sending Chiang Kai-shek's U.S.armed troops from Formosa to

U.S. bombs have flattened bring the American troops home almost all of Korea, slaughtered at once. That's the only way to and maimed millions of Koreans. That has not stopped the war. Ten long months have passed Japan not only bombed but since Truman intervened in the seized all China's coastal tercorean civil war. He called it a ritories and Manchuria and sent 'police action" - implying that more than 2 million troops into brief display of American China. The fate of Japanese inarmed might would suffice to tervention alone should show "restore order." Gen. MacArthur the merits of MacArthur's

Not two years ago Chiang's couple of divisions of American army of millions, equipped with of China. The Chinese and North But the North Koreans didn't Koreans are now fighting with and South Korean armies out of Sending Chiang back would just

American personnel to the fight- ed to end the war quickly ing - including 250,00 ground and "save lives." After bombing troops, not counting supply men, and slaughtering millions of more than 90,000 navy men and Chinese people, after feeding the remains of Chiang's armies The more forces the U.S. has into the maw of the vast revocommitted the greater have lutionary forces in China, the been its losses and the fiercer next step would be the sending the resistance of the Chinese of U.S. troops. That is where and North Koreans. At this MacArthur's scheme inevitably

This war, whether under Trucan only grow in scope and The U.S. communiques from frightfulness. Only the direct Korea are silent about the ap- intervention of the American palling toll being taken of U.S. people can put an end to it. and U.N. troops. We reported Demand that Truman recall not last week, before the present only a general who disagrees Chinese offensive, the revela- with him - but all the GIs as tion of N. Y. Times military well. They want to save their

Why Millions Have Turned Out for MacArthur

By Art Preis

Popular resentment against Truman and his policies, domestic and foreign, has reached the boiling point. The mass outpourings that greeted Mac-Arthur after he had been fired for blatantly disobeying orders of his Commander-in-Chief were more than festive parades. They were political demonstrations. They were a direct slap at Truman.

The attempts of the pro-Truman press, to dismiss thesetremendous demonstrations as nothing but a token of "welcome were partisans. They were unmistakably demonstrating their against Truman.

This does not mean, of course,

quences.'

Korean war has been piling up. The people are wrathful about frozen wages. They are fed up with the crookedness and corruption in government, as revealed in the Kefauver crime probe, the RFC investigation, etc. They are more and more fearful that the Korean war which they have never oninto that most terrible of catastrophes, a third world war of atomic annihilation.

All this accumulated content and anxiety found an outlet in the MacAthur demonfoist responsibility for the Truman's course.

without further casualties. And Republicans. For months, popular dissatis- they are taking advantage of the faction with Truman and the opportunity to intervene as a elements, including the out-andmass force to influence Washington's policies. This is a capitalize on MacArthur's preshigh prices, war profiteering and profoundly progressive side of

THE DANGEROUS SIDE

The dangerous side of the situation is that, under the existing circumstances, large sections of the populace have turned in their anxiety and FEAR ALL-OUT WAR thusiastically supported - will desperation to a "strong man," drag on and on and lead finally to a prominent figure who dares talk back to Truman and defy port MacArthur's program. For him, and who promises a way one thing, they are tremento end the war — even if it dously fearful of being plunged strong alternative leadership has the Militant are exerting every come forward to mobilize them means extending the war.

So far, the chief beneficiaries This was revealed in the two of the widespread hostile feel- latest Gallup polls, one taken gram. ings toward Truman's policies, during the first seven days folparticularly the Korea interven- lowing MacArthur's dismissal chief responsibility for this tion and its consequences, are and a special poll taken within absence of progressive leaderthe demagogic militarist Mac- two days after his speech be-Arthur, the capitalist elements fore Congress. non's appearance there. Last banning speakers because of saying to Truman: "Don't try to ings of disgust and anger with behind him in this country who

The most rabidly anti-labor

out fascists, have been quick to tige and popular appeal. From the Republican leader Taft to the American Legion and the America Firster Gerald L. K Smith, the most reactionary scum have rallied to MacArthur's banner. They know their man,

But the overwhelming majority in this country don't supinto an all-out war with China.

have a financial stake in the Far those interviewed opposed Mac- up in Truman's camp, trying to possible mass circulation.

debacle in Korea onto Mac-, What the people want is to East and want American mili-, Arthur's dismissal, the first poll cover up the crimes of his ad-Arthur. This is your war. And stop the Korea war any way tary power focused there and also reported that the American ministration and to sell his imyou, above everyone else, are they can. What they desire most their political agents in Con- people are "overwhelmingly" opaccountable for its consectis to get the GIs back home gress, primarily a wing of the posed to total war against to both China and ourselves that Washington has not gone The second poll, taken after MacArthur's widely broadcast and televised speech to Congress, still showed 61 per cent

NEED LEADERSHIP

ship to rally and organize the that the Socialist Workers Party people in defense of their in- has launched its campaign to Although 62 per cent of terests. Most of them are lined give The Militant the widest

perialist foreign policy, including the unpopular Korea war. On China. A three-to-two majority, them will rest the chief blame if in fact, endorsed the view that the American people, given no "Washington should try harder alternative leadership and proto find peace terms acceptable gram, should in time fall prey to the demagogy of a Mac-Arthur and accept his program for enough in that direction." for extending the war in order, as they might feel, to "end it once and for all."

But their deepest sentiment today remains opposition to the against all-out war with China. war. They will respond eagerly to a leadership and program that aims to stop the war now and If, in spite of these senti- bring the troops back home at nents, many people have start- once. Responsive to the real ed to look in the direction of a sentiments of the people, the MacArthur, that is because no Socialist Workers Party and come forward to mobilize them effort to arouse the labor moveon a genuinely anti-war pro- ment to its responsibility for giving this country a powerful The labor leaders bear the anti-war and anti-imperialist

leadership. It is with this aim in mind

Notebook of an Agitator

To the Men Who Gave Their Skin

I woke up this morning and looked over Jordan and what did I see? Stumbling through the morning newspapers, from one report to another of wars and rumors of wars, and shrieks of danger and threats of calamity, and crime and graft and all-around crookedness in high places, and the hypocrisy of the diplomats and the propaganda lies - I suddenly came across a story on another theme in the New York Herald Tribune. This was a factual news report of the human goodness and solidarity of a group of simple, unpretentious men manifested in behalf of a fellow-worker who desperately needed help and it lit up the paper and the morning and the day like a Christmas tree with all candles burn-

It was the story of "Robert A. Sullivan, 43year old boiler maker with the Consolidated Edison Co., who entered Bellevue Hospital in May with burns covering 70% of his body," and after more than 10 months' treatment was up and about and celebrating his recovery and discharge from the hospital at a party "with ice cream and cookies," with the people who had stood by him, helped him out and seen him through.

The case of Mr. Sullivan was a tough one, the toughest ever, the doctors said. "Doctors who had treated Mr. Sullivan said that his was the most extensive burn case they had ever seen recover. He was given three days to live when he entered Bellevue," says the story written by Frances Poteete, who evidently knows important news when she sees it and knows how to write it up too. "At first, treatments in shock therapy with whole blood, plasma and chemicals had to be given before any surgery could be done. Even dressings sent the patient into shock, physicians said." How did Mr. Sullivan ever get out of a jam like that and live to celebrate it?

Dr. Currier McEwen, dean of New York University College of Medicine, ascribed the miracle to the cooperation of many people. "Teamwork, modern research, the will to get well and 'the kinds of friends he has' had contributed to Mr. Sullivan's remarkable recovery." Doctors and nurses in "three research teams in the Department of Surgery, groups working on shock treatment, plastic surgery and the physiology of burns. - had used 'the collective wisdom that means so much' to give successful treatment," the

Modern science, beneficently applied by worthy practitioners played a mighty role in this case to heal and save, and not to destroy. But the doctors couldn't do it all alone. They had to have some outside help; they had to get some skin, and plenty of it, and that's where "the friends" came in. "Fifteen skin graft operations were performed. Fourteen fellow workers from the Consolidated Edison, some who had not known Mr. Sullivan before, gave two grafts each of 8by-4 inch pieces of skin." This was the skin that made the difference; the skin of co-workers taken off their own bodies twice in 8-by-4 inch slabs for the benefit of another whom some of them at first didn't even know. They merely knew

that he was hurt and needed help, and they gave

What better story can a man read these days for the good of his soul and his faith in the future than a true story like this; true as a factual report of something that really happened and no less true as a representation of the deep and indestructible impulse of people, given a fair chance, to cooperate with each other and to help each other unselfishly? All those who hope for a better world are bound to believe that this is the real nature of people, which will assert itself in spite of everything, and become a mighty power to change the world and make it a better and fairer place for everybody.

All the great leaders and teachers of our socialist movement have firmly held this faith in people; and we must hold it too if we are to be true to their heritage and worthy of the rrission we have undertaken. In a time of doubt and fear this faith in people is the light to steer by. William Faulkner spoke with profound insight in his Stockholm speech, when he said: "Man will not only endure; he will prevail." For that utterance alone he deserved the Nobel prize.

The class society of the present day, founded on fraud and deception, puts great emphasis on competition and rivalry and acquisitiveness and brutal disregard of the rights and lives of others --even mass killers are lauded as heroes; and the holy office of science is prostituted to destructive ends. But human nature as it really is at bottom, and as it will finally assert itself and prevail, speaks out for cooperation and solidarity, as the men who helped Mr. Sullivan have demonstrated with the beautiful simplicity of

I've been around and seen a lot, and I know very well that this jungle of a class society we live in is full of the tricks and dodges and angles of the self-seeking, and loaded with traps and deadfalls for the trusting. But I know, too, that this is not the whole story, or even half of it. The great majority of people everywhere want to live honestly and help each other. The friendly co-workers of Mr. Sullivan are shining examples of this majority.

When it comes to choosing representatives of the human race as it wants to be and will be. I'll put my chips down on the likes of these people who will give 8-by-4 inch pieces of their skin for a friend, or for a co-worker who may not be a friend or even an acquaintance, but just a man and therefore a brother.

They are heralds of the future and represent its spirit, the spirit of socialist cooperation, whether they know it or not. They and others like them, harnessing their natural impulses to social goals, will do away with the social system which distorts and cripples human nature. They will change the world and make it fit for all people and all nations to live together in peace and

It's coming yet for a' that, as dear Robert Burns affirmed. "Then Man to Man, the world o'er shall brothers be for a' that!" And there's Remember?





(Top) This was one of General Douglas MacArthur's most brilliant military triumphs. Using infantry, cavalry and tanks he drove out the unarmed, unemployed veterans of the 1932 Bonus Army and their families and then burnt their shacks. MacArthur liked the order to evict the Bonus Army so much that he chose to take personal command of the operation.

(Bottom) This is a rare photograph of the 1932 Bonus Army days. It shows Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who commanded the campaign against the unemployed World War I vets, and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, then MacArthur's subordinate, at the scene of a veterans' demonstration. The officer at the right, carrying the gas mask, is unidentified. Bonus marchers were

First Results in Militant's Big League Sub Campaign

While Militant Business Man-Now!' opened many doors, and lization for renewals. Two re-

Militant Sales and Subscription Cam-Reports from

branches show a total so far of 50 subs for 1872 points and 1352 single copies. Next week, when all the reports are in, a chart will be printed literature committee, announces

In the Coover League the Twin Cities got off to a flying paign. "Our individual high start with 1179 points and an individual high score for Paul of St. Paul of 379. In Minneapolis Pauline scored 195 points; and V. R. Dunne, 94.

Literature Agent Winifred writes the news from the Twin Cities on their Sunday sales. The comrades are very enthusiastic about the campaign, and are determined that we will keep up this kind of pace knocked this morning seemed almost as if they had been waiting for us to come - the opposition to the Korean war, the support of the Trenton Six, the pro-Labor Party position of The Militant, and the fact that it is a genuine socialist paper were all factors that made for the appeal of The Militant. Some of us began to set up routes for weekly work today. When people bought single copies, we offered to come back on a weekly basis and deliver the

A score of 1143 points so far wins second place in the Coover League for New York. Literature Agent Cathy writes, "The in Korea — Bring GIs Home

ager Joseph Hansen begins to comrades found hardly a person newals were obtained and 2 single wind up his national speaking who refused to buy at least a copies sold for a total of 54 points. tour, reports are al- single copy. One comrade sold ready beginning to a bundle to a newsstand dealer start in the campaign with 4 come in from the near the project where she was subscriptions and 66 single branches with the selling subscriptions. The dealer first results of the promised to take such a bundle total of 170 points. Literature from her every week."

Buffalo sent in a number of paign which began subscriptions for a total of 468 the pamphlet 'A Letter to Amerwith a coast-to-coast points and third place in the mobilization April Coover League. Comrade Charles C. writes that they expect to 78 points and Comrade P. 7 raise this total much higher with 29. when they get to work on their May Day bumper bundle of 5000.

Betty W., writing for Seattle's

showing branch scores and totals a score of 133 points attained for individual high-scorers in by 10 comrades who sold 4 subscriptions and 29 single copies in Seattle's first sale of the camscorer for this first mobilization was Clara K. who scored 33 points," Betty writes. "However, inasmuch as everyone is very enthusiastic and intends to work during the week, this score may soon topple!"

In the Konikow League Comrade Helen B. reports that paign in its area with a mobi- of Education."

Philadelphia is off to a good copies to its credit, making a Agent Delores writes that Philadelphia also sold 20 copies of

The following excerpts from Comrade Hansen's reports from Los Angeles and St. Louis tell us of the plans of these branches for the campaign:

ican Negroes' Sunday. High

scorers were Comrade H. with

"Monday evening in Los Angeles we had a lively discussion on The Militant and the subscription and sales campaign. It was clear from the keen interest and enthusiasm that Los Angeles is likely to prove a strong contender for top place in the Coover League. One of the possibilities here is door-to-door work in the districts where the heaviest vote was registered for Myra Tanner Weiss in the cam-Milwaukee launched the cam- paign for the Los Angeles Board

throughout the entire campaign. The workers at whose doors we lead this marriag seemed also believed this marriag seemed also. PROGRAM PERILS LABOR

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it is being increasingly denied access. Here again Bevan blamed of Bevan and his colleagues. They the U.S. and made the following resigned in order to avoid respondisclosure.

"It was only last Friday that the Minister of Supply pointed with it the discreditment of out in the gravest terms that we would not be able to carry out our program unless we had molybdenum, zinc, sulphur, copper and a large number of other raw materials and non-ferrous metals which could only be obtained with gram carries the risk of inflation Militant headline 'Stop the War the consent of America and other living standards." On the conparts of the world."

The scourge of inflation is accompanied for the British work- Bevan says on this subject is ers by an immediate threat of true," they wrote on April 25. large - scale unemployment. As Minister of Labor, Bevan is able started in Britain, which is the to speak in this connection with strongest of capitalist European greater authority than any other

"We shall have mass unem- British workers already find them-American imperialists to fight in all of Asia and against the Asian pointed to revolutionary China as Korean "police action." On the Great Britain under-employment. Social gains cut to the hone, their We already have short-time work- living costs soaring, their living as fully justified. If anyone was ing in many very important parts standards declining, with the China's vast mainland under the blockading it, invading it. We But another aspect of Mac-pendently of the Kremlin, he an- eager to plunge into Korea, it of industry and before the middle prospect of run away price rises of the year, unless something and more savage reductions in serious can be done, we shall have living standards still ahead.

| field." It is this prospect of an of primary raw materials to which acutely sharpened class struggle that obviously dictated the course sibility for the mounting mass resentment and resistance, and Attlee's regime.

The editors of the authoritative N. Y. Times do not even bother to deny Bevan's main point, namely, as they themselves put it, that "a high-speed (arms) protrary, they affirm it. "In our opinion, everything that Mr.

The arms program has hardly countries and most favorably individual in Britain and here is situated as regards "recovery" from the last war's havoc. Yet the social gains cut to the bo

important industrial centers. . ." Britain applies with an even The workers of Britain will not greater force to the other Eurodocilely accept inflation on top pean countries. This dispute that of unemployment. Bevan cau- has erupted inside the leadership tiously remarks that "the work- of the British Labor Party is a ers of Great Britain will try to precursor of a much larger adjust themselves to the rising dispute — that is, the flaring up spiral of prices and . . . 101 battles of vast class struggles — on the will be fought on the industrial whole of the European continent.

MacArthur's Six-Point Program for War in Asia By John G. Wright | for air bombardment of all centers | port" to Chiang Kai-shek on | tactical military and diplomatic | After vaguely admitting that | It is noteworthy that Mac-individual in Formosa for large-scale operations by Chiang's tracks | After vaguely admitting that | It is noteworthy that Mac-individual in Formosa for large-scale operations | After vaguely admitting that | It is noteworthy that Mac-individual in Formosa for large-scale operations | After vaguely admitting that | After vaguely admitting that | It is noteworthy that Mac-individual in Formosa for large-scale operations | After vaguely admitting that | After vaguely admitting that | After vaguely admitting that | It is noteworthy that Mac-individual in Formosa for large-scale operations | After vaguely admitting that | After vaguely admitting that | It is noteworthy that Mac-individual in Formosa for large-scale operations | After vaguely admitting that | After vaguely ad

joint session of Congress, the deposed Gen. MacArthur and local bottless of the deposed Gen. MacArthur and local bottless of the loc deposed Gen. MacArthur ading the war to the mainland of to extend the same practise to on China, through bombing it, the discredited Chiang clique. China that he has been promoting since the disastrous defeat of his bring success. "home - by - Christmas" offensive

note, it is the false claim that the shipments. This demand for more measures he advocates would and more land forces is a selfsettle the Korean conflict and refutation of MacArthur's frauassure "victory." This contradicts dulent pretense of an easily his own March 6 declaration that assured victory. only a bloody stalemate could be expected in Korea and the April 17 statement by Gen. Omar Bradley, chairman of the Joint Chief complete economic blockade of of Staffs, that "there is no early China. Such a blockade is already end in sight to the Korean war." | partially in force. It has not been

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intervention has not been a Peiping. serious threat to our Air Force."

in fighting for socialism.

not brought military solution a vocated the same policy of spread- step nearer. MacArthur proposes tory" amounts to is all-out war peoples with no allies other than

to the Yalu River last November. commit more "reinforcements" to firm it. "If he has injected any new Korea, that is, unlimited troop

Fourth is the demand for a tightened solely for fear of the Kremlin's reprisals but because MacArthur listed six proposals. of the bitter opposition of Wash-First, the unrestricted bombing of ington's Atlantic Pact Allies, "sanctuary" of Manchuria. Britain and France and other Militarily this could bring no West European countries whom settlement whatever in Korea. As such a blockade would injure Bradley has stated, Chinese "air economically more than it would

factor in the ground action to Fifth is the imposition of date. Neither has it been any tight naval blockade. Like the proposed "air reconnaissance" Second is the demand for "air this would constitute a largereconnaissance" over China. In scale military assault on China. plain language, this is a demand Finally, to give "logistic sup-

What this program Third comes his demand to pursuing; his own words con- with revolutionary China that ex-

TACTICAL DISPUTE

MacArthur's course is opposed they believe it inexpedient on the Kremlin.

with those of the administration. The American people have been told by both Truman and Macby the Truman administration, Arthur that Korea represented

was capable of acting indepretext that it will somehow have constantly warned that this Arthur's speech merits attention. nounced, and then went on to was the goal MacArthur was He affirmed things in connection affirm that just the opposite was likewise true. "The Soviet," he plode his own previous lies along declared, "will not necessarily and peace. It is the choice bemesh its actions with our moves" - against China.

If the actions of neither China nor the Kremlin "necessarily the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the nothing more than an "aggres-| mesh," what then is left of the decisive capitalist circles because sion" completely manipulated by myth that China acts simply as the puppet of the Kremlin?

contrary, MacArthur approved it was MacArthur himself.

The choice between MacArthur and Truman is not between war unemployment in many of our Everything that applies to tween starting World War III in Asia, or starting it on the European continent. It is the choice between two variants of imperialist war policy, two different reads to endless slaughter.

Unauthorized Portrait of the General

By Frank Poole

reviewing some facts in the life the garrisons. of this ballyhooed "hero" that are not featured in the press.

part of this century. Your First Issue?

destruction of the Philippine Republic is intimately associated with the name MacArthur. The imperialist rationalization and eloped rationalizations about "the to start a fascist movement here. white supremacism used to justify white man's burden," the "Orien- He quoted Clark as saying: " . . . the ruthless subjugation of the tal mind," the inferiority of The Morgan interests say that you Filipinos undoubtedly accounts Asians, etc. It was in the war cannot be trusted, that you are largely for General Douglas Mac- against the Filipino people that too radical, and so forth, that you Arthur's attitude toward the Asian peoples.

IN PHILIPPINES

The conquest of the Philippines and Arthur MacArthur's regime there is one of the foulest pages in the history of American imschool books tell. A independence had some connections with J. P. I do that MacArthur is Stotesmovement, headed by Emilio Morgan interests. During World bury's son-in-law in Philadelphia the troops drove out the in-Aguinaldo, swept the islands, and besieged in the larger cities. U.S. | War and a Morgan man. policy was to pretend sympathy | Emerging from the first war | BONUS ARMY

When enough U.S. troops finally MacArthur is a double-distilled ist policy was set into motion. reached the top army post militarist. His background is that The Filipino Republic, already Chief of Staff. In this depression of a militarist ruling over con- set up and functioning, was out- period top Wall Street circles quered colonial people - speci- lawed and American troops fought groomed MacArthur for the role fically Asian people. The present a long and bitter war to destroy of "man on horseback" or fuehrer MacArthur's father was General the armies and guerilla bands of of a native fascist movement. Arthur MacArthur who dominated the islanders. All the atrocities the Philippine Islands in the early of colonial conquest were employed in this war. Villages were Smedley D. Butler in 1934 before The history of the seizure of burnt, women and children killed the McCormick - Dickstein Conthese islands and the bloody and torture (the water cure) was gressional Committee. General used by the U.S. army.

methods, the imperialists dev- Clark, who offered him \$3,000,000 young Douglas MacArthur got are too much on the side of the his first baptism of fire. The first little fellow; you cannot be enemies he ever killed were trusted. They are for Douglas order with alacrity and zeal. Filipino peasants.

MORGAN CONNECTIONS

army. Being the son of a famous he will be disappointed and sore perialism. The U.S. never took general certainly did not hamper and they are for getting him to the islands from Spain, as the his rise. It appears, too, that he head it. . . You know as well as War I he was known as a protege | ... Morgan's representative in its armies soon had the Spanish of Newton Baker, Secretary of Philadelphia. . ."

"enemy," i.e. the Spanish army, period he married into the House | role of "man on horseback" when Before General Douglas Mac- to keep the Filipino patriots of Morgan. The bride was the he drove the Bonus Army from Arthur does his promised fade- from Manila and hold on to other stepdaughter of the Philadelphia Washington, D. C. The Bonus away, it is worth-while briefly cities until the U.S. could relieve multimillionaire E. T. Storesbury, Army was composed of unem-J. P. Morgan partner.

> Then followed commands in the This fact came out in the

testimony of Marine General Butler told of conversations with To justify these inhuman Wall Street financier Robert S.

MacArthur as the head of it. Douglas MacArthur's term (as to an officer commanding troops Chief of Staff) expires in Novem in that area, he personally took MacArthur rose rapidly in the ber, and if he is not re-appointed charge of the brutal eviction.

for the revolutionists while as a general, he was appointed Perhaps MacArthur was trvtreacherously conspiring with the head of West Point. In this ling to show how well he fitted the

ployed World War I veterans demanding that Congress pay the rather than years later. This was the unemployed during the depression. Veterans flocked into Washington from all over the country with their wives and children. They built shack towns The Hoover administration, willwas adamant against the Bonus marchers.

When the veterans gave no indication of leaving the nation's fore the sit-down began, reportcapital, orders were sent to the Army to evict them by force. Though MacArthur has been charged with disobeying orders in Korea, no one can say he did not dustrial center to strike tocbey the Bonus Army eviction

Instead of passing orders down Riding a white horse, he led infantry, cavalry and tanks against the unarmed veterans. Using bayonets, rifle butts and tear gas, habitants and then put the torch to the dwellings. It must have recalled to the general the good old days of his youth in the Philippines.

(Continued next week)

FRANCO REGIME SHAKEN

(Continued from Page 1)

edict, "many employes of stores and other private commercial Spanish workers' organizations establishments (in Bilbao) joined and that the Spanish workers reached the country, the imperial- Philippines until in 1930 he promised bonus immediately the movement" on the second are far from leaderless. day. "Government officials said the most dramatic movement of privately that, in view of the panic, aware that its days are strikers unity, it would be im- numbered. The Catholic hierpossible to carry out the dis- archy, one of the fascist regime's missal threat."

> This great strike movement was not simply "spontaneous." or squatted in empty buildings. The Associated Press observed that "as in the Barcelona strike ing to give millions in relief of six weeks ago, the strikers through the RFC to the banks, showed notable discipline." This is an indication of organization. A Reuters' dispatch from

Madrid on April 22, the day beed that "leaflets secretly dispast 24 hours called on workers of living."

for several weeks rumors have truthfulness observed by you said former labor organizations, and your newspaper." dissolved in 1939 (when Franco) took power after slaughtering an affront to one of America's two million workers and peasants in the civil war) but still newspapers is a sign of his being maintained secretly, would desperation and the true scope try to provoke a conflict in of the revolutionary events now

This is one of the most despite hundreds of thousands of which Washington is giving him.

has failed to wipe out the

The Franco government is in two main props (the other being the Army), is trying to take the heat off Franco by echoing the criticism of conditions, while defending the "basic ideas of the regime," reported Sam Pope Brewer, N. Y. Times correspondent after the Barcelona

In order to keep the facts about the Spanish situation concealed from the rest of the world, Franco's government has tributed in Bilbao during the tightened his already drastic censorship of foreign news disin the Basque city and in- patches. Brewer, who had been reporting much of the news morrow against the high cost that did get through, was deprived of his press credentials This same dispatch says that on the grounds of "lack of

That Franco would risk such most powerful conservative unfolding in Spain. More and more Franco's hope of survival heartening bits of news from rests on the money and arms, Spain. It reveals that Franco, as well as diplomatic support,

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The "Guns Not Butter" Program

The arms program, imposed on Britain by Washington's pressure and accepted by the Attlee leadership, confronts the British people with the gravest of calamities. Attempts to carry through this program will not only strip their modest welfare gains but tear their living standards to shreds as the result of run-away inflation, on the one side, and large-scale unemployment because of raw-material shortages, on the other. That was the gist of the revelations made by Aneurin Bevan upon resigning as Labor Minister from Attlee's cabinet.

Foreign Secretary Morrison, a champion of the arms program, bore out everything that Bevan said. Morrison has appealed to Washington for a more equitable "sharing" of raw-materials, warning that the British arms program might have to be cut unless this was done and hastily assuring that the brunt of the shortages would nevertheless have to be borne by cuts in the living standards of the British people.

Commenting on the crisis of the Laborite leadership, the columnist Walter Lippmann coolly affirms that the U.S. arms program at home and in Europe is "absolutely incompatible with the idea of a rising standard of civilian consumption here and Europe. It called for increasing austerity under severe restrictions and heavy regimentation."

In his resignation speech Bevan concluded that the British workers would not docilely accept the economic and social degradation that this program en-

MacArthur and the

Among the posts from which MacArthur was deposed was the highest post of all, that of Commander-in-Chief of the "United Nations Forces." Yet Gen. MacArthur has yet to say a single word about this august "world body." He demonstratively refused even to refer to it by name in his speech before the joint session of Congress.

For its part, as if by mutual agreement, the United Nations has just as studiously ignored MacArthur. Just as if there never had been any connection between them! The UN has not even bothered to issue a formal statement on the deposition of "its own" highest military officer. But that is not all.

There is the issue of Formosa. Truman's unilateral action in seizing Formosa at the start of the Korean hostilities was taken without either consultation or approval of the United Nations. It has consistently chosen to ignore this, along with the repeated declarations by MacArthur as well as many of the most prominent members of the Truman administration that Formosa will be "defended" come what may.

On the heels of MacArthur's pronouncement that Formosa is not to be surrendered under any conditions. Secretary of State Acheson blandly disclosed that as long as 10 weeks ago it was arranged for a large U.S. military commission to take charge of supplying and

On this point Bevan is absolutely correct. The needs of self-preservation are bound to sharpen the class struggles in Britain as elsewhere in Europe in the extreme. The very same economic forces that underlie the cabinet crisis of the Attlee regime will on the morrow be duplicated in West Europe. As to the militant moods of the European workers and their will to struggle, the ferment that is seething today in Franco's Spain provides an excellent gauge of the scope such struggles can and will assume.

The American workers should find that easy to understand. We have not yet felt the impact of the costs of armament anywhere near as much as the British, whose living standards are still so wretchedly low. But the first onset of inflation here, accompanied by previews of the impending "severe restrictions" and "heavy regimentation," sufficed to produce the demonstrative walkout of the CIO and AFL leaders from the defense agencies.

The storm signals now flying in Britain are at the same time storm signals for American labor. The workers have in store for them the same scourges now lashing their brothers in Britain and Europe. The fountainhead of shortages, reduced living standards and other evils of inflation is located right here. It is the American imperialists who are the central power-house generating what Lippmann describes as "increasing austerity under severe restrictions and heavy regimentation."

There is only a difference in timing

and execution between this and MacAr-

thur's demand for "logistic support" of

Chiang for raids on the Chinese main-

land. Yet not a single one of Washing-

ton's allies in the UN, presumably op-

posed to MacArthur's policy, has voiced

greatest opposition to MacArthur in the

UN is his demand to bomb Manchuria.

Yet, on April 25, the U.S. State Depart-

ment allowed a leak to the press that it

has consulted with its UN associates on

the need to bomb Manchurian bases "at

any time that planes based in these fields

become a serious menace." There were

"no objections," it was reported in the

turn out to be the prelude to accomplish-

ing precisely what MacArthur advocates,

namely, the extension of the war to the

Chinese mainland — and through the ta-

cit, if not open, connivance of the UN!

fraud and sham of the United Nations.

This "bulwark of peace" is nothing more

than a fifth wheel on the war chariot

of American imperialism.

In these episodes is revealed the whole

Thus the removal of MacArthur may

What has reportedly also aroused the

ly defensive."

a protest.

went on to oppose, at this time 'war, on a broad horizon whether in Asia or in Europe, or both." The reason he gave is not often training Chiang Kai-shek's troops in ettered in public. It is the fear, hared by the most farsighted of Formosa. Shipments of arms to Chiang the capitalists, that in the wake have also been announced to be of top of "war, an unlimited one - or priority. All this is palmed off as "pureeven one of great magnitude" would inexorably come social up-

to China.

cluding this country. "We, undoubtedly, would somehow, somewhere," he said, "win a war with the Communist world, but the military victory would not Your own heads are at stake. munist ideas. The very desolatrail will make the social soil in this question. the Orient, in Europe, indeed heme, more fertile and better munism and revolution to take his fellow "democratic socialist" oot in."

heavals, throughout the world in-

the backdrop, Lewis W. Douglas,

former U.S. Ambassador to Brit-

ain, delivered an important for-

eign policy speech on April 23 at

a luncheon of the Associated

Press. What lends importance to

Douglas' remarks is not merely

the former high diplomatic post

he held. His views are significant

as an authoritative expression of

the outlook of the real masters

of this country - the billionaire

monopolists, among whom Doug-

las holds a key position as chair-

man of the powerful Mutual Life

Insurance Co., one of the ten

biggest insurance super-monopol-

The burden of Douglas' speech

was the need to maintain at all

costs "the grand alliance" with

the British empire, which he

characterized as "the last reliable

bastion of strength" on whom the

American imperialists could de-

pend in their projected war

BIG MONEY FEARS FUTURE

by name; Douglas nevertheless

made it amply clear that he and

the Big Money interests for whom

he spoke did not favor MacAr-

thur's line of extending the war

After vaguely referring to

'serious mistakes" that "we, too,

have made" in Asia and admitting

cautiously that "some" of these

mistakes "may have even induc

ed the Korean war," he expressed

alarm at the fact that both U.S

and Britain "have made a botch

of a nasty and extremely dan-

gerous situation." Douglas then

Without mentioning MacArthur

against the Soviet Union.

Douglas was speaking to a seect audience and doubtless felt he could afford this unaccustomed candor. But such words on the lips of a conservative like Douglas are striking evidence of both the crisis in the American ruling circles and the blind alley which American imperialism has enter-

Douglas even went so far as c declare that resort to war "is in itself the clearest manifesta-The consequences of war, he de-

U.S. Capitalism in Blind Alley, Douglas Admits vanquished as those who have of the Soviet, with Communist With the Truman-MacArthur

phase of the "great debate" as What appalls Douglas and his class is the condition in which world capitalism, so decayed and ideologically insolvent, now finds itself.

> "The world has been so torn asunder," he laments, "by the last war - the ancient fabric of sonational society (read: world capitalism) at the moment no longthat never in history has there been such a shift in the centers of power." Most important of all is Doug-

> as' next admission that it is not the military strength of the Soviet Union but the sweep of anticapitalist mass moods and feelings throughout the world that talist balance of power on the international arena.

been beaten on the field of bat- faith and ideas, and an unparalleled disruption in the balance of power." What a self-annihilating admission!

For the existing critical situation, there is and can be no mili- and other war mobilization agencies. tary solution. Unwittingly Dougias thus gives the lie direct both to Truman with his continued 'limited war" in Korea and to ciety has been so rent into tatters | MacArthur with his fraudulent | extending hostilities to the Chinese mainland. Douglas himself er is clearly discernible. It is clear has no solution to offer except to warn that if the British empire is lost as an ally, then the U.S. imperialists will find them selves completely isolated in a situation that is already "so perplexing and threatening.

American workers can permit all the Douglases to dictate the foreign policy of this country has undermined the age-old capi- only at their own gravest peril. It is precisely because they see no way out that the American "The problem of this period of monopolists are in their frustrahistory is so perplexing and tion and desperation dragging the threatening," he explained, "be- American people along with the cause it is derived from a com- rest of the world closer and closer bination of the military strength to the brink of World War III.

(Continued from Page 1) their political views or persecu-

their spirit of fair play and removed from the courage in defending the right capitalist investment and to free and open discussion of ploitation. the IWW and participated in prize for which they waged war many free speech fights with against Japan, has been lost." them. One of the reasons I broke with the Stalinized Com- ists have to establish the poli-1928 was their refusal to allow side that movement.'

policy is not an academic one which are driving America's mean the extermination of Com- That is why you have the right to demand that all possible tion which it will leave in its light be thrown on all sides of

Cannon presented a point-byeverywhere, including here at point refutation of the arguments justifying U.S. foreign pologists for the imperialists. They picture Washington's actions as "peace-loving, demoopposite of the truth. Cannon likened Hook and his associates plause burst forth when Can to "the old missionaries who were sent out to soften up the natives for subjugation by the

big monied-powers, later." He dissected their chief argument that American capitalism was not imperialistic and that tion of political insolvency" and Lenin's teachings on imperialists then added that military victory did not apply to the United would offer no solution whatever. States by showing how the have no advice to give them ruling class here had the probclared, "make it certain that the lem of exporting the greatest military victors become ultimate- mass of accumulated capital ly almost as impoverished and ever concentrated in a single

country. The excruciating contradiction is that they must find outlets for their surplus capital In opening his talk Cannon and goods precisely when whole congratulated the students for sections of the globe have been diverse points of view. "I began Union and then Eastern Europe as abroad. my career in the labor move- have been closed to American ment over forty years ago with investors. And now China, the

"The monopolists and militarmunist Party in this country in tical preconditions for safe investment in Asia, Europe and anyone with a different view- elsewhere. That's why they need point to defend their ideas in- puppet regimes. It is these facts of life, the imperious require-"The question of U.S. foreign ments of a capitalist economy for the youth," he continued. ruling circles to 'police actions' greater wars tomorrow"

Denouncing American intervention in Korea as a "brutal imperialist adventure," Cannon concluded with an eloquent appeal to the youth not to commit their future to capitalism in its "twilight and death agony." Ally watered for the seeds of Com- policy put forward by Hook and yourselves with the international labor and socialist movement, he said, which alone car

open a new road for mankind. An hour of animated discus non answered this last question from a student: "what do you propose Washington's foreign policy should be?" "I have no proposals to make to the State Department," Cannon replied. "I'm their irreconcilable opponent, not their partner or that would do them any good!"

Trotskyists in In Next Elections

LA PAZ, Bolivia - The Revolutionary Workers Party of Boliconvention in March. The convenadopted a program of action for the coming period.

The delegates voted to conduct an independent electoral campaign in the next national elections. In previous elections the ing the authority of the WSB RWP had participated in an elec-

tion bloc with other organizations. The convention saluted the im- disguised form. prisoned mineworker leaders who have been sentenced to death by far not won one real concession the government for their role in from the administration. Neither the May 1949 mine strikes. The the National Advisory Mobilizadelegates backed a campaign to tion Board nor the newly reformfight for the freedom of the ed Wage Stabilization Board miners.

In defense of civil rights, freedom of the press, rights of unions, against persecution, the withdrew from all government they mean to chip away at the RWP voted to press for a united front of all working class organizations.

goslav workers against both At the same time, the convention tion program. criticised the foreign policy of the Yugoslav government.

THE CRISIS OF NEGRO LEADERSHIP

American Negro leadership faces the same type of dilemma as the labor leadership. It is no mere coincidence that the executive board of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People called for mass resignation of Negroes from civil defense posts a month after the United Labor Policy Committee instructed its representatives to walk out of the Wage Stabilization Board

The fact that the NAACP modified its stand at the next board meeting, deciding to call for a nation-wide campaign against Dixiecrat Federal Civil Defense Administrator Millard F. Caldwell instead of boycotting the entire agency, and that the United Labor Policy Committee has since re-entered the Big-Business controlled - that the old pattern of inter- promise of an easy victory by mobilization program on a new committee, only underscores the parallel.

Neither the labor leadership nor the Negro leadership wanted any split with the administration. Both avoided the break as long as they could, phrasing their mild demands in "statesmanlike" manner, not asking too much or too loudly. All they wanted was a little more consideration, a few high posts, front door admittance to their masters. And both, despite the Administration's long and consistent record of failure to make good on election promises, continued to trudge, hat in hand, from one conference to another - until even they could see in the mirror of public opinion how silly they looked.

Blessings of Democracy

Moreover, the labor missionaries for the American State Department in Europe found English and other European labor government and socialist party officials listening to their pompous speeches about American democracy and the power of the American labor movement with tongue in cheek. (And Negro leaders are still begging Secretary of State Acheson for posts for Negroes - so that they, no doubt, may tell the leaders of the powerful anti-imperialist movements in Africa of the blessings of democracy enjoyed by colored people in America!)

But regardless of how much more contempt the "leaders" could stomach, the Negro and labor masses want action. They are sick and tired of the runaround they get on discrimination just as on wages and prices. They have had enough of wars in which capitalists make profits and workers pay for them with reduced living standards - and with their lives; and the Negroes, on top of that, with subordination and humiliation by jim crow artists like Caldwell in every phase of daily life in America plus a particularly fiendish variety in court martials in Korea.

When the cases of Lieutenant Gilbert and others began to create a public scandal, and the NAACP sent Thurgood Marshall to investigate the treatment of Negro soldiers overseas, thousands demonstrated in NAACP mass meetings, poured funds into the almost bankrupt Association, rejoined the organization they "First the Soviet had been leaving in droves, began demanding action at home as well

Where Is NAACP Going?

The NAACP leadership again tried talking with Administration representatives about posts, jim crow in the Army, Fair Employment Practices and civil rights legislation. But they remain in an untenable position. The Association has decided to boycott a civil defense conference called for May 7-8 in Washington by Caldwell, to call its own civil rights mobilization in Washington May 22-23, and nation-wide "Oust Caldwell" mass meetings on May 20. The New York Branch of the NAACP boycotted a New York State Civil Defense Commission meeting April 10 and Judge Hubert T. Delaney, Domestic Relations Court justice and member of the NAACP board of directors, resigned from the New York Advisory Council of Civil Defense. All this is in the right di-"It is a matter of life and death. in Korea today as a prelude to rection, away from the coalition with the Democratic Party. But where is the NAACP going? There's a national election next year.

No one in his right mind proposes the Republican Party as a solution for the problems the "New Deal" and the "Fair Deal" failed to solve. The obvious solution for Negroes and labor is a joint one - a complete break with capitalist politics, the formation of an independent labor party.

True, the United Labor Policy Committee has not demonstrated any particularly inspiring leadership in this direction as yet, but pushing them, pressuring them to take the right course, the course dictated by the needs of their ranks as well as of the Negro masses, makes more sense than asking the Democratic leopard to change his spots.

cratic, and animated by the sion held the entire audience despite bell signals for change of classes Spontaneous and the truth Corner of the truth **Window Dressing for Board**

instead of 12 members does not Street." alter the fact that labor is outvoted: the industry members and so-called public members always apologist like Professor Hook. I bloc against labor on the important questions.

The industry members of the National Advisory Mobilization Board voted against reconstituting the Wage Stabilization Board, be cause they objected to the WSB having authority over "disputes other than wages." But there is really very little for them to fear in the new board.

All this board can do is handle such questions as union security, via completed its eighth national seniority etc., when such disputes threaten a strike, and the dispute tion, which included representa- is referred to the WSB by Trutives from all parts of Bolivia. man; otherwise the board may not handle such non-wage problems except by unanimous agreement of all members of the board.

Thus, the stiff protest of the industry members against widenresulted in Truman giving them what they wanted in a somewhat

The labor leaders have thus means a victory for labor.

All the major grievances which the union leaders listed when they as they are showing in the South. agencies, still exist.

Inflation has not been checked The assembled delegates adopt- and enormous. Taxes favor the for the oppressed Korean people Business still controls all key in their revolutionary struggle, posts in Washington and dictates billions to Big Business through

James B. Carey, is controlled version of the WSB will have 18 "lock stock and barrel by Wall

> It is still the same Truman, who Carey said on April 6 in Los Angeles, "has virtually surrendered to this same Wall Street crew, which instead of becoming more humanitarian has become more rapacious and more autocratic.'

As we predicted in the columns of The Militant the labor leadership has begun a big retreat back into a coalition with the Truman administration, because they fear the only other alternative: that is, the organization of an independent labor party to contest the national elections in 1952.

They have made a temporary ruce with the Big Business government. But this will necessarily be a truce of short duration.

The economic conditions which prought about the labor crisis in the first place, are still with us. The full blown effects of military production have still to be felt. As inflation continues to rage unabated and the workers made to bear the heavy burdens of war, the need for the labor leadership to find a way to escape the blame for conditions will crop up again. Either they will break again or face the full wrath of an aroused rank and file.

Moreover, the anti-labor offensive of the big industrialists will not cease. On the contrary, union movement's weak points, and eventually to deal some Profits continue to be uncontrolled decisive blows to the union movement. There is no chance of a ed a strong resolution of support rich and victimize the poor. Big real "peace" with the powerdrunk enemies of labor.

As long as the labor leaders are and also voted to support the Yu- policy. The government donates committed to support of the war mobilization program, they will "Wall Street and the Kremlin." the plant construction amortiza- have to bear responsibility of the This is still a war mobilization only be a lowering of the living program which in the words of standard of the workers.

conomic consequences, which can

Labor Party Issue and the Stalinists Bolivia to Run

By Joseph Keller CIO United Auto Workers recent convention in Cleveland were surprised, in looking through a magazine called March of Labor which

tents, line and authors clearly party movement that's "the real reveal, is strictly a Stalinist organ and it came as news even to its own followers that the Com- way some labor leaders figure. munist Party is saying anything No, they want "the actual organ favorable about a labor party.

appear as an "independent" publication dealing with matters of have a flood of discussions and interest to the unions. The Com- resolutions in the locals! Let's munist Party can disclaim formal spread this from coast to coast! responsibility for the magazine

From the article in March of Hardly. Labor you'd get the idea that the Not only does the Daily Worker Communist Party is going all-out carry on no campaign for a labor for a labor party and, in fact, party, but recent conventions and pendent peace Presidential ticknever held any other position. Up conferences of the Stalinist-con- et." To emphasize that this does to now, we have been wandering trolled Fur Workers and United not mean a new labor party tickin a wilderness of company-un- Electrical Workers passed resolu- et, the article immediately exionism in politics," says the edi-tions on political action that say rlains: "What is meant is a peace torial. "Now the next great step nothing about a labor party. is to come out of the wilderness, stop supporting the bosses' poli- is made clear in an article, "Notes allows its supporters full free- not in prospect for '52."

Delegates and visitors to the fide political party of labor." Sounds good - almost like a

March of Labor is not talking about any third capitalist party, had been handed to them free at like the dead but unburied Prothe door, to find on the next to gressive Party. The editorial the last page a small editorial speaks of "labor to take the lead headlined, "Labor Needs Its Own in forming a new party. . . . labor party or Farmer-Labor For March of Labor, as its con- party." And it calls for a labor McCoy - and not some kind of 'clever' bargaining gimmick the ization of such a party" and call March of Labor is designed to on the workers in every industry "to start the movement now. Let's

Is this a signal that the Comand its line. And that's important munist Party is making a big to understand what kind of tricky turn away from political alliances game the Stalinists are playing with various wings and tendenwith the issue of a labor party. cies of the capitalist parties?

The real aim of the Stalinists pendent Presidential ticket which

tical parties, and establish a bona- on the Electoral Outlook for '52," dom of action on the state and by Albert E. Blumberg, published congressional level." in the April Political Affairs, quotation from The Militant. chief theoretical organ of the Communist Party. This article, which bears the stamp of a basic | policy statement, describes the for the next period as:

1. The "exposure of the two old parties"; 2. "the projection of labor, Negro, farm and independent peace candidates in the 1951 municipal and state elections, by-elections, and the '52 Congressional races": and 3. "the organization of specific measures to advance the third-party movement and an independent nation-

al peace ticket in 1952." By "independent peace candidates," the article makes plain, is not meant independent labor cancampaigns. . . in which all electoral channels - major party primaries as well as independent candidacies - would be utilized." leading up to "a united, indeticket, not a party - an inde-

In short, what is meant is another pro-capitalist, Henry Wallace-type candidate who will talk "peace" - until he finds the favorable time to go over openly "main lines" of political action to the warmakers like the Stalinist-supported "Gideon" of the 1948 presidential elections. Indeed, the article speaks of the perspective of "merging of this independent peace ticket movement with the pro-peace elements in the Democratic and Republican parties. . . '

Thus, the Stalinists are prepared to make an alliance in the '52 elections with any capitalist politician - Democrat, Republican or just plain nondescript "progressive" - who will give lip-service to the Stalinist line of "peace' didates, let alone candidates of a through a deal between the Kremlabor party. It means "election lin and the western imperialist powers, particularly the United

This will permit the CP's local and state bodies to make with capitalist politicians in municipal and state elections.

As for any "third party," let alone a "bona-fide political party," this is summarily dismissed

However, the Stalinists need to give an appearance of support for a labor party "eventually" because of the growing pro-labor party pressure in the unions, as evidenced at the CIO auto workers convention. And there are signs of similar sentiment within the Stalinist trade union ranks as well. The Communist Party bureaucrats are forced to "go along" to a certain extent with this sentiment.

Sandwiched in Political Affair's talk of an "independent peace ticket" in alliance with "pro-peace elements in the Democratic and Republican parties," is a bit about "the initiation, in local and district unions, of resolutions on the need for a labor or farmer-labor party" as a means of "laying the basis for an eventual mass third party as well as in helping to create a more favorable atmosphere for a united peace ticket in '52."

What the Communist Party intends is to use the slogan of "the any dirty political deals they can need for" a labor party "eventually" as a come-on and bait for union workers to support its "peace" candidates of Democratic, Republican or "independent" hue - particularly the "united, in Political Affairs: "It is clear independent, peace Presidential that a new mass third party is ticket" it hopes to patch together

Labor Statesman Hunter met Capitalist Statesman Bear in the forest.

"What you looking for?" the bear asked the hunter.

"I am looking for a nice warm coat," our shrewd hunter replied, glaring out of the corner of his eye at the luxurious fur coat the bear was wearing.

"And you, my dear friend," the hunter asked, "what are you looking for?" As you see, our tic discourse and skillful bargaining.

"Why, I'm simply looking for a good meal," mon advantage?"

The wily hunter, trained in Reuther's school of clever statesmanship, was quick to see the

"But after all" the editors of the New Leader would say, "the negotiations were successful, the bear did get a good meal and the hunter got his fur coat."

stage for the Stalinists to go through another. of their hypocritical and false crusades for Negro rights

This time the Stalinists built their campaign around the legitimate and just grievance of UAW Negroes who severely criticized Reuther for maintaining a "lily-white" top office set-up in the auto union. This sentiment of Negro UAW members must be supported and encouraged.

But the Stalinists, who have long made claim to being the most militant fighters for Negro rights, showed their true colors again when they sought to exploit this issue for their own narrow purposes. This may clearly be seen in the way they handled the Negro vice-president issue at the convention.

The campaign was initiated on the second day of the convention by a big headline and story in the Michigan Worker.

Following closely upon this, word was gotten to Negro delegates of a "William Hood for vicepresident" drive. This drive was built to feverish pitch, but on the day of nomination and election of officers, Hood was not even nominated.

It was found later that the whole scheme was a Stalinist-organized move to force Reuther to concede on the question of a Negro for vice-

Bill Hood, four times elected recording secretary of the world's largest local union, was the logical man, so the Stalinists sponsored him with the hope of political gains.

When that deal didn't go through the Stalinists sought to capitalize on the general sentiment for a Negro vice-president which they had whipped up in the "Hood for vice-president cam-

Then, without the slightest consideration or consultation with any of the sincere Negro union-

The other day, socialite Russell Patterson

threw a swank cocktail party aboard the steam-

ship America, which is especially equipped with

the last word in care for canines. There are

porcelain dog baths, a beauty parlor for aristo-

cratic pooches along with a special diet kitchen,

veterinarian dispensary and a canine outdoor

The distinguished guests gathered in these

luxurious kennels, wearing special paper hats

designed for the occasion by Braagaard, munch-

ing on hors d'oeuvres, sipping cocktails and

singing "Happy Birthday" in honor of Russell

Patterson's toy French poodle, Coquette, whose

The distinguished dogs, among whom the fash-

ionable toy poodles predominated, were fed can-

apes made out of canine delicacies. There was,

of course, a birthday cake. The festivities ended

with a sun deck promenade duly recorded for

posterity by photographers amid light-bulb flash-

es and general merriment. All in all, a gay oc-

casion - enjoyed by the assembled dogs and

From this festive and highly cultured scene

we ask the reader to turn his attention to a

much more commonplace annual event. It takes

place in Mexico where thousands of ragged agri-

cultural workers assemble at contracting centers

for a chance to be imported as "contract farm

laborers" to work for six months or a year in

Texas, California, New Mexico, Arizona and other

cotton, fruit or vegetable plantations in the

In the last four years, since 1947, an "average

of 80,000 Mexicans annually has been imported,"

seventh birthday was being celebrated.

their snooty owners alike.

recreation center. A sort of dog's paradise.

hunter is well versed in the niceties of diploma-

the bear replied, careful not to eye the hunter. "Oh-h? Why can't we negotiate to our com-

"Certainly," the old bear replied, "we can go to my cave and talk it over in comfort." So they went to the bear's cave; both the hunter and the bear went in, and in due course the bear came out alone.

Stalinists UAW and

ists, who were active in the "Hood for vice-presi-The 13th convention of the UAW provided the dent" campaign, the Stalinists arbitrarily rigged the nomination and acceptance of Dave Moore, a Negro Stalinist, for vice-president.

Poodles and Farm Laborers

These facts only serve to point out and add to what has become more or less an open secret; that the Stalinists will initiate and carry out a campaign around any issue insofar as they are able to make political capital from these "cam-

These facts became even clearer when the Stalinists, their press, and their people completely ignored other vital questions which concerned Negroes, such as the question of the treatment of Negro G.I.'s in the American army in Korea and the serious problem of discrimination in hiring (FEPC), which was heatedly debated upon the convention floor.

It yet remains unclear whether William Hood was conscious of the fact that he was a "Charlie McCarthy" of the Stalinists in that brief splurge of shyster politics.

Antics like these are demoralizing to the workers who are sucked into it, thinking it is the "Real McCoy."

A great lesson may be learned by comparing the results in votes of a Stalinist fake deal with Moore for vice-president who received slightly over 300 votes in the whole convention, and the contest of Bill Johnson who ran for a post in Region 1-A and received approximately 550 votes in Region 1-A.

Both proposals — a Negro for vice-president and a Negro in a region — were legitimate, but the Negro for vice-president campaign was Stalinist controlled and dominated and thereby failed; while the campaign around Johnson was sponsored by honest and progressive trade unionists and was therefore successful.

of these contracting centers to be opened this

year was at Hermosillo, Mexico, where there

was "a once-beautiful city park" about half-

mile square but which is "now scarred and pov-

park for fireplaces and stripping branches for

workers have contracted pneumonia and several

have died." So many have fallen sick and died,

in fact, that the Mexican authorities have final-

has been treating as many as 300 cases a day.'

The workers are restive and there have been

Well-bred dogs, as any member of the Russell

Patterson set knows, would turn up their noses

at such vulgar doings. But then again, the whole

trouble apparently is that these human beings

had the misfortune of not being born pedigreed

"repeated small riots. In one of them a worker

"established an emergency dispensary, which

cakes) and coffee."

- minus \$1.75 a day board.

was fatally trampled.'

Some 12,000 have congregated there, making

THE MILITANT

F. Goelman Gets 6821 Votes In Oakland Council Election

BUFFALO SWP CONDUCTS CIVIL RIGHTS CAMPAIGN

tions to join with it in this fight.

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an appeal to the University of not do in the crude old days of erties to take a firm stand against blish with the aid of thoughtthe growing menace of the re- control police, under the guise of cently organized local "Anti-Sub- anti-subversive activity. versive" police squad.

The conference, organized by body, was the first of its kind to be held here in recent years, and was attended by about 500 per-

A LOCAL GESTAPO

The Socialist Workers Party appeal reached the conference both by letter and by personal appeal from Sam Ballan, Chairman of the Buffalo SWP, who took the floor on the question of Buffalo civil rights conditions. thorities have singled out the Socialist Workers Party more than any other organization, because acting of his own free will at the of its militant and progressive policies in the labor movement, Comrade Ballan described the socalled "Anti-Subversive" squad as a local Gestapo.

The Conference on Civil Libdiscussion group rather than a testimony of Dr. Sullivan. ody prepared to take actions, was measures against the encroachments upon democratic rights. explains the N. Y. Times correspondent. The first

The importance of the SWP's appeal to the conference did not escape the reactionary Buffalo on to deodorize the anti-Negro Evening News, chief spokesman smell of the frame-up. In the for the Buffalo area industrial- previous trial Volpe described ists, which printed one of its cus- Sullivan as one of "the outtomary biased and distorted artheir beds, digging holes around the edge of the ticles, headlined, "Trotskyists aim circulars at a n t i - subversive fuel. "Many had been unemployed for months and subsisted for days on a few tortillas (corn squad."

The news story stated, "The here "as much as ten weeks." And "numerous Workers Party (Trotskyist) labelled by the U.S. Attorney-General as 'subversive and communist' is the Anti-Subversive Squad of the Buffalo Police Department.

"Hiring has been slow," informs the Times' reporter on April 22. "On some days 5,000 to Liberties Conference at the Uni- minds of the frame-up, however, 10,000 of the waiting workers have been called from their bivouacs under the trees and herded in the boiling sun while ranches selected only mand the city administration small-time Negro politician were 50 or 100 of their number. On some days, there abolish the squad. The conference called to police headquarters late has been no hiring at all." Their wages, if and took no action." when hired, are reportedly 821/2 cents an hour

THE SWP LEAFLET

To show the true picture it is only necessary to quote the SWP this is a sinister masquerade.

branch of the Socialist Workers Plainclothesmen attend meetings Party has opened a campaign in and discussion groups, take notes defense of civil rights, distribut- filing system dossier on private of the attendance, and set up a ing thousands of leaflets through- individuals. This clearing house eut the area and appealing to of information is at all times at many labor and liberal organiza- the disposal of the anti-labor employers, who may use it as their The campaign was begun with private blacklist. What they could

Buffalo's Conference on Civil Lib- union busting, they now accom-



FILOMENA GOELMAN

The conference, organized by various groups among the student hody, was the first of its kind to TRENTON 6 PROSECUTION

By George Lavan

TRENTON, April 25 - Prosecutor Volpe has launched a bitter attack on the testimony of one of his own key witnesses in the jim-crow, frame-up trial of the Trenton Six for the alleged murder of a

storekeeper. witness Dr. J. Minor Sullivan instead of the old-fashioned Citing the fact that the local au- brought out that defendant Collis method of beatings which has the English was under "mental pressure" and could not have been "confession" signing ceremony and that McKinley Forest was trembling so that two doctors had to help him take off his shirt. Then prosecutor Volpe, one of the architects of the frame-up, began erties, having been constituted as his effort to discredit the

This development was all the mable to organize any specific more damaging to the state's second attempt to send the six Negroes to the electric chair because Sullivan was one of the two Negro witnesses the state counted standing colored citizens of this community."

Sullivan, who was a newcomer reign of terror culminated in the jury. haphazard arrest of the six been broken and ready to "confess" or do anything the police demanded. He had never had any previous professional dealings "The Trotskyists Friday pass- with the police, who have their ed out circulars outside the Civil own hired physicians. The masterversity of Buffalo. The circulars wanted window dressing for their called on the conference to de- case so the Negro doctor and a

one night. Upon their arrival the show began. In succession the present defendants, exhausted and terleaflet, which said: "This local nights of grilling, were put Gestapo goes under the name of through their "confession" acts. ants. As a county employe part Anti-Subversive Squad of the Then the regular police physician of Sullivan's duties is to treat Buffalo Police Department' but and Dr. Sullivan were asked to prisoners. Both sides had agreed "It operates in collusion with cause the police had used mental jury.

torture, relentless grilling and Defense questioning of state drugs to secure the "confessions" disadvantage of leaving marks on the bodies of the "voluntary confessors." Neither doctor found any evidence of beatings and the state banked on Sullivan's testimony to weigh heavily with the jury. By "coincidence" Sullivan was given a job with the county a week later.

Defense cross - examination of Sullivan dwelt on the defendants' psychological state. Revelations vere so damaging — drug-induced stupors, hysteria, fear, etc. that Judge Smalley, largely on Sullivan's testimony during the argument on the admissibility of the confessions, threw out three of the "confessions" typed by the police and signed by the defendants. Two of the "confessions" have been admitted into evidence and the defense is questioning Dr. Sullivan now in an effort to exto Trenton when the anti-Negro pose and discredit these before the

Many of the laborers have been "bivouacking" latest target of the Socialist latest target of the Socialist defendants, was called in by the retract, Prosecutor Volpe's atpolice when the defendants had tempt today to discredit his own "The sudden involvement of their labor-hating, liberty- stiflwitness brought stronger reaf- U.S. troops in Korea without ing policies. "Is this association firmations. In response to one consulting the American people or in the spirit of our American question Sullivan shouted that as even Congress has aroused wide- forefathers or the Nazis?" he he remembered it Collis English, a defendant, "was scared to death." Sullivan also indicated gave as examples the tremendous that a police-typed medical report of his, produced by the prosecutor, was incomplete, leaving out vital elements such as reference to drugs.

Defense counsels blasted the prosecutor for breaking an agreement made in the judge's chambers. Volpe was attempting to rified from four days and five bring out that Dr. Sullivan had recently talked with the defendexamine the men. This was be- not to mention this before the that they are only trying to world safe for democracy but safe

Anti-War Candidate Runs Third, Polls 9% of Total

· OAKLAND, April 23 - Filomena M. Goelman, Socialist Workers Party candidate for Councilman-at-large, polled 6,821 votes in the April 17 election. This is over 9 percent of the total vote cast.

field of five.

In 1949, candidate Goelman received a little over 2,000 votes than 2,500 longshoremen, who and ran eighth in a field of nine. Thus, in the last two years the Oakland SWP has gained 200 percent in voting strength.

The campaign was a militant anti-war and socialist offensive by the SWP in the Oakland area. Comrade Goelman's forthright socialist program, counterposed to the superficial campaigns of the other candidates, won her much demonstrated, therefore, a voting sympathy.

BRING GI'S HOME!"

Comrade Goelman asked the put forward by the candidate. war. When the Truman-MacAr- to raise campaign funds. thur dispute was making the headlines, the SWP candidate of the vote is available at this proposed to "leave MacArthur in time, it is clear that Comrade Korea and bring the GI's home now!" This never failed to bring a smile of approval from the au- West Oakland. This election is

practically threw up a blockade of the workers at the present against candidate Goelman, pre- moment. It is a promise of things venting her speaking before lo- to come.

Candidate Goelman ran third in a cal AFL unions, this was more than compensated for by Comrade Goelman's speech before more constitute the major CIO union in Northern California.

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The excellent showing of the SWP in this campaign has not passed unnoticed. For one thing, Comrade Goelman received a vote almost identical to that received by the Independent Progressive Party candidate running in another district. The SWP strength at least equal to that of the Stalinists.

A third of the campaign finances At street corner meetings, and was raised from workers sympain speeches from a sound truck, thetic to the anti-war program workers of Oakland to make their One hard - working campaign vote a protest against the Korean worker held a dinner in her home

Although no precinct analysis Goelman ran strongest in the working class and Negro area of a demonstration of the SWP's Although the AFL bureaucrats capacities, and the responsiveness

HANSEN HITS WAR PLANS AT OVERFLOW DETROIT MEETING

DETROIT, April 22 - Despite | rade Hansen quoted articles from a city-wide strike of buses and capitalist papers reporting the streetcars, the Detroit branch of horrible results of napalm attacks the Socialist Workers Party was Korean countryside. "This started host to an overflowing audience out as 'Operation Korea' but since who came to hear Joseph Hansen then the American generals have on a coast to coast SWP tour. on a coast to coast SWP tour, renamed it "Operation Killer" speak on "America and the World said the speaker. He went on to Crisis." The present war in Korea comment on the personalities and was the main point under discus- powers backing America's course sion both by the speaker and in Korea - Syngman Rhee, Instead of making Dr. Sullivan members of the audience who Chiang Kai-shek, the Vatican,

spread interest in politics among the population," he stated and interest centered on the Kefauver real reasons for America's forinvestigations and MacArthur's eign policy," he said. In answer dismissal. "The ruling class has to those who advance the argubeen trying to sell its foreign ment that the Soviet Union is policy to the American people but I don't think it will be successful. The people are worried. Stalinist bureaucracy has always Worried about the rising cost of tried to play ball with U.S. imliving, heavy increases in taxes, perialists by subverting and the savage onslaught on civil rights and the attempts at over the world. Prussian militarism of the coun-

"export democracy abroad," Com- for investments."

and the total destruction of the

"Fear of revolution and the desire to prevent it is one of the trying to push us into war Comrade Hansen pointed out that the thwarting workers' movements all

"The real push," he declared. "is from American big business. Blasting the war-monger's cry They don't want to make the

Short Subjects

WANT PROTECTION — The Commission on Internal Security and Individual Rights appointed by Truman to review the loyalty programs unanimously voted last week to stop functioning and go home. They acted in protest against the reluctance of Congress to pass a law exempting them from laws forbidding federal employees from doing business with the government. Many of the members have lucrative defense contracts and other associations with the government. Among those embarrassed are Harvey Firestone, Jr., chairman of one of the Big Four rubber corporations; Charles Silver, vice president of the American Woolen Company, and Russell Leffingwell, chairman of the board of J. P. Morgan & Co., which handles government securities.

POLITICAL PAYOFF - Democratic Governor Williams who was put in office with the help of the United Auto Workers turned down George Edwards, Walter Reuther's choice to succeed the late Senator Vandenberg in the Senate, and appointed newspaperman Blair Moody instead, although Moody had not previously been affiliated with the Democratic Party. Republican Senator Ferguson expressed satisfaction with the appointment; Reuther was less pleased.

LEAD PARADE - General MacArthur and Cardinal Spellman will share the head of the procession in the Loyalty Parade on April 28 organized in New York City by witch-hunting and pro-fascist elements as a counter-demonstration to the May Day parade.

LIBERATION - According to the Socialist Outlook, the editor of the London Daily Mail in a speech to Singapore Rotarians related the following conversation with a Korean in Seoul who said to an American. . "Thank you, I am liberated. My wife is dead, my children are maimed. Thank you, I am liberated."

KOREA CASUALTIES - Officially announced U.S. battle casualties in the Korea war before the present Chinese offensive totaled 61,744.

FIGHT FOREMAN — 2,000 General Electric Workers, members of Local 119, IEU-CIO in Philadelphia, voted at a meeting on April 24 not to return to work until the company met their demand to remove a dictator-foreman, Charles Nolte. The workers walked out two days before in protest against the foreman's conduct which they termed "arrogant" and "impossible to work under." Nolte is a notorious rate-cutter and there has been grumbling against him in the shop since 1945.

WAR BUDGET - On April 25 the House Appropriations Committee voted another \$6,421,-406.000 for war. These new military funds make \$49 billions provided by Congress for war during this fiscal year. Officials predicted that Truman would bring in a \$70 billion military budget

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Our analysis of the recent CIO United Automobile tive, who appeared at our politi- policies, including his five-year dues increase or were instructed Workers convention in the April 16 Militant stated that | cal meetings and urged support | contracts. President Walter Reuther's machine had disclosed "serious cracks." Post-convention events 9-

are further confirming this es- well-oiled political machine. This the convention over the issue of tion. the dues increase demanded by Reuther, has speedily become a wide-open break.

Smarting under Reuther's slanas "anti-union" at the convention, Stellato has hurled a fulldent in the April 14 Ford Facts, official Local 600 newspaper. An eight-column giant-typed banner head sums up Stellato's present views toward Reuther in one word: "BETRAYAL!"

POLITICAL PRESSURE

up to the time of the convention me." and elected to the 65,000-member backing, Stellato now charges the (Reuther) and Secretary-Treas-Reuther machine with a "violent urer (Emil Mazey) of our Interand vicious brand of politics" in national Union. . . stated pubwhich "you play the game the licly in a public auditorium bedie of strangulation as they public press present, that I was

timate. The rift between Reuther is what is going on in what was and Ford Local 600 President a short time ago a hectic, mili-Carl Stellato, which developed at tant, truly democratic organiza-"As the President of Local 600

and an elected delegate to the

convention, I have been confronted with every threat implied or derous public castigation of him stated above. The fact that the increase, made no difference a 'good boy,' 'a smart politician,'

face the wrath of a high-powered, as an international representa- has bitterly attacked Reuther's led their memberships to fight the UAW in a short time.

for my reelection as (Local 600) President, who installed me in ofmembership since they were elected as delegates to oppose an increase in dues."

UNION DEMOCRACY

Ford 600 Leader Breaks with Reu

In his blast against Reuther and Mazey, Stellato has gone membership of my Local Union beyond the dues issue to the fundemanded by a vote of 23,000 to damental question of internal unpage attack at the UAW presi- 9,000 that delegates from Local ion democracy. He states that "the 600... oppose any form of a dues cardinal sin is to disagree with the top leadership. For this sin whatsoever to those sending out you can be exterminated politicthe threats. I was supposed to be ally, you can be fired if you are a Union representative, you can 'fall in line,' and otherwise vio- be brought to trial by the Execulate the trust placed in me by tive Board and thrown out of the Known as a Reuther supporter the membership which elected Union, you can be denied the Because he loyally carried out Union officers in Local Union Local 600 presidency just a cou- the mandate of his rank and file, newspapers. Every such action is traditions of our Union."

The statement of "Local Union newspapers" undoubtedly refers to the action of Reuther and way the big politicians say or you fore 2,500 people, and with the his Executive Board in attempting to intimidate and silence the squeeze the political breath out anti-Union. These same people Flint Chevrolet Local 659's newsof you. Either you go along or for whom I worked seven years paper, The Searchlight, which vention delegates who had pledg- can make great headway in the

Stellato's article cites the "varfice when I was first elected, said stifle opposition expression at pressure of the Reuther machine was anti-Union because I felt the convention. Among these are at the convention. the delegates had no right to im- the "rules of the convention which pose an increase in dues on our are pressured through by the ad- rowers to force delegates into ministration in power."

FIGHT FOR DEMOCRACY

statement that "we can either de- ment of his own machine as the fy this type of leadership, this Ford Local 600 leadership to a type of vile politics, or we can break. bring to our membership the message of what actual conditions pected to have wide repercussions are in our Union. We can rest our throughout the auto union. They case with the rank and file and indicate a possibility of closer colright to criticize Union policy or hope that we can give rebirth to laboration between the Ford Local a demand from our membership for complete democracy in our Motors locals in Flint, as well as ple of months ago with Reuther's Stellato charges, "the President a denial of the great democratic Union and a rejection to those leaders who would deny us our If this opposition bases itself on democratic rights and complete a fundamental economic and poremoval of those other leaders litical program - particularly rewho would betray this member-

> ship." Stellato reserves some bitter words for the hundreds of con- formation of a labor party - it

> to do so and who "broke those promises and betrayed their memious 'smart' techniques" used to bership" under the coercion and

> Reuther, over-estimating his ministration political machine. It line, had employed the same kind required a greater number of del- of threats and pressure on Stelegates to get a roll call vote than late and the Ford delegates as to conduct the business of the he used successfully on delegates convention. The committees are from newer, smaller, weaker and packed by careful selection of less experienced locals. Had he committee members by the ad- realized in advance the outcome of his arrogant actions, it is likely that he would have been more cautious and diplomatic rather Stellato concludes with the than drive such a powerful seg-

> > Stellato's charges can be ex-600 dissidents and the General other influential opposition locals. jection of union participation on government wage-freezing boards and support of the demand for